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# Uganda Mangabey Eco-tourism Activities in Bugoma Forest

# **BUGOMA FOREST**

#### one of the last virgin tropical forests & chimpanzee sanctuaries in Africa

With a size of 411 sq km of protected area, a long forested stretch of about 40 km, is found 30 km South of Hoima, along Hoima – Kagadi Road, off Kabwoya trading centre in Kikuube District in Uganda. This is the perfect tourist stop over in the area of Lake Albert, Hoima, Kagadi.

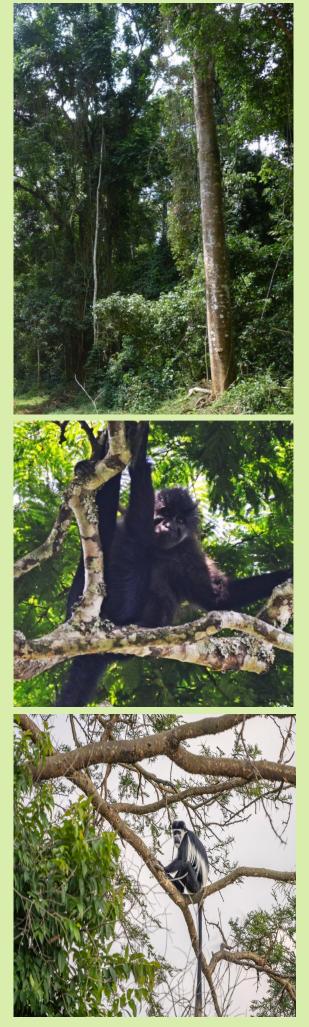
#### **Bugoma Forest the vegetation**

About the vegetation, 80% of the reserve is covered by Tropical High Forest, classified as D2 (**Cynometra– Celtis** forest); then 4,000 Ha are classified as K (**Albizia-Combretum – Terminalia – Hyparrhenia rufa**) and 3,500 Ha as N2 (**Combretum-Hyparrhenia** Savannah) type (Langade Brown et.al 1964).

#### **Primates and Mammals**

Rich in biodiversity, the primates are abundant, with about 390 chimpanzees (Pan troglodytes), as recorded in the survey in 2020/2021, a large number of black and white colobus (Colubus Guereza), Uganda mangabey (Lophocebus Ugandae) is the L.albigena group Uganda's only endemic primate, a sub species of grey checked Mangabey group, red tailed monkeys, blue monkeys, bush baby (galago). The Ugandan mangabey only remains present in Bugoma, as it disappeared from other forests in the region. Therefore, Bugoma is a chimpanzee sanctuary, hosting highly endangered species.

Among other animals, Bugoma hosts a small population of African bush elephants, African golden cat (Caracal aurata), side-striped jackals (Canis Adustus).



# Uganda Mangabey trekking

The Uganda Mangabey trekking and nature walks to Bugoma forest are arranged at 8 am and at 2 pm. The meeting point is Bugoma Jungle Lodge where the Tour guides of ACBF do the briefing and explain the rules for the trekking.

During the experience, visitors will see types of vegetation, plants species and learn about vegetation's behaviors in a tropical forest. According to the season visitors might see various types of butterflies, insects, birds like Black and white Casqued Hornbill, Blackbilled Turaco and the Olive sunbird.

The main attraction is the encounter with the primates, especially the **Uganda mangabeys** (Lophocebus Ugandae), which are endemic to this forest. Their appearance and typical calls are one of the most unique experiences of Uganda. You might also see the red tailed monkeys and black and white colobus which are a quite common spot.

#### **Tariff:** Foreign Not Resident Per Person: USD 40 Adult & USD 30 Child – Foreign Residents / Citizens USD 20 Adult & USD 10 Child.

**Note:** ACBF is a no profit community based organisation. From the collection, 5\$ per entry goes to community projects by ACBF.



## **Community walk** in Nyakafunjo or Kyamujogo

ACBF offers very informative community village walk starting from Bugoma Jungle Lodge. This activity allows visitors to encounter closely the residents of the area of Nyakafunjo and Kyamujogo in Kabwoya subcounty and to do also birding along the way. Following the local guide, visitors walk through the village trails and visit some of the homesteads, as they pass through the gardens (with the traditional crops like maize, coffee, banana). In thtypically farming area, you will experience also activities like the local gin distillation and traditional beekeeping. One of the main schools in the area is Kisaaru Primary School where visitors can interact with teachers and students.

Tariff: Foreign Not Resident Per Person: USD 15 Adult & USD 10 Child.

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### **Grey parrot loop trail**

This activity is a 20 minute guided walk for 1.3km along the trail in the private forest of Bugoma Jungle Lodge. Educational placards are placed to help spotting important tree species. The forest end samp habbitat is home to an incredible number of

species of primates and birds. Among the most typical are the Grey Parrot.

This activity is free of charge

# **Birdwatching in Bugoma**



There are 221 birds species recorded in Bugoma making the forest a birding sanctuary. Some species classified by IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature) as critically endangered, vulnerable and threatened are found in Bugoma Forest, like the Nahan's fracolin (Francolinus nahani) and Grey parrot (Psittacus Erithacus). Other common birds in Bugoma forests,

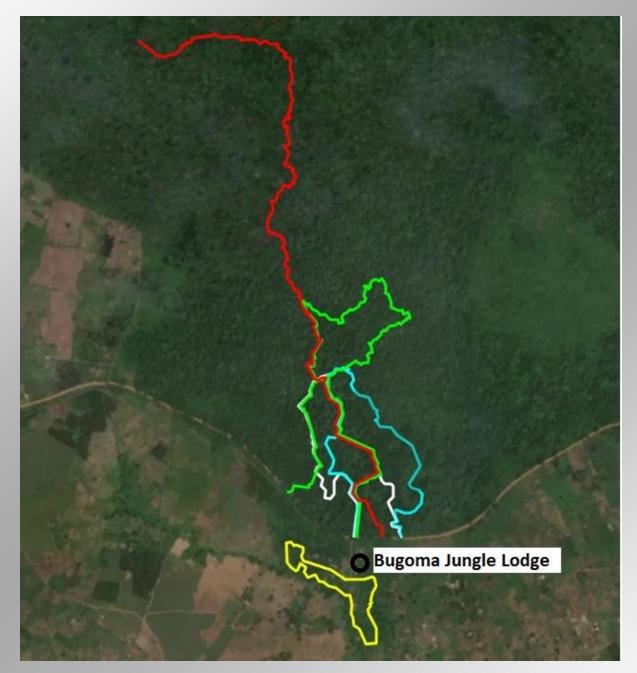


observed in 2010 research are the following: Little greenbul, Green hylia, Yellow billed barbet, Yellow –whiskered greenbul, Western Nicator, Buff-throated apalis, Yellow-throated Tinkerbird, Rufous flycatcher thrush, Olive sunbird, White-thighed hornbill, Black and white Casqued Hornbill, Blackbilled Turaco, speckled Tinkerbird.

Guided birding walks are available from Bugoma Jungle Lodge and follow the trails of the community village walk and the internal loop trail at the lodge. The birding experience is rich. Our guide will help visitors spotting birds and follow the birding check list of Bugoma Forest.

**Tariff:** USD 30 per person per day. From the collection, 5\$ per entry goes to community projects by ACBF.

#### **ACBF-BUGOMA FOREST TRAILS**



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	Grey Parrot Loop Trail-1.3KM
	Mwera-Bugoma Jungle Trail-32KM
	Uganda Mangabey trail-3.0KM
	Turaco trail-1.9KM
	Hornbill trail-1.8KM

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## EVERY CACTES EVERY 5 ACRES



#### Plant a tree

We offer the opportunity to plant an indigenous tree in the area under reforestation of the Every 5 Acres Project. This will be free of charge and we only encourage to give a support to the association.

This is a project by ACBF as a no profit organization. The idea is to purchase private land, with an initial target of 100 acres, to regenerate a natural forest as a buffer zone of Bugoma Forest. This will serve as a new habitat for chimpanzees and other monkeys and serve as a climate action project through carbon sequestration where donors can invest in «carbon credits».

ACBF purchases the land and provides the management of the tree planting in all the

areas of the project.

The Association will monitor the growing of the trees and will provide further information on carbon sequestration in the project.

We identified an area of 100 acres, owned by farmers located in Kimbugo Parish, Kabwoya Sub County, Buhaguzi County, Kikuube District, in the Eastern side of Bugoma Central Forest Reserve.

We estimate that each acre of land has a cost of USD 1.900. The cost for planting the trees for reforestation is estimated at USD 1000 per acre. The overall cost of Every 5 Acres project is USD 290.000 based on 100 acres.

#### HOW TO DONATE: Donate online through GoFundMe: https://www.gofundme.com/f/donate-to-give-habitat-to-the-chimpanzees

### Visit the projects of Association for Conservation of Bugoma Forest ACBF

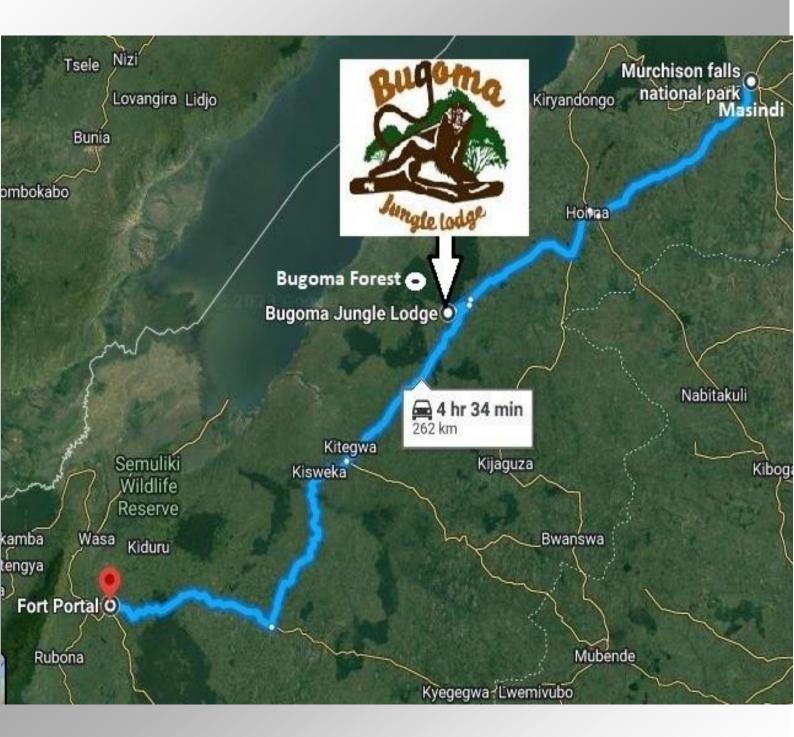
This activity is done from Bugoma Jungle Lodge and allows visitors to appreciate the projects of ACBF. First of all, you visit the public nursery of indigenous species and visitors can plant a tree. The nursery is supporting afforestation projects and agro- forestry for the farmers. After that guests will visit the site of the project Every 5 Acres where land is acquired for afforestation purpose. conservation The and beekeeping project is visible through the presence of the beehives. Meet members of the team of Chimp T-Rap patrol and interact with them about their experience of eco-guarding the forest against illegal activities.





Tariff: There is no tariff for this activity but we suggest a donation to ACBF.

#### WHERE IS BUGOMA FOREST LOCATED?





#### Association for Conservation of Bugoma Forest (ACBF)

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