Uganda

The Pearl of Africa

Its reputation of being Africa’s friendliest country originates from the fact that traditionally hospitality is a key element to its diverse population. Uganda well is known for its low level of crime and hassle towards tourists.

As one of the mysteries of the Victorian age you can go back in time as you view the source of the Nile that starts here and flows all the way to Egypt. Be part of the history that was once here.

Within an area comparable to that of Great Britain, Uganda is Africa’s most complete bird-watching destination with more than 1,000 species recorded here. Spread across both sides of the equator one can have the opportunity to experience the biodiversity of the various national parks and protected areas across the country.

Uganda’s star attraction lies divided between Bwindi National Park and the Virunga Mountains here lays the endangered mountain gorilla the bulkiest of all living primates.

This country is endowed with mesmerizing tracts of thorn-bush savannah teeming with various rainforests, lakes and rivers heavy with aquatic life and the glacial peaks of Africa’s tallest mountain range.

Uganda chose to embrace eco-tourism, based on the fact that it promotes low-impact tourism and avoids the adverse environmental effects of traditional tourism and from the sale of natural resources. Adding to this choice of tourism is the fact that it also appeals to different groups of people such as tourists, environmentalists, businesses as well as governments.

Given the ever rising concerns and threats that global warming poses, Uganda has continued to practice eco-tourism to minimize the negative effects that global warming would not only cause to her environment but also her tourism industry. Uganda’s tourism industry is growing annually and globally.
BURUNDI

The Eden in the heart of Africa

In the heart of Africa sits an amazing landscape which gives the country a soft and tempered climate. Like the explorers of the last century, you too will discover and find Eden as you always imagined it were in the beginning. Blessed with rich fauna that includes different animals such as antelopes and buffaloes. Off the shores of Lake Tanganyika in Burundi one can see crocodiles and hippopotamuses.

Burundi is a delightful blooming country blessed with different yet intertwining types of vegetation cover. Ecologists will find a great scientific value in some tourist sites of Burundi such as Kibira National Park, Ruvubu National Park and Lake Tanganyika.

The country’s tourism industry is still in its infancy and bursting with untapped potential in terms of natural and cultural resources. This provides ample opportunity for development. Burundi has launched a campaign to boost its tourism industry and take it to the next level.

In spite of the political tremors within the country in the past these courageous people together with their government have entered into peace building initiatives to bring stability in the country so as to promote tourism growth. The government hopes that the industry will help to develop the economy and ensure protection especially since tourism has community-based initiatives that help to eradicate poverty.

Despite its small size this country has a big heart and a big dream and step by step this nation full of hopeful people are getting there.

TANZANIA

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KENYA

The Pride of Africa

Remarkable features such as landscapes, wildlife and cultures, from sweeping savannah to tropical beaches and coral reefs are no strangers to Kenya. An adventurer’s paradise. A country rich with countless possibilities for adventure and discovery. One can also go for refreshing hill walks through bird areas and also active hikes into mountain forests.

The coastline of Kenya is ideally covered with soft white sands and gentle sea breezes that refresh the soul and welcome you. In the medieval streets and bustling markets of Lamu and Mombasa’s Old Town, life has continued unhurried and unchanged for more than 400 years.

The stepped up marketing particularly in non-traditional markets such as China, Japan, and the domestic market has also seen the robust growth of the tourism sector.

Diversification of the sector from traditional beaches and wildlife tourism to new circuits in the eastern and northern parts of Kenya is one factor that has pushed forward growth of the sector.

Despite the political unrest that the country suffered, this tourism giant is getting up on its feet to reclaim its place on the tourism stage.

RWANDA

We Have Africa Coming Together

The Land of a Thousand Hills sits at the hub of East Africa. It is here that deep volcanic forces tear the continental plates apart revealing an exquisite beauty where you will wake up to a golden lit sky splashed with mist; you will certainly feel a rush of cool, sweet, fresh air brush against your face.

Bridging the ecosystems of the Congo and the Great Rift Valley of the east you will find a home to the biological riches of both worlds.

Reaching the depths of the cradle of the mountain gorillas and staring into the eyes of these gentle giants you will discover a different form of “man”.

With the recently held presidential elections that were conducted in a smooth and organized manner, it can only go to show that this once ethnically divided country is ready to put the past behind and move forward. The Government and its people are working hard to unite, strengthen and secure the people of the country.

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This visibly tiny country is moving forward in terms of tourism and even more plans to improve and strengthen the sector for it to succeed are in the pipeline.

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