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## LOANGO NATIONAL PARK | 4-Nights

*Experience Loango National Park's Seasonal Best Bits!*



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### *Arrival in Libreville*

#### **International Flights**

Although we do not provide international flights, we can suggest the Airlines that work well and have the best feedback from our clients.

#### **Arrival at airport**

Upon arrival at the airport, you will need show your proof of yellow fever vaccination and pass-through immigration. Visa requirements are subject to changes at any time. For the latest advice please contact the Gabon embassy in your home country.

#### **Overnight at la Hotel de la Sabliere**

Domestic Flights to Port Gentil are at 07h30. Therefore, guests are normally required to stay 1 night in Libreville before heading to Loango

#### **Relax and Prepare for your Adventure to Begin**

La Hotel de la Sabliere is our hotel of choice for guests because it offers everything a first-time traveller to West Africa requires. Meals & drinks in the restaurant that offers international cuisine. Rooms and facilities are indulgent, comfortable, and relaxing. With a swimming pool and tropical beach to soak up.





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### *Day 1*

#### **Arrival in Loango**

06h00 Airport transfer. This is only a 5-minute drive from the hotel.

07h30 Departure from Libreville.

08h05 Arrival in Port Gentil. You will be met by our fixer outside the airport and then your road journey to Loango begins via 4x4. This journey usually takes around 3 hours, this is dependent on road conditions.

Welcome brief at Loango's park headquarters, transfer to camp, lunch on arrival at camp.

After lunch you will have the option of various seasonal activities such as 4x4 game drive, beach visit, boat safari, and forest hike. Or simply relax, sample some beverages, and enjoy the wilderness around the camp.

In the evening there might more seasonal activities available: guided walks in search of pottos and galagos or crocodile boat tours.



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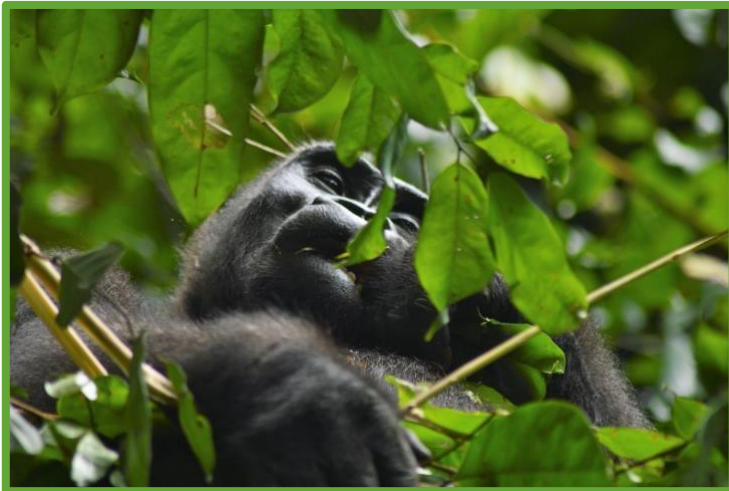
### *Day 2*

#### **Gorilla Trekking**

After a continental breakfast in the camp surrounded by stunning West African wilderness, you will depart your camp for your next adventure...gorilla trekking! This can be an all-day event, dependant on the gorillas' location and movements throughout the day.

Departure is around 07h30 and arrival at the gorilla tourism camp between 08h30 – 09h00.

After a welcome brief, rainforest safety talk, and mandatory antigen test, you will head out into the gorilla's home range to find the habituated gorilla group with your guides.



Once you have found the gorillas you will experience 1-hour contact time with them. This can involve moving through the forest with the gorillas if they are travelling during your contact time. If the travel inhibits your contact time, then this will be picked up again once the gorillas are in a better place for viewing. Some days the gorillas travel a lot, other days they stay in one area feeding and relaxing. Your guides will stay with you to assist you in finding the best

viewpoints and to always keep you safe. They will also provide you with the necessary face masks.

After you have delved into the secret lives of the shy and enigmatic gorillas you will return to the gorilla tourism camp for some refreshments and a chance to reflect on the experience and ask your guides questions.

Depart by boat to your camp for an arrival which can be anytime from 13h00 to 17h30.

Afternoon activities will be available (time permitting): boat safaris, forest / jungle hikes, as well as 4x4 safaris and beach visits if you are in the northern coastal area.



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### *Day 3*

#### **Full Day Safari Explorations**

After sleeping under the stars, followed by waking up to the serenity of the forest, enjoy breakfast in camp.

From Akaka, there will be boat safaris to explore all the waterways that cut through the jungles and large bays, offering clear views of the many elephants, buffalo, sitatunga, red river hogs and much more.

From Louri & Ndola, there will be game drives in the savannas where large mammals come to roam in between the forest pockets. After a lunch-stop at Tassi Savanna Camp, you will continue the game drive and finish at the beach for sundowners. While at the beach you will likely see elephants and / or buffalo roaming along the shore. If you are really lucky, you may even see a hippo!

From both camps there will be excellent hiking opportunities. Loango is often best explored by foot!



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### *Day 4*

#### **Safari Combinations**

Rise early to the sounds of the forest and enjoy a sunrise breakfast before heading out in search of wildlife by 4x4 or boat before the day gets too hot, causing most animals to find relief under the cooling shade of the forest or jungle canopies.

Between lunch there will be the option for forest hikes in search of all creatures great & small. Here is a great chance to immerse yourself in the forest and learn from the expertise of the local guides. Discover which animals have been passing through, follow tracks of those found. Chimpanzees frequent these forests but are hard to view because they are not habituated and normally flee from humans. Nevertheless, it can be surprisingly overwhelming to see signs of chimp activity and follow their tracks. Monkeys are abundant in the trees and can be heard for long distances. In the denser forests elephants can be deceptively well hidden to the untrained eye!

Later in the afternoon, when the heat of the day starts to subside, there will be the option to head back out by 4x4 or boat.

Enjoy a final sundowner from your favourite place in Loango National Park.



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### *Days 5 & 6*

#### **Morning Safari & return to Libreville**

Take an early morning 4 x 4 safari in search of leopards or other wildlife still on your tick-list, or a boat tour to the river mouth in search of hippos before you return to camp to prepare for your post-lunch departure.

Depart Loango National Park at around 13h30 by road to Port Gentil. Arrive in Port Gentil around 16h30 and head to the airport ready for your flight at 18h30.

Arrive in Libreville's domestic airport at 19h05 where a private car will be waiting to transfer you to the international airport for your international flight home, or if you prefer you can spend your final night in Libreville in the hotel on the beach for relaxation and a peaceful slumber before you head home.

If staying overnight then there is the option to take a half-day city tour the following morning to discover Gabon's capital, its history, culture, and landmarks.





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*This Itinerary is intended as a rough guide for what guests can expect. Highlighting the logistics for travel between Libreville and Loango.*

*Timing of Safaris and particular camp stays can vary to best suit guests' needs.*

*Specific wildlife sightings are not guaranteed.*

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