

PEARL OF AFRICA LAND ROVER EXPEDITION



**22ND -31ST
JULY, 2022**

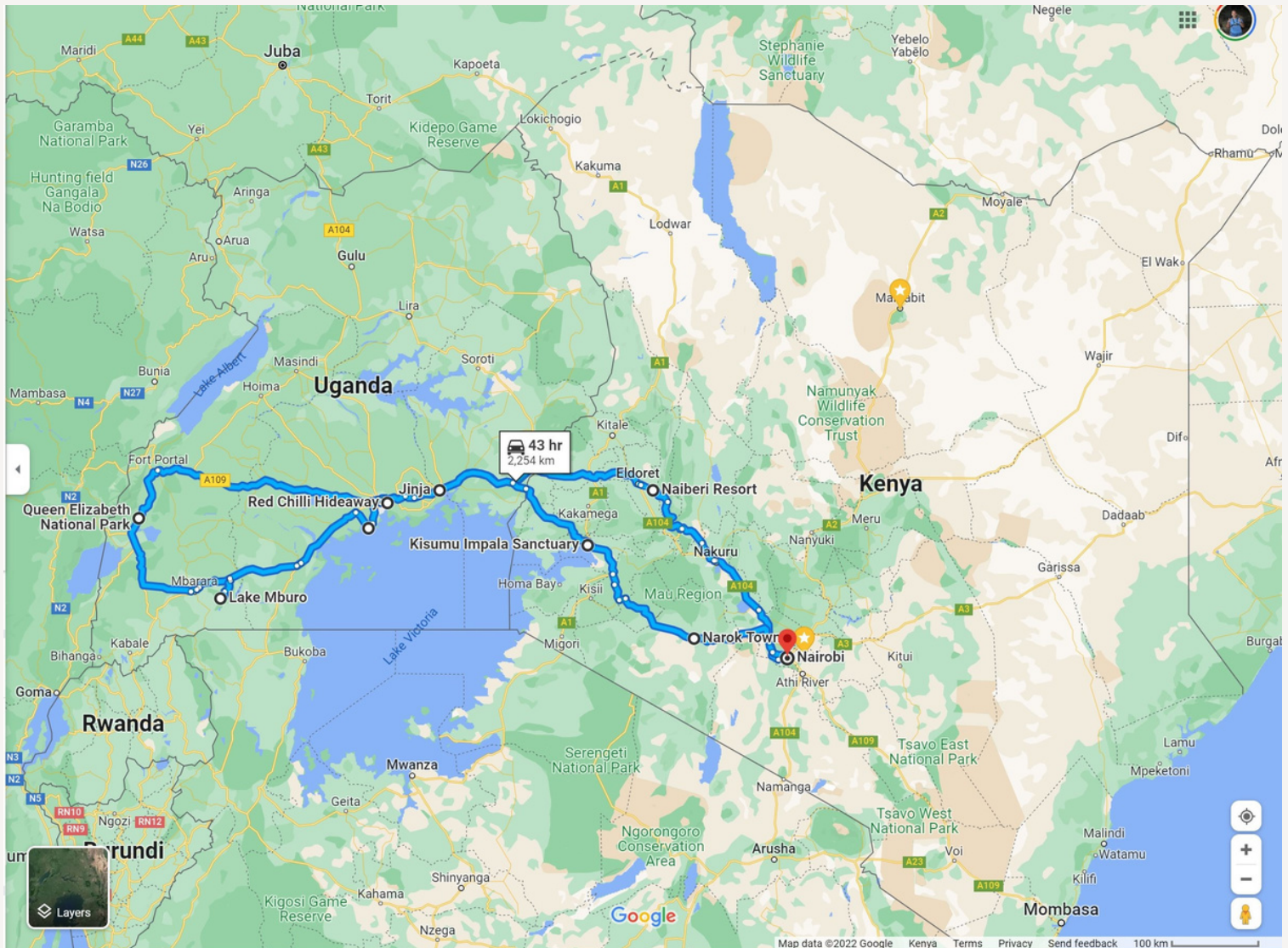


**REGISTRATION
KSH. 5,000 PER
VEHICLE**

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Uganda is Africa condensed, with the best of everything the continent has to offer packed into one small but stunning destination. It is home to the tallest mountain range in Africa, the glacier-capped Rwenzoris. The mighty Nile River surges out of Lake Victoria, the continent's largest lake. One of the highest concentrations of primates in the world, including more than half of all remaining mountain gorillas, roams its forest.

Below is the route map, roughly 2,500km to be covered



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Date	Destination	Departure
22nd July	Eldoret Town	6:30 AM Nairobi

Hotel/Campsite

Naiberi River Resort and
Campsite
Camping Ksh1,100

Distance Covered

310km
on sealed roads

Our Plans

The goal is to leave Nairobi early via the A104, and head to Nakuru town for a mid-morning brunch.

At Nakuru, we join the B4 road to Marigat. At Kampi ya Moto, we take the left road to Eldama Ravine via the C55. By late afternoon, we should be arriving at our campsite for the night

About Eldoret

The Maasai originally referred to this area as *Eldore* (stony river) after the nearby Sosiani River, but this proved too linguistically challenging for the South African Voortrekkers who settled here in 1910 and they named their settlement Eldoret instead. The town is the principal economic hub of Western Kenya but for the traveller, there is little to see, and even less to do.

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Date	Destination	Departure
23rd July	Kampala	8 AM
		Eldoret

Hotel/Campsite

Red Chilli Hideaway

Camping \$8, Dorms \$12, Rooms \$30-45.

Distance Covered

372km

on sealed roads

Our Plans

Leave camp early morning and drive to Malaba border post via the A104. This is a one-stop border post and we estimate that everyone will clear within an hour. Once in Uganda, we have lunch before proceeding to Kampala City via the A109.

Red Chilli is popular with overlanders, has the world's smallest pool, billiards and badminton as recreation options

About Kampala

Kampala is a dynamic and engaging city with several worthy options to keep you occupied. It's safe to walk everywhere in the daytime.

The city has an excellent international restaurants mix and a nightlife that is something to savour. Places of interest include:

Buganda Historic sites, Uganda Museum, Rubaga Cathedral, National Mosque, Namirembe Cathedral, Tulifanya Gallery and

Makerere University Art Gallery

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Date	Destination	Departure
24th-25th July	Queen Elizabeth National Park	6 AM Kampala

Hotel/Campsite

Simba Safari Camp

Camping \$11, Rooms \$30

Distance Covered

405km

on sealed roads

Game drives **40 - 200km** dirt roads

Our Plans

Leave Kampala early morning via the A109 driving west towards Fort Portal. We will stop at Kyenjojo for late lunch. Once at Fort Portal, we continue on to Kasese town before reaching our campsite in the evening. The Camp also has rooms if you opt to have a relaxed stay.

About Queen Elizabeth National Park

Covering 1978 sq km, and bordered to the north by the Rwenzori Mountains and to the west by Lake Edward, this park is one of the most popular in Uganda. Besides the usual wildlife, and its famous tree-climbing lions at Isasha Sector, one can explore the Kazinga Channel via boat trip, walk the beautiful Kyambura Gorge, a little Eden brimming with chimpanzees and other primates. One can also visit Katwe where salt mining on the shores of Lake Edward has been going on since the 15th Century. The park is famous for its birdlife which stand at 610 species.

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Date	Destination	Departure
26th July	Lake Mburo National Park	10 AM
		Camp

Hotel/Campsite
Lakeside Camp
Camping \$11

Our Plans

Enjoy the early morning at camp, with the aim of leaving by 10 AM. The goal is to make our way south via the Kasese - Mbarara road. At Mbarara, we'll have late afternoon lunch before going into Lake Mburo National Park.

Distance Covered

220km
on sealed roads

Game drives **10 - 50km** dirt roads

About Lake Mburo National Park

The park covers 370 sq km with about 20% being covered by lakes. It is the only park in Uganda where impala, slender mongooses and giant bush rats can be found, furthermore, it's a good park to spot leopards, topi and eland. It is possible to do a night game drive if you are keen to find nocturnal creatures. Some interesting activities to do at the park are a morning hyena walk, a boat trip on Lake Mburo and walks to Rubanga forest where birdwatchers will record some of the 325 species found in the park.

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Date	Destination	Departure
27th July	Entebbe	10 AM Camp

Hotel/Campsite

Entebbe Backpackers
 Hostel and Campsite
**Camping \$4, Rooms
 \$15-30**

Our Plans

Enjoy the early morning at camp, with the aim of leaving by 10 AM. The goal is to make our way east via the Mbarara - Masaka road. At Masaka, we will stop for lunch before proceeding to Entebbe, arriving in the evening. Entebbe Backpackers is a colourful, cosy, spic and span place. Advanced booking is required.

Distance Covered

244km
 on sealed roads

About Entebbe

Located on the shores of Lake Victoria, Entebbe is an attractive, verdant town that served duty as the capital city during the early years of the British protectorate. It's the relaxed pace of life and natural attractions rather than any notable colonial relics that give the city its charm. One can visit the Uganda Wildlife Education Centre which acts as a zoo but is in fact a world-class animal refuge. Nearby is the Entebbe Botanical Gardens.

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Date	Destination	Departure
28th-29th July	Jinja	10 AM Camp

Hotel/Campsite
Explorers Backpackers
**Camping \$5,
Double Rooms \$25**

Our Plans

Since our destination, Jinja is about 3 hours away, we will have a leisurely morning. Depending on the conditions, we may leave after lunch. There are three roads leading to Jinja once we get to Mukono. We will choose the most scenic one or the most convenient one.

Our destination is Explorers Backpackers for a quiet rest, and a hub to meet other overlanders

Distance Covered

123 - 149km
on sealed roads

About Jinja - Source of the Nile

Jinja is famous for being the source of the Nile River and the adrenaline capital of East Africa. Here you can do white-water rafting, kayaking, quad-biking, mountain biking, boating, horse-riding and bungee jumping. The town has a lush location on the shores of Lake Victoria and is a major market centre for eastern Uganda. Places of interest around include Bujagali Falls, Kilombera Workshop (for hand-made cotton textiles), and the Nile Brewery .



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Date	Destination	Departure
30th July	Kisumu	10 AM Camp

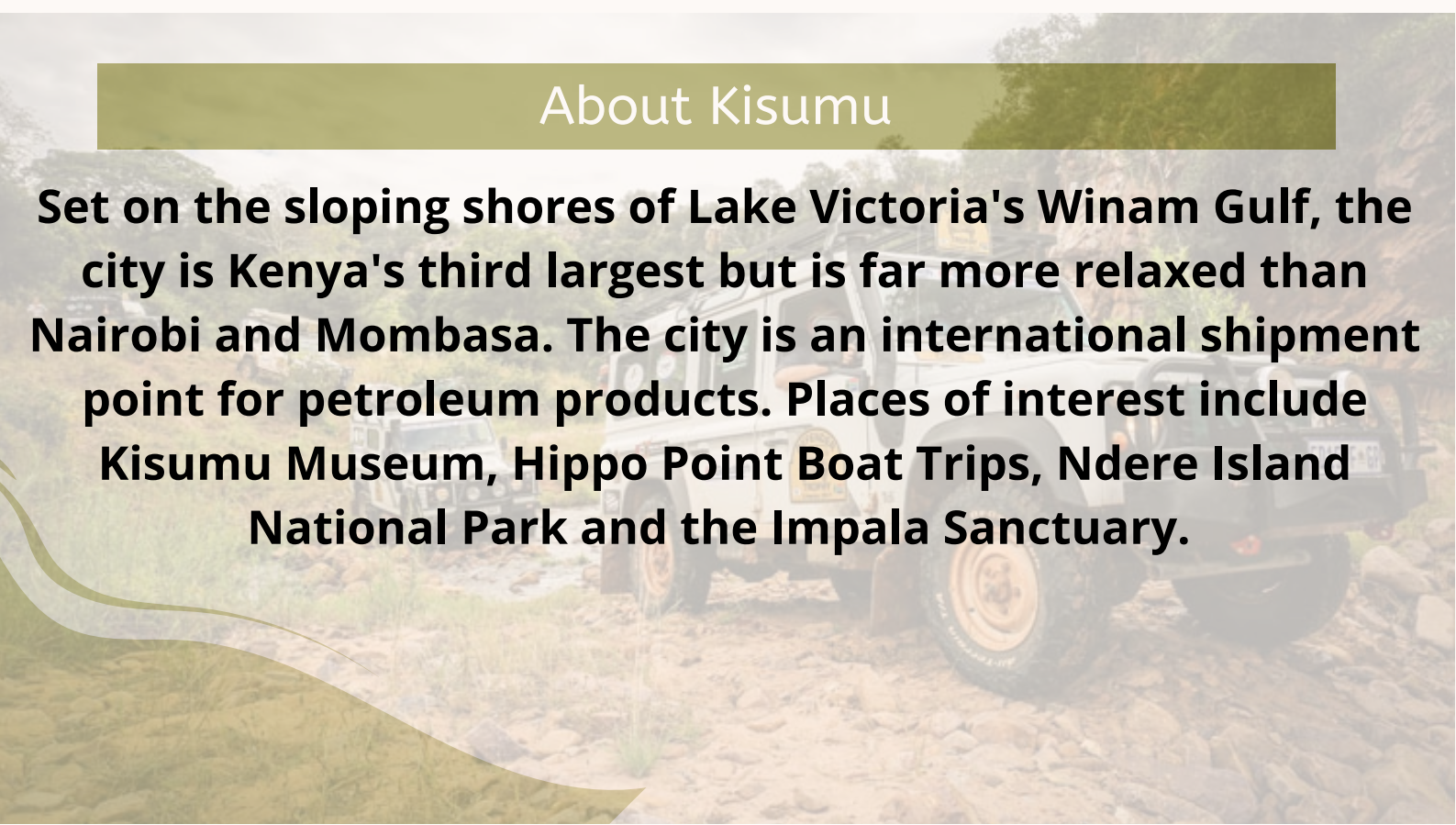
Hotel/Campsite
 Kisumu Impala Sanctuary
Camping Ksh250

Our Plans
 The goal is to get back on Kenyan soil, particularly, Kisumu Impala Sanctuary. We will depart mid-morning so as to be at the Busia border around lunchtime. From Busia, we will take the B1 through Sega and Maseno and into Kisumu, arriving late afternoon.

Distance Covered
233km
 on sealed roads

About Kisumu

Set on the sloping shores of Lake Victoria's Winam Gulf, the city is Kenya's third largest but is far more relaxed than Nairobi and Mombasa. The city is an international shipment point for petroleum products. Places of interest include Kisumu Museum, Hippo Point Boat Trips, Ndere Island National Park and the Impala Sanctuary.



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Date	Destination	Departure
31st July	Home (Nairobi)	Anytime

Distance Covered

342km via A104
355km via B3
on sealed roads

Our Plans

The goal is to get back home by evening. Whilst there is no rush for some people to get back home, those who would like to leave earlier are welcome to.

NOTES

This is a self-drive, self-catering expedition

Registration is **Ksh. 5,000/-** per vehicle

The estimated driving distance is **2,500km**

This is a Land Rover exclusive expedition; we are not in a hurry to get there. **Convoy rules apply**. Let's enjoy the prowess of our vehicles in getting us to remote places.

Registration link <https://bit.ly/3KOaXzV>