



BAKER'S LODGE

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NILE RIVER MURCHISON FALLS
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Welcome to Baker's Lodge

Set on the southern bank of the mighty Nile River, Baker's Lodge boasts ten beautifully appointed safari suites, all with tranquil river views. Named after the English explorer Samuel Baker - the first European to view the falls and name it - the lodge rests amongst large shady trees and wetland areas.

With a thatched central lounge, dining and bar area, this eco-friendly lodge offers an 'Africa of olde' feel. Cool off in the refreshing swimming pool, lounge with a book under shady trees as the river flows gently by, and round the day off with a sundowner or two. The sunsets here are truly magical. Outside dining and multi course dinners are a real treat for guests, all served by attentive staff.

Built on raised wooden decks to take full advantage of cool breezes and spectacular river views, each spacious thatched cottage offers beautifully appointed en-suite bathrooms with solar-heated showers (some also feature bathtubs). You may well spot our resident hippo pod wallowing in the shallows just steps from your room, which are spaced far apart allowing ultimate guest privacy.

We recommend a stay of 3 to 5 nights to fully unwind and appreciate this varied eco-system which offers so much to see and do.



About the area

Murchison Falls National park in the north-west of the country is Uganda's largest national park, and together with adjoining wildlife reserves forms a vast wilderness covering over 5 000 km². It is home to a wide variety of wildlife, forest primates and 450 bird species. The mighty Nile, the longest river in the world, flows through the heart of the park for a distance of 120 km, on its 6 500 km journey from Lake Victoria to Egypt and the Mediterranean Sea.

The park's centrepiece is the explosive, 40-metre high Murchison Falls where the Nile is forced through an 8-metre gap in the Rift Valley escarpment.

Downstream, the Nile flows quietly towards Lake Albert which it enters through a large papyrus delta. It is this peaceful 40 km stretch of river which provides the park's prime wildlife spectacle.

Chimpanzee tracking in nearby Budongo Forest is available, and definitely worthwhile spending an extra day for, and bird-watchers will be delighted by the variety of localised species including Shoebill. For the fishermen, there is the challenge of catching the massive Nile Perch.

Your safari experience

Enjoy game drives in Murchison Falls National Park, as well as a memorable boat cruise up the Nile River to the foot of the Falls. The immense force of the water and the views of the Falls are spectacular from the close-up viewing points. Enhance your park experience by combining river voyages with a safari. Travel by boat to the Nile Delta and return with a game drive through the game-rich Buligi area. Drive to the top of the falls and hike down to the bottom of Fajao Gorge, before returning to Baker's Lodge by boat.

We operate our own fleet of river boats—varying in size for different activities such as game viewing, birdwatching and fishing. We can organise private dinners, luncheons, breakfasts and snacks on board the boat. Baker's Lodge is a great base for those keen on fishing for Nile Perch. We operate with a strict catch and release policy.



At a glance

- » located on the southern bank of the Nile River, Murchison Falls
- » an intimate lodge with only ten luxury cottages on decks
- » swimming pool
- » free WiFi, charging facilities and safes in every room
- » eco-friendly, with fans in bedrooms, flush toilets and running water
- » boat jetty for easy collection of guests
- » elevated central dining and lounge areas
- » outside dining area near the Nile River (weather permitting)
- » game drives, bush walks, bird-watching and community projects
- » river cruises from the lodge as well as private river cruises for special occasions
- » families and children are welcome
- » fishing for the Nile Perch
- » chimpanzee tracking in the Budongo Forest
- » bird-watching with local specialist guides

When to go

Baker's Lodge is open all year round. For those keen on photography, game and bird life is prolific, but bird-watching is enhanced during the months of October/November as the migratory species are in the region. Fishing is generally best during the drier months, but we do catch all year round.

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Getting there

- » 300 km north of the capital, Kampala
- » 6 to 7-hour drive from Entebbe with regular scheduled or charter flights
- » 8-hour drive from Kibale

Scheduled and charter flights to Pakuba, Chobe and Bugungu airstrips Plan your visit and arrive by road at the top of the Falls, hike down and then hop aboard a boat, arriving at the lodge's private jetty, where our friendly staff will be waiting to warmly welcome you.

Fly-in safaris

We offer fly-in safaris for guests short of time, and can arrange private vehicles and boat safaris.



Guest Corner

"The lodge was great but it was the staff that made our stay exceptional."

"The best place from which to explore Murchison Falls. I wish I had stayed longer."



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