

LOBEKE NATIONAL PARK

Lobéké National Park is located in the East Cameroon region, which is a reservoir of wealth thanks to its mineral-rich subsoil and immense equatorial forest. It covers an area of 217,854 ha and is home to a number of animal species whose wild lifestyle can be observed. It is one of the protected areas that make up the Sangha Tri-National, which includes Dzanga Sangha National Park in the Central African Republic, Nouabalé Ndoki in Congo Brazzaville and Lobéké in Cameroon. There are several bays where you can observe mammals (gorillas, chimpanzees, elephants, buffalos, antelopes, bongos, etc.).

ITINERARY

10 days / 9 nights

Day 1: EUROPE - YAOUNDE

Welcome at the international airport of the political capital of Cameroon, Yaoundé-Nsimalen, a green city with a mild climate, also known as the city of seven hills, like Rome. Transfer to hotel, dinner and overnight stay.

Day 2: YAOUNDE – BATOURI 430 km

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure from Yaoundé for Batouri. Our journey takes us 430 km along a tarmac road through forest vegetation. Observe the architecture of the Bantu huts along the way. Lunch in Abong Mbang or Bertoua, depending on departure time. Viewing along the way. Arrive in the evening and check into the Koumanda hotel. Dinner and overnight stay.

Day 3: BATOURI – MAMBELE 355 km

Early wake-up call, breakfast followed by departure for Mambélé on an unpaved but well-maintained road. Meet and share with the Ba'aka pygmies as we pass. Lunch at Membélé or picnic en route, depending on the weather. Continuation of the journey in a moving spirit. Arrival and accommodation at the municipal inn. Park entry formalities. Dinner and overnight stay.

Days 4, 5 and 6: MAMBELE - ENTRY INTO THE PARK

After breakfast on the first day, we take the vehicle to visit the Dangaï and Djaloubé parts of the park. A 4 or 6 km hike. Arrive and pitch tents for a three-day camping trip. We'll be observing animals from a viewpoint, including elephant, gorilla, sitatunga, buffalo, bongo, warthog and wild boar. Three days of intense observation with some tracking of the animals in their jungle (45 species of mammals, apart from rodents, are predominant).

Dinner and overnight accommodation will be at the Camp.

Day 7: PARK - MAMBELE

Wake up early to the sound of birds, observe the animals at the Mirador, breakfast, leave for Mambélé with the possibility of observing the animals or birds again on the way back through this humid jungle, arrive at Membélé, report to the conservation offices, lunch in the village, move into Camp Kombo, contact with the village population, cultural evening with the Bakas pygmies, dinner and overnight stay.

Day 8: MAMBELE – BATOURI 355 km

Early wake-up call, breakfast. Departure for Batouri through forest and savannah vegetation. Lunch en route and contact with the local people. Arrival and check-in at Koumanda Hôtel, dinner and overnight stay.

Day 9: BATOURI – YAOUNDE 430 km

Breakfast, departure for Yaoundé. Lunch in Abong-Mbang, continuation to Yaoundé. Arrive and check into hotel. Dinner in a restaurant in the city. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 10: YAOUNDE - EUROPE

Breakfast at the hotel. Guided tour of the political capital of Cameroon, founded in 1889 by the Germans Kurt Morgen and Georges Zenker. Initially a scientific post, it later became a military post under the command of Zinggraffe. Lunch in a local restaurant. Shopping in the craft centre. Transfer to the airport. End of the tour.

Price per person:

from 1500 €

single supplement 40 €

This price includes:

- Accommodation in a double room
- Full board catering
- 4x4 vehicle, fuel, tolls
- Park entrance fees
- Activity with Baka pygmies
- Guide
- Tracker, Porters, Eco-guardians

This price does not include:

- Cameras
- Drinks
- Gratuities
- Personal expenses
- International flights
- Visa