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Dear Colleagues,

We welcome a new member to the Emerging Destinations family — [EcoTraining Guides & Guardians](#) — a company that specializes in short-term wildlife and nature expeditions and long-term safari guide training in South Africa and Zimbabwe.

Elsewhere across the continent, there's much discussion about governments raising their visitor fees. In case you missed it, we've included a letter from Ekwana's James Hough about Tanzania boosting its national parks concession fees — and how that will impact the [Ekwana Collection](#) and [Zent & Bonock Salima](#) — as well as information on Uganda's decision to maintain its low off-season gorilla trekking permit rates.

We've got the third and last installment of our alternative to the wildlife Big Five — this time on the "Northern Five" of Kenya — as well as a report on Ethiopia's largely unvisited role in world war two.

Meanwhile, try to stay cool during this so far sweltering South American summer!

Best,

John + Jessie

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[Uganda Maintains Gorilla permit price — 2018/19](#)

Good news from Uganda Wildlife Authority (UWA) is that Gorilla permit price will be maintained for the years 2018-2019 (USD600 for foreign non-residents, US\$500 foreign residents, & USD 200,000 East Africans). There has been a rumor that UWA had suspended sale of 2018 Gorilla permits but this is not true. Permit sales are open and some months are already looking busy. [Link](#)



[Ethiopia: Conquer Castles and World War Two](#)

As we celebrate the 73rd anniversary of D-Day and the Normandy landings this month, it's worthwhile to note that Ethiopia also played a role in World War Two. The so-called Abyssinian Campaign — which played out between June of 1940 and November of 1941 — was an Allied effort to drive Mussolini's fascist Italian army from Ethiopia, Somalia and Djibouti. [Link](#)



[The Northern Five — Kenya's Alternative Wildlife Bucket List](#)

We've already told you about the "Big Five" and "Tiny Five" of Kenya wildlife. But did you know there is also a "Northern Five" of iconic creatures that are primarily found in the national parks and conservancies north of Nairobi? [Link](#)



[Tanzania National Parks Authority Proposed Concession Fee Revision](#)

After much [Ekwana](#) / [Emma](#) High, Dear Partners, I am writing to keep you abreast of developments with the concession fee issue in Tanzania and what exactly Ekwana will be doing to ease concerns over how any fee structure changes could otherwise affect both confirmed, provisional and new bookings at Serengeti Migration Camp, which is in the Ekwana property affected by the proposed changes. [Link](#)

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