

State of Giraffe 2023 UGANDA

Uganda supports the largest known populations of critically endangered Nubian giraffe (Giraffa camelopardalis camelopardalis).

Since 2013, the Giraffe Conservation Foundation (GCF) has partnered with the Uganda Wildlife Authority (UWA) to monitor and conserve these globally significant Nubian giraffe populations.

Through a series of ambitious conservation translocations, UWA and GCF have expanded the range of Nubian giraffe in the country from only two populations in 2014 to five populations today and effectively increased and augmented their range by >1.5 million acres in the country.

GCF continues to monitor all giraffe populations in Uganda using individual based photographic surveys, which rely on pattern recognition software to identify every surveyed giraffe by its unique spot pattern.

The UWA-GCF mobile veterinary unit in Murchison Falls National Park has undertaken regular patrol to find and de-snare affected wildlife.

These targeted conservation efforts have collectively contributed to an increased giraffe population in the country year-on-year.

NUBIAN GIRAFFE IN NUMBERS

Nubian giraffe populations:

5

Total number of Nubian giraffe:

~ 2,420

Total survey days per year:

31

Total area surveyed:

7,610km²



GIRAFFE NUMBERS OVER THE YEARS

2023	35	52		~ 2,250
2022	29	45	77	~ 1,850
2021	29	39	61	~ 1,843
2020	29	32	61	
2019	14	25	57	~ 1,788
2018	0	21	34	~ 1,633
2017	0	15	30	~ 1,437
2016	0	15	27	~ 1.191
2015	0	15	25	~ 1,180
Pian Upe Wildlife Reserve		Lake Mburo National Park	Kidepo Valley National Park	Murchison Falls National Park

