Kasubi Hill
Kampala 1897

Kampala from Namirembe Hill, 1897: Lugard’s Fort in middle distance

Group at the opening of the new hospital, June 1897

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History of the Kingdom

Kabaka Muteesa I Palace on the Rubaga Hill in 1875. Drawing by A. de Bar. from the "World tour through the mysterious continent", Vol XXXVI p. 37 by Henry M. Stanley - 1874 - 1877
History of the Kingdom

Muteesa's Palace in 1864 engraving from J H Speke's book *Journal of the discovery of the source of Nile*
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The Palace of Nabulugala

The plans are based on the explanatory notes.

The Palace of Kasubi-Nabulugala

(King Mutesa's Palace)

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History of the Kingdom

Kasubi Tombs main building in 1897
The 4 Kabakas

MUTEESA I
1835-1884

MWANGA II
1867-1903

DAUDI CHWA II
1896-1939

MUTEESA II
1924-1969

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Muteesa I

1835-1884

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Daudi Chwa II succeeded Mwanga II at the age of one year in 1897. He ruled with a regency of 1 Catholic and 2 Protestant chiefs until he attained maturity at the age of 18.
Site components

Njagala-Kasaayi
House where disputes between princesses and princes are solved. It is occupied by Kikome from the lungfish (mamba) clan.

Kajjaga
House where the umbilical cord of the royals are treated (Okusiba Abalongo).

Luvumbi
House for Mukwasa, wife responsible for all the girls in the Palace.
Bujjabukula - The main Entrance

Nsigo, the traditional guard, belongs to the Buffalo clan (Mbogo)
The courtyards

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KASUBI
UGANDA
The Royal Drumms

Kawuula: chief drummer
Ndoga Obukaba: Drumm house

Most of the drums are more than hundred years old, only the skin has been changed.
Buganda Royal symbols

52 rings representing 52 clans

Royal regalia, spears and shields

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Invisible limits

WORLD OF THE DEAD

WORLD OF THE LIVING

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How are the Kings buried?

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# The Totems (clans)

1. **Lugave** (Pangolin)  
2. Mmamba (Lungfish)  
3. **Ngeye** (Colobus monkey)  
4. Njaza (Reedbuck)  
5. Ennyange (Cattle egret)  
6. Fumbe (Civet cat)  
7. Ngonge (Otter)  
8. Ekkobe (Liana fruit)  
9. Mbwa (Dog)  
10. Mpeewo (Oribi antelope)  
11. Mpologoma (Lion)  
12. Namunjoona (Pied crow)  
13. **Ngo** (Leopard)  
14. Njonge (Otter)  
15. Njovu (Elephant)  
16. Nkejje (Sprat)  
17. Nkima (Vervet monkey)  
18. Ntalaganya (Blue duiker)  
19. Nvubu (Hippopotamus)  
20. Nvuma (Pearl)  
21. Bugeme  
22. **Butiiko** (Mushrooms)  
23. Kasimba (Genet)  
24. Kayozi (Jerboa)  
25. Kibe (Fox)  
26. Mboogo (Buffalo)  
27. Musu/Omusu (Edible rat)  
28. Ngabi (Bushbuck)  
29. Nkerebwe (Jungle Shrew)  
30. Nsumu (Elephant-snout fish)  
31. Nseenene (Edible grasshopper)  
32. Abalangira (Descendants of male  
    Royalty from Buganda)  
33. Babiito (Descendants of male  
     Royalty from Bunyoro)  
34. Basambo  
35. Baboobi (Millipede)  
36. Kasanke (Finch with black wings  
     and white chest)  
37. Kikuba (A pad used to brush  
    aside morning dew when walking  
    through tall grass)  
38. Kinyomo (Type of ant)  
39. Kiwere (Purple dye plant)  
40. Lukato (Stiletto or awl)  
41. Mbuizi (Goat)  
42. Mpindi (Cowpea)  
43. Mutima muyanja (Heart)  
44. Mutima musajji  
45. Nakinsige (Brown grass finch)  
46. Ndiga (Sheep)  
47. Ndiisa (small basket used for  
    coffee berries)  
48. Njjaali (Crested crane)  
49. Njobe (Marsh antelope)  
50. Nkubuka (Red finch)  
51. Nkula (Rhinoceros)  
52. Nsunu (Kob)  
53. Nte (Ox or cow)  
54. Nswaaswa (Monitor lizard)
Muzibu Azaala Mpanga (size evolution)

External Diameter: 30,2 m
Internal Diameter: 26,3 m
External Height: 16 m
Height of the ceiling inside: 8,6 m
Internal floor surface: 543 m²
Artefacts

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Board Game / Omweso

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KASUBI
UGANDA
The Twin’s house
Traditional dresses (Gomesi/Kanzu)
The Governance of the Kasubi Tombs

Kingdom Governance

Kabaka

Katikkiro

1st Deputy Katikkiro

2nd Deputy Katikkiro

3rd Deputy Katikkiro

Minister of Culture, Heritage, Royal Tombs and Tourism

Ministry for Tourism

Buganda Heritage and Tourism Board

Governance at the site level

Mukumba

One of the wives

Nsigo

Gate keeper

Wabulakayole

Chief thatcher

Luyiga

Decorator / mats producer

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Roles played by the wives at the Palace

Namasole of Mwanga II, the keeper of the “twin” Nalumansi

Mulama, wife (Kabajja) of Muteesa I

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Building materials

Mud walls

Reeds (elephant Grass)

Rings made of Reeds, Njulu and Palm fronds

Spear grass prepared in bundles for the thatched roof

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The thatching process

**Harvesting**

**Drying**

**Storing**

**Laying onto the roof**

**Maintaining**

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Bark cloth
The 16th March 2010 Tragedy
Conservation skills

Wabula-Akayole, Chief Thatcher, Ngeye Clan

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Mats Weaving

Weaving a mat can take up to a month. Mats are made of palm leaves dyed with artificial colors.
Matoke

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KASUBI UGANDA
Traditional medicine

**HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE HEADACHE**

**AKEEYEYO**
BODY INJURIES
BODY SWELLING
SMALL FRACTURES

**MIMOZA**
MUKO-WEWUMBE
WOUNDS
FEVER
SEEKING FAVOURS

**EKIYONDO**
MALARIA
WOUNDS
HEADACHE
STOMACH ACHES
SOUR THROAT

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Birds

Marabou storks. Birds can more easily be observed in the morning and evening, and at the end of the year, during the grasshopper season.
Buganda Tourism sites

OTHER GANDA SITES

KATEGERE PIRONDITCH

A derelict missionary house built in 1901, now a popular site for photo shoots and music videos. It was originally a school for girls and boys, but now serves as a cultural center. The site is a popular location for music and photography shoots. It is also a popular venue for cultural events and music festivals.

BULUONGA COMMUNITY SITE, BUDGO

A site that features traditional Buganda architecture and art. It is a popular site for cultural events and is a popular tourist attraction. The site is located in the heart of the community and is a great place to learn about traditional Buganda culture.

WAMALA TINGY TOMB

A site that features a 12th-century Muslim tomb. The tomb is located in the heart of the community and is a popular site for cultural events. It is also a popular tourist attraction, attracting visitors from all over the world.

AUTOES SITES

SEZIBWA FALLS

The beautiful and picturesque falls is a popular site for photo shoots and music videos. It is located on the side of a cliff and is a great place to enjoy nature and the scenic views.

BAGALALAVATE MAMAHOLE TOMB

The tomb of the former Buganda Mamahole is a popular site for cultural events and is a great place to learn about the cultural history of the area. It is located in the heart of the community and is a popular tourist attraction.

NAMAKOLO KAYANGE OMB

A site that features a 19th-century colonial house. It is a popular site for cultural events and is a great place to learn about the colonial history of the area. The site is located in the heart of the community and is a popular tourist attraction.

WAMALA TOMBS

Mengo Palace

Nagaggali Coronation Site

Kaketeke Prison Ditch

Sseziwba Falls

Nakayima Tree (Mubende)

The Royal Mile

The Kings Lake (Kampala)

Fort Lugar (Kampala)

1900 Agreement Site

Bulange (Buganda Parliament)

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