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Buhura Shakirah Monica

Founder and Operations Director
Mugamba Farm Ltd



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Shakirah is Co-founder and Operations Director of Mugamba Farm Ltd. She holds an MA in Performing Arts and a BA in Drama from Makerere University Kampala and previously worked at the Ministry of Health. At Mugamba she oversees the full coffee value chain that is harvest, processing, drying, roasting and packaging and manages Mugamba Organic Coffee and Honey. The farm won Best of the Pearl (2023), an AVPA award in Paris (2024), and was named Rwenzori model farm by the Uganda Coffee Development Authority (2024); Shakirah also won the NSSF Hi Innovator (2024).

She employs 9 permanent staff, supports ~100 indirect jobs, has trained 100+ farmers in the past year, and works with a women's cooperative of ~600 growers while distributing seedlings and climate-smart trees to local families.

Mugamba Farm Ltd

Is a big estate intercropped farm that was founded in 2013 and majorly is into growing Arabica coffee intercropped with matooke, bee keeping and indigenous environmental friendly trees. The farm is in Fort portal, Kabarole district and also does agro tourism because of its location in the tourism city. The farm boasts of very beautiful eco-tourism sceneries being it borders the Semuliki National Park Escarpment within the Rift Valley. Besides viewing the Semuliki National Park, while at the farm one is able to view the beautiful Mountain Rwenzori, the Blue Congo Mountain ranges, Lake Albert among others.



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