



Weather, Climate

East Africa is very close to the equator, so it is understandable that there is not a big temperature change from winter to summer, nor in the hours of daylight throughout the seasons.

East African safari temperatures tend to be hot/warm during the days with low humidity and chilly in the evenings. Coastal humidity possible

There is however a big difference in altitude between inland and coastal locations – heights as much as 2300 m above sea level are experienced when you are in the northern Serengeti and the Masai Mara. High altitudes mean the evenings can be cold, even below freezing in some places.





Seasons

Wet or Dry?



Seasons in the Serengeti are defined as wet and dry. There is a definite time of year when there are long rains, short rains and dry season in East Africa and these will have a much bigger effect on your safari or beach experience than regular seasons of summer or winter would have.

Long rains are from the beginning of April to the end of May, short rains are from November to the end of January and dry season is from June to October.

The coastline is hot and humid during the summer months and you could have daily downpours during both long and short rainy seasons. Cities like Dar es Salaam and Mombasa could be uncomfortably hot and humid.