

RECOMMENDED PACKING







RECOMMENDED PACKING LIST FOR SAFARI IN AFRICA

Packing for a safari can be a challenge because of weight restrictions that small charter aircraft place on your bags, sometimes no more than 15kg per person including camera gear. Most charter flights will only accept soft-sided duffel bags with wheels and a hard base. The weight quickly adds up if you bring a tripod and telephoto lens. Many of the lodges and luxury mobile camps offer 24-hour laundry services, so you do not need to bring too many clothes.

This is what Anywhere is Africa Safaris recommends for a 5 - 10-day safari

CLOTHING CHECKLIST FOR SAFARI

Clothing should be lightweight, loose fitting, and in muted colours such as khaki, green or beige. Please do not wear camouflage print, black, blue, white or bright coloured clothing. Game drives are conducted in the early morning or late afternoon, which can be very cold, especially in winter, so you need to dress warmly.

	2 x pairs of convertible hiking pants
	1 x pair of jean or light long pants
	3 x short sleeve T-shirts or golf shirts.
	2 x long sleeved cotton shirts
	1 x fleece or jersey or sweatshirt
	Bicycle arm warmers for chilly mornings (winter)
	2 x pairs of thermal socks
	4 x underwear (comfortable sports bra for ladies)
	Cashmere sweater or silk shawl and pair of black yoga pants for evenings (ladies)
	Lightweight rain pants & rain jacket for wet summer season
	Light weight durable shoes (flip flops / sandals)
	Closed hiking boots / walking shoes/ sneakers
	Bush/ sun hat / peak
	Kikoy (Africa's version of the sarong)
	Beanie and scarf for cold mornings & evenings
	Bathing costume
\Box	2 X shorts



EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST ☐ Small flashlight (rechargeable) ☐ Binoculars (8x40 or 10X420) - Zeiss is a good make ☐ Camera and lens ☐ Battery chargers for all electronic equipment ☐ Spare batteries, film, flash cards and memeory sticks ☐ Reading glasses / sunglasses / spare set of contact lenses ☐ Bird book / pen / notebook ☐ Converter plugs MISCELLANEOUS CHECKLIST ☐ Medium and large plastic zip lock bags (great for storing film and camera equipment clean, storing wet swimsuits) ☐ A photocopy of your passport, credit card numbers, and airline tickets (to be kept separately from the originals) ☐ Portable Hairdryer (some lodges do not have hairdryers) ☐ Small bars of chocolate / snacks / sweets ☐ All lodges provide shampoo and conditioner ☐ Make-up (however casual a safari is, ladies you do not need to forfeit this!) ☐ iPad loaded with good books and magazines ☐ Reading book MEDICAL CHECKLIST ☐ Malaria tablets (refer to your doctor) ☐ Sun protection lotion SPF 30 or higher and Lip balm ☐ Eve drops (the sun is very bright, and it may be dusty) ☐ Skin moisturiser as the climate can get dry while on safari ☐ Remember to bring any specific medication that you are taking or if you are prone to headaches etc. as well as basic medication - plasters, immodium, antiseptic cream

☐ Mosquito or insect repellent (Tabard, Mozi-guard)

☐ Antihistamine if you suffer from allergies or dust

☐ Mosquito wet wipes from Walmart



☐ Bring your yellow fever certificate if you are travelling to yellow fever country

☐ Anti nausea if you suffer from motion sickness on light aircrafts or motor boats.





LUGGAGE ALLOWANCE

Due to the remoteness of safari lodges, light aircrafts are used to transfer passengers to, from and between the various lodges. Most of the lodges have the own landing strips, that are only accessible with a light aircraft. Passenger luggage is stored in pods secured to the underside (belly) of the aircraft. Therefore, there is a luggage restriction which needs to be followed:

Only 15 kg per person baggage allowed in East Africa, Namibia and Indian Ocean Islands Only 20 kg per person baggage allowed in Southern Africa

- Baggage limit includes main luggage and camera equipment
- Baggage must be packed in small, flexible, soft sided duffel bags
- Large suitcases and other rigid framed luggage will NOT be permitted on the aircraft at all

LUGGAGE DIMENSIONS:

- Soft (all sides) luggage / duffel bags with no frames or rigid structures. Wheels on a bag are permissible if they are not part of a solid frame or rigid structure.
- Generally, the main luggage (a soft sided duffel bag) would be up to 10 15kg which would fit in the aircraft pod, the aircraft then allows another 5kg of carry-on luggage that would be stored at the rear of the cabin making a total of 15 or 20kg (Southern or East Africa).
- Maximum luggage size is 25cm (10 inches) wide x 30cm (12 inches) high x 62cm (24 inches) long
- Anything larger and the luggage will unfortunately not fit in the aircraft's luggage pod.













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