



Packing List

Whenever you are in Africa, you won't err by being conservative, whether in dress or behavior. Be especially sure your dress is modest in traditional rural areas and in Muslim areas. Cotton clothing is the most comfortable during the day. Africa is warm in the bush during the middle of the day, but often cold in the hilly and mountainous areas, early in the morning and the late afternoon during game drives; a rain jacket, heavy sweater and sturdy shoes are therefore essential.

On safari most people wear shorts and a t-shirt during the day and change into shirts and long pants in the evening. It is preferable that your daytime clothing and hats be in neutral colors such as khaki, bush green and darker colors to blend in with the surroundings. For city and hotel attire, we suggest skirts or slacks for women, slacks and shirts for men. No jackets are required for men. On safari, the dress is casual with outdoor comfort the standard. Loose fitting, tan, neutral or Khaki cotton clothes are the best for game viewing. You will need a warm sweater for the early mornings and evenings when it can get surprisingly cold. The concept of "layering" is a good system to employ. A waterproof rain jacket can double as a windbreaker. Please don't bring too much clothing. See Dressing like a Safari Expert...

This list is meant as a guideline only:

- Golf-shirts and/or T-shirts – preferably with a sleeve to protect your shoulders from the sun.
- Lightweight long sleeved cotton shirts
- 3-4 Pairs of socks -thermal options are recommended for the winter months.
- 3- 4 Shorts/skirts -really short skirts are not practical for getting in and out of game drive vehicles.
- Slacks/jeans
- Light fleece jacket, jersey or lined windbreaker plus anorak or parka in African winter.
- 1 Sweatshirt, warm wool sweater

- 1 Hat with brim for sun protection; cotton scarf for neck, woollen hat and gloves for early mornings game drives in African winter months
- Bandana – particularly for dusty dry regions
- Good, closed walking shoes (running/tennis shoes/topsiders are fine). (Heavy Hiking boots are not necessary.)
- 1 pair of Sandals, Flip Flops, or Tevas for showering and pool
- Sandals – preferably low heeled or flat if you are going on safari.
- Underwear/warm socks -on game drives the roads can be bumpy and uneven so a suitable bra may be required.
- Sleepwear -lightweight for African summer and warm/thermal for African winter.
- Track suit
- 1 Bathing suit for lodges
- City/hotel attire

OPTIONAL ITEMS

- Converter and plug adaptor kit for appliance use at hotels. South Africa has 220-volt current and three-prong round plugs. Some lodges/hotels provides a hairdryer.
- Field guides
- Reading/writing material
- Sewing kit
- money belt
- Energy bars

First Aid;

- Sunscreen of SPF #30, lip balm with sunscreen
- Cold Tablets/ Tylenol
- Insect Repellent
- Band Aids
- Anti dehydration medication
- Imodium for diarrhea.
- Prescription medications properly labelled

- Neosporin
- Cortisone cream
- All purpose prescription antibiotic
- Moisturizer
- Contact lens solution
- Spare prescription spectacles
- Anti malarial tablets
- Anti-nausea tablets if you suffer from motion sickness

Safari Essentials.

- Dust mask or large handkerchief
- Good quality sunglasses, UV protected, preferably polarised. Tinted fashion glasses are not good in strong light
- If you wear contact lenses, we recommend that you bring along a pair of glasses in case you get irritation from the dust.
- Reusable plastic, cloth or mesh bags to organize items within duffel and protect them against dust.
- Personal toiletries
- Flashlight with spare batteries
- Camera equipment including spare batteries, chargers, film, flash cards, memory sticks etc.
- Waterproof/dustproof bag or cover for your camera.
- BINOCULARS – we highly recommended that you bring your own pair for viewing both wildlife and birds. 8x40 and 10x42 are the recommended general purpose binocular specifications
- Tissues & Wet ones
- Razor/ Shaving Cream
- Diary/ Books/ Pens

NOTE: White and bright colors (Red, Yellow) are discouraged as they tend to alert the animals, but they are fine within camp. Also black and dark blue attract Tse Tse flies, but this is only applicable in some areas and some times of year. Please leave all your good jewelry and watches at home. Duffel bags are ideal as they store easily, especially in the charter aircraft, and can take a few knocks.