



Jambo from Savannah Explorers!

Everything is confirmed for your trip to Tanzania, and we are waiting for you.

If you have already received this information, please excuse the repetition.

1. PASSPORT

- a. We remind you to check the validity of your passport: to enter Tanzania you need a passport with 6 months of residual validity.
- b. Please send us copies of your passport if you haven't already done so. This is just in case of emergency.

2. VISA

- a. Your visa for entry into Tanzania can be obtained **ONLY ON LINE** (and in advance) at <https://visa.immigration.go.tz/>. Sometimes the visa queue at the airport can be long, so please consider applying for your visa online approximately three weeks before intended departure.
- b. The cost ranges from 50USD to 100USD per person depending on your country.
- c. You will need a passport with 6 months of validity and 2 free pages.
- d. You do not need a photo to obtain the visa in person, but you will need one to apply online.

3. VACCINATIONS

- a. There are no compulsory vaccinations to enter Tanzania, not even yellow fever (compulsory only for those arriving from endemic countries, where you have been for more than 12 hours).
- b. The sanitary standards during the safari are equivalent to those in Europe. Our Italian director lives here with his family; they have not had any vaccinations and have not caught any diseases. The choice of vaccinations is ultimately a personal choice.

4. COVID-19

- a. As of January 12th, 2023, travelers entering or transiting through mainland Tanzania are no longer required to present a Covid-19 vaccination certificate or a negative PCR test or rapid-test.
- b. As of February 1st, 2023, travelers entering or transiting through Zanzibar are no longer required to present a Covid-19 vaccination certificate or a negative PCR test or rapid-test.
- c. Port Health Officials may randomly select travelers to perform a rapid-test free of charge.
- d. The Ministry of Health still advises all travelers to be fully vaccinated as per the approved vaccination schedule of their respective country.

5. INSECT REPELLENT

- a. Malaria is not widespread however we have mosquitoes and they do bite. Please pack mosquito repellent for your comfort.
- b. To prevent bites from tsetse flies (found in Tarangire NP and Serengeti NP) we suggest an insect repellent with DEET (30% or less DEET recommended)

6. ARUSHA MEDIVAC: Air Ambulance Service

- a. Savannah Explorers offers all of its safari guests a guarantee of response by air ambulance services in case medical air evacuation is necessary with Arusha Medivac.
- b. For safer travel, this coverage is included in the price of the safari and is activated by our office in Arusha (you do not have to fill out forms or anything else).
- c. This Medivac service is only available IF you provide us with your **passport** and **travel insurance** information
- d. IF an air evacuation is needed, YOU or your travel insurance are responsible for the cost of the flight
- e. It also does not cover your hospitalization costs

7. TIPS

- a. Tips are always appreciated by your guide, waiters, lodge staff etc.
- b. To give you an idea
 - i. For the safari guide a good tip is 10USD per person per day.
 - ii. In the lodges and tented camps there is a shared "tip box". A good shared tip is 5USD per person per day

8. INFRASTRUCTURE

- a. The roads inside the parks are unpaved, as is the main road that crosses from Ngorongoro to the entrance of the Serengeti.
- b. Dust, vibration, mud, flat tires, windows blocked by dust can/will be part of your adventure.
- c. We do everything to avoid vehicle breakdowns: we have our own workshop with mechanics, and we use the best spare parts available, however we cannot prevent them from happening all the time.
- d. In the case of an unexpected breakdown we ask for your patience and understanding while we arrange vehicle repair or change of vehicle.

9. DIETARY RESTRICTIONS

- a. If you have not already notified us about your dietary restrictions please do so now so we can notify the necessary parties.

10. YOUR ARRIVAL

- a. You will be met by a guide/driver at the airport exit holding a banner with your name and the Savannah Explorer's logo.
- b. If you do not see your driver – please call our emergency number: Greyson +255 754 969 200 or Corrado +255 768 900 199

11. PLASTIC BAGS

- a. From 1 June 2019 the ban on the use of single-use plastic bags came into force.
- b. The use, manufacture or import of plastic bags including garbage bags and shopping bags is illegal. Violators will incur fines.
- c. Items bought at the airport before arriving in Tanzania must be removed from the plastic bags and left on the plane.
- d. Please check your hand luggage before disembarking at the entry points and leave any plastic bags on the plane.
- e. The transparent "zip-lock" plastic bags that some airlines distribute to passengers for liquids, cosmetics, toiletries, etc.in hand baggage ARE permitted in Tanzania.

12. CLIMATE and WEATHER

- a. The climate in Tanzania: in Zanzibar and in the Parks -
<https://www.savannahexplorers.com/blog/clima-tanzania-zanzibar>
- b. What is the weather like? The Safari Weather -
<https://www.savannahexplorers.com/blog/?s=meteo+del+safari>

13. PACKING

- a. What do I bring? Check out: The Safari suitcase
<https://savannahexplorers.net/blog/2014/12/17/cosa-mi-porto-la-valigia-del-safari>
- b. For more info and travel tips you can consult our blog - <http://savannahexplorers.net/blog/page/2>

14. CULTURAL ETIQUETTE

- a. Clothing
 - i. Being a predominantly Muslim country, you will find that most women cover their midriff, shoulders and knees.
 - ii. While shorts and sleeveless shirts are acceptable for men, they will never be seen walking shirt-less in towns/cities.
 - iii. On the beach it is acceptable to wear swim suits, however you are expected to be fully covered at meal times in the restaurant. Topless sunbathing and nudity are not permitted.
- b. Behavior
 - i. Holding hands is acceptable, while kissing and hugging in public are not.

15. PHOTOGRAPHS

- a. Always ask permission before taking photographs of people in Tanzania – there are cultural differences that you may not be aware of and you may offend the local people.
- b. NEVER take photographs of any person in uniform → police, government officials, and especially MILITARY – it is illegal and you will be arrested for it.

16. CURRENCY & BANKING

- a. The unit of currency is the Tanzanian Shilling which is accepted everywhere, but please keep in mind that prices in lodges and most tourist shops are in USD.
- b. Credit cards are accepted in many places but you can expect a service fee.
- c. USD/Euro are the most widely accepted foreign currencies. Please make sure bank notes are in good condition and USD are not older than those printed in 2013.
- d. There are 24-hour ATM machines in main towns where you can only withdraw local currency.

Please do not hesitate to contact our sales team for any queries or concerns. We are here to assist you.

We are waiting for you in Tanzania

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