

TANZANIA TRAVEL INFORMATION

Climate: Tanzania is a land without winter. Temperatures in Northern Tanzania range from 60-75 Degrees Fahrenheit during the day and 40-50 Degrees Fahrenheit at night from May to October. From November to March, the daytime temperature varies from 70-90 Degrees Fahrenheit and 60-75 Degrees Fahrenheit at Night. Please note that weather is highly unpredictable.

Passports & Visas: All visitors must have a **valid passport** and **visa** to enter Tanzania. Visa fees vary according to the country you originate from. Visas can be obtained by applying online through this: www.immigration.go.tz . The online process asks for more information than a visa on arrival, and are issued within 2 - 3 weeks.

You can apply either single entry or multiple entries, according to your requirements.

Also be aware that with immediate effect Kilimanjaro and Dar International Airports have changed the process of issuing visas on arrival. Clients arriving without a visa now need to complete the following process:

- Queue for a Government control number
- Queue to pay for this at the bank
- Queue for Immigration to check and issue the visa

This means that the visa on arrival process can take in excess of two hours, and we are suggesting that you apply online before arriving to avoid any inconvenience

You can also obtain it as well as the respective borders of Sirari / Isebania or Namanga / Taita and Taveta borders.

Visa Fee:

USD. 50.00 per non-resident in European and other countries (adults & children)

USD. 100.00 per person for American citizens (adults & children)

Currency: In Tanzania, the unit of currency is the Tanzanian Shilling, which is divided into 100 Cents. Notes are issued in denominations of 500, 1000, 2000, 5000, and 10000 Shillings. Coins are issued in denominations of 50, 100 and 200 Shillings.

Banking: Banks are open from 9:00am to 3:00pm Monday to Friday. Many banks are equipped with 24-hour ATM machines.

Credit cards and travelers' checks are not widely accepted in Tanzania. Where they are accepted can high service fees and poor exchange rates be expected. Major foreign currencies - particularly US \$ - are accepted in Tanzania and are convertible at banks and bureau de changes in the main towns and tourist areas. If bringing cash in US \$, please make sure bank notes are in good condition, with no cuts or damage and are not older than 2004. Most banks offer higher exchange rates for US \$ 100 / US \$ 50 bank notes compared to US \$ 20 / US \$ 10 or US \$ 5 bank notes.

Vaccination Certificate: Yellow Fever Certificate required as below: -

- For all travelers arriving directly from Europe to Kilimanjaro Airport KLM flight, such that they did not cross an endemic country they will not require Yellow fever Vaccination.
- For all travelers coming from Europe via or transited through an endemic country e.g. on Emirates flight via Addis and Nairobi they will NEED Yellow fever vaccination certificate e.g.

On any international flight to Nairobi, Kenya e.g. SN Brussels, British Airways, Swiss Airline and Kenya Airways to NBO then chartered plane or Kenya Airways / Precision Airline to Kilimanjaro they will need Yellow fever vaccination card

Procedure: On arrival the passengers must first go to the health desk and then to the Immigration desk. NO passport will be accepted at immigration desk without a stamp from Health desk.

Anti-malaria medication is recommended when traveling within East Africa. Anti-malaria tablets are recommended to be taken a few days prior to arrival, during your stay and for a short period after returning home. Please consult your physician / tropical institute for medical advice

Insurance: You are strongly advised to have your own insurance to cover baggage, personal injury or accident and medical attention as well as repatriation to your home country in case of any major medical emergency.

Clothing: Clothing should be light weight, loose-fitting and of "breathable" fabrics, such as cotton. For the daytime, shorts and T-shirts are most comfortable. While out in the bush you will find that neutral colors are best as they blend in with the natural surroundings and show the dust least. It is advised to avoid bright colors. The nights at the higher elevations like Ngorongoro gets to be quite cool, so you should also bring a sweater or a jacket.

Plastic bag BAN: Kindly note that SINGLE USE plastic bags are not allowed in Tanzania, so kindly don't bring them as you will be fined a hefty sum.

Some of the items to bring with you: Binoculars, sun screen, eye drops, hat with a visor, insect repellent, small flashlight, personal medications, swim suit and cover-up, skin and hair moisturizers, pre-moistened small towelettes, sunglasses (neck string comes in quite handy) an extra pair of glasses /contact lenses and it's fluids, two or three pair of comfortable shoes and a pair of sandals, three to five changes of casual clothing (shorts, T-shirts, long sleeve shirts, a sweater or jacket, slacks, sports shirts, blouses and a dress.)

It is also advisable to come with photocopy of your passport, credit card(s), and airline ticket and to keep them separately from the originals.

Food, drink & cuisine advice: Most camps, lodges or hotels cater specifically to tourists and serve Western-style food, ranging in standard, but generally are excellent. Game lodges tend to offer a daily set menu with a limited selection, so it is advisable to have your tour operator specify in advance if you are a vegetarian or have other specific dietary requirements. First-time visitors to Africa might take note that most game lodges in and around the national parks have isolated locations, and driving within the parks is neither permitted nor advisable after dark, so that there is no realistic alternative to eating at your lodge.

Tap water in Tanzania is generally not safe to drink, and most travelers try to stick to mineral water. Filtered and bottled water can be difficult to find you are travelling outside of main town and so it is advisable to stock up. Most camps, lodges and hotels have bottled water readily available.

Electricity and plug standard: The electricity supply in Tanzania is 220/240 volts at 50Hz. Plugs are 3-point square (UK Type). Adapters are available at major airports.

Pictures: It is prohibited to take pictures of State house, airports, military installations, police stations, government facilities, any border post, soldiers or police or any person. Please always seek advice from your driver / guide before taking pictures.

While on safari, make sure you have some way of protecting your camera from dust. As most of the safari game viewing takes place in the early morning and late afternoon, 100 or 200 ASA film is probably best to use. A telephoto or zoom lens is recommended.

Baggage: Baggage should be kept to a minimum; one main lightweight bag with soft sides and one overnight bag are adequate. **On flying safaris, baggage is limited to 15 Kgs per person.**



Security: As in most major international cities, sensible security measures should be observed. Keep a close watch on purses, handbags, wallets and cameras. Avoid wearing expensive or flashy jewelry. It is advisable to hire a taxi if you wish to move around at night and for your personal safety, avoid dark, deserted lanes and streets. If you are with our driver guides then it is best to leave the cameras and other equipment with him when you are walking around.

Airport Departure Tax: Airport departure tax on international flights is to be paid in Cash Only. In some cases, some airlines include the departure Tax in their ticket price. Please check with your travel agent.

In case the airport departure is not included, airport will charge the fee upon departure.