

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.

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:

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, 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 Certificates are required.

A new visa-on-arrival handling process has been introduced at Kilimanjaro Airport which has had an immediate impact on the arrival and visa collection procedure. This involves travellers standing in 3 different queues, adding a significant amount of time to their arrivals. With this

change in place, we strongly encourage all clients to obtain their visa online in advance of arrival at <https://eservices.immigration.go.tz/visa/>. E-visas typically take 2 – 3 weeks to be issued.

Please note, not all ports of entry are equipped to accept the online visa. Only the following 5 ports are currently operative:

- Julius Nyerere International Airport (DAR)
- Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO)
- Abeid Amani Karume International Airport (ZNZ)
- Namanga (road border between Arusha & Nairobi)
- Tunduma (road border between Tanzania & Zambia)

If travellers are entering via a different port (eg: Isebania), it is advisable to obtain the visa on arrival. An online visa can still be used and will be accepted, but the process of validating the visa can be time consuming when the port does not have the necessary equipment on hand.

COVID-19

Tanzania – Visitors must present a negative COVID-19 test 72 hours before arrival and on departure. In addition to all current entry requirements, the latest arrival information provided by the Tanzanian government officials is as follows:

- There is no 14-day mandatory quarantine upon arrival.
- All travelers whose airlines or countries require them to obtain a negative COVID-19 test will be asked to present a certificate on arrival. We recommend that all guests do have a COVID-19 test done prior to departure and that these are obtained as close to travel as possible. Most countries in Africa ask for the test to be within 72 hours of arrival.
- Guests entering or leaving Tanzania will be subjected to enhanced screening for COVID-19 infection.
- Guests requiring medical certificates as a condition for travelling will be required to present these upon arrival.
- All guests are to fill out a Traveller Surveillance Form and submit to Port Health Authorities upon arrival.
- If guests exhibit any symptoms, they will undergo enhanced screening and an RT-PCR test for COVID-19 at a government facility at their own cost.
- There are designated check points throughout the country

COVID TEST

Book an appointment online to avoid delays and fake certificates, on the Ministry of health portal : <https://pimacovid.moh.go.tz>

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:

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:

It is 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. It is advised to avoid bright colors. The nights, at the higher elevations, like Ngorongoro get 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. If found with them, 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 towels
- 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' drinks water from sealed mineral water bottles. Filtered and bottled water can be difficult to find if you are travelling outside of main town, 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 the State House, Airports, Military Installations, Police Stations, Government Facilities, any Border Post, Soldiers 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.