

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION TANZANIA

PASSPORT AND VISA INFORMATION

Your passport needs to be valid for **at least six (6) months** after your journey ends, and should have a minimum of two (2) blank visa pages for entry and exit stamps.

A tourist visa is required for U.S. and Canadian passport holders for entry into Tanzania.

There are currently two options available as outlined below. Buongiorno Travel recommends an electronic visa (eVisa).

Electronic Visa (eVisa): To apply for an eVisa, visit eservices.immigration.go.tz/visa. The current fee for a multiple-entry visa, which is valid for one year, is USD \$100 (subject to change without notice). We recommend that you apply at least 60 days prior to your arrival date. In the section that asks for "Port Type" you can choose either *Airports* or *Roads* based upon the type of entry/exit in your specific itinerary. The specific ports of entry are not required fields and can be left blank. In the section that asks for "Company name/Organization Registration No.," you can enter Buongiorno Travel Tanzania. In the section that asks for an email address for your host tour operator in Tanzania, please use a.sule@buongiornotravel.com and finally in the section that asks "Where are you going to stay?" chose hotel and then list contact information of the first hotel on your itinerary. Read and follow all instructions carefully to ensure a smooth arrival in Tanzania. If you experience technical problems with the eVisa website, try again a few hours later or the following day.

Note: Visas can be obtained on arrival in Tanzania, however, the Tanzanian government has implemented recent changes to the visa on arrival process that require applicants to wait in several different lines and can take in excess of two hours to complete.

Citizens of other countries should contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their journey.

VACCINATIONS

A yellow fever vaccination is only required to enter Tanzania if you are arriving from, or have transited through, a yellow fever-endemic area in South America or Africa – including East African countries such as Kenya and Uganda. This means that if your itinerary includes visits to both Kenya and Tanzania, you may be asked to show proof of yellow fever vaccination when entering either country. The CDC and WHO each provide a current list of all affected countries. If vaccination for yellow fever is necessary, you must carry an International Certificate of Vaccination provided by your physician; you may be denied entry without it. If your physician advises against receiving the vaccination because of your personal medical history, he or she can provide you with the necessary documentation for the country/countries you are visiting.

CASH & CREDIT CARDS

Tanzania has a cash-based economy. Cash transactions can be made in either U.S. dollars or local currency. U.S. dollars should be recently issued bills in smaller denominations. Major credit cards are accepted on a very limited basis, mainly in the largest shops, hotels and lodges. Access to ATM machines is available in large cities such as Arusha and Dar es Salaam, but limited in rural areas.

OF SPECIAL NOTE: PLASTIC BAGS IN TANZANIA

The government of Tanzania has implemented a ban on plastic bags. The ban applies to “carrier and flat bags,” primarily targeting bags from shops and grocery stores, but also extending to duty-free bags and bubble wrap. If tourists have those types of bags visible while in the airport, they are likely to be confiscated. Bags designed for multiple use, such as zippered cosmetic bags, are not included in the ban.

PACKING LIST & BAGGAGE RESTRICTIONS

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BAGGAGE RESTRICTIONS

On flights within East Africa, each passenger is limited to a maximum baggage weight of 33 pounds (15 kilograms). This includes the weight of purses and camera equipment in addition to regular luggage. Luggage restrictions are adhered to very strictly and passengers should pack their bags accordingly. Soft-sided luggage or duffels are preferable to hard luggage for storage on safari vehicles and also on aircraft used throughout East Africa. Dimensions should not exceed 23 inches (58 centimeters) long x 13 inches (33 centimeters) high x 10 inches (25 centimeters) wide. As a convenience, Buongiorno Travel provides each safari guest with a complimentary, custom-designed Buongiorno Travel Duffel. This bag is specifically crafted to meet airline standards.

Please use the provided Buongiorno Travel luggage tags, even if your bags already have ID tags. This makes it easier for Buongiorno Travel staff to collect and manage your luggage for you.

PACKING LIST

Choose comfortable and casual clothing in natural, "breathable" fabrics and versatile styles that can be layered, as temperatures may vary considerably in the course of the day. For game viewing, wear neutral colors (though not camouflage, which is illegal in most national parks and reserves). Black, navy or other dark colors tend to attract insects. Smart casual attire is appropriate for evenings. Formal clothing is not necessary.

Clothing

- Casual slacks
- Walking shorts
- Polo shirts, casual short-sleeve shirts or blouses
- Long sleeve shirts or blouses
- Comfortable walking shoes with traction
- If you are travelling during Africa's winter months of mid-May through early September, bring warm clothing — heavy sweater, hat, gloves, lined jacket — to protect against chilly early morning and evening temperatures. A lined jacket is needed year-round when visiting the Ngorongoro Crater
- A pair of rubber beach sandals to use as slippers.
- Brimmed hat for sun protection
- Swimwear/cover-up
- Personal garments
- Sports bra for women for bumpy roads
- Sleepwear
- Socks

Other Recommended Items

- Sunglasses / Sun block
- Insect repellent with high % of DEET to protect against mosquitos and tsetse flies*
- Prescriptions and medications (in their original bottles and/or packaging)
- Simple first-aid kit
- Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses
- Smartphone
- Charging cables for electronics
- Global travel adapter

Optional Items

- Small LED flashlight
- Lightweight binoculars
- Inflatable pillow or stadium cushion can make bumpy roads more comfortable
- Foldable walking stick
- Small daypack or fanny pack
- Low-suds detergent for washing small items of personal laundry

*Note: many properties provide insect repellent in rooms/tents. However you may wish to bring your own preferred brand.

Laundry Service is available at most hotels, lodges and camps. Because some laundries in Africa do not accept any underclothing, be prepared to wash your own smalls. Laundry techniques may not be suitable for delicate and/or synthetic fabrics. Check costs and return times before using these services.

TIPPING GUIDELINES TANZANIA

While decisions regarding tipping rest entirely with you, we suggest the following gratuities (noted in U.S. dollars) depending on the type of journey.

	All Small Group Journeys and Pre/Post Tour Group Extensions	Tailor Made and Signature Journeys
Resident Tour Director or Group Extension Guide	\$15 per person, per day	Not applicable
Safari Driver-Guides	\$10 per person, per day	\$15 per person, per day
Local Safari or City Guides	Not applicable	\$20 per person, per day (full day)
Hot Air Balloon Pilots (if applicable)	\$10 per person	\$10 per person
Airport Transfer Drivers	Included	\$5 per person, per transfer
Hotel Porters	Included	\$2 per bag
Bush Lodges and Permanent Tented Camps	Included	\$10 per person, per day – Gratuities are accepted at each property and shared among the staff.
Housekeepers	Included	\$2 per person, per night
Included Meals	Included	Included
Restaurants or Room Service on Own	10-15% unless already added	10-15% unless already added

For extra nights or Tailor Made services added to a Small Group Journey, please follow the Tailor Made Journeys guidelines for these days only.