

# WHAT TO PACK

## LUGGAGE

- ✓ If you are catching a domestic flight in East Africa, you should be aware that the **weight limit is 15kg** (33 lbs) – if your bags are heavier you may have to pay an excess luggage charge. Sometimes you may be able to get away with an extra kilogram or two, however, please use 15kgs total as a guideline.
- ✓ Soft-sided bags are mandatory on light aircrafts. A lock for your bag is always useful.



### **i** USEFUL TIP

Sometimes in summer it can be quite warm on game drives during the day, so perhaps consider taking your flip-flops out on your morning game drive. Once the sun comes out in earnest, it may be quite warm and you may wish to change into flip-flops!

## TOILETRIES

- ✓ Basics such as soap, shampoo & conditioner will be provided, however, we recommend bringing your own just in case.
- ✓ Insect repellent is provided at some camps, but you should definitely also bring your own.
- ✓ Hairdryers are not provided at most of the camps, since they will not work with the limited voltage as most properties run on solar power. Therefore, there's no need to bring your hairdryer with you.
- ✓ A laundry service is included at the high-end tented camps only. Check your list of inclusions/exclusions on your itinerary. Please just note that underwear will not be washed as part of the laundry (due to cultural reasons) however the camps will provide washing powder for you to wash your own delicates.
- ✓ High SPF sunscreen

## CLOTHING

- ✓ Bring layers - a mixture of long and short sleeves, are best for the fluctuating temperatures. Stick to neutral colours such as khaki, brown or tan for game drives (avoid camouflage print for political reasons and black or dark blue as these colours attract Tsetse flies)
- ✓ A thick fleece / jumper – it gets cold on the early morning game drives, even in summer.
- ✓ A windcheater / light waterproof jacket.
- ✓ Comfortable shoes for walking safaris – a good pair of sneakers will be fine (bring a plastic bag to put them in afterwards in case they get dirty!)
- ✓ Flip-flops for around the swimming pool or in the outdoor shower.
- ✓ Swim suit – even if you aren't going to the beach some of the camps you will visit will have swimming pools.
- ✓ A wide brimmed hat to protect you from the sun.
- ✓ Good sunglasses – the African sun is bright!

## ACCESSORIES

- ✓ A small torch – head torches are particularly practical for walking to/from your tent at night
- ✓ Spare batteries, international power adaptors and charging equipment. There will be a charging station at most properties for your cameras etc
- ✓ A good pair of binoculars
- ✓ A good book or fully loaded Kindle / iPad for siesta time.

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There always seems to be a shortage of pens at all the airports in East Africa – to avoid delays, we recommend bringing your own pen so you can fill in your visa / entry forms quickly!

