WHAT TO PACK

LUGGAGE

If you are catching a small safari flight in Africa, you should be aware that the **weight limit** is often 15kg (33 lbs) or 20kgs (44lbs) – 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 the above total as a guideline.

Soft-sided bags are mandatory on light aircrafts. A lock for your bag is always useful.

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 you may wish to change into flip-flops!

TOILETRIES

Basics such as soap, shampoo & conditioner will be provided, however, if you prefer, you can bring your own.

Insect repellent is provided at most camps.

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.

High SPF sunscreen - the African sun can be harsh!

Laundry is usually included at the high-end properties. Check the inclusions on your itinerary. Sometimes underwear will not be washed (due to cultural reasons), though you will be provided with laundry powder to wash your own delicates.



Bring layers - a mixture of long and short sleeves is best for the fluctuating temperatures. Stick to neutral colors such as khaki, brown or tan for game drives (avoid camouflage print for political reasons and black or dark blue as these colours can attract Tsetse flies)

A thick fleece / jumper – it gets cold on the early morning game drives, even in summer.

If you generally "feel the cold" then perhaps bringing a beanie and/or scarf.

A windcheater / light waterproof jacket.

Comfortable shoes for walking safaris – a good pair of sneakers will usually suffice.

Flip-flops for around the swimming pool or in the outdoor shower.

Swim suit – many of the camps/lodges you will visit will have swimming pools.

A wide brimmed hat and some good sunglasses

ACCESSORIES

A good pair of binoculars

A good book or fully loaded Kindle / iPad for waits in airports or during siesta time at your camp or lodge.

Spare memory cards for your camera(s).

