

HOPPER TRAVELS

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AFRICA PACKING LIST

What clothing and accessories should I pack?

We suggest that when in safari camps/lodges, you wear 'bush' colors, such as olive green, khaki, gray and brown. Bright and light colors should be avoided, except at night. Some properties do require men to wear long trousers to dinner. It is advisable to wear light colored clothes at night, as insects tend to avoid light clothing. Avoid wearing black and dark blue during the day as these absorb heat & attract insects. Generally, most people only need 4 changes of clothing for a safari as most camps have complimentary laundry services.

Jacket and tie for men and elegant wear for women is required at dinner on both the Blue Train and Rovos Rail. Casual clothing is the norm everywhere else. One may feel more comfortable in elegant wear at premier hotels, but this is not a requirement.

Please note NO camouflage printed clothing is allowed in many African countries.

We recommend packing the following items:

- Long sleeved shirts for day and evening can reduce sunburn and insect bites; however short sleeves are fine as well
- Pants with zip-off legs ideal; alternatively shorts are great for daywear
- Dark colors for daywear, light colors for night wear
- Underwear and socks
- Sleeping attire
- Scarf/Pashmina for keeping your neck warm
- Bathing suit
- Comfortable closed walking shoes like trainers (Avoid big heavy boots)
- Light shoes or sandals
- Warm winter jerseys for cold evenings
- Gloves (May to September)
- Lightweight waterproof/windproof jacket (November to April)
- Personal toiletries (basic amenities supplied by most establishments)
- Medication (basic medical kit - aspirin, Imodium, antiseptic and antihistamine cream)
- Insect repellent is provided by the camps
- Good quality sunglasses -preferably polarized. Tinted fashion glasses are not good in strong light
- Glasses -we recommend bringing glasses along if you wear contact lenses as irritation may occur due to dust in the air
- Hat with brim or peak cap
- Sunblock and lip balm (Recommended to bring minimum factor 30 SPF)
- Anti-malarial prophylactics are essential all year round (please contact your closest travel clinic for any additional medical precautions for travel to Africa)
- Camera equipment and enough memory cards to capture all your memories
- Binoculars
- Flashlight
- International converter plug
- Do not bring any jewelry or perfumes
- Last of all take a pen for those important postcards home

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AFRICA LUGGAGE RESTRICTIONS

Deciding what to pack to be prepared for any type of weather or event can be very stressful. To keep the excitement up for your upcoming adventure, we have put together a list of Safari essentials.

What size bag am I allowed?

During your itinerary, you may be transferred by air between your destinations. These air transfers are generally done by smaller passenger planes, which have a maximum weight restriction. When combining scheduled airline flights and air transfers (as specified below), the smallest luggage restriction will apply, unless alternative arrangements have been made for the storage or separate transfer of excess luggage, which will be at an additional cost.

In order to not have to unpack and decide which are your favorite clothes while standing on the airstrip, we advise you adhere to your smallest weight and size restrictions of all your flights from the start of your itinerary.

SOME IMPORTANT ISSUES MUST PLEASE BE NOTED FOR AIR TRANSFERS:

Luggage, including hand luggage, is restricted to 44lbs per person in Southern Africa and 33lbs in East Africa. Only soft bags will be accepted. No hard suitcases can be transported, as they physically cannot fit into the aircraft. The maximum dimensions of the soft bags that can be accommodated are as follows:

10 inches wide x 12 inches high and 24 inches long.

Please keep in mind that the baggage compartments on the light aircrafts are only 10 inches high, so the pilots must have the ability to manipulate the bag into the compartment.

The luggage pod or compartment is a narrow box tilted onto the bottom or belly of the aircraft. Bags with wheels are generally hard shelled and are not able to be maneuvered in to the pod, thus giving the pilot authority to refuse transporting the bag.