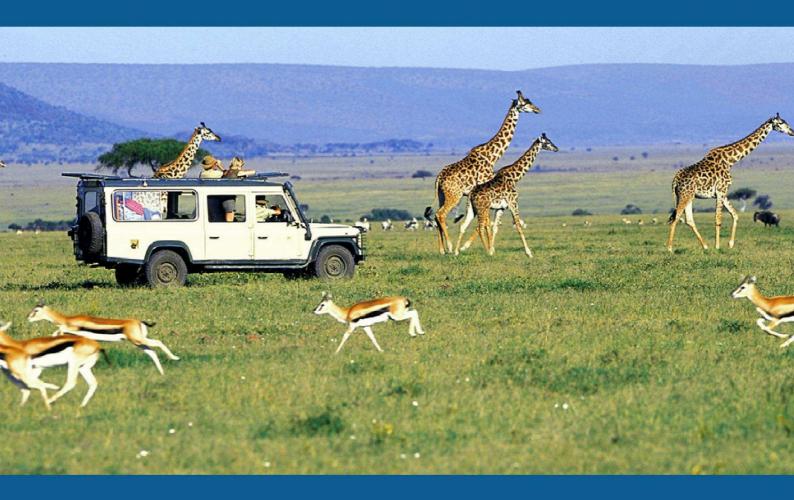
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Dear Giampoli, Vogelsinger, Haben and Trivisonno Families,

With your East African adventure just around the corner, no doubt your excitement is mounting!

This Go2Africa Information Document will hopefully make your trip more real, answer any questions you may have and help with your final preparations towards a **seamless experience**.

I have included both **brief and detailed itineraries** and an essential **list of contact numbers**. It is recommended that you leave this list with friends or family before your departure, should they need to contact you while you're away. Also included is important and informative travel information about East Africa.

Please keep this information document, together with your **passport and travel insurance documents** in a safe place while travelling. The vouchers must be presented upon check-in to hotels or lodges and may be requested by transfer and touring services.

A few more suggestions to take note of:

- Make two (2) photocopies of your passport identification page, airline paper tickets, driver's license, credit cards & travellers cheque serial numbers;
- Leave one (1) copy of each with friends or family at home;
- Keep the other copy with you in a place separate from where you carry your valuables;
- Keep a record of what travellers cheques you have used; and
- If you lose your passport report it to your country's embassy or consulate and the local police as soon as possible.

For any last minute change in your plans, <u>please call the emergency number provided below</u> for prompt assistance. If you have any further questions regarding your trip or the contents of this document please do not hesitate to contact me.

Here is wishing you a wonderful and safe journey, I look forward to hearing all about it when you get back home!

Kind regards

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ARRIVAL	SERVICE	PROVIDER	REFERENCE	CONTACT
Thu 27 May 10	Flight MS 849 departing at 22h45 from Cairo International Airport to Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, arriving at 03h45 on Fri, 28 May 2010.	Egypt Air	Own Arrangements	+2 (02) 22677010
Fri 28 May 10	Meet the andBeyond representative who will assist you through customs and immigrations and luggage collection. Please ensure that you make your way to the arrivals terminal to meet the andBeyond representative for luggage storage.	andBeyond	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Fri 28 May 10	Private Charter Flight Transfer from Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to Kilimanjaro International Airport. Duration: ± 1hour. Approximate Departure of 06h00 - 06h30 has been requested. ***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a soft-sided bag - including hand luggage. ***	Tanganyika Flying Company (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Fri 28 May 10	Private Charter Flight Transfer to Grumeti Airstrip. Duration: ± 1½ hours plus 30 minutes in Kilimanjaro International Airport. ***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a soft-sided bag - including hand luggage. ***	Tanganyika Flying Company (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Fri 28 May 10	Game Drive transfer from Grumeti Airstrip to Grumeti Serengeti Tented Camp. Duration: ± 15 minutes.	Grumeti Serengeti Tented Camp (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Fri 28 May 10	Spend 3 nights at Grumeti Serengeti Tented Camp in 4 Double, 1 Twin and 1 Single Tent, including 3 meals daily, scheduled activities, laundry, soft drinks, house wines and local brand spirits and park fees.	Grumeti Serengeti Tented Camp (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Mon 31 May 10	05h30 - Early wake-up call and transfer by Land Rover from Grumeti Serengeti Tented Camp to the Serengeti Balloon Safaris launch site. Enjoy 1 Hour Hot Air Balloon ride (dependent on weather conditions)	Serengeti Balloon Safaris (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252

	followed by an English Breakfast. Return to the camp afterwards.			
Mon 31 May 10	09h30 - Transfer from Grumeti Serengeti Tented Camp to Grumeti Airstrip.	Grumeti Serengeti Tented Camp (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Mon 31 May 10	Private Charter Flight Transfer from Grumeti Airstrip to Seronera Airstrip. Approximate Departure / Arrival Times: 10h00 / 10h30. ***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a soft-sided bag - including hand luggage. ***	Tanganyika Flying Company (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Mon 31 May 10	Game Drive transfer from Seronera Airstrip to Serengeti Under Canvas. Duration: ± 45 minutes.	Serengeti Under Canvas (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Mon 31 May 10	Spend 2 nights at Serengeti Under Canvas (Camp Booked out Exclusively) in 4 Doubles, 1 Twin and 1 Single Tent including 3 meals daily, scheduled activities in Private Land Rovers, laundry, soft drinks, house wines, local brand spirits and park fees.	Serengeti Under Canvas (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Wed 02 Jun 10	Transfer from Serengeti Under Canvas to Seronera Airstrip. <i>Pick up time to be advised 24 hours in advance.</i>	Serengeti Under Canvas (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Wed 02 Jun 10	Private Charter Flight Transfer from Seronera Airstrip to Manyara Airstrip. Approximate Departure / Arrival Times: 10h30 / 11h05. ***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a soft-sided bag - including hand luggage. ***	Tanganyika Flying Company (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Wed 02 Jun 10	Road transfer from Manyara Airstrip to Ngorongoro Crater Lodge with a Masai Village Visit en route. Duration: ± 2 hours.	Ngorongoro Crater Lodge (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Wed 02 Jun 10	Spend 2 nights at Ngorongoro Crater Lodge in 4 Doubles, 1 Twin and 1 Single Suites including 3 meals daily, scheduled activities, laundry, soft drinks, house wines, local brand spirits, park and crater fees. (Tree Camp has been requested but cannot be guaranteed).	Ngorongoro Crater Lodge (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252

Thu 03 Jun 10	Early into the crater	Ngorongoro Crater Lodge (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Fri 04 Jun 10	Transfer from Ngorongoro Crater Lodge at around 10h00 to Manyara Airstrip.	Ngorongoro Crater Lodge (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Fri 04 Jun 10	Private Charter Flight Transfer from Manyara Airstrip to Kilimanjaro International Airport. Approximate Departure / Arrival Times: 12h00 / 12h35. ***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a softsided bag - including hand luggage. ***	Tanganyika Flying Company (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Fri 04 Jun 10	Private Charter Flight Transfer from Kilimanjaro International Airport to Wilson Airport. Approximate Departure / Arrival Times: 13h05 / 14h05. ***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a soft- sided bag including hand luggage. *** Enjoy lunch togo provided for by Ngorongoro Crater Lodge.	Tanganyika Flying Company (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Fri 04 Jun 10	Road transfer from Wilson Airport to House of Waine. Duration : ± 25 minutes.	House of Waine (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Fri 04 Jun 10	Enjoy a Dayroom at House of Waine in 3 Triple Rooms and 1 Double Room. Your stay includes dinner.	House of Waine (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Fri 04 Jun 10	Trivisonno Family Road transfer from House of Waine to Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. Pick up at 18h10. Flight KLM 566 departing at 22h20 from Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to Amsterdam, Schiphol Airport.	House of Waine (andBeyond) KLM Royal Dutch Airlines	JHFT192993 Own Arrangements	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252 +254 (20) 327 4100

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Fri 04 Jun 10	Vogelsinger Family Road transfer from House of Waine to Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. Pick up at 19h40.	House of Waine (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
	Flight BA 64 departing at 23h40 from Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to London Heathrow International Airport.	British Airways	Own Arrangements	+254 (20) 698 0000
Fri 04 Jun 10	Haben and Giampoli Families Road transfer from House of Waine to Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. Pick up at 22h30.	House of Waine (andBeyond)	JHFT192993	+27 (0) 11 809 4300 +27 (0) 83 280 7252
Sat 05 Jun 10	Flight TK 608 departing at 02h30 from Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to Istanbul International Ataturk Airport.	Turkish Airlines	Own Arrangements	+254 (20) 2224849

Just as we've helped you plan your trip, so Go2Africa will be there for you at every stage of your journey. In the unlikely event of any problems occurring during your vacation, we advise you to first contact the supplier as listed on your itinerary. In the event of a problem with your accommodation, please contact the service provider management directly, that being the property manager.

Should your problem remain unresolved, please don't hesitate to contact Go2Africa during office hours on +27 (0)21 481 4900, or on our emergency cell phone number +27(0) 84 815 7174. You can contact Go2Africa seven days a week, 365 days a year and emergency support lines are manned by experienced senior members of our team.

DETAILED ITINERARY

Thursday, 27 May 2010

This evening you will depart on flight **MS 849** at **22h45** from Cairo International Airport to Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, arriving at **03h45** on Friday, 28 May 2010. **(As per own arrangements).**

Friday, 28 May 2010, Grumeti Serengeti Tented Camp.

Upon your arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, you will be warmly welcomed by a member of the andBeyond team who will assist you assist you through customs and immigrations and luggage collection and with checking you in for your Tanganyika Flying Company Private Charter Flight.

Please ensure that you make your way to the arrivals terminal to meet the andBeyond representative for luggage storage.

Tanganyika Flying Company Private Charter Flight to Kilimanjaro International Airport (approx. travelling time: 1 hour). Approximate Departure of **06h00** - **06h30** has been requested. ***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a soft-sided bag - including hand luggage. ***

Here you will clear customs and immigrations and connect on to your Tanganyika Flying Company Private Charter Flight to Grumeti Airstrip (approx. travelling time: 1 ½ hours plus 30 minutes in Kilimanjaro Airport). ***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a soft-sided bag - including hand luggage. ***

A representative of Grumeti Serengeti Tented Camp will meet you upon arrival for the Game Drive transfer from Grumeti Airstrip to the camp. **Duration:** ± 15 minutes.

Spend 3 nights at Grumeti Serengeti Tented Camp in 4 Double, 1 Twin and a Single Tent, including 3 meals daily, scheduled activities, laundry, soft drinks, house wines and local brand spirits and park fees.

Rooming List supplied to the property

Roy and Debra - Double Bed
James and Nancy - Double Bed
Thomas and Lynn - Double Bed
Edward and Mary Kay - Double Bed
John (Jack) and Michael - Twin Beds

Ashley - Single Room with Double Bed

Monday, 31 May 2010, Serengeti Under Canvas

You shall have an early wake-up call at **05h30**, a **Serengeti Balloon Safaris** representative will collect you and transfer you by Landrover to their launch site. Here you will meet your pilot, receive a briefing and watch the inflation of your balloon. At dawn you take off, rising as the sun rises and float in whichever direction the winds of the morning take you. Your pilot can precisely control the altitude of the balloon: sometimes flying at treetop height, sometimes lower, offering a unique perspective and great photographic opportunities of the wildlife below. At other times he will probably ascend to 1000' or more to see the enormity and wonderful panorama of the Serengeti. From time to time the pilot must put more heat into the Balloon with the powerful whisper burners. In between these burns, there is silence apart from the natural sounds below.

The flight is about one hour long depending on conditions, and eventually you must land. You celebrate in the traditional manner with champagne (well, an excellent sparkling wine) before sitting down to a full English breakfast prepared and served in the bush in 'Out of Africa' style with bone china, linen table cloths, King's silver etc. After breakfast you receive your Serengeti Balloon certificate. You are then driven back to your Lodge with game viewing en-route. (please note that this activity is weather dependent)

A representative of Grumeti Serengeti Tented Camp shall collect you at **09h30** for the transfer from the camp to Grumeti Airstrip. Depart on your Tanganyika Flying Company Private Charter Flight Transfer from Grumeti Airstrip to Seronera Airstrip. Approximate Departure / Arrival Times: **10h00** / **10h30**.

***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a soft-sided bag - including hand luggage. ***

A representative of Serengeti Under Canvas will meet you upon your arrival for the Game Drive transfer from Seronera Airstrip to the camp. **Duration:** ± 45 minutes.

Spend 2 nights at Serengeti Under Canvas (Camp Booked out Exclusively) in 4 Doubles, 1 Twin and 1 Single Tent including 3 meals daily, scheduled activities in Private Land Rovers, laundry, soft drinks, house wines, local brand spirits and park fees.

Rooming List supplied to the property

Roy and Debra - Double Bed
James and Nancy - Double Bed
Thomas and Lynn - Double Bed
Edward and Mary Kay - Double Bed
John (Jack) and Michael - Twin Beds

Ashley - Single Room with Double Bed

Wednesday, 02 June 2010, Ngorongoro Crater Lodge

A representative of Serengeti Under Canvas will collect you for the transfer to Seronera Airstrip. *Pick up time to be advised 24 hours in advance.*

You shall depart on your Tanganyika Flying Company Private Charter Flight Transfer from Seronera Airstrip to Manyara Airstrip. Approximate Departure / Arrival Times: **10h30** / **11h05**.

***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a soft-sided bag - including hand luggage. ***

A representative of Ngorongoro Crater Lodge will meet you upon arrival for the road transfer from Manyara Airstrip to the lodge with a Masai Village Visit before you arrive at the lodge. **Duration:** ± 2 hours (excluding the village tour).

Spend 2 nights at Ngorongoro Crater Lodge in 4 Doubles, 1 Twin and 1 Single Suite including 3 meals daily, scheduled activities, laundry, soft drinks, house wines, local brand spirits, park and crater fees. (Tree Camp has been requested but cannot be guaranteed).

Rooming List supplied to the property

Roy and Debra	-	Double Bed
James and Nancy	-	Double Bed
Thomas and Lynn	-	Double Bed
Edward and Mary Kay	-	Double Bed
John (Jack) and Michael	-	Twin Beds
Ashlev	_	Single Room with Double Bed

Thursday, 03 June 2010

Early departure into the crater, departure time will be confirmed by the lodge the evening prior.

Friday, 04 June 2010, House of Waine

A representative of Ngorongoro Crater Lodge will collect you around **10h00** this morning for the transfer from the lodge to Manyara Airstrip.

You shall depart on your Tanganyika Flying Company Private Charter Flight Transfer from Manyara Airstrip to Kilimanjaro International Airport. Approximate Departure / Arrival Times: 12h00 / 12h35.

***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a softsided bag including hand luggage. ***

Upon arrival at Kilimanjaro International Airport you shall connect onto your Tanganyika Flying Company Private Charter Flight Transfer to Wilson Airport. Approximate Departure / Arrival Times: 13h05 / 14h05.

***Luggage Restriction of 15 kgs per person in a softsided bag including hand luggage. ***

Enjoy lunch togo provided for by Ngorongoro Crater Lodge.

A representative of House of Waine shall meet you upon your arrival for the road transfer from Wilson Airport to the hotel.

Duration: ± 25 minutes. Enjoy a Dayroom at House of Waine in 3 Triple Rooms and 1 Double Room. Your stay will include dinner.

Trivisonno FamilyA representative of House of Waine will collect you this evening at **18h10** for the road transfer from House of Waine to Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.

Depart on flight **KLM 566** at **22h20** from Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to Amsterdam, Schiphol Airport. **(As per own arrangements).**

Vogelsinger Family

A representative of House of Waine will collect you this evening at **19h40** for the road transfer from House of Waine to Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.

Depart on flight **BA 64** at **23h40** from Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to London Heathrow International Airport. **(As per own arrangements).**

Haben and Giampoli Families

A representative of House of Waine will collect you this evening at **22h30** for the road transfer from House of Waine to Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.

Depart on flight **TK 608** at **02h30** from Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to Istanbul International Ataturk Airport. **(As per own arrangements).**

End of Services

Charter flights are weather dependant. In the event of unsafe flying conditions for your charter flight (i.e. due to mist or thunderstorms), alternative transportation will be arranged by your charter flight company. Unfortunately no refund will be available since your payment will be utilised towards the alternative arrangements.

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IMPORTANT TRAVEL INFORMATION

Everything has been arranged and all that's left for you to do is enjoy yourself. To help you settle in to your vacation, we have put together a few helpful facts and tips.

Have a wonderful time!

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

Passports

A valid passport is required for all international travel. In most cases passports must be valid for a minimum of six months after your return date, however, depending upon your nationality this could be more (please check with your embassy for travel to your destination).

It's also essential that you have sufficient blank pages in your passport for visas, entry stamps or temporary residence permits. We recommend allowing at least two blank pages per country that you're planning on visiting. Remember to keep a copy of your passport in a safe place while travelling, should your passport be misplaced or stolen.

Note that airlines may refuse boarding if you do not have the necessary amount of blank pages in your passport.

Visas

In some cases foreign passport holders require entry, re-entry or departure permits and/or visas to enter a country. Please contact the relevant issuing authorities in good time to check and arrange the necessary permits or visas PRIOR to your departure. (Note that Go2Africa does not arrange Visas).

Kenya only:

Note that as of 07 November 2008, payment for entry visa fees will only be accepted in USD upon arrival in Kenya. (Please note that 1996 and 1997 USD bills will not be accepted). There are some Foreign Exchange Bureaus located in the arrivals area before the Immigration Desks to assist for those who may not have acquired the USD prior to arrival.

Those requiring a visa (including all British citizens) are now advised to have at least two blank pages available in their passport on arrival, failure to meet this requirement could mean that entry will be refused.

Go2Africa cannot be held responsible if visa applications are denied for any reason, nor can we be held responsible for any changes of cost or requirements, delays or loss of passports caused by the consulates concerned.

General documents

Other documents that may be required during your journey are an **International Driver's License or Permit, inoculation certificates and airline, car, hotel and tour vouchers**. Please ensure that you check these prior to your departure.

GENERAL HEALTH TIPS

Nothing can spoil your holiday more than getting ill far from home. Please review updated information about health requirements to your destination countries on our website www.go2africa.com. Follow the links to your country of choice and click on the left hand navigation pane to view travel tips – health & safety.

There are numerous health issues that you should be aware of:

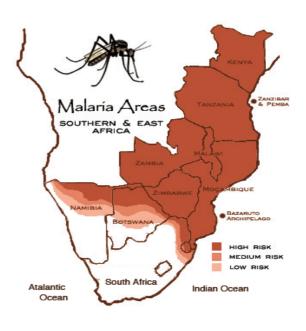
Preventive Medication

A number of diseases prevail throughout Africa such as (but not limited to) malaria, yellow fever and cholera. Go2Africa strongly recommends that you confirm the necessary preventative treatment relevant to your destination with your medical practitioner, prior to departure.

Malaria

An African vacation often means that you'll find yourself in a malaria affected area. Malaria is prevalent throughout Africa and Go2Africa cannot stress too highly the importance of taking the correct precautions against it. Many travellers come to Africa every year and go home healthier than they were before they arrived so, by merely taking a few simple precautions and following some of our guidelines, you can too.

We must stress that it's vital you speak to your doctor about malaria at least three weeks before entering a malaria area. Obtaining the correct medication is important for ensuring your continued good health, and as certain areas have strains of malaria which are resistant to different drugs, it is imperative you be as detailed as possible about your itinerary when consulting your doctor.



Prevention and Treatment

The malaria-carrying mosquito is a silent mosquito which doesn't buzz to warn you of its presence. It can bite you at any time of the day, but is generally more active from dusk till dawn. It's always a good idea to put on long-sleeved tops and long pants just before sunset.

Loose fitting clothing helps more than tight tops and wearing socks is a good idea. Mosquitoes can bite through thin clothing so it's important to spray your insect repellent on both your exposed and covered skin. You'll find that most of the lodges have screened windows and doors, mosquito nets, air-conditioning and fans. These will help you prevent being bitten, but are not completely safe so alternate precautions should always be used.

Anti-Malaria Medication

All malaria prevention medicines must be started before you travel, some up to three weeks prior to you leaving, so ensure you visit your doctor well in advance. Malaria in parts of Africa north of South Africa has become resistant to Chloroquine, therefore, it's important to remember to inform your doctor of exactly where you're going so that the most effective treatment for you can be prescribed.

There are a number of different drugs on the market and since your doctor knows your medical history, he or she will be able to best recommend the right one for you.

Always tell your doctor or pharmacist:

- if you're pregnant, planning a pregnancy or breastfeeding
- if you suffer from any diseases or conditions
- > if you're taking any regular medications

Side-effects & Early Diagnosis

If you suffer from side-effects, try taking your malaria prophylactics at night, after dinner, as this usually minimises the effect of the symptoms. Doxycycline, an antibiotic, is one form of anti-malaria medication that makes certain people sensitive to the sun, so always wear extra sunblock. It also negates the effect of the contraceptive pill.

Remember to take your medicines regularly while you're away, and continue taking them for four further weeks after leaving the malaria area, with the exception of Malarone, which only needs to be continued for one week after leaving. Always suspect malaria and seek urgent medical advice if you develop a fever or flu-like illness while you're away (even if you're taking preventive medicines) or up to a year after you return, in particular in the first three months.

Yellow Fever

If you're travelling from a yellow fever endemic area (the yellow fever belt of Africa or South America), you'll need certification to prove your inoculation status when you arrive. It's recommended that you have the required inoculations four to six weeks before you travel (a yellow fever inoculation certificate only becomes valid 10 days after inoculation – after which it remains valid for 10 years.

Tetanus

All travellers should be up to date with their tetanus immunisation as this potentially life-threatening disease is widespread throughout the world. A booster dose is given as a single injection.

The Sun

Africa generally has a warm, sunny climate and you should wear sunscreen and a hat whenever you're outdoors during the day, particularly between 10am and 4pm, regardless of whether there is cloud cover or not. Sunglasses are also recommended.

Drinking Water

Different countries, and even areas, have different qualities of tap water, so it's generally best to enquire upon arrival whether it's safe to drink. Even so in some areas, the water is mineral-rich and you may experience a bit of gastric distress for a day or two until you get used to it.

Drinking water straight from rivers and streams could put you at risk of waterborne diseases – especially downstream of human settlements. The water in mountain streams, however, is often pure and wonderful. Bottled mineral water, both sparkling and still, is readily available in most places but is very expensive at most game lodges.

Other Health Issues

- > Bilharzia can be a problem in some rivers and lakes, but it's easily detected and treated if it's caught early
- Check with the locals to ensure swimming is safe
- > Ticks generally come out in early spring and may carry tick bite fever, which is easily treated
- Check yourself for ticks after walking through bush or long grass

Please note that the responsibility to verify health requirements with the relevant authorities remain the responsibility of our clients.

MEDICATION

Keep medicines in their original, labelled containers. Bring copies of your prescriptions and the generic names for the drugs. Carry a letter from your doctor attesting to your need to take the drug. If you have any doubt about the legality, consult the embassy or consulate of that country first.

AIR TRAVEL

Reconfirming Flights

As far as possible Go2Africa will reconfirm both your outbound and return flights for you 72 hours before departure. Therefore, it's important that we're able to contact you at any given time. However, Go2Africa advises you to contact your agent 72 hours before your flights depart, if possible, as last minute flight schedule changes can, and do, occur.

For the most up to date departure and arrival times you can log onto www.checkmytrip.com. Your reference number can be found in your brief itinerary (if you have booked your flights with us).

Meals

Please take note that not all airlines offer complimentary meals and beverages and that you might have to pay a small fee when ordering a snack or beverage from the cabin crew.

Special Requirements

Seating: Clients may request to be pre-seated on flights, however, the availability of these seats cannot be guaranteed. It's advisable to check-in for your flight as early as possible to find out which seats are available and choose your seating option.

AIRPORT/DEPARTURE TAXES

Airport taxes applicable on regional flights are not included in the cost of your holiday and are payable locally in US Dollars. We recommend that you have the exact amounts in US\$ cash as change is not always available.

The prices below are correct at time of print but they are subject to change and should be used as an approximation only.

Tanzania domestic tax: US\$6 per person
Tanzania international tax: US\$30 per person

LUGGAGE

Baggage & Weight on Commercial Flights

Weight restrictions on check-in and hand luggage will vary from airline to airline and are different for first class, business and economy. Therefore, it's important that you enquire with your airline or travel consultant in advance about the luggage weight restrictions that'll apply to you prior to departure.

Baggage and Weight on Charter flights & Safari

If you're travelling on a charter flight there's a maximum luggage restriction on soft bags. Baggage on safari should be carefully considered. One **soft-sided bag** and one smaller piece of hand luggage per person are recommended.

In total (main bag, cameras, hand luggage) these should not weigh more than 15kg.

Travellers may be made to **pay for an extra seat** on a charter flight if their luggage is heavier than the maximum weight. This allowance includes camera equipment.

Suitcases and other heavier items can usually be stored in city hotels while you're on safari. The above is a guideline as this varies from country to country, therefore, please ask your consultant for more information.

Soft bags are considered to be duffel type bags with soft sides and may look similar to this:



Restrictions on Liquids

Government authorities in many countries have now defined restrictions on the type and quantity of liquids that may be carried in hand baggage through the airport, or on flights arriving into or departing from their country. Limited quantities of liquids, gels or pastes must be held in individual containers not exceeding 100ml. This may include:

- Shampoo
- > Creams
- > Hair gel, hair spray
- Suntan lotions
- > Toothpaste
- > Liquid or aerosol deodorants
- > Perfumes
- > Cosmetics such as mascara and lip gloss
- > Water and other drinks, soups and syrups
- > Other items of similar consistency

The containers must be carried in a separate clear plastic, zip-top or re-sealable bag that does not exceed 20cm x 20cm (8 inches x 8 inches) or equivalent to one litre (1.75 pint) capacity.

Items must fit in the bag comfortably and the bag must be completely closed. At the airport security search, the plastic bag must be removed from the cabin bag and x-ray screened separately.

It is important for you to enquire in advance about these liquid restrictions with your airline or travel consultant prior to departure.

Things to Pack & Leave Behind

- Two photocopies of your passport identification page, airline tickets, driver's license, credit cards, traveller's cheque serial numbers
- Leave one copy of each at home with friends or family
- ➤ Keep the other copy in a place separate from where you carry your valuables
- ➤ Keep a record of what traveller's cheques you have used
- Leave a copy of your itinerary with family or friends in case they need to contact you in an emergency
- If you lose your passport report the loss as soon as possible to your country's embassy or consulate, and to the local police

What to Pack

- > Sunblock, sunglasses, wide-brimmed hat and insect repellent
- > Blouses or shirts with long sleeves (even in summer, they'll protect from the sun and from mosquitoes)
- > T-shirts
- > Shorts or a light skirt
- > Cotton pants or safari trousers for evenings and cooler days
- > Fleece or sweater and a warm jacket for game drives (necessary, even in summer)
- One pair of sandals or rubber thongs (for showers and boats)
- Comfortable walking shoes
- Tracksuit good for sleeping in during winter months
- Light, compact raincoat is a good idea for the summer
- > Swimsuit, as most hotels and lodges have swimming pools
- > Binoculars and a camera are a must and, if possible, a video camera

Please note it is essential that you put locks on your luggage as a precautionary measure against theft.

DURING YOUR TRAVELS

It's always better not to stand out as a tourist when you visit a foreign country. Be discreet with your valuables and equipment such as cameras. Also remember that if you travel light you're more likely to have a free hand, will be less tired and, therefore, less likely to set your luggage down, leaving it unattended.

Carry the **minimum amount of valuables** necessary for your trip. When you have to carry them on your person, conceal them in several places rather than putting them all in one wallet or pouch.

Inside pockets, a sturdy shoulder bag with the strap worn across your chest or a pouch or money belt worn under your clothing are generally the safest options for passports, cash, credit cards, cameras and so forth. If you wear glasses, pack an extra pair. Bring them and any medicines you need in your carry-on luggage.

SEASONS AND CLIMATE

Kenya

Summer: December - March

Kenya is divided by the equator and enjoys a tropical climate. It is hot and humid at the coast, temperate inland and very dry in the north and north-eastern parts of the country. The hottest time is in February and March and the coldest in July and August.

Average temperatures:

Mombasa (coastal): Max 30°C, Min 22°C
Nairobi: Max 25°C, Min 13°C
North Plainlands: Max34°C, Min23°C

The long rains occur from April to June and short rains from October to December. Rainfall is sometimes heavy and tends to fall in the afternoon and evenings.

Tanzania

Winter: March – May

The climate is tropical on the coast, on the islands and in Selous. It is temperate in the other parks. Temperatures on Mount Kilimanjaro and Meru drop to below freezing. Late March - late May is traditionally the long rainy season and is considered the "winter period" in Tanzania. June - late October is the dry season. June, July and August can be very cold on the rim of Ngorongoro Crater. Mnemba Island is lovely at this time of year, the evenings are cool (not cold) and the daytime can be hot. Late October - mid December is when the short rains occur. These are usually in the form of daily thunderstorms. The Ngorongoro Crater rim has a wonderful climate at this time of year. The Serengeti and Lake Manyara are quite warm and Mnemba is very hot. Mid December - March is summer weather. It is dry and very warm until March. Due to its altitude Ngorongoro Crater is much cooler than elsewhere.

TIPPING

Go2Africa stresses that this is a guideline for tipping only. We firmly believe a gratuity is not obligatory; however, it is customary throughout Africa. We recommend tipping be done directly or through a staff tip-box, whichever you feel more comfortable with.

It's helpful to have a small supply of low-denomination notes handy. We have enclosed a brief guideline to assist you:

- > Transfers US\$2 per person
- Restaurants 10 percent for good service or up to 15 percent for exceptional service
- ➤ Game lodge staff US\$25 per stay
- Rangers/trackers –US\$10.00 per travelling party per day

MONEY

It's generally cheaper and easier to arrange your foreign exchange in your home country. To avoid the risk of receiving a lower rate of exchange or fake notes, we advise you to use official money-changing bureaus and avoid street-dealers. If you're using traveller's cheques, make sure that you carry your original purchase receipt as most banks in Africa will not exchange these without it. It might be safer to make a copy and keep the original in a safe place.

You can cash traveller's cheques at most lodges and hotels, but be aware that you'll more than likely receive local currency, not US Dollars. Small notes are useful when you have to pay low charges in hard money, otherwise you'll end up getting your change in local money.

East Africa

US Dollars, Euros, traveller's cheques and most major credit cards are accepted in most hotels, lodges and shops in East Africa, with US\$ CASH the preferred payment method. Please be advised that there are a number of fake US\$100 notes in circulation and most banks will **NOT** accept them because of this. Visitors may import an unlimited amount of foreign exchange. Only banks, hotels and lodges are authorized dealers to change money.

Kenya

Currency in Kenya is Kenya Shillings (KSHS), with notes in denominations of 1000, 500, 200, 100, 50, 20 and 10. This currency is freely exchangeable. Although the Kenya Shilling often fluctuates, it is always much lower in value compared to other major currencies. It is advisable to change foreign currency at banks, bureau de change or at authorised hotels. The easiest currencies to change are the US Dollar, Pounds Sterling and Euros.

We do recommend exchanging about \$100 into local currency on arrival at the airport for small purchases and tips.

Credits Cards are widely accepted in all major hotels and establishments, the most recognized being Master Card, Visa and American Express. However, you will need some cash in hand because smaller shops will only accept cash.

Travellers cheques are most commonly accepted at restaurants, stores and major hotels, but cash is definitely more convenient. American Express and Visa are the most recognized brands of travelers cheques in Kenya. Always have a photo ID, and never counter sign them until you are ready to use them. If they are lost or stolen, contact the company that issued them, it may be wise to contact the police; some of the companies that issue them may require a police report.

Before departure, it's advisable to convert any excess Kenyan Shillings. Anyone wishing to take more than KSh500 000 out of the country will require written authorisation.

*Major Banks are widely available in major cities throughout Kenya.

Tanzania

Credit Cards can only be used in large hotels, resorts, and with certain travel agents, it is a good idea to carry travelers cheques too. In short, Tanzania is still a cash society.

Older US \$100 notes are no longer accepted in Tanzania, and any note older than 2003 will most likely be refused everywhere. Most hotels will exchange US dollars, Euros and British Pounds for Tanzanian Shillings. Also, avoid exchanging notes with pen marks or any writing on them. The 10000 and 5000 notes can be difficult to break when shopping in small shops, a.k.a. **Dukas**. In Tanzania, it's usually the customer's responsibility to provide exact change. But if they do agree to provide change, you could be left with several 1000 and 500 notes of very poor quality.

ATMs are mostly located in the city center. For those wishing to withdraw money from bank accounts back home, in general, **Barclay's**, **Standard Charter**, **CRDB** and **NBC ATM**s work with PLUS and Cirrus compatible cards. Additionally, if you have a PIN code for your credit card, almost all Tanzanian banks with ATMs will allow cash advances on credit cards like **Visa**, **Mastercard**, and **American Express**.

Finally, be advised that if you withdraw a large amount of money, in the range of \$400 US, you'll have to carry over 40 notes around!

ELECTRICITY & ADAPTORS

Apart from a few of the bush camps and mobile safaris, all accommodation has some form of permanent electricity, albeit sometimes erratic. The supply is generally 220-240v (50Hz) and plugs are three-pin square or round.

Voltage and plugs that are used in African countries:

240V, **50 Hz** Kenya (British style)

230V, **50Hz** Tanzania (British or South Africa style)



British style plug

South African style plug

If you have a video or digital camera, make sure your battery charger is of the same voltage. Most 5-star hotels or lodges will provide you with adapters but the smaller B&B's, 3-star and some 4-star accommodations will not.

Adaptors are available for purchase in most large cities in South Africa but if you are traveling elsewhere we recommend that you bring your own.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Most city hotels and larger camps have international communication facilities, however, most levy surcharges on the calls. Some remote accommodations do not have telephones and can only be contacted at certain times of the day by radiophone. Cell phones often have no reception in safari areas. If there is, please be courteous when using yours.

Do not bring them on game drives, and if you urgently need to make a call then please discreetly remove yourself from any company. A ringing cell phone in the bush or at a lodge will ruin the atmosphere for many people and may even cause animals to leave the area.

SAFARI TRAVEL

Baggage on Safari

Baggage on safari should be carefully considered. One **soft-sided bag** and one smaller piece of hand luggage per person are recommended.

Suitcases and other heavier items can usually be stored in city hotels while you're on safari. The above is a guideline as this varies from country to country, therefore, please ask your consultant for more information.

Respecting Wildlife & Safety on Safari

- Wild animals are not like those found in theme parks they aren't tame.
- Most safari camps are unfenced and dangerous animals can (and do) wander through the camps. Many of the animals and reptiles you'll see are potentially dangerous. Attacks by wild animals are rare. However, there are no guarantees

that such incidents will not occur so be cautious.

- Listen to the camp staff and guides. Safety precautions need to be taken seriously, and must be strictly adhered to.
- > Don't wander off on your own without a guide even to your room. After retiring for the night, don't leave your room.
- Observe animals silently and with a minimum of disturbance to their natural activities as loud noise and talking will frighten the animals away.
- Never attempt to attract an animal's attention. Don't imitate animal sounds, clap your hands, pound the vehicle or throw objects.
- Respect your ranger's judgement about proximity to lions, cheetahs and leopards. Don't insist that he take the vehicle closer so you can get a better photograph. A vehicle driven too close can hinder a hunt or cause animals to abandon a hard-earned meal
- Don't feed or approach any wild animal on foot.
- > Smoking is not allowed on game drives.
- Don't use your cell phone on a game drive.

CONCLUSION

We hope this information has been helpful. Travelling to Africa is always an amazing adventure – there's so much to see and so much fun to be had. Your holiday starts from the moment you step onto the plane!

Africa runs at African time, and African time ticks by slowly, so prepare to relax, accept and enjoy your holiday. Leave the hustle and bustle of your world behind and prepare to enter one where the rising and setting of the sun dictates your day, where wild animals, untouched beaches and friendly people surround you.

Welcome to Africa!