

# What to pack: Essential equipment for your safari.

1. Clothing and personal kit:
  - a. Hunting or hiking boots – already broken in!
  - b. Thick socks.
  - c. Hunting clothing in neutral colours like khaki, green, blue. 3 pairs of hunting long pants, 3 pairs of shorts, 4 bush shirts.
  - d. 5 changes of underwear and socks
  - e. A warm jacket. Fleece-lined jackets can be useful as temperatures can go below freezing at night.
  - f. A wide-brimmed hat.
  - g. Backpack to carry cameras and daily items you will use out in the field.
  - h. If you wear spectacles, bring a spare pair.
  - i. Swimming trunks can be useful.
  - j. Toilet kit including shampoo and soap.
  - k. Mobile phones.
  - l. Sunscreen factor 30 +
  - m. Malaria prophylaxis ... Consult your medical doctor or pharmacist
  - n. Lip protection cream with high 'SPF', colourless, not perfumed
  - o. Insect repellent (Mosquito, etc.)
  - p. Lightweight LED torch
  - q. Insurance – medical, luggage and hunting rifle
  - r. Comfortable sweatpants and T-shirt for relaxing around the camp fire at night
  - s. Comfortable camp shoes.
  - t. Evening wear/night wear
  - u. Any medical prescriptions

*Avoid overloading your baggage.*

2. Travel documents & financial requirements
  - a. Airline tickets
  - b. Valid passport (International arrival)
  - c. Valid visa - if required
  - d. Photocopy of passport page to carry in wallet
  - e. Tickets & reservations – Read reservation instructions such as early confirmation times, check-in and departure times CAREFULLY!
  - f. Travelers' cheques if you are nervous about cash.
  - g. Expense money (Cash)
  - h. Recommended inoculations.
  - i. Travel insurance
  - j. Import documents supplied by us (once you book) for your Rifle and ammo.
3. Shooting equipment
  - a. Rifle (Please check with airlines on requirements for traveling with firearms!)
  - b. 40 to 60 rounds of ammunition per rifle.
  - c. Light weight binoculars/rangefinder – 1 pair for each person.
  - d. Ear protection – sighting in of rifles
  - e. Hard gun case that will lock, with your name and address on it.
  - f. Gun cleaning kit.
  - g. Remember to fit a rifle sling to your hunting rifle, if you so choose.

*By law a minimum calibre of .375 is to be used to hunt any of the Big 5 (Lion, Leopard, Buffalo, Rhino and Elephant). A .375 is also a very versatile calibre and can be used on every plains game species as well. Bring the rifle that you shoot best with. As a professional hunter, I prefer good shot placement over and above any high power firearms.*

4. Additional items I recommend
  - a. Camera
  - b. Video camera
  - c. Good supply of reading material in your carry-on baggage for the long flight over or for use in camp.
  - d. Good quality sunglasses plus protective case.
  - e. Plug-in vehicle charger for mobile phone/cameras
  - f. Own 120 volt to 220 volt electric converter

*Please travel light. You should also bring a day pack to carry any essentials you might need whilst on safari*