

ESSENTIAL
TRAVEL GUIDE

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# PASSPORTS

All visitors to Tanzania require a passport valid for six months from date of entry. For each entry into Tanzania, the passport must have at least one completely blank page (not including the final page or endorsement pages).

YOU MAY BE REFUSED ENTRY IF THESE CONDITIONS ARE NOT MET.

# **VISAS**

Many nationalities visiting Tanzania require a visa. We strongly encourage all guests entering Tanzania to obtain their visas online here before arriving in Tanzania. E-visas can take 2 to 3 weeks to be issued. Alternatively, visas for some nationalities may be obtained on arrival at main entry points in Tanzania. American passport holders require a multiple entry visa.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU CHECK THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PASSPORT YOU WILL BE TRAVELLING ON IN ADVANCE OF YOUR DEPARTURE.

# IF TRANSITING THROUGH KENYA:

Kenya entry visas are exclusively issued electronically, with passengers required to obtain their e-visas before departure. e-Visa's can be applied for here. Passengers must hold a printed copy of the e-Visa to be stamped on arrival.

# TRAVEL INSURANCE

In order to protect your investment, we strongly encourage our guests to take out sufficient travel insurance as ENVI Sisini Mara does not take on the liabilities and risks associated with travel and cannot be held liable for delays, cancellations, or trip interruptions.

# HEALTH REQUIRMENTS

## **MALARIA**

ENVI Sisini Mara is situated in Tanzania are situated in a malaria-risk area. It is therefore essential that you consult your doctor or a travel clinic regarding antimalaria requirements prior to your visit.

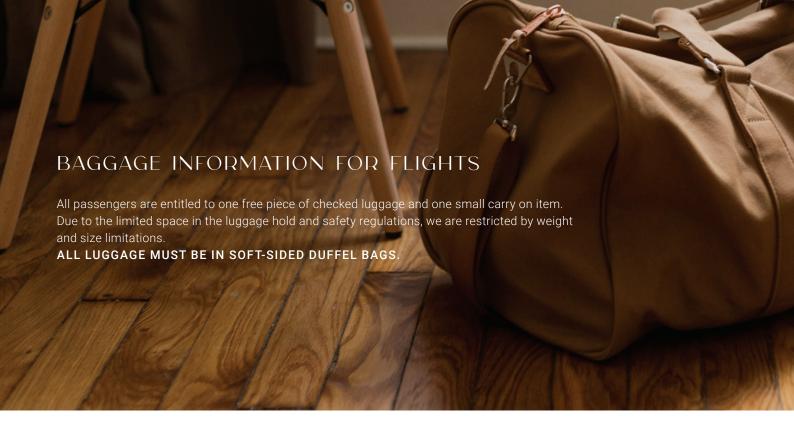
### YELLOW FEVER

Tanzania requires a valid yellow fever certificate for all travellers journeying from yellow fever risk countries, including Kenya. Rwanda, previously listed as a yellow fever endemic country, is now considered low-risk and is no longer on the watch list. However, travellers are still advised to carry a yellow fever certificate if travelling through Rwanda.

## TRAVEL VACCINATIONS

Please consult your doctor or a travel clinic prior to your trip for advice on further vaccinations recommended for travel in Tanzania.





### **NO PLASTIC BAGS**

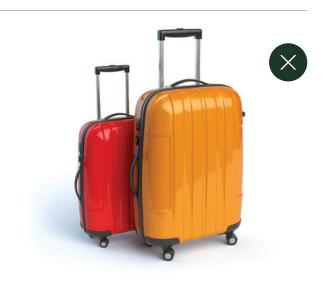
All travellers, including tourists, arriving at any East African airport may face heavy fines for using plastic bags in any way, shape or form. Visitors, Citizens and Residents are advised to avoid packing any plastic bags in their suitcases or carry-on luggage before flying to East Africa.

## TYPE OF BAGS

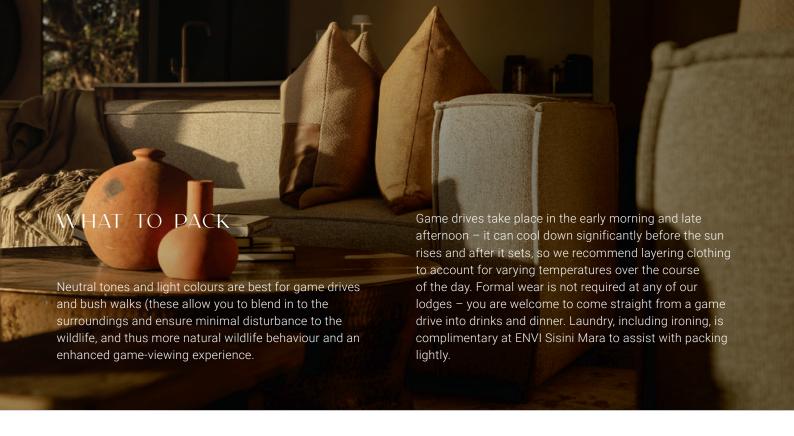
 Due to the limited space in the luggage hold and safety regulations, we are restricted by weight and size limitations.

# **LUGGAGE SPECIFICATIONS:**

- Soft luggage or duffel bags with no rigid sides (flexible bags made from pliable material such as cotton or canvas)
- Maximum luggage weight allowance is 15kg/34lbs (in the hold)
- Maximum hand luggage is 5kgs/11lbs (1 piece allowed); inclusive of cameras







### SUGGESTED PACKING GUIDE

- Shorts, t-shirts, summer dresses for during the day (light, natural fabrics like cotton and linen are recommended)
- Long trousers, long-sleeved vests and a warm jacket for early mornings and evenings
- Woollen hat/beanie, gloves and scarf for winter months
- · Comfortable walking shoes and socks
- · Sandals or flip-flops for during the day at the lodge and closed shoes or sneakers for evenings
- Swimwear
- Sun hat
- Sunglasses
- · Camera, video camera, binoculars, spare memory cards and charging equipment
- · Spare contact lenses/glasses and contact lens solution
- Medication (the remote nature of the lodges means that anything beyond First Aid supplies won't be available on site)





# WEATHER AND SEASONS

OCTOBER - APRIL

Casual summer clothing (shorts and lightweight shirts) with a warm jersey or sweater for the cooler mornings and evenings. **APRIL - MAY** 

With the rainy season, we suggest you pack a raincoat and waterproof boots for a more enjoyable time.

MAY - SEPTEMBER

Casual lightweight clothing with a warm parka or windbreaker jacket for the very cold mornings and nights.



MONTHLY AVERAGE TEMPERATURES			
SUMMER	DEC - FEB	23°C - 31°C	73°F - 88°F
AUTUMN	MARCH - MAY	22°C - 31°C	72°F - 88°F
WINTER	JUNE - AUG	18°C - 29°C	64°F - 84°F
SPRING	SEP - NOV	20°C - 30°C	68°F - 86°F

The above temperatures are monthly averages. The actual daily temperatures and rainfall may differ from these.





# **GRATUITY GUIDELINES**

Tipping cultures differ from country to country. Whilst staff at ENVI Sisini Mara do not expect or rely on gratuities from guests, you may wish to leave a discretionary token of appreciation; either cash or a nominated amount added to your bill. Tips from the general staff gratuity pool are divided equally amongst chefs, housekeepers, porters, front of house and back of house staff. Should you wish to allocate a gratuity to a particular staff member, it is helpful if this is specified.

All ENVI Sisini Mara properties accept Visa and MasterCard.

POSITION AMOUNT			
Field Guide	From USD 45 per couple per day		
Waiter	From USD 35 per couple per day		
Wellness Therapist	10% of treatment cost		
General Staff	From USD 45 per couple per day		





# **ELECTRICITY**

All of the suites at ENVI Sisini Mara have multiple plug points in rooms for charging including EU, UK, North America and USB. Tanzania uses type G (standard UK plug) power outlets and plugs.

# COMMUNICATION AND TECHNOLOGY

Complimentary internet is available around ENVI Sisini Mara, however there is no mobile phone coverage. Please ensure you are equipped to make all necessary calls via the internet as you will not be able to catch any network during your visit. We also ask to please keep your phone on silent and refrain from using it in communal areas where other guests might be enjoying the sounds of the wild.



