

DESTINATION INFORMATION: SOUTHERN AFRICA BOTSWANA, SOUTH AFRICA, NAMIBIA & ZAMBIA

PASSPORT & TOURIST VISA INFORMATION

Your passport should be valid for at least six (6) months after end of your tour. It should have at least ten (10) blank visa pages for entry and exit stamps. You will need two (2) consecutive blank visa pages for each entry into **South Africa**.

Botswana, Namibia & South Africa:

U.S. and Canadian citizens are not required to obtain a tourist visa to enter into **Botswana, Namibia** or **South Africa** for stays up to 90 days.

Zambia:

U.S. and Canadian citizens are required to obtain a tourist visa to enter Zambia. Prior to travel, U.S. Citizens can obtain an online Zambia eVisa approval letter, an official document that allows you to enter Zambia and obtain the tourist visa upon arrival. A Zambia visa requires:

- A valid passport with at least 6 months validity remaining
- A return flight ticket
- Proof of accommodation
- A copy of the information page of your passport
- A digital passport-sized photo

A single entry Zambia visa is valid for 90 days and a “day trip” visa is valid for the same day return from Zambia and is popular among travelers that travel to Zimbabwe and wish to visit Zambian side of the Victoria Falls for the day.

MEDICAL ADVICE

You should seek medical advice from your local health practitioner before traveling to Southern Africa and ensure that you receive all of the appropriate vaccinations. A yellow fever vaccination is required only if you have traveled from, or through, a yellow fever-endemic area in South America or Africa. CDC recommends taking anti-malaria prescription to all four countries. Please contact your personal physician for the latest advice on **malaria** prophylaxis as it changes regularly.

LUGGAGE / WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

Most visits to Southern Africa include flights on light aircraft with limited baggage space. The total baggage weight is strictly restricted to 44 lbs / 20 kgs including the hand luggage, and one small, soft-sided bag. Dimensions of your checked bag should not exceed 23 inches length x 10 inches width x 13 inches height.

MONEY & TIPPING

All Southern countries have a cash-based economy and transactions can be made in either U.S. Dollars or local currency. Major credit cards are mostly accepted at bigger shops, hotels, safari lodges, and restaurants. Access to ATM machines is normally available in large cities but is limited in rural or remote areas. Tipping is of course discretionary but we generally recommend USD10 per person per day for your guide and a total of USD5 per person per day for camp staff such as servers and housekeepers.