



Suggestions of What to Pack for your Botswana Safari

It is important to pack light – remember that very strict weight restrictions apply on the light aircraft that ferry you from lodge to lodge– a maximum of 20kg per person INCLUDING hand luggage/camera equipment. Furthermore only soft bags will be accepted – hard suitcases and bags with rigid frames may not be accepted by the pilot, causing considerable difficulties, delays and expense to the traveller. These restrictions are safety-related, and safety will not be compromised.

The Internet will yield average and mean temperatures for your region and time of travel. Temperatures can vary enormously, however, from very hot to very cold, sometimes within a short space of time. Clothing should be casual and light-weight, in neutral colours - avoid whites and bright colours like red, yellow and blue. There will be opportunities to do laundry along the way.

Suggested Minimum Packing List:

- 2 pairs of khaki cotton long pants / trousers
- 1 pair of shorts
- 2 short-sleeved t-shirts
- 2 long sleeved shirts (for sun protection as well as warmth)
- 1 light jersey or jacket
- 1 lightweight raincoat/windbreaker or a waterproof poncho
- 1 pair of sturdy walking shoes & 1 pair of casual shoes or sandals
- swimming costume
- 1 hat with a broad brim (a cap does not cover your neck and ears so precautions need to be taken for proper sun protection)
- Appropriate socks and underwear

Early mornings and evenings can be very cold, especially during the game activities. Layers are the most practical for the fluctuating day/night temperatures of Botswana. In addition to the list of clothing above, in the cooler months you should also pack:

- 1 track suit (comfortable enough to sleep in)
- extra jersey and jacket
- Beanie, scarf and gloves

Don't forget these additional necessities:

- Sunscreen
- Mosquito repellent
- Sunglasses
- Lightweight binoculars & camera
- Flashlight (one PER PERSON) and spare batteries
- Anti-histamine tablets if you are susceptible to allergens/hay-fever.