

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION WINGS OVER EAST AFRICA

PASSPORT AND VISA INFORMATION

Your passport needs to be valid for **at least six (6) months** after your journey ends, and should have a minimum of four (4) blank visa pages for entry and exit stamps.

Kenya

An Electronic Tourist Visa (eVisa) is required for U.S. and Canadian passport holders for entry into Kenya. To apply for an eVisa, visit evisa.go.ke/evisa.html. The current fee for a single-entry* visa is USD \$51 (subject to change without notice). A tourist visa is only valid for 90 days from the date of issuance, so do not apply for your Kenya visa more than 90 days prior to departure. If the visa application asks you to provide an email address for your host tour operator in Kenya, please use info@abercrombiekent.co.ke. Read and follow all instructions carefully to ensure a smooth arrival in Kenya. You may be required to upload documents (e.g. passport photo or copy of your passport information page) to complete the eVisa process. If you experience technical problems with the eVisa website, try again a few hours later or the following day.

*A single-entry eVisa for Kenya allows you to enter, exit and re-enter the country after visiting either Tanzania or Uganda, without having to purchase a multiple-entry visa.

Note: Kenya is currently waiving visa requirements for children age 15 or younger. Children in this age group need only present a valid passport upon arrival.

Tanzania

A tourist visa is required for U.S. and Canadian passport holders for entry into Tanzania. There are currently two options available as outlined below. A&K recommends an electronic visa (eVisa).

Electronic Visa (eVisa): To apply for an eVisa, visit eservices.immigration.go.tz/visa. The current fee for a multiple-entry visa, which is valid for one year, is USD \$100 (subject to change without notice). We recommend that you apply at least 60 days prior to your arrival date. In the section that asks for "Port Type" you can choose either *Airports* or *Roads* based upon the type of entry/exit in your specific itinerary. The specific ports of entry are not required fields and can be left blank. In the section that asks for "Company name/Organization Registration No.," you can enter Abercrombie & Kent Tanzania. In the section that asks for an email address for your host tour operator in Tanzania, please use info@abercrombiekent.co.tz and finally in the section that asks "Where are you going to stay?" choose hotel and then list contact information of the first hotel on your itinerary. Read and follow all instructions carefully to ensure a smooth arrival in Tanzania. If you experience technical problems with the eVisa website, try again a few hours later or the following day.

Note: Visas can be obtained on arrival in Tanzania, however, the Tanzanian government has implemented recent changes to the visa on arrival process that require applicants to wait in several different lines and can take in excess of two hours to complete.

Our partner VisaCentral offers easy, efficient U.S. passport and visa processing. Visit them online at visacentral.com/abercrombiekent or call 844 823 1224 and reference A&K's account number 73001. Service fees apply.

Citizens of other countries should contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their journey.

REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO COVID-19

A&K requires proof of COVID-19 vaccination for travel on this journey due to the nature of private charter flights and to remain flexible in the event of changing country entry requirements.

Visit the U.S. Department of State at travel.state.gov or the Government of Canada at travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories for comprehensive and up-to-date country entry requirements as well as information for onward travel.

Entry Requirements

The following are the current COVID-19 screening requirements for entry into **Kenya** and **Tanzania** for U.S. and Canadian residents. Requirements are subject to change.

Entry into Kenya

- All travellers must provide printed, documented proof of a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken within the past 96 hours immediately upon arrival in Kenya. Any person failing to present a negative COVID-19 PCR test result will not be allowed to enter the country.
- Travellers are subject to medical screening on arrival in Kenya, including a temperature check, questionnaire and visual assessment.
- All travellers are required to complete and submit an online “Travelers Health Surveillance Form” 24 hours prior to entering Kenya. Once submitted, travellers will receive a QR code which they must present to Port Health Officials upon arrival. To access this form, please visit ears.health.go.ke/airline_registration. Note: Cell phone users should use Chrome or Firefox when accessing the above link.
- All travellers are required to visit panabios.org to create a TrustedTravel Account. Once the traveller logs in they can upload their COVID-19 test results and download a TT code to show at the airport on arrival and departure. For additional information and instructions for the Trusted Traveller program visit Kenya Ministry of Health at africacdc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Travel_Guide_Simplified_Kenya_MOH_combined_version-1.pdf. If you require technical assistance with the TrustedTravel website, please contact globalhaven@panabios.org

Internal Air Travel in Kenya

- All travellers will need to complete a “Travelers Health Surveillance Form” 24 hours before boarding any internal air flights in Kenya.

A&K will provide travellers assistance in Kenya to ensure the Travelers Health Surveillance Form is completed for internal flight segments.

Arrival into Tanzania

- Upon arrival in Tanzania, all travellers must provide printed, documented proof of a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken no earlier than 96 hours prior to arrival.
- All travellers are required to complete and submit an online “Traveller’s Health Surveillance Form. To access this form, please visit [Ministry of Health - Traveller’s Health Declaration Form](#). The form may be completed beginning 48 hours prior to arrival, but no later than 24 hours before entering Tanzania. You will be asked to provide a local contact address and telephone number. Enter the hotel name of your first night’s stay in Tanzania and the phone number for the A&K Tanzania office: +255 739 50 8346. Once submitted, you will receive a code which you must present to Health Officials upon arrival in Tanzania.
- All travellers arriving by air will be given a COVID-19 rapid test upon arrival in Tanzania. The current fee is USD\$10 (subject to change), payable by credit card at the time you complete your “Traveller’s Health Surveillance Form” or cash in U.S. dollars on arrival.

- Travellers are subject to medical screening on arrival, including a temperature check, questionnaire, and visual assessment.

Travel Between Kenya and Tanzania

- All travellers are required to take a COVID-19 PCR test in **Kenya** 72 hours prior to crossing the border into **Tanzania**. Additionally, all travellers are also required to take another COVID-19 PCR test in **Tanzania** 96 hours prior to crossing the border back into **Kenya**. *Note: This same process applies in reverse to guests who initially arrive in Tanzania, travel to Kenya and then re-enter Tanzania.*
- In order to meet these requirements, A&K will arrange for a local test to be administered and provide the guest a printed copy of a negative test result to present to immigration officials. The current cost for local testing in **Kenya** ranges from USD \$130-\$355 (subject to change) and must be paid by cash in U.S. dollars. The current cost for local testing in **Tanzania** ranges from USD \$90-\$200 (subject to change) and can be paid by credit card or cash in U.S. dollars.
- Should the result of any test administered in East Africa prove positive, asymptomatic individuals will be required to quarantine for 14 days. Should they become ill, they will be admitted to the nearest government designated healthcare facility or hospital. All related costs are the responsibility of the traveller.

Requirements for Returning Home or Onward Travel

A&K will arrange COVID-19 testing during your time in **Kenya** or **Tanzania** as follows:

The current cost for local testing in **Kenya** ranges from USD \$130-\$355 (subject to change) and may be paid by credit card or cash in U.S. dollars. An additional cost of USD \$150 per person for transportation to/from testing in safari game reserves may apply and is to be paid locally in cash in U.S. dollars. Results are typically provided within 12–24 hours.

The current cost for local testing in **Tanzania** ranges from USD \$90-\$200 (subject to change) and can be paid by credit card or cash in U.S. dollars. Results are typically provided within 48 hours.

Guests returning to the United States

All travellers, including U.S. passport holders, must provide printed or electronic proof of a negative COVID-19 viral test taken within three (3) days of boarding their flight to the United States or written documentation verifying they have recovered from COVID-19 within 90 days preceding travel. Additional details can be found at [U.S. COVID-19 Entry Requirements | CDC](#). State COVID-19 entry requirements may vary and can be found at [COVID-19 Travel Planner | CDC](#).

Guests returning to Canada

All travellers, including Canadian passport holders, must provide printed or electronic proof of a negative COVID-19 molecular test taken within 72 hours of boarding their flight to Canada. Additional information can be found at travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories.

Note all guests with flights connecting through and/or continuing to other countries should check the specific COVID-19 entry requirements.

VACCINATIONS

A yellow fever vaccination is only required to enter **Kenya** and **Tanzania** if you are arriving from, or have transited through, a yellow fever-endemic area in South America or Africa—including East African countries such as Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. The CDC and WHO each provide a current list of all affected countries. As your itinerary includes visits to both Kenya and Tanzania, vaccination for yellow fever is necessary and you must carry an International Certificate of Vaccination provided by your physician; you may be denied entry without it. If your physician

advises against receiving the vaccination because of your personal medical history, he or she can provide you with the necessary documentation for the country/countries you are visiting.

STAY HEALTHY ON THE ROAD

In accordance with local regulations, face masks must be worn during any indoor or outdoor public activities, and all persons are required to practice physical distancing of at least 6 feet (2 meters). We encourage you to bring your own masks; a supply will be on hand where needed. Note all protocols are subject to change in accordance with relevant guidelines, local regulations and conditions.

CASH & CREDIT CARDS

Both Kenya and Tanzania have cash-based economies. Cash transactions can be made in either U.S. dollars or the local currency in each country. U.S. dollars should be recently issued bills in smaller denominations. Major credit cards are accepted on a very limited basis, mainly in the largest shops, hotels and lodges. Access to ATM machines is available in large cities such as Nairobi, Arusha and Dar es Salaam, but limited in rural areas.

OF SPECIAL NOTE: PLASTIC BAGS IN KENYA AND TANZANIA

The governments of Kenya and Tanzania have implemented a ban on plastic bags. The ban applies to "carrier and flat bags," primarily targeting bags from shops and grocery stores, but also extending to Ziploc bags, duty-free bags and bubble wrap. If tourists have those types of bags visible while in the airport, they are likely to be confiscated. Bags designed for multiple use, such as zippered cosmetic bags, are not included in the ban.

PACKING LIST & BAGGAGE RESTRICTIONS

On flights within East Africa, each passenger is limited to a maximum baggage weight of 33 pounds (15 kilograms). This includes the weight of purses and camera equipment in addition to regular luggage. Luggage restrictions are adhered to very strictly and passengers should pack their bags accordingly. Soft-sided luggage or duffels are preferable to hard luggage for storage on safari vehicles and also on aircraft used throughout East Africa. Dimensions should not exceed 23 inches (58 centimeters) long x 13 inches (33 centimeters) high x 10 inches (25 centimeters) wide. As a convenience, A&K provides each safari guest with a complimentary, custom-designed A&K Duffel. This bag is specifically crafted to meet airline standards.

Flights aboard light aircraft within East Africa may not be direct. Multiple stops may be made to offload passengers at safari camp landing strips. A change of aircraft may be required.

Please use the provided A&K luggage tags, even if your bags already have ID tags. This makes it easier for A&K staff to collect and manage your luggage for you.

Safe Travel Essentials

Be sure to bring personal protective equipment (PPE), including face masks, travel-sized hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, facial tissues and disinfecting wipes or spray.

Clothing

Choose comfortable and casual clothing in natural, "breathable" fabrics and versatile styles that can be layered, as temperatures may vary considerably in the course of the day. For game viewing, wear neutral colors (though not camouflage, which is illegal in most national parks and reserves). Black, navy or other dark colors tend to attract insects. Smart casual attire is appropriate for evenings. Formal clothing is not necessary.

Casual slacks

Walking shorts

Polo shirts, casual short-sleeve shirts or blouses

Long sleeve shirts or blouses

Comfortable walking shoes with traction

If you are travelling during Africa's winter months of mid-May through early September, bring warm clothing — heavy sweater, hat, gloves, lined jacket — to protect against chilly early morning and evening temperatures. A lined jacket is needed year-round when visiting the Ngorongoro Crater

A pair of rubber beach sandals to use as slippers.

Brimmed hat for sun protection

Swimwear/cover-up

Personal garments

Sports bra for women for bumpy roads

Sleepwear

Socks

Other Recommended Items

Sunglasses / Sun block

Insect repellent with high % of DEET to protect against mosquitos and tsetse flies*

Prescriptions and medications (in their original bottles and/or packaging)

Simple first-aid kit

Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses

Smartphone

Charging cables for electronics

Global travel adapter

Optional Items

Small LED flashlight

Foldable walking stick

Lightweight binoculars

Small daypack or fanny pack

Inflatable pillow or stadium cushion can make bumpy roads more comfortable

Low-suds detergent for washing small items of personal laundry

*Note: many properties provide insect repellent in rooms/tents. However you may wish to bring your own preferred brand.

Laundry Service is available at most hotels, lodges and camps. Because some laundries in Africa do not accept any underclothing, be prepared to wash your own smalls. Laundry techniques may not be suitable for delicate and/or synthetic fabrics. Check costs and return times before using these services.

TIPPING GUIDELINES

While decisions regarding tipping rest entirely with you, we suggest the following gratuities (noted in U.S. dollars) depending on the type of journey.

	All Small Group Journeys and Pre/Post Tour Group Extensions	Tailor Made and Signature Journeys
Resident Tour Director or Group Extension Guide	\$15 per person, per day	Not applicable
Safari Driver-Guides	\$10 per person, per day	\$15 per person, per day

Local Safari or City Guides	Not applicable	\$20 per person, per day (full day)
Hot Air Balloon Pilots (if applicable)	\$10 per person	\$10 per person
Airport Transfer Drivers	Included	\$5 per person, per transfer
Hotel Porters	Included	\$2 per bag
Bush Lodges and Permanent Tented Camps	Included	\$10 per person, per day – Gratuities are accepted at each property and shared among the staff.
Housekeepers	Included	\$2 per person, per night
Included Meals	Included	Included
Restaurants or Room Service on Own	10-15% unless already added	10-15% unless already added

For extra nights or Tailor Made services added to a Small Group Journey, please follow the Tailor Made Journeys guidelines for these days only.