

SUGGESTED PACKING CHECKLIST

The following list is a suggested guide. All Laundry is done daily in camp, so clients can pack light. Green or khaki colored clothing is recommended. It is important to remember that bush flights have strict weight restrictions of 15 kilos (33 lbs.) and prefer soft luggage. All hard gun cases will be stored in Lusaka at our office.

Camouflage clothing is acceptable while in the safari camp however we seriously recommend that you do NOT wear it during travel in Zambia, as it is not permitted here.

Important Papers / Documentations:

- Driver's License
- Passport (make several copies to keep with you)
- Rifle Permit (make several copies to keep with you)
- Form 4457 or a gun permit/license from your home country
- Airline tickets/confirmation number
- Letter of invitation from hunting safari outfitter (you will be asked to present this document several times, especially when clearing firearms)
- Hotel Reservations
- Cash (USD 2009 or newer) for tips and other misc. expenses
- Credit Card

Gear / Clothing:

- 3 or 4 hunting shirts, either short or long sleeved or some of each
- 3 or 4 pants or shorts for hiking/stalking, your preference
- 3 Pairs of quality socks
- Good pair of hiking boots
- Casual/comfortable wear for evenings (i.e. t-shirts, shorts, jeans, polos, whatever you are comfortable in basically)
- Light jacket, sweater, and/or vest for evenings and layering
- Belt
- Wide brimmed hat and/or ball cap
- 1 pair of walking/tennis shoes or spare hiking boots
- 1 pair of comfortable camp shoes or flip-flops
- 1 warm jacket for the mornings or evenings on the truck (seasonal dependent but never a bad idea to have one just in case)
- Gloves and beanie for the mornings/evenings on the truck
- Optional pair of gaiters, if wearing shorts to hunt

Other Items:

- Duffle or soft luggage is preferred over hard suitcases
- Sunglasses
- Ear protection
- Quality Binoculars (8x40 or better) with a body harness or padded neck strap.
- Camera & memory card, if desired
- Knife & Leatherman/multi-tool
- Flashlight or headlamp or both
- Small day bag or backpack for on the truck
- Spare batteries or chargers for any electronics
- Sunscreen
- 2 international outlet adaptors for charging
- Ammo/cartridge holder for belt per rifle
- Bug spray (we recommend a product with high picaridin)
- Soft rifle case if you bring your own rifle (Hard case will be left in Lusaka)
- Water bottle

- Swimsuit (some of our camps will have dip pools for mid-day down time)
- Taxidermy shipping tags (from your taxidermist)
- A book for reading back at camp during down time

Medicine/ Other:

- Malaria prophylaxis pills
- Toothpaste/toothbrush
- Personal aid kit (such as bandages, anti-histamine ointment, anti-bacterial ointment, anti-septic cream, epi-pen, Advil, antibiotics, antacids)
- Prescription medication, if applicable
- Other normal toiletry or cosmetic needs, gender appropriate
- Hand sanitizer

Photographic Equipment:

Of course, this is very much a question of personal taste and experience; however, we recommend:

- A small, automatic pocket camera with a 38 to 90 or 120/140 zoom and flash; or,
- If you bring a reflex, use a 38 or 50 lens for your posted pictures, and a 70-200 lens for other uses; again, a flash is crucial.
- A Polaroid camera is spectacular with the local folks. You might get invaluable on-the-spot memories here.
- All equipment should be kept in sturdy pouches or soft cases, as dust is ever present.
- Make sure to bring only FRESH BATTERIES with all your gear and bring spare batteries too if your equipment runs on batteries.

Small Gifts for Staff:

All the staff really appreciate any small gifts: T-shirts, lighters, pocketknives, baseball caps, and similar items are of great value to them. Make sure you don't buy expensive stuff – it is not the value; it is the item as such that counts.

Small Gifts for Village Trips

The villagers, especially the kids, really love and appreciate when clients come by and bring gifts. Below is a list of small gifts that we recommend bringing if you plan on visiting the nearby communities.

- Pens/Pencils
- Notebooks
- Soap
- Sanitary products
- T-shirts of all sizes
- Candy
- Soccer balls!!

With some advance notice, we can arrange for a gift package of your choosing to be in camp so you don't have to travel with these items.

Recommended Gratuities

All gratuities are at the client's discretion; these are suggestions only:

- Professional hunter - \$150 to \$300 per day
- Camp Staff - \$600/week per hunter + \$100/week per observer covers all camp staff.
- Meet/Greet Person - \$100 per person for arrival and departure combined.

Note: Gratuities are sorted out in camp prior to your departure. Please know that Camp Staff gratuities should be given in US Dollars.

Other Expenses

Please remember you will need to pay for any miscellaneous purchases while in Zambia. Most credit cards are accepted at hotels and major stores, but please be sure to bring some extra cash to cover any necessary expenses, curio items, or other desired purchases. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions, concerns, or comments on what to bring or pack.