

WELCOME TO KENYA!

No other country on earth can offer the visitor as much to see and do. Within the borders of a single country, you will find savannahs rich with big game, timeless cultures unchanged by the modern world, pristine beaches and coral reef, equatorial forests and mighty snow-capped mountains, searing deserts and cool highland retreats and endless opportunities for adventure, discovery, relaxation; more than you would ever expect.

COVID-19 INFORMATION FOR KENYA

What you need to know

As the situation remains very fluid, the relevant Government and/or Health Authorities may change protocols, at any given time, or in particular to any given passenger or case.

Flying to Kenya

Moi Mombasa International Airport is located about 10km of the town itself and is the gateway to the Kenyan coast.

Kenya requires a valid yellow fever certificate from all foreign visitors over 1 year of age.

Fully vaccinated travellers do not need to present a negative PCR test before flying to Kenya. Proof of vaccination, featuring a QR code, must be readily available. Vaccination means having received the prescribed doses at least 15 days prior to arrival. The vaccination certificate must be uploaded on the Panabios website <https://panabios.org/>. All unvaccinated travellers aged 12 years and older, must travel with a negative PCR test conducted no more than 72 hours prior to arrival.

Flying back to South Africa

Travellers, irrespective of their vaccination status, do not need to present a negative PCR test before flying to South Africa. Should your onward destination require a negative PCR test, your hotel can facilitate your test for you, and we recommend pre-booking this when making your booking with us.

We recommend pre-printing and completing all the forms and questionnaires listed on our website.

Please note that it remains the relevant country's health authority's prerogative to change quarantine and/or COVID protocols, at any given time.

KENYA TRAVEL TIPS

Language

Swahili but English is widely spoken and understood.

Culture

Kenya is a fairly conservative society, especially where Islam holds sway, and much emphasis is placed on courtesy and manners. Care needs to be taken when photographing local people - always ask permission and prepare to be asked for reward in Kenya's most popular destinations. Generally, the Kenyans are easy-going, amiable, humorous and accommodating.

Climate

Kenya enjoys a year-round tropical climate with temperatures averaging 30°C. The main rainy season is March through June and October through December where the sudden afternoon downpours are the norm and are a welcome relief from the heat.

Visas & Passports

South African passport holders do not require a visa for stays of up to 30 days. Passports must be valid for at least 6 months after your date of travel and needs to have at least 3 blank pages.

Currency

Kenya's national currency is the Kenyan Shilling and although foreign currencies such as US Dollars are widely accepted (and indeed the currency required for activities like hot-air balloon safaris and other day tours) we'd recommend using local currency to pay for souvenirs and other ad hoc purchases not included in your itinerary. ATMs are available at the airport and throughout Kenya's major travel destinations.

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Electricity

Kenya's plug has three rectangular pins in a triangular pattern. The voltage is the same as in South Africa; being 220/230V. It's always advisable to take along an international adaptor.

Health

Drink only bottled water and take the necessary precautions against malaria, insects and the sun. Kenya requires a yellow fever certificate from all foreign visitors over 1 year of age.

Time difference

1 hours ahead of South Africa.

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