

Kids Safari Packing List

A short, practical list of what children need on safari. Neutral colours, comfortable layers and good sun protection make the days easy — mornings and evenings can be surprisingly cold, afternoons warm and dusty.

Clothing — neutral colours

- Khaki, beige, olive or soft brown shirts and trousers
- Light long sleeves for sun and insect protection
- T-shirts and shorts for warm afternoons
- A warm sweater or fleece — nights and early game drives are cold
- Light rain jacket or windbreaker
- Wide-brim sun hat
- Pyjamas and enough underwear and socks
- Swimwear (most lodges have a pool)

Avoid bright white, dark blue and black — dark blue attracts tsetse flies.



Shoes

- Comfortable walking shoes or light hiking boots
- Trainers for the vehicle and lodge
- Sandals or flip-flops for the pool and evenings
- Warm socks for cold mornings



Sun and skin protection

- High-factor sunscreen (SPF 50 for children)
- Kids' sunglasses with UV protection
- Lip balm with SPF
- Insect repellent suitable for children
- After-sun or moisturising lotion
- Wet wipes and hand sanitiser



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Day pack and quiet-time items

- Small backpack the child can carry
- Reusable water bottle
- Favourite snacks for long drives
- Child-size binoculars
- Notebook, pencils, sticker or animal-spotting book
- A small book, cards or a soft toy for rest time
- Camera, if they like taking pictures



Health and documents

- Passport, visa and travel insurance details
- Any prescription medicine in original packaging
- Children's paracetamol, plasters, motion-sickness remedy
- Malaria prophylaxis as advised by your doctor
- Copy of vaccination records

Good to know

Laundry is available at most lodges, so pack light — soft duffel bags travel better than hard suitcases. Luggage on light aircraft is usually limited to 15 kg per person. We are always happy to advise on your specific route before you pack.