



When traveling to Kenya, there are specific passport and visa requirements that you should be aware of:

Passport Requirements:

1. Validity: Your passport must be valid for at least six months from the date of entry into Kenya.
2. Blank Pages: It should have at least two blank pages for entry and exit stamps.
3. Condition: The passport should be in good condition, without any damage or missing pages.

Visa Requirements:

1. Visa Types: Travelers can apply for different types of visas depending on the purpose of their visit, such as:

- Tourist Visa: For those visiting Kenya for tourism or leisure.
- Business Visa: For travelers visiting for business purposes.
- Transit Visa: For those passing through Kenya to another destination.
- East Africa Tourist Visa: A multiple-entry visa that allows travel between Kenya, Uganda, and Rwanda.

2. Visa Application:

- Online Application: Most travelers are required to apply for an eVisa through the official Kenya eVisa website before traveling. The process is straightforward and typically requires uploading a passport-sized photo and a copy of the passport's bio-data page.
- Visa on Arrival: As of January 1, 2021, Kenya no longer issues visas on arrival. All travelers must apply for their visa online in advance.

3. Visa Validity: Tourist visas are usually valid for 90 days from the date of issuance. It is advisable to apply for a visa within three months of your intended travel date.

4. Visa Fees: The fees for a Kenyan visa varies depending on the type of visa.



Additional Considerations:

- Yellow Fever Vaccination: Travelers coming from countries with a risk of yellow fever must provide proof of yellow fever vaccination. The certificate should be obtained at least 10 days before arrival.
- COVID-19 Requirements: Due to the pandemic, travelers should check for any updated travel restrictions, quarantine rules, or COVID-19 testing requirements before traveling to Kenya.

Always check the most recent information on the Kenyan government's official immigration website or consult with your local embassy before planning your trip to ensure compliance with all requirements.

Here are some key embassy contacts that inbound tourists to Kenya might find useful:

1. Embassy of Kenya in the United States

- Location: Washington, D.C.
- Address: 2249 R Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20008, USA
- Phone: +1 202 387 6101
- Email: info@kenyaembassydc.org
- Website: [www.kenyaembassydc.org] (<http://www.kenyaembassydc.org>)

2. High Commission of Kenya in the United Kingdom

- Location: London, United Kingdom
- Address: 45 Portland Place, London, W1B 1AS, UK
- Phone: +44 20 7636 2371
- Email: info@kenyahighcom.org.uk
- Website: [www.kenyahighcom.org.uk] (<http://www.kenyahighcom.org.uk>)

3. Embassy of Kenya in Canada

- Location: Ottawa, Canada
- Address: 415 Laurier Avenue East, Ottawa, Ontario K1N 6R4, Canada
- Phone: +1 613 563 1773



- Email: kenyahighcommission@rogers.com
- Website: [www.kenyahighcommission.ca] (<http://www.kenyahighcommission.ca>)

4. Embassy of Kenya in Germany

- Location: Berlin, Germany
- Address: Markgrafenstraße 63, 10969 Berlin, Germany
- Phone: +49 30 259 266 0
- Email: office@kenyaembassyberlin.de
- Website: [www.kenyaembassyberlin.de] (<http://www.kenyaembassyberlin.de>)

5. High Commission of Kenya in Australia

- Location: Canberra, Australia
- Address: 43 Culgoa Circuit, O'Malley ACT 2606, Australia
- Phone: +61 2 6273 0845
- Email: kenrep@kenya.asn.au
- Website: [www.kenyahighcommission.com] (<http://www.kenyahighcommission.com>)

6. Embassy of Kenya in China

- Location: Beijing, China
- Address: 4 Xi Liu Jie, San Li Tun, Beijing 100600, China
- Phone: +86 10 6532 3705
- Email: beijing@mfa.go.ke
- *Website*: [www.kenyaembassy.cn] (<http://www.kenyaembassy.cn>)

7. Embassy of Kenya in India

- Location: New Delhi, India
- Address: D 1/27 Vasant Vihar, New Delhi 110057, India



- Phone: +91 11 2614 6531
- Email: info@kenyahicom-delhi.org
- Website: [www.kenyahicom-delhi.org] (<http://www.kenyahicom-delhi.org>)

These embassies and high commissions can assist with visa applications, provide travel advice, and help with consular services for tourists planning to visit Kenya. Always check the embassy's official website for the most current contact information and services.

Best time to travel

The best time to travel to Kenya largely depends on what you want to experience, as the country's climate and wildlife viewing conditions vary throughout the year. Here's a breakdown of the different seasons and what we offer:

1. Dry Season (June to October)

- Best For: Wildlife viewing, especially the Great Migration in the Maasai Mara.
- Weather: This period is considered the best time for game viewing as the weather is dry, and animals congregate around waterholes and rivers. The days are sunny with clear skies, and temperatures are comfortable, ranging from 68°F to 81°F (20°C to 27°C).
- Highlights:
 - The Great Migration typically peaks in the Maasai Mara between July and September, when millions of wildebeests, zebras, and other herbivores cross the Mara River.
 - National parks and reserves are easier to navigate, and there are fewer mosquitos, making it a favorable time for safaris.
 - Downside: This is peak tourist season, so popular parks can be crowded, and accommodation prices are higher.

2. Short Rainy Season (November to December)

- Best For: Bird watching and scenic landscapes.
- Weather: The short rains usually come in the form of brief afternoon showers, but the overall weather remains warm and pleasant.
- Highlights:



- This is a great time for birdwatchers as migratory birds arrive in Kenya.
- The landscapes are lush and green, which is ideal for photography.
- Downside: Some roads and parks might be muddy, but the rain usually does not disrupt travel plans significantly.

3. Long Rainy Season (March to May)

- Best For: Avoiding crowds and enjoying lower rates.
- Weather: This is the wettest time of the year, with heavy rains and thunderstorms, particularly in April and May. Temperatures range from 63°F to 82°F (17°C to 28°C).
- Highlights:
 - Despite the rains, this is a good time to enjoy a quieter safari experience, as there are fewer tourists.
 - Many lodges offer lower rates during this period.
- Downside: Some parks may be less accessible due to muddy conditions, and wildlife viewing can be more challenging as animals are dispersed with the availability of water.

4. Shoulder Season (January to February)

- Best For: Wildlife viewing and fewer crowds.
- Weather: This period is generally dry, and temperatures are warm. It's a great time for wildlife spotting as animals congregate around water sources.
- Highlights:
 - It's a less crowded period compared to the peak season, offering a more relaxed safari experience.
 - Ideal for visiting coastal areas, where the weather is sunny and warm, perfect for beach activities.
- Downside: The landscape might not be as lush as during or just after the rainy seasons, but wildlife viewing is still excellent.

Conclusion

Overall, the **dry season from June to October** is often considered the best time to visit Kenya for safaris and wildlife viewing, particularly to witness the Great Migration. However, the **shoulder seasons** in



January and February and **November to December** also offer good wildlife sightings and fewer crowds. The **long rainy season** from **March to May** is best for travelers looking for off-peak prices and lush landscapes, but you should be prepared for wetter conditions.

Health

Hygiene Practices

At Naturesurf Africa Safaris, we prioritize the health and safety of our guests. To ensure a safe and enjoyable experience, we recommend the following hygiene practices:

- **Hand Hygiene:** Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially before eating and after using the restroom. Hand sanitizers with at least 60% alcohol are also effective when soap and water are not available.
- **Safe Drinking Water:** Always drink bottled or filtered water. Avoid ice in drinks and ensure that bottled water seals are intact before use.
- **Food Safety:** Eat at reputable establishments to avoid foodborne illnesses. Ensure that food is thoroughly cooked and served hot. Avoid raw or undercooked meats, seafood, and unpasteurized dairy products.
- **Personal Protection:** Wear insect repellent containing DEET or Picaridin to prevent mosquito bites, which can transmit diseases such as malaria and dengue fever. It's also advisable to wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants in the evenings.
- **Personal Items:** Use personal items such as towels, razors, and toiletries. Avoid sharing personal items to minimize the risk of infections.

Medical Attention

Your health and well-being are our top priorities. Should you need medical attention during your trip, we have you covered:

- **Access to Medical Facilities:** We ensure that our safari routes and accommodations are within reasonable proximity to reputable medical facilities. In the event of an emergency, our guides are trained to provide immediate assistance and arrange transport to the nearest medical center.



- **First Aid Kits:** All our safari vehicles and accommodations are equipped with comprehensive first aid kits for minor injuries and illnesses.
- **Emergency Contacts:** We provide a list of emergency contacts, including local hospitals, clinics, and our 24/7 customer support, to assist with any medical concerns.
- **Travel Insurance:** We strongly recommend all travelers have comprehensive travel insurance that covers medical expenses, including emergency evacuation.

Post-Trip Follow-Ups

Your experience with Naturesurf Africa Safaris doesn't end when your safari does. We believe in maintaining a relationship with our guests, even after your trip:

- **Health Monitoring:** After returning home, monitor your health for any symptoms of illness that may arise. If you experience fever, rash, respiratory issues, or other unusual symptoms, seek medical attention promptly and inform your healthcare provider about your recent travel to Kenya.
- **Feedback and Support:** We value your feedback to help us continually improve our services. We will send you a post-trip survey and encourage you to share your experiences and any health or safety concerns you may have had.
- **Stay in Touch:** Join our community! Follow us on social media or subscribe to our newsletter for travel tips, updates, and special offers. We're here to help with any questions or support you might need, even after your journey with us.

Insurance Cover

The Government of Kenya (GoK) recommends that all tourists visiting Kenya have adequate travel insurance to cover various potential risks during their stay. While there isn't a specific GoK insurance policy that tourists are required to purchase, there are general guidelines and recommended coverage areas that tourists should consider when traveling to Kenya:

Recommended Insurance Coverage for Tourists Traveling to Kenya

1. Medical Insurance:

- **Emergency Medical Treatment:** Coverage for unexpected medical expenses, including hospital stays, surgeries, doctor visits, and prescription medications.



- **Evacuation and Repatriation:** In case of a severe illness or injury, it's essential to have coverage for medical evacuation to the nearest appropriate medical facility and, if necessary, repatriation to your home country. This is particularly important if you plan to visit remote areas or go on safaris.
- **COVID-19 Coverage:** With the ongoing pandemic, ensure your insurance policy includes coverage for COVID-19-related medical expenses, quarantine costs, and potential cancellations or trip interruptions due to the virus.

2. Trip Cancellation and Interruption Insurance:

- Coverage for non-refundable expenses in case you need to cancel your trip or cut it short due to unforeseen circumstances, such as a medical emergency, a natural disaster, or a family emergency.

3. Baggage and Personal Belongings Insurance:

- This covers the loss, theft, or damage to your luggage and personal belongings during your trip. It's advisable to have coverage that includes high-value items like cameras, laptops, and other electronics.

4. Personal Liability Insurance:

- Coverage for legal liability if you accidentally cause damage to property or injury to another person during your trip.

5. Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance:

- Provides financial compensation in the event of accidental death or severe injury resulting in permanent disability.

Additional Considerations

- **Safari and Adventure Sports Coverage:** If you plan to participate in activities such as safaris, hiking, diving, or other adventure sports, make sure your insurance policy covers these activities, as some policies exclude them or require additional coverage.
- **Duration of Coverage:** Ensure your travel insurance policy covers the entire duration of your stay in Kenya, including any extensions you might consider.
- **Pre-existing Conditions:** If you have any pre-existing medical conditions, check if they are covered under your policy or if you need to purchase additional coverage.



Conclusion

While the Government of Kenya does not enforce specific insurance coverage requirements for tourists, having comprehensive travel insurance is highly recommended. This ensures that you are protected from unforeseen events and can enjoy your trip with peace of mind. Always read the terms and conditions of your travel insurance policy carefully to understand what is and isn't covered. It's also a good idea to carry a copy of your insurance policy and emergency contact information while traveling.

Contact

At Naturesurf Africa Safaris, we are here to make your dream safari a reality. Whether you're seeking a thrilling adventure, a luxurious getaway, or a customized tour package that suits your needs, our team is ready to assist you every step of the way.

Get in touch with us and get to experience boundless adventure.

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