

INFORMATION FOR HUNTING IN TANZANIA

Safari Dates & Travel Arrangements

All safaris start and end in Arusha. You should plan to arrive in Arusha before the start of your safari and depart from Arusha the day after your safari ends. Please note that the day you fly from Arusha and the day of your return to Arusha are travel days. Therefore if you are hunting for 21 days you should include two extra days for traveling, thus making the total 23 days. You will not be charged for these extra two days. There are daily flights from Europe and South Africa to Kilimanjaro International Airport. International flights to Nairobi, Kenya or Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, will incur extra charges such as clearing of firearms, local ground transportation, hotel accommodation and additional air transportation to Arusha. If you wish to include a few extra days before or after your safari to relax and visit some of Tanzania's scenic game viewing areas this can be arranged through our office in Arusha.

Air Charters

All air charters originate and end in Arusha. Charter costs vary according to the number of passengers and the type of aircraft required. Baggage is limited to 44lbs (20 kgs) per person, excluding rifles and ammunition. This should be packed in soft duffel bags due to restricted space on the light aircraft. DMS reserves the right to transport company employees as well as fresh supplies and provisions for your safari on these charters.

Ground Transportation

The hunting vehicles are 4 wheel drive equipped with winches, VHF radios, satellite phones, fridges and a comprehensive tool box and set of spare parts. Each hunting car has a team consisting of a driver, trackers/gun bearers and a Government game scout. While every care is taken to maintain vehicles to a high standard, it is possible that mechanical breakdowns might occur due to the nature of the terrain and conditions. We regret that we cannot be held responsible for loss of hunting time in the event of mechanical problems but each camp does have an extra vehicle should there be a problem.

Firearms & Ammunition

Each hunting client may import three rifles and a shotgun. Automatic weapons and handguns are prohibited in Tanzania and DMS does not allow the use of muzzle breakers. Regulations state the minimum calibre for lion, leopard and buffalo is .375 while the minimum calibre on all other game is .240, however a .416 or above is preferable when hunting buffalo. The maximum amount of ammunition is 200 rounds per firearm. We recommend 60 rounds for a heavy rifle (40 soft and 20 solid) and 100 rounds (soft) for a medium rifle. Heavy rifles should be sighted in at 50 yards and medium rifles at 150 yards. We do have an assortment of heavy and light rifles for hire but as ammunition is not always available in Tanzania you may have to provide your own. Please bring soft rifle valises with you. The hard cases can be left in Arusha until the end of your safari. Airlines have strict restrictions regarding weight and packing of firearms. You must advise the airline at least six weeks prior to your departure that you are travelling with firearms and ammunition and check their regulations. All

firearms must be unloaded and packed in hard cases with ammunition in a separate container. All firearms must be unloaded while onboard any company vehicle or aircraft.

Documentation

CITES PERMITS: If you are hunting animals listed on CITES I, such as elephant, leopard and crocodile, you must be in possession of CITES permits issued by the country into which you will be importing your trophies. Without the relevant CITES permits your trophies cannot be exported from Tanzania. We are not responsible for obtaining CITES permits and your taxidermist or local Wildlife Department will be in a position to advise and assist you in obtaining these.

VISAS: Citizens of certain countries are required to obtain visas for entry into Tanzania. Please consult your travel agent for a list of those countries for which visas are necessary as these change from time to time. Although visas may be purchased at the airport on arrival in Tanzania, we strongly advise you to obtain these in advance to avoid unnecessary delays.

Quotas

Some game is restricted to a minimum number of safari days. Please refer to Trophy Fees & Species Availability for details. Although licensing regulations permit the taking of more than one animal of certain species, the area quota will determine the number of each species available for your safari. We encourage you to send us your trophy priorities well in advance so we can allocate these for your safari. DMS reserves the right to change your designated hunting area at any time in order to provide you with the opportunity to hunt the animals you have requested. If you wish to hunt both leopard and lion these may have to be taken in different areas due to quota restrictions.

Trophy Handling

DMS is responsible for the field preparation of all your trophies. These will be transported by DMS to Arusha where they will be dipped and crated. After obtaining all the necessary export documentation, the trophies will be taken to Kilimanjaro Airport for shipment to the final destination. All airline freight and handling charges are to be met by you and DMS is not responsible for damage or loss to trophies between Kilimanjaro and the final destination.

Climate and Clothing

Tanzania's climate is moderate in most areas. Midday temperatures vary from 75°F (23°C) in July and August to 90°F (32°C) later in the season. Nights and early mornings are cooler with temperatures reaching as low as 45°F (7°C) during July and August. A suggested clothes list will be sent to you prior to your safari. Comfortable cotton clothing (not light coloured) is all you need. Laundry is done daily while in camp and clothes are ironed with a flat iron filled with hot coals. The early mornings and evenings can be chilly and a warm jacket is essential (scarf and gloves are also recommended in July and August). You will also need a broad brimmed hat and comfortable walking shoes, particularly a pair of ankle-high lightweight boots. There are tsetse flies in certain areas of Tanzania and protective clothing and insect repellents are recommended.

Medical

Tanzania is a malarial area and precautions must be taken. We recommend you check with your doctor or local health authority for immunization requirements. Yellow Fever vaccinations are no longer required for entry into Tanzania although your health authority might recommend this and others.

Temporary membership for one month with the Flying Doctors' Society of Africa is included in your safari rates. In the event of an accident or serious illness evacuation by air to Nairobi, Kenya will be arranged. The aircraft carries life saving medical equipment and a qualified doctor. The Flying Doctors' Society is a rescue operation that can only be used in the case of genuine emergencies. If they do not consider the situation to be an emergency the person concerned will be charged the full charter rate. Medical expenses and hospitalization are not included so please ensure that you have full medical insurance.

Communications

Satellite telephones are available in all our camps. Calls made on these will be charged to your final safari account. Our office in Arusha is in daily contact with the camps by HF radio.

Bird Shooting

Tanzania has a variety of game birds and offers some very fine bird hunting. Game birds which may be hunted on licence include guinea fowl, francolin, spur fowl, doves, sand grouse, ducks and geese. Bird shooting safaris may be combined with big game hunting or photographic safaris and further information is available on request.