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African Safari Packing Checklist

For lodge, tented-camp, and mobile safari itineraries. Confirm charter-flight and camp restrictions before packing.

Safari clothing

- ☐ Neutral-toned breathable layers
- ☐ Long sleeves and trousers for sun and insects
- ☐ Warm layer for early drives
- ☐ Light rain shell if seasonally appropriate
- ☐ Comfortable closed walking shoes
- ☐ Sandals or camp shoes
- ☐ Sun hat and sunglasses
- ☐ Avoid camouflage where restricted and bright colors when advised

Wildlife viewing

- ☐ Binoculars
- ☐ Camera and spare batteries
- ☐ Dust protection and lens-cleaning kit
- ☐ Quiet soft-sided day bag
- ☐ Headlamp for camps
- ☐ Reusable water bottle
- ☐ Wildlife and bird list or notebook

Health and logistics

- ☐ Destination-appropriate insect repellent
- ☐ Reef-safe sunscreen and lip balm
- ☐ Medication and copies of prescriptions
- ☐ Travel clinic advice obtained in time
- ☐ Soft-sided luggage within charter limits
- ☐ Laundry expectations confirmed; some camps restrict washing certain items
- ☐ Gratuity plan and small denominations where appropriate

Packing note

Safari mornings can be cold even when afternoons are hot. Pack layers, not one-temperature outfits, and follow each operator's baggage and color guidance.