

Zimanga Packing Recommendations

CAMERA EQUIPMENT

We suggest bringing the following equipment.

- Camera body (or bodies) that you are familiar with and are well tested at home prior to arrival
- Lenses with a wide variety of focal lengths. Refer to the Zimanga website for suggestions for each hide
- Lots of spare memory cards
- Charger and spare batteries
- Camera cleaning equipment
- Empty bean bag(s) (Rice is available as filling material)
- Monopod / small tripod or ball head (optional as tripods and gimbal heads are provided in the hides)
- Dust proof padded camera bag
- Waterproof camera bag cover
- External device for image storage and back-up
- International plug adaptor (also available at reception)



All rooms have desks and 220V plug points for recharging. South Africa makes use of a type D plug (three round pins in a triangular pattern).

CLOTHING

A complementary laundry service is available and towels are provided.

- Comfortable shoes and/or sandals that are easy to remove.
- Plenty of socks (no shoes allowed in hides)
- Clothing should generally be light and breathable in neutral or muted colours on the vehicles.
- Black and/or dark coloured shirts for the hides
- Black gloves, balaclava and/or a loose black cloth is needed to cover any exposed or light areas which might be causing unwanted reflections in your images.
- Shirts with long sleeves (even in summer, as protection from the sun and insects)
- T-shirts
- Shorts / skirts / trousers / long pants
- A jacket, fleece or sweater
- Swimsuit
- Sun block, sunglasses, hat, insect repellent, moisturizer and lip-salve are all essentials.
- During winter months bring a good thermal windbreaker jacket, gloves, beanies and scarfs. Early morning drives can be very cold with temperatures around 5C. Day temperatures in winter should heat up nicely.

Note - All hides are air conditioned.

It is not possible for Zimanga to provide 100% waterproof and well fitting rain-proof body and camera-covering garments on the open game viewing vehicles. It is essential to pack your own rain-proof camera bag cover and rain-coat or poncho for effective cover.

COSMETICS AND MEDICINE

Basic toiletries – insect repellent, shampoo, body wash & body lotion are all provided in the rooms. A basic first aid kit is available at the Lodge, Homestead and rangers vehicles, but these contain no medication. It is strongly recommended to bring along a selection of travel medication. In addition, all guests should remember to pack:

- Personal Toiletries including toothbrush and toothpaste
- Glasses and contact lenses
- Eye drops
- Personal chronic medication
- Medication for common ailments, including anti-histamines

OTHER

It is strongly recommended that each person should have:

- Their own pair of binoculars
- Torch / flashlight with a red setting (for looking in a camera bag in the overnight hides)