



# Safari, Anyone?

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## Helpful Tips for Travel to South Africa



### To call home from South Africa

Dial 09~0 for international access, then dial 1 + the area code + the 7 digit number

Please refer to the attached fact sheet for information on health concerns while visiting South Africa.

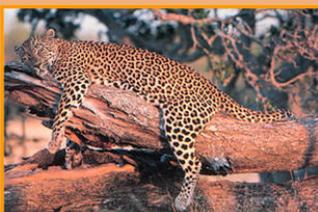
### To call South Africa from home

Sabi Sabi Bush Lodge

011 27 13 735 5656

Table Bay Hotel

011 27 21 406 5000



### Geography & Climate

South Africa is located at the very southern tip of the continent. With a population of approximately 44 million and a land area of 1,219,912 sq. km, South Africa is a large populous nation. Roughly twice the size of Texas, South Africa enjoys moderate climate, with sunny days and cool nights. Located in the Southern Hemisphere, South Africa's seasons the reverse of ours. During your visit, it will be winter. Pack warm clothing and dress in layers. Expect mornings to be chilly, especially while on safari.

### Currency & Shopping

South Africa uses the Rand. Cash can be exchanged at local banks. Most major credit cards are also accepted. Shops are open 7 days a week, 9-5 and 9-2 on Sundays. When dining out, service charges are not added to your bill, so a 10-15% tip is appropriate. Tipping of parking and gas attendants is also customary. A 14% value-added-tax (VAT) is charged on most items. If your total purchases exceed 250 Rand, you may have the VAT refunded when you leave, provided you produce receipts for your purchases.

### Game Reserves

During your visit, you will experience the grandeur of the rugged African interior on safari in a game reserve. Since you will fly to the reserve in a small plane, pack only what you need for the few days you are there. Dress in layers and expect to leave extremely early in the morning when it is still quite chilly. Keep in mind that travel in the reserve is over rough terrain. The ride will be bumpy, but the sights you will see are priceless. Bring sun protection and wear long sleeves and pants, if possible.

### Electricity

The electricity supply comes in 220/230 volts AC 50 Hz. US made appliances will require a transformer. It is best to leave your electrical devices at home, as plugging them in here may cause damage.

### Time Zone

South Africa is seven hours ahead of Eastern Standard Time and two hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time.

### Entrance Requirements

Upon arrival in South Africa, United States citizens are given a free entry permit sticker that is good for up to 90 days. Immigration officers may tailor it to your departure date of your air travel. A valid passport with 2 blank pages is also required.