



Visa and Health Information

The information provided is offered as a general guide only for Australian and New Zealand passport holders. Entry requirements, health regulations and visa conditions can change at any time. It is the responsibility of each traveller to contact the relevant embassies or consulates of the countries they plan to visit to confirm the most up-to-date entry requirements prior to travel.

Travellers should consult their doctor or a qualified travel health professional before committing to travel arrangements, particularly in relation to vaccination requirements such as Yellow Fever, which may be required for entry into or transit through certain countries.

The Yellow Fever vaccine may not be recommended for certain individuals, including:

- People with severely weakened immune systems
- Those with severe egg allergies
- Individuals with certain thymus disorders
- Adults over 60 years of age, who may require a careful medical assessment before vaccination due to a slightly increased risk of rare complications

Prior to travel, we strongly recommend that travellers consult their physician, a specialist travel doctor or travel health clinic to determine which vaccinations, preventative medications and health precautions may be appropriate based on the countries being visited and their individual health circumstances.

General Visa Info:

SOUTH AFRICA

SARS Encourages Travellers to Declare Online Before Travelling

As the peak holiday season approaches, the South African Revenue Service (SARS) is reminding all travellers to complete the [SARS Online Traveller Declaration System](#) before entering or departing South Africa. With higher travel volumes expected, submitting this form in advance helps ease congestion at ports of entry and ensures travellers have the correct documentation ready.

To support the travel industry, SARS has released a [short explainer video](#). This outlines the process step by step and highlights the importance of declaring goods, including currency, before arrival.

Completing the declaration online helps speed up processing at airports and border posts. After submitting the form, travellers receive a confirmation email or SMS with clear instructions on what to do upon arrival.

Travellers can still seek assistance from Customs at any port of entry, and duties or VAT may apply where necessary.

Tourist Visa Info

The below is tourist visa information for Southern Africa and meant to be used as a guideline only. Visa costs and requirements are subject to change without notice. Therefore, travellers are responsible for checking up-to-date visa requirements with their local embassy or consulate before travel.

Note that the border posts of many countries, immigration will often give you EXACTLY the number of days you request rather than a set time frame (i.e. 30, 60 or 90 days). To avoid any issues with underestimating the number of days you need in destination, we recommend rounding up to the nearest number of weeks required. Always check the dates and number of days given before you leave the border post to avoid any issues on exiting the country.

Citizens of certain countries are required to obtain visas well in advance of travel. Please note that some visas can take up to 3 months to be processed. Please consider this when booking, and note that it is your responsibility to check before the final confirmation.

Cross border information about travelling with minors (children under 18 years of age) is included for each country. Do note that regulations differ from country to country so it is essential to ensure you have the correct documentation. Proof of Yellow Fever vaccination is required to enter only if travellers have been to a country with risk of yellow fever transmission or in transit for 12 hours or longer. Check out the Health & Safety Information page for further information.

The South African government requires tourists to obtain a Tourist Visa for South Africa in order to enter the country, either on or prior to arrival.

On this page you will find:

- Different Visa Categories
- Which nationalities require a visa
- Passport requirements
- Types of visas for tourists
- How to pay for your visa
- The current fees for the different visas
- Travelling with minors (children under 18) to South Africa
- Links to the relevant government visa websites

For current Covid travel requirements into South Africa and Southern Africa, please read through the Health & Safety information page. Proof of Yellow Fever vaccination is required to enter only if travellers have been to a country with risk of yellow fever transmission or in transit for 12 hours or longer.

Different South African Tourist Visa Categories

Visa-Exemption – No visa required. Aside from being required to produce a valid passport at the port of entry, no other action or fee is applicable. Visitor may stay in the country for up to 90 days from arrival date.

Visitor's Visa – Valid for a single entry and valid for 90 days or less.

Nationalities that Require a Visa for South Africa

Prospective visitors from countries that do not have Visa-Exemption for South Africa, must apply at a South African Mission Abroad, or apply online if your country is not listed in the Department of Home Affairs Visa-Exemption list.

Passport Requirements to enter South Africa

- A valid and acceptable passport or travel document for your intended stay
- At least one blank page in your passport for endorsements
- A valid visa, if required
- Sufficient funds to pay for your day-to-day expenses during your stay
- A return or onward ticket
- Yellow fever certificates if your journey starts or entails passing through the yellow fever belt of Africa or South America.

Types of South African Tourist Visas - Visitors Visa – Valid for a single entry and valid for 90 days or less.

BOTSWANA

With the exception of nationals from Ghana, Nigeria, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka, nationals of Commonwealth countries do not require a visa before travel. Where applicable, visitors can obtain a Tourist Visa for Botswana on arrival at any Port of Entry.

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Different Botswana Tourist Visa Categories

There are only two categories of Tourist Visa for Botswana;

Non-Visa Category: No visa is required. Present your passport on arrival and receive a stamp allowing 30 days of entry, which may be extended at an Immigration Office.

Visa Category: Visa is obtained on, or prior to arrival via the Botswana e-Visa website.

Duration of Stay – Visitors of all nationalities may stay in Botswana for holiday/recreation (non-work-related purposes), for a maximum of 90 days per 12-month period, without a permit.

Nationalities that Require a Tourist Visa for Botswana

Visit the Botswana Tourism Website to find out whether a visa is required for your nationality. To find out more about the Tourist Visa application process, visit the Botswana Government Website's Visa Applications page.

We highly recommend downloading, printing, and completing the Tourist Visa Application form in advance of travel to expedite the border formalities. Please also

ensure that the applicant has a printed passport photo to hand in with the application form.

Use the following link to download a document specifying which nationalities require a visa to enter Botswana: [Visa Requirements for Botswana](#).

Passport Requirements for entering Botswana

Before travelling to Botswana, please ensure that you have the following:

- Passport valid for at least six months
- At least three blank pages in your passport
- Sufficient funds for the duration of your stay
- Return ticket or onward ticket, if arriving by air.
- Temporary passports are not accepted in Botswana

ZIMBABWE

The Government of Zimbabwe has introduced an online registration system for all arriving guests, which should be completed at least 48 hours prior to your arrival. This entry card registration can be completed via the following link:

www.evisa.gov.zw/app/index.html#/sign-in

The cost of the Zimbabwe visa government fee is \$45 USD for the double-entry visa on arrival and \$30 USD for the single-entry visa on arrival. Kaza Uni Visa is US\$50 per person. Visa can be paid by cash (new USD notes).

There is no need to apply for an eVisa online.

If guests will be staying in Zimbabwe and will only cross over to Botswana for the Chobe Day Trip, then a Double Entry Visa will be sufficient. If guests plan to visit Zambia, as well, then a Kaza Visa should be purchased.

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yellow fever transmission or in transit for 12 hours or longer. Check out the Health & Safety Information page for further information.

In order to improve the guest experience, the Zimbabwe immigration authorities have introduced a new online arrivals declaration form to be completed by all travellers prior to their arrival at any of Zimbabwe's ports of entry.

Click on the [link here](#) to access the online arrivals declaration form.

In addition, we recommend that all visitors to Zimbabwe [download](#), print and complete this Immigration Declaration Form in advance of travel.

On this page you will find tourist visa info for Zimbabwe, including:

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