

## Packing Guide

Many guests at Governors' Camp wear light, comfortable classic khaki or earthtone travel or safari clothes. However, comfort is the rule and anything goes, including muted colour shirts, T-shirts and jeans. All Governors' Camp properties feature complementary same or next-day laundry service so you can pack less and bring fewer or smaller bags.

A pair of binoculars for use on game drives is highly recommended. For protection against the sun, a brimmed hat, sun tan lotion and sunglasses are also suggested. Either comfortable walking shoes or light-weight hiking boots are appropriate for all safari activities. Be sure to bring a camera, possibly with a zoom lens and enough memory card space as the photo opportunities will be endless. For all clients traveling to Rwanda, in addition to the above you should make sure you have good sturdy walking boots, a light waterproof jacket and some sweaters or fleeces. The lodge is at 11,000 feet above sea level and can get cold at times. Bring supplies of any personal prescription medication you require plus anti-malaria pills. It is also recommended that you bring mosquito repellent. If you plan to bring a digital camera, video camcorder or other rechargeable electronics, it is suggested that you confirm that your a/c adapter or battery charger works with 220 volts, and also bring a 3-pin square (UK) electrical adapter plug.

### FOOTWEAR & SOCKS

Comfortable shoes for the hike, preferably hiking boots or even trainers with some grip on them. Make sure you have spent a little time in your choice of footwear before your Gorilla trek.

Fairly long socks to tuck your trousers into as an extra precaution to stop the safari ants from getting in underneath your clothing. Fortunately you might only see them maybe 1 out of every 10 treks.

### TROUSERS

Long trousers, safari pants or even just good old jeans! There are stinging nettles up in the forest, depending on where the Gorilla family you visit finds themselves. Waterproof pants are brilliant, obviously for the rain, but more so for the nettles. The nettles will penetrate through any type of material except the waterproof material like Gortex.

### GATORS

Gators are very important for leg protection against especially Stinging nettles. The longer ones that run between your boots and your knees. The shorter ones serve no purpose.

### UPPER-BODY

A long sleeve shirt with a vest or t-shirt underneath is plenty. In the mornings it might be a little chilly so take a pull-over or fleece with you. Waterproof jacket is very important, again if not for the rain, then for the nettles.

## GLOVES

As an extra precaution against nettles, should you encounter any, we suggest that you to take a pair of gloves with you for the trek. Garden gloves with a rubber or protective layer or leather.

## HAT AND SUNBLOCK

When the sun comes through, you do feel it. Where you find the Gorillas might not necessarily be under a tree canopy.

## PLEASE NOTE

At Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge we do understand the importance of traveling lite as guests often do a safari elsewhere during the same holiday and therefore your luggage has a weight restriction of around 15kgs (34lbs) on the smaller planes, so therefore we do provide backpacks, gators and gloves for your convenience