



AFRICAWILDTRUCK
Adventure & Photo Travel Tour Operator

Mozambique and Malawi. sea, safari, history.

ON Mozambique island, in Majete Wildlife Reserve, in the Quirimbas National Park, history, traditions, safari and pristine beaches.

From **4th to 16th SEPTEMBER 2016**

13 days of travel with possible extensions

This calculation excludes flights

WHAT WE WILL SEE

Sea safaris and history between Mozambique and Malawi. A diverse and complete tour. Ocean environment of the coast, from tea plantations, to the warm welcome of Malawi, safaris in **Majete Wildlife Reserve** in the Shire Valley, a success story of restocking and conservation. Present in Majete are all the big five, lions, leopards, black rhinos, elephants and buffalos as well as sable antelope, zebras, eland and *Lichstein's* heartbeest. We will enter the mid of the park even at night for safaris in search of predators.

Then to Ilha de Moçambique Island World Heritage Site, a jewel of tradition and culture that can not be missed on a trip to Mozambique. The meeting with the local people in Malawi and Mozambique, remain in our hearts for their simplicity in the joy of living: places still untouched and little tourist immersed in nature, animals, villages, markets, a journey through two countries so unique and so unforgettable.

The first tea plantations in Africa were introduced in the late nineteenth century precisely in Malawi: the views open up spectacularly in huge and rolling hills covered by a perfect green mantle and tea. Walking through the immense spaces of the plantations we meet the tea workers who patiently pluck the young leaves at the top of the plants, leaf after leaf.

Ilha de Moçambique, a small island a **World Heritage Site**, rich in culture, traditions and contradictions that make it really fascinating. And the island from which Mozambique as a country derives its name and was the first capital city; we'll tell you about the history of this country that we love and know deeply.

Behind the **Quirimbas National Park** we will hang on for a few days on one of the most beautiful beaches of Mozambique on the Indian Ocean: the coasts amaze us for their beauty and tranquility.

DURATION: 13 days. Possibility of extensions to the Quirimbas islands or on the coast of the Indian Ocean.

MOZAMBIQUE, GALLERY

EXPEDITION 117
IN 4x4

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"From a distance this Ilha seem small but is big. It has a long history from its inhabitants about its monuments. It is not possible for us to tell you everything we know. Ilha has others who likewise want to tell you. If you want to hear the whole story you will stay for a while in Ilha. So you will be shown the way that you have not seen."

folk song free verse Nelson Sautte and Antonio Sopa adapted from Mozambique, Gouache Francesca, Stefano and Gianni Pesarelli Bauce, Ed. Polaris".

The northern Mozambique, rural and quiet, away from the bustle of the capital Maputo. The main ethnic group, the Macua and their deep traditions that are handed down from generation to generation. The island of Mozambique, Ilha de Moçambique, is not just a mere island, but an island that gave its name to the entire country: Mozambique. As well as being a World Heritage Site on paper, it was the first capital of Mozambique; There are many stories to tell on the two island cores; the Stone City, built

by the Portuguese and Macuti City, with typical thatched roofs. The rich Mozambican history passes through this island. The majesty of the fortress, palaces, squares, churches, take us back to Europe, but the African sun reminds us that the other side of the hemisphere, in Ilha, you live in this time and in this space is not mythical. The pristine beaches in the north of Mozambique, the palm trees and the intense colors of the Indian Ocean and the typical sleepy rhythms of the swahili culture. We will be close to the Quirimbas National Park, remembered for its high biodiversity and for the views of the most beautiful beaches on the East African Coast. The terrestrial vegetation is a mosaic of coastal forest and river, mangroves, bamboo, acacia forests and mixed miombo, palm trees and dry vegetation providing refuge to several species of mammals, reptiles, amphibians and birds.

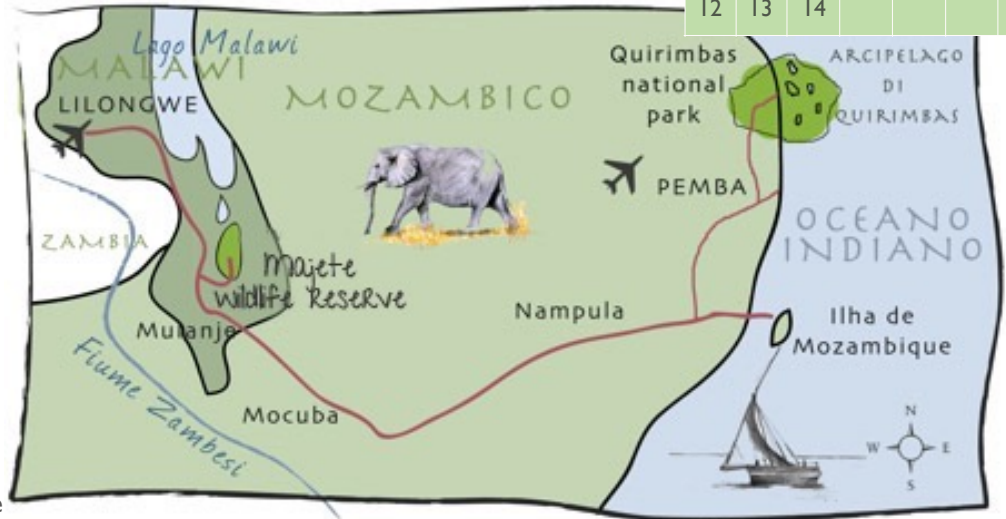
In Malawi, welcoming and warm country: its people have a warm and hospitable heart that in no other country in Africa we have ever heard. In the far south of Malawi blossoms a park that has an incredible story: Majete wildlife reserve boasts the famous Big Five: buffalos, lions, leopards, elephants and rhinos. Proclaimed in 1955, it is located in the Lower Shire Valley, at the bottom of the Rift Valley. 700 km² of nature, between forests of miombo (the popular tree) and riverine vegetation. The Majete is an incredibly beautiful reserve, but also one of those success stories that we would more often hear and tell. Thanks to an agreement between public and private, the Government of Malawi and the African Parks, the involvement of local communities without whom this would not be possible, dozens of species in massive quantities have been re-introduced. We speak of 2550 animals including elephants (*Loxodonta africana*), blacks rhinos (*Diceros bicornis*), African cape buffalo (*Syncerus caffer*), eland (*Tragelaphus oryx*), sable antelope (*Hippotragus niger*), waterbuck (*Kobus ellipsiprymnus*), nyala (*Tragelaphus angasii*), Lichtestein's hartebeest (*Alcelaphus bucelaphus*), impala (*Aepyceros melampus*), zebras (*Equus quagga*) and warthogs (*Phacochoerus africanus*). Present are also mammals such as kudu, reedbuck, silvicapre, suni and bushpigs. Among the large carnivores present, are hyenas, leopards, lions, often spotted next to Thawale lodge. Not only nature. Majete is an example also for the awareness and respect that has been created between the communities living around Majete for sustainable tourism. In less than 10 years, workers have gone from 12 to 150, all permanent, made up of micro enterprise projects, environmental information and education. No doubt the park is now famous here in Malawi as an example of success.

We arrange the day and night safaris in one of the most exciting and fascinating experiences that you can do in Majete, one of the few areas in Africa where it is allowed to do this activity.

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Away from tourism, away from the beaten circuits, despite the poignant beauty of its landscape, its hospitable and incredibly

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STAFF

Staff is made by professional guides trained by Malawi Tourism sector. [WHO WE ARE](#)

MEANS OF TRANSPORT

All distances will be covered with one or more means Toyota or Land Rover or similar off-road 4 × 4. A further provision, in the case of nights camping: mattresses, refrigerator, food, field kitchen, 12/220 V. current to recharge the batteries, two-way VHF, GPS, notebook to download digital photos and movies, satellite phone (cost 5 euro / min), first aid kit and a good travel library, with our guides to travel with.

ACCOMMODATION

Always lodge accommodation. The nights in Majete Wildlife Reserve in the magnificent **Thawale lodge** in the heart of the park, winner of numerous awards such as eco-lodge. A Mulanje accommodation exclusive to us reserved in ancient colonial house, where



AfricaWildTruck is based within a historic garden in the tea plantations. In Nampula overnight in simple, well-run hotel; Ilha de Mozambique overnight in recently rehabilitated palace overlooking one of the island's historic squares. In Pemba three nights in beautiful eco-lodge in the south of one of the best beaches in the country.

The rooms in the lodge / chalet / hotel, is intended, unless otherwise requested, in double or, in rare cases, triple; They could be replaced for technical-organizational problems without distorting the original plan. The facilities have been carefully chosen following an idea of land conservation and sustainability of travel, preferring positions in close contact with nature. For a list of the

lodge / camping [write to us!](#)

THE PERIOD/SEASON

Temperatures depend largely on the season, from the latitudes and altitudes. On the right is a table indicative of average temperatures in the different seasons. The hottest month is November, the coolest month is June / July. The dry season is from April / May to November. The wet season runs from December to March / April, during this time you can see the parks in their green splendor; some babies of mammals are born in this period as well as many birds cross the mating season, changing plumage and courting females. We recommend both seasons, both in fact have a special charm. August is **ONE MONTH DRY, IDEAL FOR NORTH OF MOZAMBIQUE!**

Contact us for more information on the current season, they are not all the same each year!

ROADS

We will cover approx 2000 km, 300 of which are dirty road to move into the parks and the rest of good tar road.

TEMPERATURES °C AVERAGE	FEBRUARY	JULY	NOVEMBER
Blantyre	min 18 - max 27	min 7 - max 23	min 20 max 32
Majete wildlife.	min 26 - max 39	min 22 max 32	min 28 max 43

TO KNOW

In order to save time, lunches could be organized in a faster way, based on a sandwich, while dinner always well organized. [READ FAQ](#) and [WRITE US](#) for more info!



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A SAFARI GUIDE

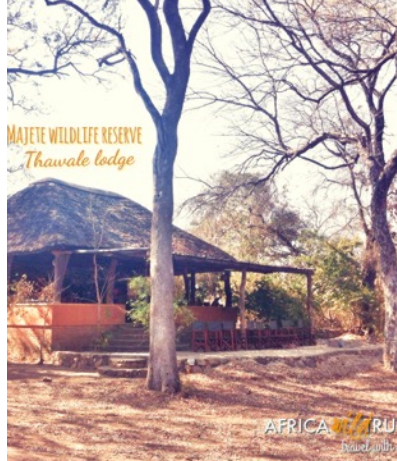
The numerous game drives (English definition that describes the excursion in 4 × 4 organized for the sighting of animals), will take place in the daytime and at night with the jeep. It is not required to take special preparation except the desire to get up at dawn and patience required in search of animals. Note that Safari will be held during the coolest hours of the day (sunrise and sunset), when animals are easier to spot. Being self-driven, however, we may decide to stop on a scene for as long as possible, always following the rules of the park. The safaris are conducted in open jeeps equipped for the safari.

The boat safari on the Shire River in Majete Wildlife Reserve is an exciting experience in the warm heart of Africa. Here the boat safari is not to be missed. Besides us, there will be a further professional guide who will accompany us for the duration of the safari to better enjoy the close contact with nature. The experience is very interesting especially for close point of view that you can enjoy boating; observe animals during their daily activity on the banks of the river is really a privilege for photography enthusiasts!

Photographers during the safari will always be permitted to bring their own camera equipment. The guides will aim first of all to put the vehicle in the best position, where safety and security permits. Inside the park the jeep will NOT communicate by radio with each other, to avoid the crowd on an animal and thus preserve the peace.

Then the vehicle must be in the right place at the right time to see what you want; we prefer that a sanctuary of nature as the Majete Wildlife Reserve preserve this spirit of adventure that so characterizes it.

Important information: in the parks or in the camps, will be made to sign a disclaimer of responsibility required to access given the nature of the place.



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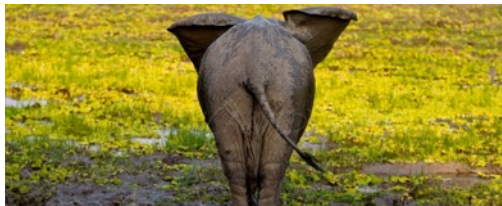


TRAVEL PHILOSOPHY

We call our trips, “expeditions”, a word which seems to better encompass the spirit of adventure and discovery of wild places, the capacity of necessary adaptability and the desire of sharing this experience with others.



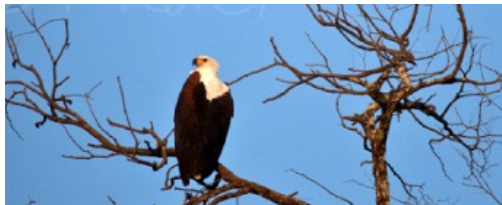
Our programs are carefully prepared and are born from our personal experiences over the years of the places where we spend most of the year. This allows us to share the knowledge of the environment and local communities to whoever wishes to experience an adventure rather than an organized trip. During our expeditions, we like to improvise, a ballgame in a small out-of-the-way village or take a break to taste the local cuisine, or stop to meander through the colorful stands of fruits and vegetables in an outdoor marketplace.



We don't travel with air conditioning observing Africa through closed windows, but we live breathing in the smells and even getting a little dirty from the red earth without thinking all day about how much further we're going, when will there be roads of asphalt or what will we eat for dinner that night.



We experience Africa smelling the atmosphere, absorbing the colors, experiencing the local fruit and vegetable markets, being surrounded by children on the road without prejudice.



People who travel with us are not just thinking about reaching a destination but about enjoying the infinite moments during the trip to appreciate the spectacular sights of Africa even when we stop and there is nothing to do. “Doing nothing” transforms your sense of hearing into listening and your sense of watching into seeing. We prefer to “lose” time in order to better appreciate the wonders of Africa.



We don't appreciate those who always want to know “what can we do for fun”, what activities or hobbies, when there really is nothing to do but wait for the sunset or for a lion to yawn: Africa has a different rhythm of life. We don't appreciate those who travels with their entire house in their suitcase and who wants to find all the comforts of home on the road; stress must stay at the airport because it does not fit with this continent.



Who are appalled and shocked at a local food dish or who cry because there is no hot water need not apply; these are luxuries we give up in respect for the communities of a Continent that suffers poverty and underdevelopment.

We don't appreciate those who do not have respect for animals or nature, who waste water, energy and resources without environmental respect, who does not ask for help and does not give help and who does not take care of our equipment.

This is our philosophy: think like us and you will be rewarded.



TRAVEL PROGRAM

DAY 1 PEMBA AIRPORT - MECUFI BEACH MOZAMBIQUE

04 SEPTEMBER 2016. Pemba is located in the north of Mozambique and is overlooking one of the largest bays in the world (the third) after those of Sydney in Australia and Guanabara in Brazil. In addition to having a history of Portuguese rule - when it was founded, in 1857, was called Porto Amelia in honor of the queen, now it boasts wonderful beaches like the one that we frequent. It can just do a simple search on Goggle to realize the wonder of the beaches of Mecufi. The sea is turquoise and golden beaches frame the picturesque and animated district. We'll move to the south, about thirty kilometers on the white beaches of Mecufi, where we will arrive in the afternoon: the colors of the sea are incredible. Overnight in eco-lodge on the beach. Full board.

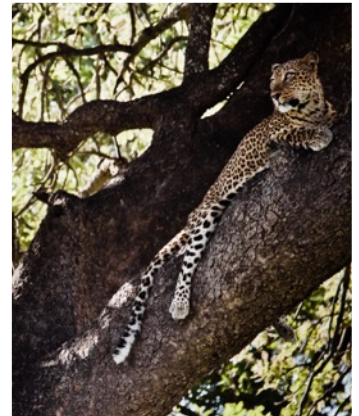


DAY 2 MECUFI

05 SEPTEMBER 2016. A landscape marked by tides and a life without clock, dictated only by the rhythms of nature. And 'all this possible? Here in Pemba it certainly seems so. Overnight stay in eco-lodges, as the previous night. Full board

DAY 3 MECUFI

06 SEPTEMBER 2016. The beautiful beaches will make us relax, we will have the opportunity to see dolphins and swim on deserted beaches, including a flood and the other we can organize a diving output. Overnight stay in eco-lodges, like the previous night. Full board.



DAY 4 MECUFI - ILHA DE MOZAMBIQUE

07 SEPTEMBER 2016. Entry into the city of Ilha de Moçambique, crossing its bridge (3 km) that connects it to the mainland. We will live in contact with the two souls of the city: the macuti city, built with the typical thatched roof, and the stone city, founded by the Portuguese at the beginning of the sixteenth century. Arab influences, the Portuguese African, Indian blend into the culture of the island rich in history and the past that started the Mozambican identity. Overnight at the hotel on the island of Mozambique, in the seventeenth century Palazzo, where we will arrive in the late afternoon. Bed and breakfast

DAY 5, 6 ILHA DE MOZAMBIQUE

08, 09 SEPTEMBER 2016. From Mozambique Island derives the name of the entire country; This World Heritage Site was the first capital of Portuguese East Africa. The importance of the island was and still is a lot, so much so that today lies in overcrowded conditions. Here are the schools, markets, labor and people still move from the coast to come and live here, on a 3-km wide strip of land, at its widest point, just 500m. Breathe the scent of the ocean, as lost in a time that seems not to exist. The atmosphere of Ilha hit so many poets and artists who have dedicated their verses. Put simply, we will try to leave soothed by its sleepy rhythms from its lived air. The decadence of its buildings and its rich architecture will be food for thought for better understanding of colonialism phases. Walking along the promenade, admire the fortress, to get lost in its market, hear the muezzin calling to prayer, walk on the beach and watch the peace of the people who live there: the island's own philosophy takes us halfway around the world. Overnight in seventeenth-century colonial house rehabilitated recently. Bed and breakfast



DAY 7 ILHA DE MOZAMBIQUE - MOCUBA

10 SEPTEMBER 2016. We will move to the nearby town of Mocuba, a must to proceed towards Malawi. Mocuba offers an incredible insight into the Mozambican life. Hotel accommodation in a quiet area. Half pension



**DAY 8 MOCUBA - BORDER - MULANJE, MALAWI
11 SEPTEMBER 2016.**

Customs formalities for entry into Malawi. Rise early and travel the day to cross the Mozambique. A red soil track will lead us in the steps of the many villages in the dusty town of Alto Molocue; a long day of travel through the fertile highlands of northern Mozambique, the area remembered for the beautiful landscapes typical of the tobacco plantations and the many inselberg that characterize the whole area. Overnight in a quiet, old colonial house, immersed in the tea plantations, based Africa Wild Truck. Full board



DAY 9, 10 ILHA DE MOZAMBIQUE - PEMBA - MECUFI

12, 13 SEPTEMBER 2016. Walking through the vast spaces of the plantations. We meet the workers of the tea, which patiently collect the young leaves at the top of the plants, leaf by leaf, to fill the huge baskets on their backs. The first tea plantations in Africa were introduced in the late nineteenth century precisely in this area of Malawi.

We can enter the magical forest of Mulanje and dedicate this day to a short trek in the forest to the Likhubula waterfall, surrounded by greenery, including chameleons endemic and unique plants such as the famous cedar of Mulanje, a protected species. Legends and stories are part of Malawian culture that describes the Mulanje mountain, "Island in the Sky": also why the site has been proposed in the list of World Heritage. Then we'll tell some legend from those who have always lived under this mountain spread over 650 km², which with its 3002 meters is the highest in the southern tip of Africa. For those who wish, you can reach the CCAP hut, (5/6 hour) with a hiking to the summit island in the sky. Spectacular scenery will open behind us and finally we will arrive in the afternoon to mere shelter of CCAP, one of the largest, from which we can observe the south-eastern slope of the peak of Chambe, located at 2557 m altitude. Among the activities we can visit the Mulanje market, to discover the daylife Malawian and we can visit the communities living around our base. Overnight in shelter or in old colonial house, like the previous night. Full board.



DAY 11 MULANJE FOREST RESERVE - MAJETE WILDLIFE RESERVE

14 SEPTEMBER 2016. Cross the Shire River descend from an altitude of 800 m at an altitude of 150, after the city of Blantyre to reach the Lower Shire Valley and the spectacle of Majete wildlife reserve. The hills are like endless expanses and bright green leaves only river space and the nature of the Majete. First safari in the afternoon. Overnight at the lodge, located in the park. Full board.

DAY 12 MAJETE WILDLIFE RESERVE

15 SEPTEMBER 2016. Introduction to the park. First day safari in the morning, with the possibility of spotting between species buffalo, elephants, lions and nyala. Return to camp for lunch. In the afternoon, night safari and return to camp for dinner. Stunning location of the lodge, in the heart of the park. Often they observe timid antelope, baboons, or, if lucky, elusive leopards. Full board.

DAY 13 MAJETE-BLANTYRE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

16 SEPTEMBER 2016. At 10:00 about departing from the international airport of Blantyre.



*The current times are estimates calculated on flight plans provided by the airlines by the year 2016. If the route changes could be varied.

*[[Write us](#) for Accommodation and lodge list]

EXTENSIONS

- ON LAKE MALAWI
- INDIAN OCEAN
- NTCHISI FOREST
- MULANJE MOUNTAIN

TO KNOW

the expedition may be modified on site and in any moment due to technical, organizational or safety reasons without upsetting the initial plan.

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ATTENDANCE FEE: 2780 Usd

include VAT 16,5%, Tourism Levy 1%

PARTICIPANTS: MIN 6, MAX 14

DISCOUNTS

The following discounts are possible:

- Discount of 40Usd per day if you decide to camp
- family discounts: for children and young boys/girls under 12 years
- 100Usd for travelers who already took part at least in a travel with AFRICA WILD TRUCK (minum base of 4 persons)
- groups discount

Discounts are subject to variations and can't be combined together.

THE FEE INCLUDES

- English speaking guides authorized by Minister of Tourism
- all transports, to and from the airport, road taxes
- all game drives activities, all national parks entry fees (in Liwonde national park, and Mount Mulanje Reserve)
- all overnights in comfort lodges as per program - no camping (see page 3)
- all meals as per full board indication
- 50 US dollars that AWT entirely donates to AROUND AWT (see page 11)
- VAT (16,5%), TOURISM LEVY (1%) and government taxes.

THE FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- flights
- Malawi and Zambian Visa
- Single supplement (15%)
- Euroassistance/Globy or similar travel insurance (cancellation, luggage, health insurance highly advisable – it is possible to stipulate it with the above cited agency or online – write to us, we will help you to find the best solution!)
- drinks
- Meals where indicated *bed and breakfast*
- any possible personal expense
- tips
- anything not expressly specified under "The fee includes"

ATTENDANCE MODE

Attendance fee deposit is of 780 USd.

The rest of the fee – as of 2,000Usd - can be paid in different modes that will be defined on the moment of registration, i.e.:

- With bank transfer. At the time of booking we will send you all details and the procedure to pay on Africa Wild Truck's account in Malawi.
- With VISA credit card. Directly on your arrive in Malawi, at Africa Wild Truck's office. (+5% on Visa)
- With cash, on your arrival in Malawi, at Africa Wild Truck's office, that has a regular license and government authorization to accept any currency (€, US\$, £, Rand, etc..)

In case of travel quit, the amount paid will be refunded in case of participant replacement; in case it is not possible to replace the participant the amount paid will not be given back if travel insurance hasn't been stipulated; read our enclosed "Terms and conditions".

WE ACCEPT

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Contact info@africawildtruck.com to book or to ask informations.



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CONSIGLI DI VIAGGIO

HEALTH

No obligation to vaccination. Write to us to have more information!

We recommend these vaccines:

- tetanus
- typhoid fever
- hepatitis A and B

Concerning malaria, disease transmitted by the bite of the female Anopheles mosquito, its prevention is accomplished, first of all, with a mechanic prevention i.e. avoiding getting stung, following these rules:

- sleeping under mosquito tents
- using insecticide to get rid of possible mosquitos
- after sunset, when mosquitos are more active, avoiding leaving parts of the body uncovered, wearing light-coloured long trousers and long-sleeve shirts, because dark colors attract mosquitos and spraying parts of the body uncovered with Autan Extreme

For the use of any possible antimalarial drugs we suggest that you consult your Public Health Service; health norms change very rapidly.



TRAVEL MEDICAL KIT

We suggest that you take with you a small supply of these medicines:

- analgesics/fever reducers: acetylsalicylic acid and nimesulide
- antibiotics like ciproxin or amoxicillin or clavulanic acid
- antimalarials: anyway carry with you 2 packs of Lariam for emergency cases
- antidiarrheals: loperamide or kaolin in case of symptoms (to use only if really necessary!)
- rehydration salts: in case of fluid leaks
- against car or air sickness: a pack of pills or chewing-gums
- antihistamines: in case of allergic reactions
- scissors, tweezers and thermometer
- suntan cream
- insecticides (like Autan Extreme)

LUGGAGE

Due to space and cohabitation reasons each person shall have just a big backpack (max 15 kg), with max. dimensions 30x40x50 cm (60 liters) besides a standard small bag with photographic equipment.

We recommend that you comply with the dimensions.

CLOTHES LAUNDRY

It will be possible to wash your clothes where we will stop at least for 2 nights





EQUIPMENT

Required documents and Visa

It is necessary to have a passport valid for at least 6 months after departure date with at least two free pages; for the entry in Malawi the Visa is obtainable under 75 Usd payment, while for Mozambique 80 USD. [Write us](#) for more informations

CLOTHING

- comfortable trekking shoes
- technical sandals
- easy to dry slippers for the shower
- windbreaker
- k-way
- sweatshirt/pile
- cotton/linen long trousers
- cotton/linen long sleeve shirts
- cotton T-shirts
- bathing suit
- panty
- belly pack for passport
- sunglasses
- cap

OTHER

- towel
- binoculars
- head torch-light
- water bottle
- camera/videocamera/spare batteries!!
- passport photocopy and 2 passport photos

PERIOD
Temperatures widely depend on altitudes and latitudes. Contact us for further information!



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ECO TOURISM

AFRICA WILD TRUCK SUPPORT

Africa Wild Truck travel philosophy has the aim to minimize the potential negative impacts that derive from tourism socially, economically and environmentally. We know that tourism has got a big potential of bring benefits in remote areas as economical growth, develop and conservation. Travel in a responsible way means follow a specific travel philosophy that we hope is useful to preserve the beauty and the culture of this marvellous Continent to future generations.

SOCIAL COMMITMENT

We think that the contact with local people and cultures is one of the essential aspects of a travel. Comprehension, tolerance and mutual respect between different cultures often mean also simple rules to follow that will be exposed to the traveler before as well as during the travel. We encourage the traveler to have an open attitude and learn customs and traditions, as well as basic words in local language.

We live here and we give local people a job so that travelers, once more, may have the possibility to interact with African people and so that money is directed to the population.

We support some territorial and social maintenance projects, both directly, involving our travelers into donating to AROUND AWT and indirectly, visiting distant areas bringing economic development and suggesting to donate one's own contribution to projects as conservation or social projects

We are supporting associates and members of associations like AITR, Italian Association for Responsible Tourism and TIES, International Ecotourism Society.

We live here so we have the possibility to monitoring the political and social situation of our destinations, communicating, if possible, all relevant information to travelers before leaving.

ECONOMIC COMMITMENT

We lean on suppliers, products and services representing the option that is the most ethical available, even when it means paying a price reasonably higher compared to other options on the market.

We use accommodations which are chosen carefully, following an idea of conservation of the territory and sustainability of the travel, preferring positions in close contact with nature. Where possible we lean on small accommodations managed by local people that live on the territory, like us.

We don't lean on facilities or suppliers where we know there is exploitation of labor.

Where possible we stock up in the markets, buying fruit and vegetables directly from small producers, thereby supporting small economies.

We encourage travelers to buy local artifacts that do not harm the environment and that do not support illegal trafficking.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENT

We use the Internet and e-mails as main means of communication; this minimizes the waste associated with the use of printed paper.

We use, where possible, recycled paper for all our printed releases.

We support and donate part of our takings to organizations like AROUND AWT and other associations also through the programming of the travels/expeditions. We are members of the TIES, International Ecotourism Society and of AITR, Italian Association for Responsible Tourism.

We minimize the waste like electric energy and water using the truck's batteries to recharge the electric material and managing the reserves of water in an accurate way.

We recycle: nothing is thrown away in Africa! Where possible we deliver part of what we think is no longer useful, to those who need it. Besides we follow, where possible, this simple rule: what in Africa is harmful for the environment and cannot be recycled must be taken back home! Used batteries are a simple example.

We use small facilities that minimize negative impacts on the environment. We lean, where possible, on facilities built with local materials, as well as facilities that use renewable sources of energy like solar panels.

YOUR SUPPORT

Inform on your travel destination before leaving. Read books and consult tourism guides to collect information on culture, politics, geography, religion and traditions of the places you are going to visit. Learn a few basic words you'll need to communicate; sometimes a few words can make you get on touch more with the local culture. Inform on how to behave to respect customs and beliefs.

Dress in a respectful way. It's really easy to cause embarrassment or offend with an inappropriate clothing.

Buy local objects and use local services; this increases the local economy. But be careful what you buy: do not feed illegal trafficking or types of trade that are harmful to nature.

Pay a fair price for what you buy. Negotiating is always part of the local life; small sums of money mean big sums for a local family.

Ask permission before taking photographs and if you promise someone to send a photo, or a gift, please, keep your promise.

Avoid showing wealth and opulence especially in poor communities, where you are a guest.

Help local communities supporting development projects, rather than giving huge tips to individuals. Together we can develop new ideas. Take a look at the projects we support like AROUND AWT.

If you want to leave something, as for example giving material to a local school, or cloths to whom needs them, try to give them to an influential person. In this way the material will be divided as fairly as possible. Do not give money or medicines to individuals: we know projects to which we can give this type of material.

Never feed wild animals, especially within the parks: wild animals have not to depend on man for their subsistence.

Respect the environment: avoid leaving garbage around and if you smoke, please, do not leave your cigarette butts.

Once home think how you can help the development programs to help the country you've had the privilege to visit. Choose a Tour Operator that follows a travel philosophy that supports eco-tourism.

We support some social maintenance projects, through scientific popularization, writing guides and articles, photography, donations, our projects of AROUND AWT, visiting distant areas and so bringing economic development; if you know topics, groups, projects we don't know share them with us: we can support them and ensure that many people may be involved.



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

HOW TO BOOK

- Having confirmed availability, a 20% DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED TO CONFIRM YOUR BOOKING. Once we receive proof of payment together with your completed *Booking Form*, your booking is confirmed and accepted by us.
- UNLESS PRIOR AND DIFFERENT ARRANGEMENTS, FINAL PAYMENT IS NORMALLY DUE 6 WEEKS BEFORE DATE OF DEPARTURE
- PAYMENT BY VISA AT OUR OFFICE ARE WELCOME (ONLY VISA, NO MASTERCARD OR OTHER CARDS). NOTE THAT OUR VISA IS CONNECTED WITH THE LOCAL ACCOUNT AND THE RATE OF EXCHANGE OF THE DAY IS FROM XE.COM. A 5% VISA CHARGE IS APPLICABLE WITHIN MALAWI
- If paying in Malawi Kwacha please note we use the HIGHER BUYING rate of commercial money bureaux.

CANCELLATION/ REFUNDS

- CANCELLATION MUST BE IN WRITING AND ARE ONLY EFFECTIVE ON RECEIPT OF WRITTEN NOTIFICATION. NOTE THAT you will be offered an alternative date of departure without penalty. IF THIS should not be possible, we FOLLOW OUR CANCELLATION POLICY

CANCELLATION POLICY

- IF NOTICE PRIOR TO 60 DAYS BEFORE DAY OF DEPARTURE 20% FORFEITED.
- FROM 59 DAYS TO 28 DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE LESS 40%
- FROM 27 TO 14 DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE LESS 60%
- 100% LESS THAN 14 DAYS NOTICE

INSURANCE

A Travel insurance covering cancellation, curtailment and all medical expenses including air evacuation is compulsory for all clients traveling with AFRICAWILDTRUCK. It is under traveller's responsibility to make sure that the insurance covers travel activities (planned or voluntary) and all traveler's needs. Some travel activities of a dangerous nature (eg. diving, horseback riding, biking, etc ...) bring with them the risks to the health of the traveler or even death. It is responsibility of the traveller to be familiar with these activities and accept the risks that may arise from their practice, as well as make sure your travel insurance policy covers the practice of these activities. The traveller is required to have read and to carry while traveling the insurance policy.

HEALTH

While being able to give guidance on the obligations of vaccinations, we are not doctors. It is responsibility of the traveler to make sure you have detailed advice from the medical side. AFRICAWILDTRUCK cannot be held responsible for any damages or problems arising from this failure. Travelers with health problems, pregnant women or those who have just returned from a trip in other countries need to carefully control the obligations and comply with the instructions of your doctor. Medical expenses incurred for any admissions or check-ups are the responsibility of the traveler.

OBLIGATIONS OF TRAVELERS

It is responsibility of each traveler be provided with an individual passport for all the countries visited, as well as tourist and transit visas and health certificates that may be required. They must also follow the rules of prudence and diligence, all the information supplied by the organizer, as well as regulations and administrative or legislative provisions relating to the country or countries visited. The participants are called upon to answer for all damages that the organizer may suffer as a result of their failure to fulfill

obligations above. The traveler must provide the organizer with all the documents, information and evidence in its possession relevant to the exercise of the right of subrogation against third parties responsible for the damage and is responsible to the organizer of the injury caused to the right of subrogation. The traveler must notify the organizer in writing, at the time of booking, any possible special needs (eg vegetarian meals) that may be the subject of specific agreements on the travel arrangements provided that it is possible to implement.

BAGGAGE

For reasons of space and coexistence, the traveler can have only one big backpack up to 15 kg with maximum dimensions of 30 x 40 x 50 cm beyond the classic handbag with camera equipment. We recommend that to respect the dimensions. In case of excess weight and size could be a fee of € 50 per kg.

RESPONSIBILITY

Neither AFRICAWILDTRUCK (herein called "the company") nor any person acting for, through or on behalf of the company shall be liable for any loss or damage whatsoever and without restricting the generality of the foregoing shall particularly not be responsible for loss or damage arising from any errors or omissions contained in its brochure / website or any other literature, late or non-confirmation or acceptance of bookings, loss or damage caused by delays, sickness, injury or death, whether occasioned by negligence or not.

In addition the company shall have the right at any time at its discretion to cancel any tour or the remainder thereof or make any alteration in route or time should any cause in the opinion of the company make it necessary to do so, and shall not be liable for any loss or damage whatsoever arising from such cancellation or alteration.

DATES

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PICTURES

All the images collected during the trip from AFRICAWILDTRUCK in the form of photograph or video may be used by AFRICAWILDTRUCK marketing or promotional purposes for the company, including type material printed, video, or internet.

TRAVEL PHILOSOPHY

Before you book a trip with us, you must have read and accepted our *Travel philosophy*. During our expeditions there is a need to carry a good deal of flexibility. The routes may be changed on site without compromising the success of the trip, in fact, they should be considered as an indication of our intentions, rather than actual obligations of the contract. The weather conditions, as well as local events, may sometimes cause changes in itinerary, overnight stays, and transport. We accept your reservation knowing that you have understood the peculiarity of these trips, which may include the inconvenience and discomfort. Refunds will not be given for any unused services.



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