

Africa Adventure Consultants



TIPPING

Tipping is customary in Africa but how much you tip is a personal decision and should be based on your level of satisfaction with services provided. Most countries accept tips in USD. However South Africans prefer South African rand and Rwandans accept USD but prefer Rwandan francs. We suggest taking small bills (\$1, \$5, \$10 & \$20) as well as envelopes to organize your tips. Below are our recommended guidelines. We do also recommend taking a few hundred extra dollars to cover tips for outstanding service or unexpected services.

SAFARI	RECOMMENDED TIPPING AMOUNT
Safari driver-guide	\$20 to \$25 per traveler, per day, given at end of stay or safari. Maximum \$50 per family per day. Some 5-star accommodations may recommend higher amounts.
Camp/lodge staff	\$10 to \$15 per traveler, per day in the staff tip box at the end of your stay at each property. Maximum \$25 per family per day.
Private mobile camps	\$20 to \$25 per group, per day for each camp cook/staff. Maximum \$50 per family per day.
Tracker <i>(if applicable)</i>	\$10 to \$15 per traveler, per day. Trackers are used mostly in Southern Africa.

EXPERIENCES	RECOMMENDED TIPPING AMOUNT
Canoeing guide or mokoro poler	\$5 to \$10 per trip
Horseback and camel ride guide	\$5 to \$10 per ride
Hot air balloon ride	\$10 to \$20 per person to pilot <i>(they will split tips with balloon staff)</i>
Kilimanjaro guides, staff and porters	Please see our Kili tipping guidelines
Primate Treks	Please see our gorilla trekking tips
Scuba diving/snorkeling	\$10 to \$20 per traveler for crew. Optional extra for captain
Train staff	\$10 to \$20 per traveler per night
Walking safari guide	\$10 to \$20 per traveler, per walk
White water rafting	\$10 to \$20 per traveler
Victoria Falls river cruise staff	\$5 to \$10 per traveler in boat tip box

CITY ACTIVITIES	RECOMMENDED TIPPING AMOUNT
City touring driver and/or guides <i>(Non-safari)</i>	\$5 per traveler – Half day tour \$10 per traveler – Full day tour
City airport/hotel transfer driver	\$5 per transfer, per group
City hotel staff & housekeeping	\$2 to \$4 per traveler, per day
City hotel porters	\$1 per traveler, per bag