

## Safari Tips:

1. Copy your Passport and take a copy with you in your luggage and give one to a family/friend in case something happens and you need a copy. Take Ziploc bags to put your passport in if you take it with you while hunting.
2. Same goes for the gun permits. Also, laminate the USA permit.
3. Take good binoculars and camera and keep them in your carry-on luggage.
4. Memory Cards for camera or some device to download the pictures onto.
5. Binocular shoulder harness that holds the binoculars to your chest. Prevents banging on vehicle when getting in and out.
6. Hard plastic ammo case that is sturdy and light. Great for taking stuff with you during the hunt.
7. 60 – 100 rounds of ammunition with quality bullets (Nosler Partition, Barnes, Bear Claw, etc).
8. Will sight in rifle before hunting the first day.
9. Sun Screen/ Sun Glasses.
10. Three sets of hunting clothes (Wear one, One set in Laundry, One set Spare).
11. Hunting Hat of your choice.
12. Zippered Cargo pants are awesome. Lots of pockets.
13. Ammo Sleeve for your rifle. Fits over stock and allows you to have 6-8 cartridges that are easily accessible. Belt holders work good also.
14. Gun Sling.
15. Duct tape (Ferdi's wife loves it so leave it if you do not use it!)
16. I have lots of Federal Premium 7 Mag 160 grain Nosler Partitions that I will give away until they are gone.
17. Journal to keep notes about the hunt each day while the details are fresh in your mind.
18. Duffle bag or nylon bag inside your luggage for stuff you buy there.
19. Medium/heavy coat depending on time of year.
20. Fleece is awesome because it is light, warm and does not take up much room.
21. Phones should work well, but you need to get international service on your plan and your phone must be international capable.
22. Send Ferdi copies of your flight arrangements when you make them. Email Ferdi 1 week prior to leaving and again on the day you leave.
23. Send Ferdi your trophy list as soon as you decide (include animals you may want to take, but clearly note that these are possibilities. Go over list when you arrive even if nothing has changed.
24. Caping and salting is included in the trophy fee. Dipping by a taxidermist is not.
25. Typically it takes a year to get your trophies home.
26. Go on Safari with an open mind. Sometimes you are going to be eating and doing things that are totally different than what you are used to. Roll with it and have fun.
27. If you want something, do not be afraid to ask.
28. Trust your PH!
29. For most guns, sight in 1.5" to 2" high at 100 yards. This puts you about dead on at 200 yards and 4" to 8" low at 300 yards.
30. You can write down the drop on a piece of paper and tape it to your gun stock.

31. Pack your carry on luggage so that if your luggage gets lost, you could complete your safari. Obviously, you would have to borrow a gun and ammo, but you should have two sets of clothes, suitable shoes (boots) that you worn on the plane and your camera and binoculars.
32. You have limited space/weight in each bag so make sure you pack wisely. For instance, your gun and case might weigh 40 pounds and each bag can weigh 60 pounds. That means you can put 20 additional pounds in your gun case for free.
33. When you book your flight, inquire about the rules concerning firearms and ammunition. One week prior to leaving, call the airlines and see if any rules have changed.
34. Black permanent marker to mark your cartridge brass with the name of the animal you shot with it.
35. If you are taking a firearm and using RiflePermits.com, make sure you have \$90 readily available when you land in Johannesburg. I took a \$100 travelers check in my carry on luggage and told him to keep the change.
36. When you land in Johannesburg, Ferdi and someone will be with you when you pick up your gun. When you leave, Ferdi will drop you off at the airport and you have to check in by yourself. Do not give your gun to anyone! There might be people offering to help you check in your gun or even do it for you. Gracefully decline their offer. The airline will send you to security to verify the number on your gun matches the paperwork and then you will be escorted back to the check-in counter and your gun will be put on the luggage belt and loaded on the airplane. That is the only time you should let your gun leave your possession.
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