

## INFORMATION FOR VISITORS TO MOZAMBIQUE

**CLIMATE** – The climate varies in different regions but generally inland is slightly cooler although more humid than along the coast in the rainy season.

**Seasons:** April – September: This is the dry winter season; the average coastal temperature is around 27°C (81°F). October – March: The rainy season which coincides with the heat and humidity of summer, the average coastal temperature at this time is 31°C (88°F). The coastal areas of central Mozambique have a risk of cyclones during the rainy season, which normally runs from November to March.

**COMMUNICATION** – For international calls from Mozambique to the USA or Canada, use the following dialing sequence:

+ 1 + (city area code) + (local phone number) from a cell phone.

For international calls from the USA or Canada to Mozambique, dial the following sequence:

011 + (258) + (city area code) + (local phone number) from a land line.

+ (258) + (city area code) + (local phone number) from a cell phone.

Cell phone coverage in all the major towns and cities is very good. On the islands it is less reliable. Please contact your provider for information on roaming.

**PASSPORTS AND VISAS** – United States of America and Canadian passport holders require a visa for Mozambique. The visa can be obtained prior to departure from the Embassy of the Republic of Mozambique in Washington, DC. Please ensure that you are in possession of a valid passport with at least TWO BLANK PAGES marked “VISA” (2 pages for each country) and that it is valid for at least 6 months after your intended return date.

**MALARIA** – You are visiting an area where malaria is found, please contact your physician or travel clinic for advice as to what precautions against malaria they suggest for you.

**WATER** – It is recommended that you drink bottled water which is available in the lodges and resorts.

**TIME** – Two (2) hours ahead of GMT. Botswana does not observe daylight savings. Eastern time plus 7 hours beginning November to mid-March. Eastern time plus 6 hours mid-March – beginning November.

**ELECTRICITY** – Power supply is 220v, 50Hz. Most outlets require the type M plug with 3 round pins as pictured.



**Type M**

Sometimes type C or F type 2 pin plugs are used. US-made appliances may need a transformer.



**Type C**



**Type F**

### **MONEY MATTERS**

**Currency** – The local currency is the New Metical (MZN). It is advisable to take South African Rand or US Dollars because the exchange process is easier with these currencies. Most hotels accept South African Rand and US Dollars (notes should not be more than 9 years old)

**Credit Cards** – Visa is widely accepted. A service fee of approximately 3% will be added on to the total bill if payment is made by credit card. MasterCard and American Express are less widely accepted.

**Banks** – Major towns have ATMs, often operated by Banco Internacional de Moçambique (BIM), and accept Visa but not MasterCard. You can change US dollars cash at most banks.

**SHOPPING – What to buy:** Local crafts and indigenous art can be purchased from markets in the cities and tourist areas. These include carvings and ornaments made of wood, soapstone, malachite and wire, as well as pottery, paintings and basket ware.

**US AND CANADIAN IMPORT REGULATIONS** – The import of meat or meat products (dried, canned etc.), plants, seeds, vegetables, fruits, livestock, endangered wildlife species and products thereof (for example clothing and accessories) into the United States and Canada is prohibited. This includes Ostrich eggs and animal skins.

**FLIGHT RECONFIRMATIONS AND CHECK-IN** – please refer to your air itinerary for suggested check in times. Have electronics fully charged as you may be asked to activate them for security checks.

**FINAL NOTES** – Some areas you visit will be quite poor by North American standards. Carry only small amounts of cash. Lock cash, valuables and passports in hotel and lodge safes or leave them with camp managers.

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