



Frequently Asked Questions

Will there be hot and cold running water in the place we are staying?

Yes

Will we have Western style plumbing and toilets in our guest house?

Yes

Will there be toilets where we will be working?

No. There may be pit-latrines, but don't count on it. You'll need to bring toilet paper and hand sanitizer. (We can purchase toilet paper there.)

What are the rooms like?

Comfortable rooms with beds and good mattresses. Bathrooms will be in your suite, but you may need to share with one or two others.

Are there electrical outlets in the rooms?

Yes, but you will need Swazi adapters to use them. Voltage is 220, so you'll also need a voltage adapter.

Are bedding and towels provided?

Yes

Is there heat in the rooms?

Yes, electric heaters.

What sort of clothing is acceptable?

No shorts or tank tops. Shirts *must* have sleeves. Long pants/jeans and t-shirts OK. Nothing low-cut. For Church: Long skirts for church (women), pants (not jeans) for the men. Women should wear a long wrap over their jeans at all times while in the villages. Long-sleeved shirts or light sun jacket are recommended to prevent sun-burn and exposure to insects, etc.

Where/how will the food be prepared?

The guesthouse will prepare breakfast and supper for us. We will pick up bread and spreads for sandwiches to feed ourselves and the villagers for lunch.

Will we have a place to secure our belongings during the day?

Rooms have locks, but don't leave anything valuable during the day. You may lock your valuables in the team vehicle during the day.



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Will bottled water be available?

Yes. We'll purchase our own at the supermarket.

Will we need to be concerned for our safety?

No. But do not go out alone. The local staff are very experienced with American teams and know how to avoid difficult situations.

Will we go on safari?

It depends on the number of days in Africa. If we are there at least 10 days, we will go on a safari. Less than 10 days, we won't likely have time.

What will we see at the game park?

It depends on the game park your team leader chooses. Hlane Park is at least a 2+ hour drive from the guest house. At Hlane, you might see elephants, giraffes, lions, cheetahs, impala, rhinoceros, and hippos. Mlilwane is about half the distance than Hlane. At Mlilwane, you can see zebra, wildebeest, impala, wart hog, kudu, hippo, crocodiles, and indigenous birds.

Will we go sight-seeing?

No. This is a working trip.

Will we have a chance to go shopping?

It is not likely we'll have the time. Again, this is a working trip. If we have time, we might stop by a craft market. (There is good shopping at the airport in Johannesburg on the way back.)

What kinds of supplies should we bring?

Basic first aid kit should be carried by the team leader on a daily basis. Purchase and bring hand-sanitizer and anti-bacterial wipes for the trip. You'll need these often, so pack plenty. They are not available in Swaziland.

Will there be laundry facilities?

You can pay the guest house to have your laundry done, if needed.

Should we bring American money?

Very little (suggest \$20), which you can exchange into South African Rand at the Johannesburg airport. We will be able to use the ATM in Swaziland to get Swazi money.

Can I use my credit card and ATM card?

You can use these at specific ATMs and at the supermarket in town. However, you **MUST** call your banks ahead of time to let them know you will be traveling to Swaziland, Africa (and possibly Mozambique, depending on the



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particular trip,) and that you will be using your ATM and/or credit card. American dollars are not accepted.

What will a typical work day look like?

Breakfast will be at 7:00 am, after which we will meet for team prayer and devotions. Then we'll pack up the car(s) and head out. The drive out to the village will be approximately 45 minutes or more depending on road conditions. We will arrive and start working around 9:00 am. We'll break for lunch around 1pm, at which time we will make lunch for ourselves and the villagers. We will serve the villagers first, and then eat ourselves. (We are there to serve the church, as Christ served, and this is a great opportunity to demonstrate that kind of service to the people.) After lunch we will resume working. We will need to leave no later than 4:00pm to make sure we don't drive in the dark. (Driving after dark is dangerous due to many cows and goats roaming the roads.) This is subject to change on a moment-by-moment basis. The idea is to be completely flexible as the conditions in the field are unpredictable.

What will the church service be like?

Your team may be given the only chairs. When you arrive, the church people will likely be singing and praising God. Once you are there, they will ask your team leader to speak on your behalf. You may also be asked to speak, depending on the size of the team and time constraints. Be ready. Your team leader will then be expected to preach. After the preaching, an offering, or multiple offerings will be taken. You will be expected to participate. Use only Swazi money, as they cannot exchange US dollars without being arrested! Change is fine. You and/or your leader may be expected to pray for healing. Do it! The Swazi's have plenty of faith! Approximate time of worship service is 2 – 3 hours. It is best if we bring food (chicken, beans, rice, and fruit) to feed the people after the service. The women of the church will prepare it.