

HOW MUCH SHOULD I TIP...?



Recommended guidelines for Staff & PH gratuities

A typical gratuity is between **10-20% of your daily rate total** for the safari and usually given on a per client basis. This total amount is normally split between the PH and Staff in the camp which the safari was conducted. Please be aware that tipping is not required, but is very much appreciated and is considered supplemental income for the staff and Professional Hunters who work hard to make your safari a successful and memorable experience.

USD cash is the preferred form of tip, as Tanzanian banks charge a large commission to exchange the checks into currency.

Each camp staff is basically structured as follows:

Cooks: 2 Supervisor/Waiter: 2 Tent Attendant: 2 Skinners: 2
Askari (patrolman)/Fire attendant: 1 Drivers: 1 per vehicle Game Scout: 1 per vehicle
Trackers: 4 (your safari may use 2-4 depending on # of hunters in party)

**Please keep in mind that these camps and staff are exclusive use to your hunt or group's safari.*

Below are samples of tipping structure, PER HUNTER and COMPANION HUNTER

1) SHORT HUNTS- Safaris of 7-10 days:

Camp staff \$ 900.00 to \$1,100.00 total
Trackers (1-2) \$ 175.00 each
Game scouts (1) \$ 175.00 each

2) Safaris of 14-16 days:

Camp staff \$ 1,500.00 to \$ 1,700.00 total
Trackers (1-2) \$ 300.00 each
Game scouts (1) \$ 300.00 each

3) Safaris of 21-28 days:

Camp Staff \$ 1,900.00 to \$ 2,200.00 total
Trackers (1-2) \$ 425.00 each
Game Scouts (1) \$ 425.00 each

4) Recommendations on Professional Hunters (PH) as follows.

Short hunts \$ 900.00 to \$1,200.00
14 to16-day safaris \$ 1,700.00 to \$2,000.00
21-28 day safaris \$ 2,200 to \$ 3,500.00

Non-hunting Observers are also encouraged to show their appreciation in the form of a lesser amount (i.e. – 10-15% of daily observer rate split between PH and other staff members)

Combo-Area safaris: Split the staff gratuities according to days spent in each camp.

Please note that the above recommendations are only guidelines to assist the clients with their decision regarding gratuities. If you feel a PH or particular staff member had a significantly positive impact on your safari experience, please feel free to reward that person accordingly.

Disbursement of Gratuities: Tips for Professional Hunters can be handled directly between you and your Professional Hunter. Staff tips will be accepted & held by the camp manger/supervisor & noted in the camp Gratuity Register for disbursement accordingly at the close of the season. Your PH or camp manager will provide you with a voucher to give to each staff member at the close of your safari as a way of directly showing your appreciation. They will be able to cash these vouchers in for actual currency after the season.

If you need additional assistance, please ask the camp manager or PH conducting your safari.