



# CONGO CONSERVATION COMPANY

Applying for your visa to Republic of the Congo



Most international guests require a visa to enter Republic of the Congo, there are two ways to apply. We strongly recommend ROUTE 1 (most reliable), however if there is no Embassy or Consulate for Republic of the Congo near to you, please read ROUTE 2 (special arrangement only with the Congolese government for our guests).

A Letter of Invitation is required for both application routes. We cannot guarantee processing times for Letters of Invitation or visas, this process is managed by the Congolese government and is outside of our control. Congo Conservation Company will not be liable for any issues should they occur during application or travelling.

## *Route 1* VISA PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

### REQUIRED

- Passport to be valid 6 months after arrival date.
- International yellow fever vaccination certificate.
- 2 printed copies of your Letter of Invitation (LOI) for visa application. (Keep additional copies in your luggage, as you must present a copy on arrival).
- 2 signed Republic of the Congo visa request forms (country specific).
- 2 passport photos in colour, white background.
- 1 copy of return flight arrangements.

### PROCESS

- Contact your nearest Embassy or Consulate to enquire about their application process.
- Locations of Embassies and Consulates are available overleaf.
- Have with you all the required documentation above.
- 5 - 7 working days to process application once the documentation is complete (country specific).
- Approximate visa fee: US\$ 60 - US\$ 200.

## *Route 2* VISA ON ARRIVAL IN BRAZZAVILLE

### REQUIRED

- Please notify us if you require this type of visa when confirming your reservation.
- Passport to be valid 6 months after arrival date.
- International yellow fever vaccination certificate.
- 2 printed copies of your Letter of Invitation (LOI) for visa application. (Keep additional copies in your luggage, as you must present a copy on arrival).
- 2 copies of a Visa Assistance Letter.

### PROCESS

- For the full process, please turn to page 3.
- Travel with the above documentation in easy access.
- At Maya Maya Airport (Brazzaville), you will need to fill in an immigration form and present your Yellow Fever certificate. Let the officials know you are visiting Odzala Discovery Camps and require a Visa on Arrival. Have your Letter of Invitation and Visa Assistance Letter ready. The officials will lead you through the process.
- Visa fee: US\$ 50 cash (2013 bills or later). No change will be available.



### PLEASE NOTE

If you notified us that you were applying for a Visa Prior to Arrival and are no longer able to, it is important to notify us as soon as possible.

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Republic of the Congo Embassies and Consulates



## REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO - EMBASSIES

- Angola - Luanda
- Belgium - Brussels
- Brazil - Brasilia
- Cameroon - Yaounde
- Central African Republic - Bangui
- Chad - N'Djamena
- China - Beijing
- Congo (Democratic Republic) - Kinshasa
- Cote d'Ivoire - Abidjan
- Cuba - Havana
- Egypt - Cairo
- Equatorial Guinea - Malabo
- Ethiopia - Addis Ababa
- France - Paris
- Gabon - Libreville
- Germany - Berlin
- India - New Delhi
- Israel - Tel Aviv
- Italy - Rome
- Japan - Tokyo
- Kenya - Nairobi
- Igeria - Algiers
- Libya - Tripoli
- Morocco - Rabat
- Namibia - Windhoek
- Nigeria - Abuja
- Russia - Moscow
- Rwanda - Kigali
- Senegal - Dakar
- South Africa - Pretoria
- Sweden - Stockholm
- Turkey - Ankara
- United States - Washington, D.C.

## REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO - CONSULATES

- Angola - Cabinda (Consulate General)
- Austria - Vienna (Consulate General)
- Belgium - Antwerp
- Benin - Cotonou
- Brazil - Fortaleza
- Cameroon - Douala (Consulate General)
- Canada - Toronto
- China - Guangzhou (Consulate General)
- France - Bordeaux
- France - Marseille
- Germany - Frankfurt am Main
- Germany - Hanover
- Germany - Munich
- Greece - Athens
- Hong Kong - Hong Kong
- Italy - Genoa
- Korea (Republic) - Seoul
- Lebanon - Beirut
- Mali - Bamako
- Portugal - Lisbon
- Switzerland - Geneva (Consulate General)
- Thailand - Bangkok
- Tunisia - Tunis (Consulate General)
- Turkey - Istanbul
- United Kingdom - London

## MORE INFORMATION

We would be happy to provide contact details and opening times for the Embassy or Consulate in your area, please speak to [discovery@odzala.com](mailto:discovery@odzala.com) for more information or if you have any queries. Should you decide to switch from Route 1 to Route 2, please notify us as soon as possible.

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## ROUTE 2: Visa on arrival process and details



We strongly encourage all of our guests to arrange their visa for the Republic of Congo prior to arrival. If you elect to follow Route 2 (only recommended for countries with no Consular services for Republic of Congo) and get a visa for Republic of Congo on arrival, please notify our team when booking and carefully note the below:

### ROUTE 2: VISA ON ARRIVAL

- A visa on arrival is a special arrangement available by courtesy of the Congolese government for our guests. This can cause confusion with 3rd parties such as international airlines while travelling as our arrangement is not widely known or available, nor is it the preferred visa route by Congolese officials.
- As you have been unable to obtain a visa prior to arrival, it is important to note your application for a Letter of Invitation may take longer.
- If you arrive at Maya Maya Airport without your Letter of Invitation and/or Visa Assistance Letter, immigration challenges will occur and penalties may apply upwards of US\$ 50 (no change will be available at border control; penalties additional to Visa on Arrival fees).
- Visas on arrival may result in your passport being retained overnight. This is not unusual and we will collect it in the morning and return it to you at the earliest possible time.
- If paying for visas or forgotten Letters of Invitation on arrival, only US\$ bills are accepted, and bills issued before 2013 will not be accepted.
- At Maya Maya Airport (Brazzaville), you will need to fill in an immigration form and present your Yellow Fever certificate. Let the officials know you are visiting Odzala Discovery Camps and require a Visa on Arrival. Have your Letter of Invitation and Visa Assistance Letter ready. The officials will lead you through the process.

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

- Passport to be valid 6 months after arrival date
- Minimum of 1 blank page in your passport (amendment pages do not apply)
- 2 copies of a Visa Assistance Letter
- 2 copies of your Letter of Invitation
- Visa cost: US\$ 50 cash (2013 bills or later)  
No change will be available
- Yellow Fever certificate of vaccination

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