

Important Travel Instructions

Domestic Travel

Participants who require domestic travel to meet the international group flight, must **arrive at least 2 hours before the scheduled international flight departure time**. Upon return, we recommend you book your domestic flight at least 2 ½ hours after the international group flight arrival time.

International Travel

Luggage Restrictions

Your personal baggage must not exceed the **17kg weight limit** as group supplies including food, sleeping bags, mats, tents, etc make up the balance of the airline allowance. Please note that legislation in both Australia and Papua New Guinea restricts the carriage of liquids, aerosols and gels in carry-on luggage. This may also include Duty Free Purchases, depending on where the items were purchased. The allowance for hand luggage is a maximum of 7kg.

Check-In

To obtain your boarding pass and proceed through Australian customs, you will require the following documents:

- A copy of your Itinerary and E-Ticket (Trekksers will receive their E-ticket on arrival at the Brisbane International airport on the morning of departure. Trekksers departing from all other ports will receive their E-ticket via email approximately 1 week prior to departure).
- Your Passport (valid for at least 6 months from your departure) and showing exactly the same name as the name you provided on your profile.
- Completed Australia Departure Card (available from Check-in staff at the airport)

Arrival in PNG

On arrival in Port Moresby, collect your checked luggage and proceed through **PNG customs**. Please follow the instructions of the airport staff to obtain your PNG VISA on arrival. Your group will be met by an Our Spirit Representative upon your arrival in Port Moresby once you have cleared customs.

Money Exchange

We recommend that our trekkers carry about 200Kina (\$100AUD) in small denominations to buy drinks, fruit (subject to availability due to the recent drought), souvenirs, etc, along the track. Additionally, you might be required to pay a 50Kina (\$25AUD) surcharge for access to the Isurava memorial, which was recently imposed by one of the land owners. Please ensure you have the correct amount available, should this surcharge be required.

The bank at the PNG airport (after you pass through immigration) is the best place to change your Australian dollars into Kina. In the past, some people have been given the old denominations by Australian banks which can no longer be used in PNG today and in most cases Australian banks do not have Kina readily available.

Hotel Transfer on Arrival

Outside the terminal, the Gateway Hotel Courtesy Bus will meet the group and transport everyone back to the Gateway Hotel. The Gateway Hotel is situated approximately 2km from the airport.

Managing Luggage with a Personal Porter

If you have hired the services of a Local Legend (Personal Porter) for your trek, you will also need to carry a day pack for personal items you need with you on the Track while walking (e.g. water, snacks, first aid kit, torch, sun protection/block-out, camera, etc.). Most people pack their day pack into their backpack as checked-in luggage. If you do not have a backpack, please advise us and we will arrange one for you. In this instance, travel with your normal luggage, including the daypack. Upon arrival at the hotel, you will be given a backpack which you can fill up to a maximum of 16kg for your personal porter to carry. Your travel luggage will be stored in a secured lock up at the hotel whilst you are trekking.

Hotel Accommodation

Travelling with Valuables

Travel clothing and general personal items (such as a shaver and hair brush, for those who have it – hair that is!) can be left at the hotel in Port Moresby whilst you are trekking. These items are kept in a locked store room. There is also a safe facility at the hotel, available to store passports and other small items of value.

What IS Covered & What IS NOT

Accommodation is confirmed on a twin-share basis, unless the singles supplement has been purchased) on the first night and last night (s) in Port Moresby as part of our adventure package.

All other charges (e.g. meals – unless pre-paid package purchased with adventure, bar, room service, laundry, etc) are the responsibility of the individual. All accounts must be settled directly with the hotel prior to your departure from the hotel on the day of your return flight.

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