

2024 Western Safari General Conditions

1. English is the official language of this trip.
2. It is not allowed, under any circumstance, for any student to separate from the program during the trip.
3. All students must bring their original passports on the trip. However, please leave a copy of your passport with your host family/counselor/family.
4. Each student must submit the proper authorization forms to Western Safari by 1 April, or the student's reservation may be canceled. Students who arrive on the trip without the proper forms submitted will not be able to participate and will be responsible for any fees associated with an early return flight.
5. Each student/guardian must have signed the Covid Liability Waiver.
6. For long-term exchange students, each student must leave and go directly to their host community unless the student has written permission from their exchange organization and their host family to do otherwise. For summer camp students, they will return directly home.
7. Western Safari is not responsible for buying any bus, airline, or train tickets to/from the tour destination. It is the student's responsibility to pay for the ticket.
8. Drug use of any kind is prohibited.
9. Stealing of any kind will be severely punished in addition to any possible legal consequences.
10. Purchasing or consuming alcoholic beverages is strictly forbidden.
11. Tattoos and body piercings are not allowed.
12. Our schedules and itineraries must be followed by all students. The trip coordinator reserves the right to make changes in the schedule when necessary or if it is in the best interest of the group.
13. Lodging does not cover incidental costs, such as phone calls, mini-bar purchases, etc. If students decide to use these services, they are responsible for paying these costs.
14. Keep luggage to a minimum. All students will always carry and be responsible for their own luggage. Please remember to keep important items you will need during the day – cell phones, cameras, wallets, etc. – in an easy-to-access bag. If the student has the approval to return home at the end of the Western Safari trip, they may store their luggage at the hotel.
15. Students must be approved by their exchange organization to travel on a Western Safari.
16. All departure and arrival times to/from our activities will be decided by the coordinators, depending on the exact length of each activity.
17. There must be at least 35 students signed up to run a trip. We have a maximum of 55 students. Priority is for long-term exchange students, summer camp, and, finally, host siblings.
18. Swimming: Even if you know how to swim, please BE CAREFUL because you are unfamiliar with the pool/places and unaware of all potential hazards.

19. Please note that additional expenses are different for everyone. Please remember to bring additional money if you plan to buy souvenirs and gifts. Also, remember that anything you buy will have to fit into your luggage and return with you back home.
20. There will be plenty of ATMs available during the entire course of the trip in case you need more money.
21. Please bring all cash in U.S. Dollars.
22. If you are not comfortable traveling with cash, Traveler's Checks are a safer option. Most banks in the US can provide you with Traveler's Checks, which are accepted at most commercial locations.
23. If you take any regular medication, make sure to bring enough for the trip's duration. Also, please bring a copy of the prescription in case you might need it (just to be safe).
24. Provide any information about allergies or food preferences.
25. Since we will be outside, please be careful and use lotion or sunscreen.
26. If any student's conduct is considered harmful to the rest of the students, or if any student breaks any of the program rules, he or she can be sent back to their host community immediately, assuming all extra costs, to his or her host city/family. Any violation of the rules and any students removed from the program will be reported to their exchange organization.
27. All prices are in U.S. Dollars.
28. All other optional activities offered during students' free time are considered extra costs and are not included in the trip price.
29. Western Safari is not responsible for items that are lost on tour. Lost & Found: Student items that are found during the trip will be kept by Western Safari organizers and kept for 60 days after the end of the trip. Any student who has lost something must send us an e-mail with the description of the item and a photo (if possible) within 60 days of the end of the trip. Postage to return the item to any student is the student's responsibility.
30. All students who participate in this trip grant image rights to Western Safari to use photos or videos from the trip on our website and program materials.
31. This trip will have Rotary vetted chaperones.