Visa on Arrival Process

REPUBLIC OF CONGO - BRAZZAVILLE

We offer a special **Visa on Arrival service** for travelers who do not have easy access to a Congolese embassy/consulate or who cannot send away their passport due to frequent international travel.

Although official information generally states that visas on arrival are not available in the Republic of Congo, we are nevertheless able to arrange this service for our guests under the following conditions.

VISA ON ARRIVAL FEES

The following fees apply per person:

- Invitation Letter (required): €70
- Administrative Fees: €120
- Visa on Arrival Fee: €50*

**This fee (50 euros) must be paid in cash directly at the immigration counter upon arrival at Brazzaville Airport.*

VISA ON ARRIVAL CONDITIONS

- Valid for 15 days
- Single entry only

IMPORTANT FOR JOURNEYS EXCEEDING 15 DAYS: VISA EXTENSION REQUIRED

As the visa issued upon arrival is valid for 15 days only, travelers staying longer than 15 days will require a visa extension.

This is notably the case for our 15-night “The Great Explorers” expedition.

VISA EXTENSION REQUIREMENTS

- Extension fee: €245 per person
- 2 passport-sized photos
- Profession / occupation
- Full names of both parents

To arrange this extension, we must temporarily collect passports upon arrival in Brazzaville and submit them to the immigration authorities.

- Processing time: approximately 24 working hours (immigration offices are closed on Saturday afternoon and Sunday)

For this reason, it is essential to coordinate your arrival date with us in advance to ensure the extension can be processed smoothly and on time.

TIMELINE

3 MONTHS BEFORE DEPARTURE

We will apply for your Invitation Letter.

- Processing time: approximately 5–10 working days
- Once issued, we will send you a scanned copy by email

1 MONTH BEFORE DEPARTURE

We will apply for your Special Authorization (“Dérogation Spéciale”).

This official document allows travelers to board their flight to Brazzaville without having a visa already stamped in their passport.

We will send this document to you as soon as it is issued.

BEFORE DEPARTURE

Please print and carry:

- Your Invitation Letter
- Your Special Authorization (“Dérogation Spéciale”)

These documents will be requested by the airline at check-in and by immigration authorities upon arrival in Brazzaville.

UPON ARRIVAL IN BRAZZAVILLE

1. Present your Invitation Letter and Special Authorization to the immigration officer
2. Pay the €50 visa fee in cash
3. Your visa will be issued upon arrival

For travelers requiring a visa extension, one of our representatives will meet you at the airport and collect your passport in order to apply for the extension with the immigration authorities in Brazzaville.