# Rustic Pathways

# 2019 Visa Information

U.S. citizens must obtain a Tourist Visa for Tanzania prior to departure from the USA. Instructions are below for completing the application process. The Visa requirements for non-US citizens vary widely.

Rustic Pathways has partnered with G3 Global Services to provide support for the visa process and make this as simple as possible for you. For US Citizens and residents, G3 can assist with visa applications as well as passport renewals and additional pages (fee paid directly to G3). G3 will refer non-US residents to the appropriate embassy, consulate or resource as needed free of charge.

#### Instructions for US Citizens

To take advantage of G3 assistance, please follow the attached application and an instruction sheet from G3 Global Services as well as the attached application. Please note that there are additional requirements listed for travelers under age 18. If you have any questions or problems as you move through this process, please reach out to G3 directly at 888-883-8472 or <u>RusticPathways@g3visas.com</u>.

Should you choose to apply for your visa directly through an embassy or different visa service, please contact your personal travel advisor for the additional information needed. The online forms are valid for G3 Global Services only.

We recommend that you apply for your visa 6-12 weeks prior to your departure from the US. If you wish to apply for your visa more than 12 weeks in advance of departure, please email RusticPathways@g3visas.com to discuss your visa processing.

Also note, your passport should be valid for at least six months beyond your final session date. We also strongly recommend you have at least 3 to 5 blank pages available, as entrance requirements frequently change and you may be denied entry should these pages be unavailable.

We highly recommend you use certified mail or a delivery service such as FedEx or USPS Express Mail when sending your passport to a visa service. Please be sure to use a service that enables you to track your package and provides a delivery confirmation.

#### **Instructions for Non-US Citizens**

G3 is able to process visas for non-US citizens who reside in the US, and will provide guidance for travelers who reside outside the United States. If you are a non-US citizen, please reach out to G3 for more information about the visa process directly at 888-883-8472 or RusticPathways@g3visas.com.













#### Each Traveler Must Send the Following Documents to G3:

- Your valid, signed US passport. Your passport must have two blank pages labeled "Visas" and be valid for more than six months beyond the end of your trip.
- Two identical 2" x 2" passport size photographs with white background.
- One visa application form, completed and signed.
- A copy of your international flight itinerary.
- A copy of your Rustic Pathways tour itinerary (attached).
- Non-US citizens, submit a valid I-94 or copy of Permanent Resident Card.
- If you are under age 18, submit the following additional items:
  - Photocopy of your birth certificate showing both parents' names.
  - Photocopy of both parents' passports (photo/signature page) or driver's licenses.
  - Completed Letter of Consent (attached) signed and <u>notarized</u> by both parents.

### Send all documents, including this completed order form, to G3's Washington, DC address using a service with tracking such as Federal Express.

<b>Contact and Shipping Information:</b> Provide a street address for FedEx delivery - no P.O. boxes.	Fees: Payment includes Embassy fees, G3 service fees, and return shipping via Federal Express. Requirements and fees are				
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Parent's Email We will email you status updates, including a shipping confirmation.	<ul> <li>All fees are payable to G3 by:</li> <li>Credit Card: American Express, Visa, or MasterCard</li> <li>Check or Money Order payable to G3 Global Services</li> </ul>				
Your passport will be returned via Federal Express. FedEx delivers to residential addresses with <u>no signature required</u> ; please note below if you require a signature release for your package. (Redelivery fees may apply.)	For Payment Via Credit Card: I authorize G3 to charge the amount of \$ plus a 5% convenience fee to my credit card.				
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G3 Global Services, LLC acts on the behalf of the client, and takes no responsibility for the services rendered by Travel Agents, Consulates or Embassies in connection with granting of visas. G3 Global Services, LLC takes no responsibility for delays or loss of passports as may occur through above services, or by delivery services. Damage compensation is not available. 2/19

## Letter of Consent

Date:

Visa Section Embassy of Tanzania, Washington, DC

Dear Consular Officer:

This letter is to express our consent for our child to go on a trip to Tanzania with Rustic Pathways. We request that you issue a visa to our child.

Our child's passport details are as follows:

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We will be responsible for any travel expenses incurred by our child while traveling in Tanzania. Air and land transportation and lodging have been pre-paid.

Rustic Pathways leads educational tours for high school students, and can be contacted at 15345 Chardon Windsor Road, Huntsburg, OH 44046; telephone 800-321-4353. Should you have any questions for us, we can be reached by telephone at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Thank you for your assistance with our child's visa request.

Sincerely,

Mother

Father

This letter must be notarized.



#### THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

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### Rustic Pathways



# Tanzania Clean Water Project

Partner with local organizations to take a deep look into one of the most Critical Issues of your generation—the global water crisis its related public health crisis. Droughts, a lack of education, and a changing climate have only increased the burden on communities with limited access to clean water. Explore different approaches to tackling water, sanitation, and hygiene issues—commonly referred to as WASH. Serve alongside local masons, engineers, and village residents on various water projects. Model good hand washing, one of the most effective hygiene interventions, with the local primary students who educate their peers in after-school clubs.

Components of a Critical Issues Program

- 1. Deliberate Focus: Students explore specific global issues as they exist in communities around the world.
- 2. Pre-Travel Engagement: Prior to their arrival in the program's base country, students build an understanding of the issue their program focuses on through readings, film screenings, and ongoing learning opportunities.
- 3. Program Content and Discussion: Students progress through a curriculum comprised of activities, discussions, and debriefs designed to expand their understanding and exploration of key topics.
- 4. Program Staff: Program Leaders on Critical Issues programs have intimate local knowledge and an academic or professional background in the focus area.

### Safety Alerts

#### Yellow Fever Vaccination Shortage Until Mid-2018

The Centers for Disease Control has announced a shortage in yellow fever vaccine within the U.S. through mid-2018. If interested in receiving this vaccine, please talk with your doctor and visit this website to find a travel clinic near you that has the vaccine. It is recommended that you always call the clinic before arriving onsite to verify their available supply. In relation to Rustic Pathways' programming, this shortage only affects students traveling directly from Peru to a Latin American country (including Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, and Cuba).

Visit the CDC website for detailed information on Yellow Fever or to learn more about specific regions the CDC has identified as an infected country.



#### Students love our programs in Tanzania!

Read Reviews on Go Overseas

#### **No-Stress Travel Guarantee!**

With our No-Stress Travel Guarantee, you may cancel for any reason up until the day of travel, and escrow 100% of the program fees for up to two years from the cancellation date.

### Africa Here We Come!

#### Days 1 - 2

Our adventure in Africa begins as soon as you board the flight to Tanzania. All of Rustic Pathways' scheduled group flights to Tanzania depart from New York and are escorted by a flight leader. After boarding the flight in the evening, you'll have plenty of time to relax, get to know your fellow travelers, and sleep in preparation for your arrival in to Africa. Your trip leaders will be ready and waiting to take you on the adventure of a lifetime when you arrive at the airport. Welcome to Tanzania! You will arrive into Kilimanajro in the evening and transfer to a guesthouse in Arusha. This first night in Africa will offer the chance to get to know the other students on your program, your staff members, and your new host country. Your guides will give you a quick orientation that will introduce you to the local culture and prepare you for an exciting adventure ahead.

### Introduction to the Global Water Crisis

#### Day 3

Wake up to your first morning in Tanzania! Today you will receive a broad introduction to water issues around the world, and specifically some of the challenges facing Tanzania by an expert guest speaker: clean water access, hygiene, and sanitation. Then spend the afternoon visiting a cooperative of organic coffee farmers, whose continued livelihood depends on sustainable water use. As a bonus, you'll get to sample some fresh-roasted coffee!

### Local Social Entrepreneur

#### Day 4

Learn how one motivated individual can make a difference in his community by spending the day with the Nanofilter team. Featured in international publications, including the BBC, Nanofilter's founder and passionate team have developed and brought to market a low-cost water filter made entirely from local materials. Visit some of Nanofilter's consumer water kiosks to interview both employees and customers so you can learn about the everyday water access and health challenges in the Arusha region.

### To the North, and Butiama

#### Days 5

Leave the lush green hills of Mt. Meru and Arusha region, and strike out toward northern Tanzania. Fly to the shores of the massive Lake Victoria and then drive to Shirati, where, away from the country's central

infrastructure, clean water is a significant challenge despite the proximity to a freshwater lake. Over the next several days, you will stay in a small guesthouse in Shirati, getting to know the community with immersive cultural activities, while engaging in a number of WASH-related activities with an organization called Maji Safi Group, or "Clean Water Group.". Depending on where our NGO partner is at in their work, you may find yourself digging ditches to lay piping, mixing cement for rain water tank foundations, or helping to construct properly-engineered rural toilets to improve hygiene. One vital project at a time! Spend an afternoon with children at the local primary school teaching proper hand washing techniques — one of the most verifiably effective interventions.

### Water Access, Sanitation, and Hygiene

#### Day 6

Start your morning with a gesture of respect to the local community with a visit to nearby church. Then dive deeply into the specific context of the Shirati area, and learn how the Maji Safi Group has attacked the Global Water Crisis by leveraging the power of education. With much of the sector's funding and attention given to access (e.g., pumps, wells, etc.), our partner has instead driven change in sanitation and hygiene, which has a disproportionate impact on outcomes related to health, education, and even gender equity. Finish your day with a tour of the area to orient yourself to the community that will be your home for the next week.

### Market Day

#### Days 7

Spend your morning helping to construct sanitary, low-cost toilets — known as "arborloo toilets" — that families can sustain for years to come. After a lunch back at your guesthouse, join with the first of Maji Safi Group's afterschool clubs, which engage in peer-to-peer education on hand-washing, food preparation, and boys' and girls' hygiene. Cap your day with a visit to the local market on market day! A center point of weekly life, traditional markets in Tanzania are a sprawling affair of sheep, cattle, goats, butcher shops, produce, chickens, cloth, used foreign clothing, and household goods — think of a superstore, but outside! Wander the various sections of the market with your program leaders, barter for some jewelry or kitenge cloth, and consider visiting a local tailor to have some custom clothing made.

### Fishing -- the Economic Driver of the Lake Region

#### Day 8

Get an extra early start to see the fishermen coming in off the lake in the morning, where many of them have spent multiple days filling up the coolers on their small boats with Nile perch. Try your hand at the traditional art of netmaking, and watch masters weave and repair their nets by hand. On a lucky day you may also see some boatmaking or boat-repair! Interview key figures on the docks and particularly the marine police, who are responsible for ensuring that the wildlife in the lake stays at sustainable levels while also allowing for economic growth for the region.

### Community Agriculture and Water History

#### Day 9

After another morning on toilet construction, hike up to a hillside overlooking Shirati, where some land has been preserved for community agriculture. Help to plant cassava and trees, and walk by an excellently-constructed, but only partially maintained, water pump, where the Maji Safi staff will explain how a project with good intentions can go awry — vital context for understanding the current water challenges in Shirati. Sit around a bonfire and debrief your experience on the program before returning to your guesthouse for the night.

### Closing Service and Hospital Visit

#### Days 10 - 11

Dive back in for your final two days! Finish your service project and enjoy your last activities with the area's youthled education clubs. Visit the regional hospital where the head of the hospital will expand upon everything you've learned about water-related illnesses. See how this major government institution tackles the water crisis itself, and reinforce the importance of the work the Maji Safi Group is doing.

### Cultural Immersion with Community Health Educators

#### **Day 12**

Split into small groups with a program leader and spend the day with Maji Safi's Community Health Educators, women who go from household to household to train families on proper hygiene techniques. Fully immerse yourself in their day-to-day lives, fetching water, washing clothes, doing chores, and taking care of farms. In this way you will come to more fully understand the daily rhythms of living and all the ways in which water, subtly and unsubtly, impacts families. Say goodbye to your friends from Maji Safi, and return to your guesthouse in the evening to prepare for the rest of journey ahead.

### Safari on the Savannah

#### Day 13 - 14

Your focus till now has been largely on the people and communities of Tanzania, and how they interact with their environment. View Tanzania through a different lens and see the country's other occupants, who also depend on smart water use in a changing climate. Strike out on a two-day safari that through the world-famous Serengeti National Park, the crown jewel of East African safaris. View animals in the beauty of their natural habitats, thriving ecosystems of lush forests vast grasslands full of herds of elephants, packs of lions and hyenas, and wildebeest and zebras everywhere.



#### Day 15

After a full night's sleep, spend your final morning in a Rustic Pathways closing ceremony, saying goodbye to your friends and recalling what you have come to mean to each other over the past two weeks. Reflect on what you've learned: you've heard from employees and experts from various water organizations and sectors about the different approaches to tackling the water crisis. For example, some change makers achieve sustainable change through a cooperative relationship with local governments, so that efforts need not be funded in the long-run by outside groups but can be moved forward by democratically elected bodies. Others focus more on grassroots and direct community partnerships. Others still focus on individual enterprise. At the end of your time here, you should have an understanding of different ideas for creating impact.

Enjoy a Swahili meal in town for your last taste of local cuisine, and then hit the markets and barter prudently as you browse the stalls for popular souvenirs like paintings, Tanzania soccer jerseys, wood-carved masks, the Masai tribal blanket called the shuka, and more! Compare your purchases with your friends as you prepare for your journey home in the evening.

### Return Home

#### Day 16

Return home to the sights, sounds, and smells you grew up with, and the loved ones who will greet you at the airport as you say goodbye to your newfound friends. Take a moment to pause and reflect on what you and your group accomplished. What challenged you? How did you engage with the place and the people that you visited? And more importantly, how will you amplify their stories as you tell others about the growth-filled experience you've just had?

Kwaheri na safari njema! Goodbye and safe travels!