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Flights | Visas | Vaccine: Arturo Islas Group Trip (2nd – 13th Nov. 2025)

Here's a **comprehensive step-by-step guide** covering:

1. How and when to **book your international flights**
2. How to handle the **required domestic/international flights** in the itinerary
3. Instructions for applying for the **Kenya ETA Visa**
4. Instructions for applying for the **Uganda Tourist Visa**
5. Overview and strategic advice regarding the **East Africa Tourist Visa**
6. Guidance on the **Yellow Fever vaccine**

INTERNATIONAL & DOMESTIC FLIGHT INSTRUCTIONS

Arrival in Nairobi, Kenya – Before November 2, 2025

To join the group on time:

- You **must arrive in Nairobi, Kenya no later than November 1, 2025**
- Plan your international flight to land on **October 31st or early on November 1st**
- Airport: **Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (NBO)**

Why?

On **November 2**, the group will take a **domestic flight from Wilson Airport (WIL)** in Nairobi to the Maasai region. Missing this group flight means you'll miss the beginning of the safari experience.

Group pickup at **8:30 AM from EKA Hotel, Nairobi**, with private transfer to **Wilson Airport**.

- **Flight Time: 10:30 AM Wilson → Mara | ETA 11:10 AM**

Best advice: Book your flight to arrive **October 31** so you have one night to rest and recover from jet lag before the adventure begins. We can assist with booking your airport transfers and accommodation. Arriving a few days early means you can take advantage of some great activities the capital city of Nairobi has to offer.

Nairobi to Maasai Mara – **November 2, 2025**

- Group flight from **Wilson Airport** to Maasai Mara (included in itinerary)
- Be ready for an early morning pick-up and departure

Nairobi to Entebbe, Uganda – **November 7, 2025**

- The group will fly from **Wilson Airport** to **Entebbe International Airport (EBB)** in Uganda that same day. Choose a flight that departs Nairobi in the afternoon after 2pm. Example: Kenya Airways has a daily flight that departs NBO 2:15pm, arriving in Entebbe at 3:30pm.
- Generally a one-way flight will cost you \$200 to \$250USD
- This flight **is not included**, and **you will need to book it yourself but we can assist in this process to including applying for the visas at an additional cost.**



Recommended airlines:

- Kenya Airways (<https://www.kenya-airways.com>) or
- Uganda Airlines (<https://ugandairlines.com>) offer direct flights.

Return Home – From Entebbe (Recommended) or Nairobi – **November 13, 2025**

- Recommended: **Depart from Entebbe, Uganda on November 13th**
- Optional: If you find a better airfare, you may return to **Kenya on the 13th** and fly out from Nairobi. In this case, a **multi-entry visa** is ideal (see visa section below)
- You may also be interested in exploring more of Uganda or even visit next door countries like Tanzania, Zanzibar.

VISA REQUIREMENTS & HOW TO APPLY

Kenya ETA (Electronic Travel Authorization)

Every traveler must apply online.

How to Apply:

1. Visit: <https://www.etakenya.go.ke>
2. Start the application portal
3. Upload passport copy, photo, and yellow fever certificate, travel details
4. Pay online (approx. \$32–\$50 USD) for single entry visa
5. If opting for a multi entry visa, you'd start that process with the Kenya portal
6. Approval takes 2–3 business days

Be sure to enter the **same airport name** where you will arrive: **Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (NBO)**

Uganda Tourist Visa

Required for all travelers.

How to Apply:

1. Visit: <https://visas.immigration.go.ug>
2. Choose "Tourist Visa"
3. Upload passport, yellow fever certificate, passport photo, and travel itinerary
4. Pay online (approx. \$50 USD)
5. Approval within 2–4 business days

Port of entry: **Entebbe International Airport (EBB)**



East Africa Tourist Visa – Multi-Country Option

This visa allows entry to **Kenya, Uganda, and Rwanda** on a single visa, **with multiple re-entries** between them.

When to choose this visa:

- You plan to **enter Kenya**, travel to **Uganda**, and then **return to Kenya** (e.g., for a return flight)
- Cost: Around **\$100 USD**
- Must be applied for through the **first country you enter** (in this case, **Kenya** via etakenya.go.ke)

Note: If you are flying into Kenya and **departing from Uganda**, the **regular visas for each country** are sufficient and may be easier to manage.

Summary of Best Booking & Visa Strategy

- **Fly into Nairobi by November 1** at the latest
- **Book flight from Nairobi (WIL) to Entebbe (EBB)** for **November 7**
- **Fly home from Entebbe on November 13**
- Apply for:
 - **Kenya ETA**
 - **Uganda Tourist Visa**
 - Or **East Africa Tourist Visa** if returning to Kenya after Uganda

YELLOW FEVER VACCINE – ENTRY REQUIREMENT FOR KENYA & UGANDA

Both **Kenya and Uganda** require proof of a **Yellow Fever vaccination** upon entry.

How and When to Get It:

- Get vaccinated **at least 30 days before travel**
- The vaccine is typically valid for **life**
- Obtain an **official Yellow Fever Certificate (ICVP)** from a certified clinic

Visit your nearest travel clinic, public health department, or private hospital. Some airports also offer this service.