

Cash for Uganda

The only cash you will need in Uganda is for souvenirs and any other personal items you might wish to purchase. It is easy to exchange dollars into Uganda shillings and all team members will want some shillings. I have found when in major overseas airports, it is cheaper in the long run just to use a credit card to purchase things. The charges will be in US dollars including exchange fees when the bill comes. This does make your purchase cost slightly more, but you only pay for just what you spend and do not end up with a handful of foreign currency that is too little to reexchange into dollars at a much lower rate but by keeping it, you eventually end up paying more for your purchases. If your team is going to Mweya Safari Lodge, you will need \$125.00 cash for this, but I can assure you, all our teams who have visited there agree, that was the best \$125 they ever spent in their life.

Those who exchange funds in Uganda (and I am told most third world settings) pay the highest exchange rate for the newest US bills. \$100 and \$50 bills get the best exchange rate. \$20 bills receive much less. This means that the bills you take should be **Series 2003 or newer**. See the examples below for where to locate the Series date location.

Series date \$100 →



Series date \$50 →



Series date \$20 ↗

