BURIGI-CHATO
NATIONAL PARK



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Welcome to the Park!

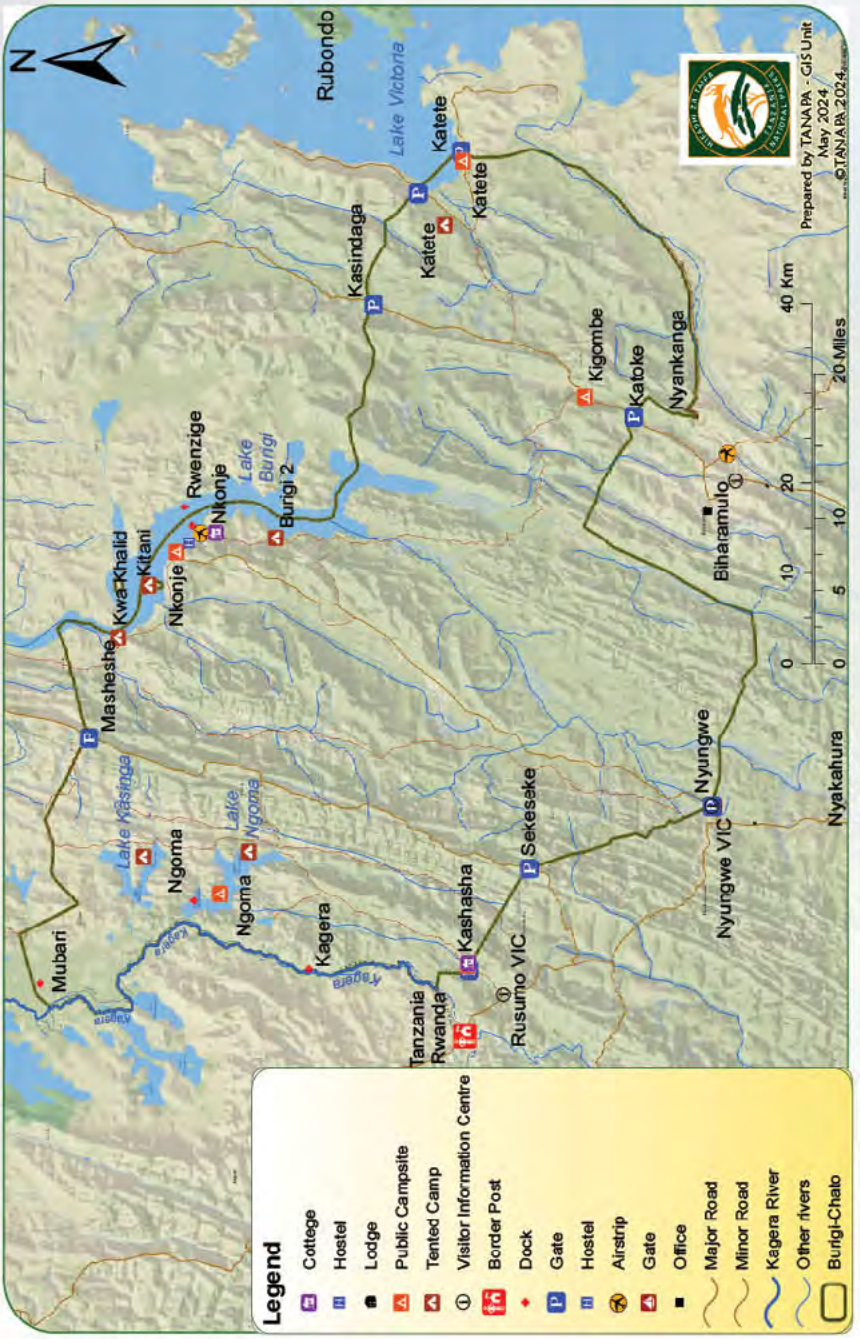
Thank you for choosing us as your travel destination. Our motivated and experienced staff can provide better services for your comfortable stay. During your time in the park, you will be able see several attractions, a magnificent view of five lakes including the famous Lake Victoria making birdlife and a variety of wildlife ranging from carnivores, herbivores more promising. Being close to nature, a chance to see a typical grassland area of truly African Savannah is guaranteed.

We have no doubt that your visit to this park will make your mind refreshed and become in touch with nature.

We therefore ask you to try visit this wonderful and tranquil place to view wildlife in their natural environment.

Thank you!





Brief history

Established on 9th July 2019, the Park covers an area of 4,707 sq. km and traces its origin back to 1970 where it acquired the status of a National Game Reserve covering the reserves of Kimisi, Biharamulo and Burigi itself. It lies in two regions of Kagera and Geita in the districts of Ngara, Karagwe, Biharamulo, Muleba and Chato respectively.



Getting there

The park can be reached by both road and air.

By road:The park can be accessed by the road from City of Mwanza,Geita and Bukoba regions.

By air: This is through Chato International Airport located in Chato district before connecting to the park road transport to the nearby Kijuu gate at Kitete just 40Km off the Airport. The park has an airstrip called Nkonje which can be visited by scheduled flights upon arrangement with tour operators. Nearby Airports of Biharamulo and Bukoba can also be used.

Climate

Two rainfall seasons, short rains which begin in November to December and long rains from March to April. The dry weather starts from June to September and are characterized with average temperatures cool nights and warm days. The best time to visit the park is June-October and January to March.





Attractions

- **Wildlife**

  One of the world's largest antelope, the statuesque cape eland (Taulotragus Oryx) is found in this park. Other animals include the elephants, lions, buffaloes, roan antelopes, impala, leopards, zebra, giraffes, spotted hyaena, sitatunga, oribi, topi, reedbuck, bushbucks, dikdik and waterbucks.

- **Birdlife**

  The park also encompasses a number of different bird species including migratory (palearctic and afro tropical migrants) and birds native to the area i.e. the local migrants and few individuals of the rare bizarre shoebill stork without forgetting the most notably African fish eagles.





- **Scenic Attractions**

The park environment is beautified by open grassland vegetation, with mixed forests, some bushlands, acacia woodland vegetation forming habitat for giraffes, the evergreen Miombo woodland where most monkey species, leopards and other animals spend their time. One can also feel the scenic beauty of five lakes, round topped hills and at some points the wetlands which save as refuge for all wildlife during dry season.

The Kagera River at the far west adds up to park beauty and form the boundary with the neighboring country of Rwanda.

The animals in this park together with the scenic beauty of the surrounding makes the park more exciting.





Tourist activities

- **Game Drive**

  The park has created the tourist circuits that give the tourist using vehicles to enjoy the attractions in this beautiful park.

- **Walking Safaris**

  Accompanied by qualified armed ranger guide both short and long walks in the park enable you to see animals at the closer distance and make wildlife photographs of your choice.

- **Bird watching**

  The park is rich in variety of birdlife provide an opportunity for bird lovers to enjoy the Park.

- **Filming and Photographic Safari**

  The park is rich in attractions including abundance of big games and birds can be ideal for serious professional photography and filming.





- **Camping**

  The park provides you with an opportunity to do camping which give the wilderness experience of the park.

- **Canoeing**

  This activity provides an opportunity to enjoy the undisturbed shores of Lake Burigi where you can view abundant wildlife, water birds including Shoe Bill and Wattled Cranes and spectacular view of beautiful landscapes that make the park more attracting.

Available tourist facilities

Inside the park: Both Public and Special campsites – provide camping grounds for campers. Visitors are required to bring their own camping gears.

Outside the park: Visitors can be accommodated in the low cost/low budget hotels and lodges in the nearby towns of Biharamulo, Ngara, Karagwe, Muleba, Bukoba, Chato and Geita.





Park rules and regulations

Please do not:

- Enter the park without a valid permit;
- Litter;
- Block other visitors access, disturb or the animals they are watching;
- Exceed the speed limit of 50k.p.h;
- Take pets, plant seeds or fire arms into the park;
- Uproot, pick, cut or damage or be in possession of any part of the plant from the park;
- Kill, harass, disturb or feed any wild animals in the park;
- Feed animals;
- Ignite wildfires;
- Mark or remove any signboard in the park;
- Enter or leave the park at points other than the official entry/exit gates stipulated in your permit.

Visit and support!

Visit and experience the beauty of this amazing park. You can support the park and the surrounding communities by visiting and contribute to conservation projects.

Thank you!



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