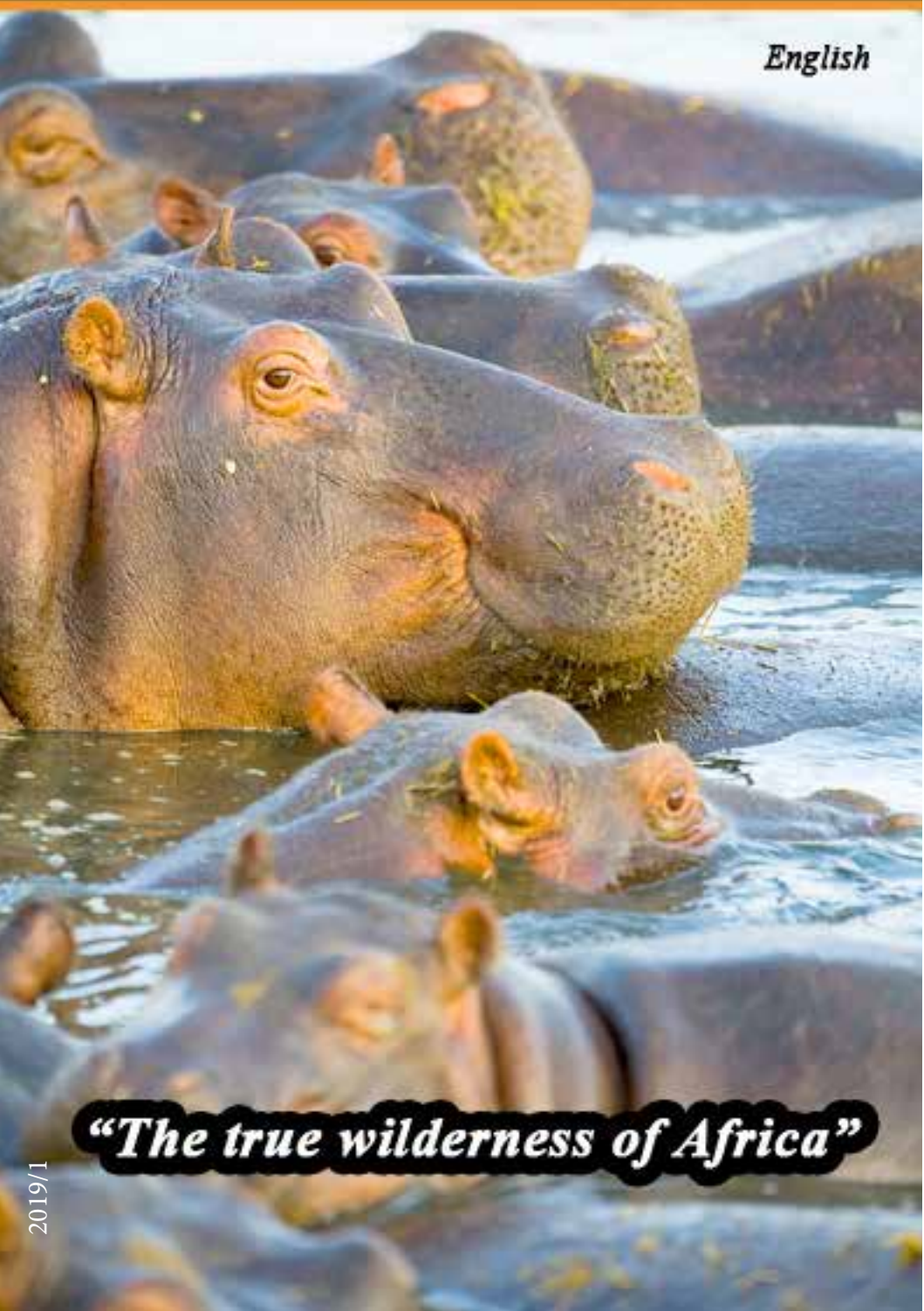




KATAVI NATIONAL PARK

English



“The true wilderness of Africa”



Welcome to Katavi National Park!

Katavi expresses its gratitude for your visit and we are here to make sure that your expectation is met. We hope your stay with us will be a memorable one given the fact that our staffs are dedicated to serving your every need. If there is anything we can do to make your stay more enjoyable, please do not hesitate to contact our 24 hours hotline.

This untouched wilderness paradise is the home to the largest herds of buffaloes on the planet. It boasts a wonderful array of habitats which range from flood plains of thick reeds and dense waterways that teem with hippos and crocodiles to woodlands, open grasslands, forest and pristine seasonal lakes.

While you are here, please visit the tamarind tree which is said to house the spirit of a great huntsman named katabi. Here, one can place an offering at the base of the tree in memory of this exceptional hunter.

Explore the magnificent landscapes in search of wildlife in a safari vehicle or set off on foot to discover the finer details of the bush. Opt to spend a night out beneath the stars and listen to tales of the legendary huntsman, katabi who the park is named after as you relax around a blazing bonfire.

With great enthusiasm, we are genuinely thrilled to be part of your holiday and we wish you a pleasant stay.



Getting there

BY AIR: Private flight that land to either Mpanda airport, Sitalike airstrip or Ikuu airstrip inside the park. Also there is a public flight three times a week from Dar es salaam

BY ROAD: From either Dar es Salaam via Mbeya (1513km), Dar es Salaam via Tabora (1392km), Arusha via Tabora (1015.7km) or Mwanza via Tabora-Inyonga (741km)

BY RAIL: It is also possible to reach Mpanda by train from Dar es salaam via tabora then catch a public transport to Sitalike, where a game drive can be arranged. From Mpanda to sitalike gate is only 38kms.

Climate

Katavi average temperature is 22-26°C, 24-30°C during the day and 16-18oc during the night. The dry season is June-October and November to May is the wet season. The best time to visit the Park is therefore from May to October.



Attractions

The volume of game in Katavi is outstanding . Huge herds of buffalo and vast lion prides duel daily whilst hippos and crocodiles gather in pods and nests not found anywhere else in Africa. The huge hippo pool can accommodate at its peak and nowhere else in Africa do crocodiles hibernate in dense as they do here.

Katavi's dramatic scenery is as varied as it is pristine. Flood plains of thick reeds and dense waterways are home to a huge population of hippo and variety of birds. The forest canopies shroud herds of buffaloes and elephants. This park is also home to the rare roan and sable antelope species and it's a must see for the visitors intending to explore the wilds of the continent.





Buffalo, elephant and zebra are the most abundant. Each population boasts thousands and thousands of individuals, herds of buffalo often triple the size one would find in the Serengeti.

- **Hippos**

The big concentration of hippos in katavi that happily live together in the puddles especially during the dry season is a never miss chance. One is able to see the male fights something that is truly a hair -raising watch.

- **Birds**

The rivers in Katavi harbor a large concentration of water birds. The most common ones herons, plovers, spoonbills, African open bills and group of stork including the yellow billed and saddle billed stork. Raptors are well represented with the fish eagle, bateleur and white backed vulture being very common. Over 400 species have been recorded and migratory birds present from November to April.

- **Visit the tamarind tree**

Please visit the tamarind tree which locals believe the famous hunter Katabi whom the park is named after lives and always used to take offerings at the foot of this tree to gain favor for hunting.

The sheer number of animals on show is mindboggling in quantity and variety. Please plan your trip!

Tourism Activities

- **Game Drive**

Venture into the pristine wilderness of the Katavi in a 4*4 safari vehicle hosted by experts. The Park is hailed for its vast herds of buffalo which roam the magnificent plains as well as for its flourishing elephants, lions, leopards, crocodiles and hippo populations. One will also be able to see series of wide flood plains, blond with waist high grass.

Plan your trip to come see the Ngolema, Katisunga, Katavi and Chada rivers that form the focus on the game viewing for which the Park is renowned during the dry season. If you want to immerse in the wild and intrepid adventure, then Katavi is for you.

Swarming with an abundance of zebra, topi, impala, hartebeest, giraffe and defassa waterbuck is simply a magnificent sight to remember. Spotted hyena with the elusive leopard emerging on the woodland fringes are frequently seen here. Wild dogs do as well prowl her but prefer to stick to the escarpment.





- **Walking Safari**

Revel the unforgettable opportunity of getting close with the prized wilderness of the Katavi National Park. The Parks endless plains and vast open skies will leave you mesmerized and feeling completely at one with nature. This exceptional game viewing adventure is a wonderful alternative to traditional game drive. Walking safari in this Park is an opportunity no to be missed!! Plan Your Trip!

- **Birding**

Katavi is one of the best destinations for bird enthuaists in Tanzania as it is gifted with over 400 bird species, some of the birds seen are African fish eagle, lilac breasted rollers, paradise flycatchers, bateleurs and saddle billed stork. Please Go Visit the Park before others Discover it.





Available tourism facilities

Accommodation inside the park includes Bandas with shower block, toilets and cooking/ dining area are available at Park HQ. Booking is advisable. **Public camp sites** are equipped with a shower block and toilets, plus an indoor dining area, and fire wood. No booking is needed. **Special camp sites** have no facilities, are private, in pristine areas. Booking is advisable.

Accommodation outside the park includes Private owned facilities (lodge, Camps and hotels) which are available at Sitalike gate and Mpanda town.



TARIFFS

	East Africa TShs.	Non Resident US\$	Expatriate US\$
A. Conservation Fee			
i. Of or above age of 16 years	5,000	30	15
ii. Between the age of 5 and 15 years	2,000	10	5
iii. Children below the age of 5 years	Free	Free	Free
B. Camping Fee - Public Campsite			
i. Of or above age of 16 years	5,000	30	30
ii. Between the age of 5 and 15 years	2,500	10	5
iii. Children below the age of 5 years	Free	Free	Free
C. Camping Fee - Special Campsite			
i. Of or above age of 16 years	10,000	50	50
ii. Between the age of 5 and 15 years	5,000	10	10
iii. Children below the age of 5 years	Free	Free	Free
D. Walking Safaris			
i. Short walks (1 to 4 hours) for adults	5,000	20	20
ii. Short walks for children of or above 12 years	2,500	10	10
iii. Long walks (above 4 hours) for adults	10,000	25	25
iv. Long walks for children of or above 12 years	5,000	15	15
E. Park Accommodation facilities			
Bandas/Rest House (per person per night)			
i. Of or above age of 16 years	20,000	30	30
ii. Between the age of 5 and 15 years	10,000	15	15
F. Guide/Ranger per group			
Guide fee	5,000	20	20
G. Night Game Drive			
i. Adults	10,000	50	50
ii. Children	5,000	25	25
H. Video shooting per group of 2-20 pax			
This is for recording own art (music or movies)			
i. Inside the Park (payable on top of conservation fees per day)	100,000	100	100
ii. HQ and Park office ground	100,000	50	50

I. Bushmeal 5,000 5 5

J. Motor Vehicle Fees

	Tanzanian Register TShs.	Foreign Register US\$.
i. Tare weight up to 2000 kgs	20,000	50
ii. Tare weight 2,001 to 3,000kgs	35,000	150
iii. Tare weight 3001 to 7,000kgs	60,000	200
iv. Tare weight 7001 to 10000kgs	150,000	300
v. Tare weight above 10 tons (prior permission from Conservation Commissioner is required)	300,000	500
vi. Open vehicles will be charged 50% extra of the normal vehicle fee.		

L. Fine for vehicles causing accident TShs. 200,000

M. Over Speeding (All type of vehicles) Tshs. 50,000

N. Landing Fees	Foreign Aircrafts (US \$)		Local Aircrafts (TShs)	
	Private	Commercial	Private	Commercial
a) Up to 4 seaters	50	120	10,000	15,000
b) 5 - 12 seaters	120	170	15,000	20,000
c) 13 - 20 seaters	170	320	20,000	35,000
d) Over 20 seaters	NA	NA	50,000	60,000

O. Filming fee per person per day

Covers conservation/entrance, camping
and filming. This applies to all nationalities US \$ 250

P. Students Fee for Orgniazed Groups

- i. Conservation fee for Primary, Secondary and High
School students TShs 2,000
- ii. Conservation fee for Colleges and Universities
Students TShs 5,000
- iii. Camping fees for Primary, Secondary and High
school students TShs 2,000
- iv. Camping fee for College and University students TShs 3,000
- v. Huts and hostel for the students TShs 5,000

Q. Annual Directors' Pass Fee US \$ 100

Requires prior authorization from the Conservation Commissioner

R. Multiple entry in the park

There shall be two multiple entries in the Park where entry fees shall apply

- i. Day-trip permit, which is valid for twelve daylight hours and allows multiple entries within such validity period.
- ii. A sleep-over permit which is valid for twenty-four hours and allows multiple entries within such validity period.

S. Tourism Investment Site Allocation Fee and Annual Land Base Rent Fee

Non-Refundable Tourism Investment Site Allocation and Annual Land Base Rent fees for new investors in National Parks.

- i. Non-Refundable Tourism Investment Site Allocation fee US\$ 5,000
- ii. Annual Land Base Rent fee:
 - a) Seasonal campsites US\$ 1,000
 - b) Permanent Tented Camps US\$ 10,000
 - c) Lodges US\$ 20,000

NOTE:

- Tariffs are subject to change
- Payments are done by VISA or Master credit cards of any bank
- Fees once paid are non refundable
- Value added tax (VAT) exclusive
- Holders of Directors’ Pass are not allowed to be accompanied by visitors



Park Rules and Regulations

Please do not:

Enter the park without a valid permit.

Block author 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

Feed animals

Light or cause any wildfire.

Litter

N.B:

The park gate opens at 06:00 a.m. and closes at 6:00 p.m.

Stay only within the designated accommodation facilities.



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