



MKOMAZI NATIONAL PARK



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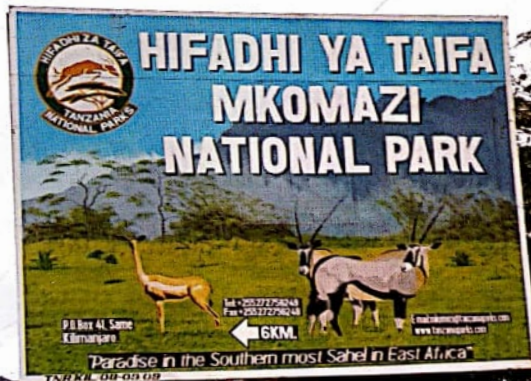
- **Inside the Park**
Babu's Semi-permanent Tented Camp. There are also special and public campsites.
- **Outside the Park**
Hotels, Campsites, Lodges and Guest Houses available in Same town.

Services and facilities

- Tourist guiding.
- Resource interpretation.
- Armed guiding during walking safari.
- Conservation talks to Park visitors.
- Picnic sites and viewpoints.

Accessibility

- **By Road**
The Main Entrance Gate is 6 Km from Same town.
- **By Air**
The Park also has Kisima Airstrip for Chartered Flights.



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Introduction

Welcome to Mkomazi National Park and we wish you a splendid stay. This Park is rich in ungulates where over twenty species have been reported, including the big five. Reptile species such as Crocodiles and Pythons are also found. Furthermore, over 450 bird species have been recorded.

Park History

Mkomazi is a combination of two words from the Pare ethnic language; "Mko and Mazi". "Mko" means a traditional tiny wooden spoon used by the Pare people for eating and "Mazi" means water. This implies that the water in the Park is hardly enough to fill up the wooden spoon!

Mkomazi – Umba Game Reserve was upgraded to the National Park status in the Government Notice No. 27 of 14th March 2008 with a size of 3,245 km². Initially, the Park was commissioned as Mkomazi – Umba Game Reserve in 1951 following the de-gazettement of the much larger Ruvu Game Controlled Area that measured 3,600 km².

Location

Mkomazi National Park is located in the northern part of Tanzania within Kilimanjaro and Tanga regions. The Park lies about 112 km from Moshi Town, 142 km from Kilimanjaro International Airport, 120 km from Kilimanjaro National Park and 550 km from the Julius Kambarage Nyerere International Airport in Dar es Salaam.

The Park assumes a rectangular shape; the longest distance is about 130 km from East to West and 41 km from North to South. It has the added advantage, over half its length borders with Tsavo – West National Park in Kenya along the international boundary, where all wild animals are free to cross.

Landform

The Southern part of the Park is bordered by the Pare – Usambara mountain ranges in Tanzania, formed of the metamorphic rocks. The Park's altitude ranges between 300 – 1,600 metres above sea level.

Climate

The Park is semi - arid with bimodal rainfall distribution pattern. Long rains occur between March and May, while the short ones last from October through December. Mean annual rainfall ranges from 570 mm in the lowlands to 1,910 mm in the highlands. The temperature ranges from 18° C to 29° C; July and August being the coldest months.



Vegetation cover

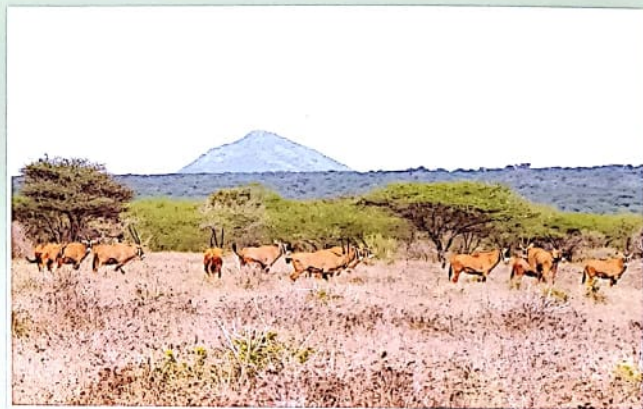
The southernmost extension of the "Sahel" (desert in Arabic) habitat is characterised by Acacia – Commiphora woodland. Vegetation cover is categorised into two; the dry upland forest in the western mountainous area and plain vegetations characterised with bushed and wooded grassland.

Exceptional Resource Values

Natural: The Umba River, Open Savannah viewing, Wild dogs, Bird migration and many elusive Lesser Kudu..

Cultural: Proximity to Amboni Caves.

Scientific: Large population of Giraffe, Eland and massive concentrations of Fringe-eared Oryx, Rolling Hills and Valleys.



Other attractions

- Large and visible population of Gerenuk (*Litocranius walleri*).
- Wide elevation of mountain ranges.
- Euro/Asia-Africa migrant birds such as European Roller.
- Composition of big and small animals including the larger ones like Elephants, Lions, Leopard and Buffaloes; with reptile species inclusive.

What to do

- Day Game Drives.
- Walking Safaris.
- Bird watching.
- Photographing / Filming.

Tariff

S/N	Fees	East African (Tshs)	Non East African (USD)	Expatriates (Tanzanian based only) (USD)
A	Conservation fees			
	Adult (Of or above 16 years)	5,000	30	15
	Child between age of 5 and 16 years	2,000	10	5
	Child under the age of 5 years	Free	Free	Free
B	Camping fees (Public Campsite)			
	Adult (Of or above 16 years)	5,000	30	30
	Child between age of 5 and 16 years	2,500	5	5
	Child under the age of 5 years	Free	Free	Free
C	Camping fees (Special campsite)			
	Adult (Of or above 16 years)	10,000	50	50
	Child between age of 5 and 16 years	5,000	10	10
	Child under the age of 5 years	Free	Free	Free
D	Fly camping	5,000	50	50
E	Short Walking fees (4 hours Maximum) per person per day			
	Adults	5,000	20	20
	Children (above 12 years)	2,500	10	10
F	Long Walking fees (above 4 hours) per person per day			
	Adults	10,000	25	25
	Children (above 12 years)	5,000	15	15
G	Guiding for game drive or Rangers fees for walking per group per trip	5,000	20	20
H	Motor vehicle fees	Tanzanian registered registered	Non Tanzanian registered	Non Tanzanian registered
	Tare weight up to 2,000 kg	20,000	40	40
	Tare weight between 2,001 to 3,000 kg	35,000	150	150
	Tare weight between 3,001 to 7,000 kg	60,000	200	200
	Tare weight between 7,001 to 10,000kg	150,000	300	300
	Open vehicles are surcharged 50% of normal vehicle fees			

I Vehicle accidents, over speeding and animal killing due to vehicle accident (All types of vehicles)				
Vehicle accidents (In Tshs.)	200,000	200,000	200,000	
Over speeding (In Tshs.)	50,000	50,000	50,000	
J Filing fee				
Include entry and camping regardless of nationality	250 U.S.D per person per day			
K Students fees for organised trips from Local Institutions after obtaining permit from the Chief Park Warden				
	1,000	10	10	
L Aircrafts Landing fee				
	Local		Foreign	
	Private (Tshs)	Commercial (Tshs)	Private (USD)	Commercial (USD)
Up to 4 Seater	10,000	15,000	50	120
5 - 12 Seater	15,000	20,000	120	170
13 - 20 Seater	20,000	35,000	170	320
Over 20 Seater	50,000	60,000	N/A	N/A

- Note: • Tariffs are excluding VAT (18%)
- Tariffs are subjected to change without notice, valid for 24 hours and for single entry only.
- Expatriates can pay equivalent in Tshs.

Thank you for your contribution to the protection of our National Parks, with your help, the wildlife and their habitats will survive for our grandchildren to come and see them.

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