



# LARAGAI HOUSE

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# LARAGAI HOUSE RACK RATES 2024

| SEASONS     | RATES IN USD                          |                                       |                                     |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| DAY RATE    | EXCLUSIVE USE<br>(UP TO 6 GUESTS)     | ADDITIONAL ADULT<br>PER NIGHT         | EXTRA CHILD PER NIGHT<br>(5-15 YRS) |
| HIGH SEASON | \$6,292                               | \$1,056                               | \$704                               |
| MID SEASON  | \$5,462                               | \$919                                 | \$616                               |
| WEEK RATE   | EXCLUSIVE USE<br>(12 GUESTS 6 NIGHTS) | EXCLUSIVE USE<br>(14 GUESTS 6 NIGHTS) | ADDITIONAL ADULT<br>PER NIGHT       |
| HIGH SEASON | \$66,550                              | \$73,150                              | \$666                               |
| MID SEASON  | \$59,400                              | \$72,050                              | \$634                               |

Valid for travel from 5th January 2024, expires 5th January 2025.

Day rate excludes conservation fees. Week rate includes conservation fees.

Laragai House can only be booked exclusively. The house can sleep 16 people.

Accommodation: 4 kingsize en-suite bedrooms, 3 twin/double en-suite bedrooms, 2 children's twin/double bedrooms, sharing a bathroom.

Laragai House is open all year round.

Children under 5 stay for free.

## SEASONS

HIGH SEASON: 1st JUNE - 10th SEPTEMBER 2024, 20th DECEMBER 2024 - 5th JANUARY 2025

MID SEASON: 6th JANUARY - 31st MAY 2024, 11th SEPTEMBER - 19th DECEMBER 2024





## LARAGAI HOUSE STANDARD RATES 2024

### INCLUDED

Full board accommodation  
 Local airstrip transfers  
 Sundowner excursions  
 Soft drinks, beers, house wines  
 Selected house spirits  
 Swimming pool and Tennis court  
 Laundry & WiFi  
 Shared game drives (day and night)  
 Guided bush walks  
 One horse riding excursion per person

### EXCLUDED

Champagne  
 Premium spirits & cellar wines  
 Any extra horse riding excursions  
 Cultural visits  
 Visits to Kisima Floriculture Project  
 Visits to Lewa Willdife Conservancy  
 Late departure fee  
 Fly camping

### EXTRA COSTS

|                                     |                             |                                      |         |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Borana Conservancy fees             | \$200 pp*                   | Visit to Kisima Floriculture Project | \$70 pp |
|                                     | \$100 per child (5-15 yrs)* | Cultural visit                       | \$30 pp |
| Late departure (with extra lunch)   | \$35 pp                     | Horse riding (after one ride)        | \$80 pp |
| Guide/pilot accommodation           | \$140 pppn                  | E-biking                             | \$80 pp |
| Ngare Ndare Forest conservation fee | \$40 pp                     | Fishing excursions to Mt Kenya       | POA     |
| Lewa Conservancy fee                | \$150 pp*                   | Heli adventures to northern Kenya    | POA     |
|                                     | \$75 per child (5-15 yrs)   | Fly camping set up fee per group     | POA     |

*\*Note: These fees are not static and subject to change.  
 All rates are inclusive of VAT and government taxes and levies.*





# ACCOMODATION





# LARAGAI HOUSE



Laragai House is an extravagant private house ideal for a large group or a party in the African bush, with intimacy and luxury as a given. With complete exclusivity, the house is entirely at the guests' disposal and their stay is impeccably managed. Ideal for families, large groups, weddings, anniversaries and parties.

## WELCOME

On behalf of all the staff, we would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Laragai House. Please make yourselves completely at home and should there be anything that we can do to make your stay more comfortable or memorable, then please do not hesitate to mention it to us.

Following is some general information. Please take the time to read it as it will help you to make the most of your time here.

We hope you enjoy your stay.

With warm wishes,  
**The Laragai Staff**

## ACCOMODATION

Laragai house is set in magnificent splendour within a rich and colourful garden. A heated swimming pool with a deck overlooks a small dam, which attracts herds of elephant, buffalo and often prides of lion. Laragai has eight bedrooms, four luxurious double rooms and two twin rooms complete with spacious ensuite bathrooms, plus two children twin rooms sharing a bathroom. The two master bedrooms have fireplaces. The house has a dining room, bar, drawing room, pool house, TV room and a games room allowing guest to relax wherever they feel most comfortable.

## CAPACITY

The house has a total capacity of 16 people and can only be booked on an exclusive basis.

## GUIDE/PILOT ROOM

A double room is available in the manager's house or the Yellow Room can be used as a guide room.

## THE ROOMS



LORD MICHAEL



LORD VALENTINE



KABAKA



DAISY & HUBERT



CEDAR



RED ROOM

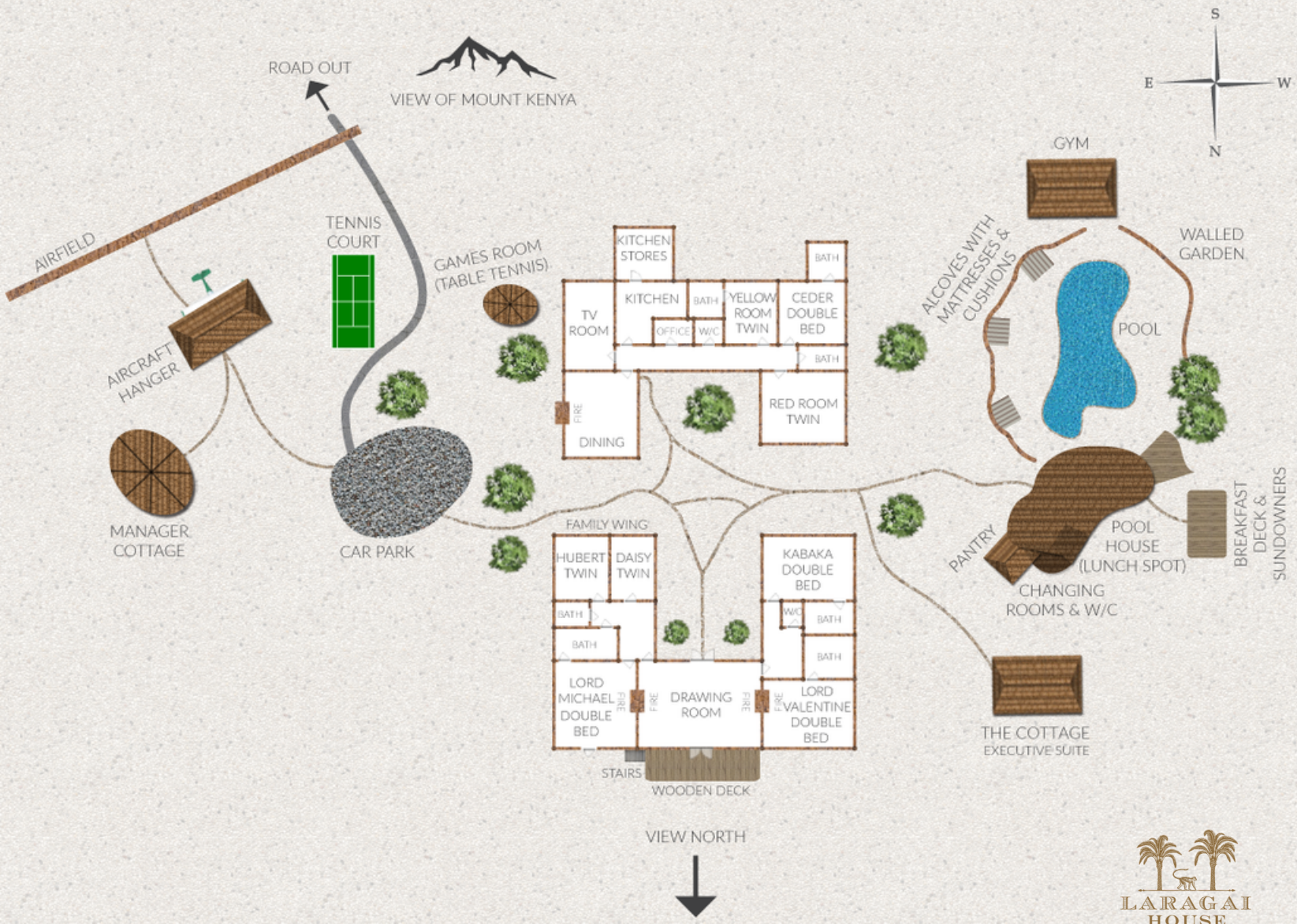


YELLOW ROOM



THE COTTAGE







FACT FILE

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## LOCATION

Borana Ranch, Laikipia – situated 17 miles north of the equator and 6000ft above sea level. Laragai has panoramic views into the Northern Frontier District, across the ranch and up to Mount Kenya.

## ACCOMMODATION

Laragai House can only be booked exclusively.

The house can sleep 16 people in three double en-suite bedrooms, four twin/double en-suite bedrooms and two children's twin/double bedrooms, sharing a bathroom. Groups that are smaller than six must be approved by management.

Children under 5 stay for free.

## SWIMMING POOL

There is a swimming pool and pool house with comfortable chairs, sun loungers, and towels.

THE SWIMMING POOL DOES NOT HAVE A LIFEGUARD ON DUTY.

## WIFI & MOBILE PHONES

There is WIFI and mobile network in the lodge. Safaricom and Airtel are the local network providers and can be accessed from various areas around the house, however the strongest signal is found behind the car park.

## POWER

2220-240-volt AC electricity is supplied by an inverter and runs 24hours. A generator can be used as back up if we are experiencing a cloudy day.

## KITCHEN

Laragai House prides itself on its exceptional farm-to-table menus, based around locally sourced ingredients from a range of places including our very own fruit and vegetable garden.

**Breakfast** - fresh fruit, granola, cooked full English and pastries.

**Lunch** - tempting homemade light buffet lunches.

**Dinner** - 3 course set menu in the dining room or under the stars.

The combination of the freshest fruit and vegetables with holistically raised, grass fed meat from the Conservancy result in delicious and healthy home style cuisine. All food preferences and allergies are catered for - please inform us about any dietary requirements prior to arrival.

## BAR

The drinks bars are located in the main sitting room and at the pool. All sodas, beers, house wine and regular spirits are included however champagne, fine wines and premium spirits are charged.

Please talk to the management for more information about the wine. If the barman is not around, please feeling free to help yourself.

## DRINKING WATER

Drinking water in the rooms is provided in a silver or glass jug. For environmental reasons we try to avoid using plastic bottled water, instead providing mineral water from large water dispensers. This is the same water you would drink from a sealed bottle; however, it is supplied in refillable 20L dispensers. If necessary, individual bottles of sealed water can be provided.

## WATER

The water for the house is pumped from a bore hole situated a few kilometres away. Whilst it is fine for brushing teeth, we recommended you do not drink it directly from the tap.

## HOW TO GET THERE

**By Road:** Laragai is a 4-hour drive from Nairobi and a 1-hour drive from Nanyuki.

**By Air:** Daily scheduled Safarilink and Air Kenya flights from Nairobi Wilson Airport to neighbouring Lewa Downs (1-hour drive from Laragai). We have an airstrip on Borana for charter flights, a 10-minute drive from the house. Laragai also has its own helicopter landing site.

Whether you arrive commercial or private, we will meet you and transport you to the house. Commercial and private charter flights can be organised by our reservations team in the Safari & Conservation Company office in Nairobi.

## MALARIA

Borana Conservancy is free from malaria.

## EMERGENCIES

Borana is in 24hour contact with East African Flying Doctor Service.

## SECURITY

There is a night watchman who is on duty all night and whom will escort you to bed. Should you have any problems during the night such as an accident or illness then please go outside and shout loudly to get their attention and they will call someone to help.



### WILD ANIMALS

**Although the house is fenced, wild animals are still in close range and able to pass near the grounds. Wild animals can be dangerous so we ask guests not to approach any animals or walk on their own outside the immediate surrounding of the house.**

**Squirrels sometimes frequent the rooms (especially in the morning when tea is delivered). They are not a problem but have a tendency to steal biscuits. We ask guests not to be encouraged by deliberately feeding them or any other animals as you may scare them and cause reactions that could put you in danger.**

### HOUSE KEEPING

Each room is serviced by a room lady who also does your laundry and cleans your room. The laundry is washed by hand. Ladies' underwear is not accepted for cultural reasons so please use the washing powder provided in the bathroom. Laundry is returned the same day weather permitting. Towels are changed every three days but if you would like fresh towels please placed used ones in your laundry basket.

### VALUABLES

There are two safes at the house. A combination safe outside the sitting room where guests can set their own password and a walk in safe that the manager has the keys to. If you have valuables, we ask that you use one of the safes to lock them away.

### LIBRARY

We have a small library located in the sitting room, should you finish your novel and wish to exchange it with one from our collection then please feel free to do so. Please do not remove any hard copy books.

### INTERNET

Internet is available around the property. Please ask management for the password. Please be aware we have a satellite connection so it may be much slower than your used to.

### HOT WATER

Hot water for the house is heated by solar panels, you may have to run the taps for a short while for the water to get hot. Please let us know if your water is not warm and we can boost the pressure.

### RELAXATION

We have a fully trained therapist who would be delighted to carry out any treatments in the privacy of your room. Please ask the management for information and costs.

### MEALS & DINING

We have a set menu which changes daily and we cater to all allergies with advanced notice including gluten-free, dairy-free, vegetarian or vegan. If anyone has a food allergy please advise asap.

Typically fresh fruit, cereals and a variety of cooked breakfasts, homemade buffet lunches and three-course dinners in the dining room or under the stars.

Room service, bush breakfast, starlit dinners, early dinners for children and picnics can be organised on request but please give ample time for these requests, should you have any dietary requirements please inform us as soon as possible.

### CHILDREN

Children under 5 years of age are free of charge, children's rates apply from 5-12 years old. The kitchen is happy to cater to the gentler palettes and earlier hours that often suit younger guests. For those who need to be in bed before their parents, a listening service is always on hand.

Children's meal times – Please let us know if you would like your children to eat early at night. We can arrange for an earlier dinner for them.

### TIPPING & GRATUITIES

Gratuities are greatly received. This is complementary at your own discretion and is usually done on departure. You may tip as much or little as you wish but for those who would like a guideline regarding tipping, we recommend the following:

**HOUSE STAFF:** there is a staff tip box which is shared between all members of staff including those 'behind the scenes' house staff. We recommend around \$10 per guest per day.

**GUIDES:** are tipped individually on departure and we recommend \$20 per group per day

**STABLEHANDS:** as the horse syces do not reside at the house, they are tipped through management or after your last ride. We recommend \$10 per group per ride.

### LANGUAGES:

All Laragai staff speak English and Kiswahili.

### CREDIT CARD

Visa and Mastercard, Amex and Debit cards are accepted with a 5% surcharge.

## NEED TO KNOW SEASONS



LARAGAI HOUSE IS OPEN ALL YEAR ROUND.

December - May.

Is considered Kenya's summer and hot, sunny days can be expected. Temperatures can reach the high 20's and the low 30's, with little to no rain expected.

May - August.

Is Kenya's 'long rains'. The temperature can drop to mid-20's and rain is expected, usually in the afternoon, for about one-to-two hours. This time of year can be a beautiful time to visit, as the landscape is green and lush, with an abundance of animals.

August-December.

Is again a warm, dry period of the year, with the landscape looking beautiful after the long rains. 'The short rains' are expected in November.





# ACTIVITIES

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## LAY OF THE LAND



Spending time at Laragai House can be as relaxed or action fuelled as you would like. For some rest and relaxation, spend the days gazing at the view, looking out for elephant at the nearby waterhole or enjoying a massage in the privacy of your own room. Other more adventurous activities include night and day game drives, horseback riding for both experienced and novice riders, a nature walk, rhino tracking on foot or sundowners from a fabulous viewpoint.

With rugged terrain and sweeping savannahs, Borana Conservancy, on which Laragai House sits, is the epitome of Africa. This is the perfect place for anyone who appreciates Africa, with panoramic views into the Northern Frontier District, across Borana Conservancy and up to Mount Kenya.

### ACTIVITIES

Night and day game drives, guided walks, horse riding for both novice and experienced riders, sundowners, picnics and bush dinners are all available to guests, Mountain biking, and paddle boarding.

Optional extras include Ngare Ndare forest, cultural visits, scenic fishing trips to Mount Kenya, helicopter, fixed wing-aircraft scenic flights, massage treatments, overnight safari trips on quad bikes and horse riding safaris or fly camping in advanced.

### LODGE FACILITIES

Swimming pool, clay tennis court (racquets and balls provided), games room, satellite TV, a large selection of DVDs, table-tennis room, croquet and boules. For music lovers, there is a full size electronic keyboard wired into an amplifier. Laragai House also features a gym equipped with cardio machines, weights and yoga equipment for fitness addicts and yoga enthusiasts alike.





## GAME VIEWING



Laragai's affiliation with the Borana and Lewa wildlife conservancies provides access to the results of many years of conservation and community development. Borana Conservancy holds the highest diversity of large mammal species of any ecosystem of its size in the world. It is home to many special species including elephant, black rhino, lion, Jackson's hartebeest, reticulated giraffe, buffalo, leopard, striped hyena Grevy's zebra and other endangered species. With over 350 species of birdlife to observe, this really is a paradise for keen birders.

Games drives are conducted by trained guides who have a broad local knowledge of the area and its flora and fauna. These take place mainly in the mornings and afternoons. Early evening/night drives usually occur as part of an extended afternoon game drive, but can also be arranged later on in the evening.





## RHINO TRACKING ON FOOT



Join the rhino team in tracking the rhinos and on the guard's deployment. It is an amazing way to learn more about the work that goes into the conservancy and a chance to meet the team.

Borana Conservancy employs over 100 male and female rangers to safeguard its black and white rhino. The ranger team are responsible to identify every rhino on a daily basis and we offer our guests the chance to experience what it is like to be a ranger.

Head out early in the morning with the rangers and track rhinos on foot and learn more about this endangered species.



# MOUNTAIN BIKING & BUSH WALKS



## MOUNTAIN BIKING

We have six Giant mountain bikes for adults and teenagers that our guests are welcome to use and explore the conservancy off the unbeaten track with our guide.

## GUIDED BUSH WALKS

Borana Conservancy is a fantastic place to go on guided bush walks. The conservancy is home to the 'Big Five' although walking allows you to discover some of the smaller animals and the incredible birdlife. We recommend an early morning walk before breakfast when the temperatures are cooler and our highly experienced guides can teach the whole family about the local flora, fauna and wildlife.

Walks are conducted by experienced armed rangers and or guides who point out the finer details of the bush whilst allowing one the opportunity to approach wildlife on foot.





# HORSE RIDING



Kenya is where the first horseback safaris began in the 1970's.

Since then the interest and popularity has grown and Borana Conservancy is an established horse-riding destination.

There are two stables on Borana Conservancy, Ngare Ndare Stables for beginners and children and the Borana Stables for more experienced riders. Guests can explore Borana and beyond, riding amongst a variety wildlife species which populate the conservancy.





# STAND UP PADDLE BOARDING



Take one of or four paddle boards out onto the lake as a unique experience and see what wildlife is around as you paddle around.



## SCENIC SAFARI & HELICOPTER TRIPS



A helicopter ride is one of the best ways to experience Kenya's breathtaking and diverse landscapes. View snow-capped mountain, deserts, volcanic lakes, lush tropical forests and open savannahs all in a day trip. Laragai House is extremely well placed to set off into the great north by helicopter, with the country's most experienced pilots.





## REST & RELAXATION



Indulge in a massage after a game drive or relax in the bath where you can view elephants and other large game or simply take in the expansive views of the conservancy.





# NGARE NDARE FOREST



The Ngare Ndare forest is a fantastic day out for any guest staying at Laragai House. Take a picnic lunch and experience the canopy walkway that crosses the tree tops 40 feet above the ground. There is a platform at the end of the suspended walkway with a breathtaking view across a natural spring and into the forest.

The Forest is also home to crystal clear blue pools whose source is the glaciers on Mount Kenya. It is a great spot for swimming and picnics.



# THE MISSION

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# CONSERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY



## LOCAL CULTURE

Many of the local tribes seen in the area, host Laragai House, with the famous Maasai as its prevalent. Maasai are well known cattle herders and Borana Conservancy works closely with these communities to ensure that tribal rights are respected, and careful cohabitation of wildlife and humans.

## BORANA CONSERVANCY

Borana Conservancy, in partnership with its neighbouring communities, provides a sustainable ecosystem for critically endangered species, including black rhino, elephant, lion, reticulated giraffe and Grevy's zebra. The holistic approach commits tourism, livestock and other commercial enterprises to building local livelihoods and enhance ecosystem integrity. Borana Conservancy has assisted the funding, development, marketing and management of community-owned conservation initiatives like Tassia, Oreteti and Il N'gwesi who work collaboratively with the Kenya Wildlife Service to ensure their neighbours are not adversely affected by human wildlife conflict.

## CONSERVATION

Commerce is the key to conservation on Borana Conservancy. Over three generations, the Dyer family have dedicated extensive time, energy and finance to conservation. This has been achieved in a number of different ways, many of which you will see whilst visiting Laragai House and Borana Conservancy. Focusing on education, poverty alleviation and employment, health, habitat management and wildlife conservation, some of their many projects include:

**The Laikipia Wildlife Forum:** Whilst visiting Borana Conservancy you will now get the chance to see rhinos after the recent relocation of 21 black rhinos, who are all settled in and calling the conservancy home.

**The Seven Elephants Tree Nursery:** This tree nursery produces more than 30,000 trees annually for reforestation efforts, stopping the noticeable effects of climate change, soil erosion and habitat for wildlife.

**Borana Mobile clinic:** This mobile clinic focuses on AIDS awareness, family planning and immunisation for babies and for families in the surrounding area.

**Education Support Programme:** Borana has its own education support programme, and many young minds have been put through primary, secondary and tertiary education due to this fund.



# CONSERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY



## EAST AFRICA'S BIGGEST RHINO SANCTUARY

In 2013, in an innovative move, Borana and Lewa decided to drop their fences to create the Borana-Lewa Landscape. This decision, which put the needs of the wildlife before anything else, allows animals to cross between the two conservancies and increases their living space by double to create the largest, and one of the most successful, rhino habitats in East Africa.

Now over 160 black and white rhinos call the Lewa-Borana Landscape home and their relocation, protection and ongoing care have allowed their numbers to flourish over the years.

## YOUR CONTRIBUTION

All visitors to Borana Conservancy pay a contribution to conservation along with their accommodation costs. These are monitored and carefully spent on a variety of different facets which ensure the continuation of Borana's conservation efforts across the conservancy and beyond.

## SECURITY

Borana Conservancy is proud to report zero poaching incidents over the last six years. This is largely due to Borana's community focused conservation efforts, along with the dedicated team of over 120 male and female rangers. Such a high ranger density is crucial to anti-poaching efforts and the effective biological management and monitoring of rhinos.

This conservation success story could not have been achieved without support from key conservation partners: Save The Rhino International, For Rangers, The Kenya Wildlife Service and Lewa Wildlife Conservancy.

Your stay positively impacts the lives of wildlife and local communities and we encourage all guests to experience first hand the plethora of conservation projects that are managed by the conservancy.

