

Lewa Wilderness on Lewa Downs

One of Kenya's major **private conservation** successes at the foot of Mt Kenya, **Lewa Downs** has been the Craig family home since 1924 when the Craig grandparents came from England and began raising cattle here.

"**Leave room for the wildlife**" has been the Craig ethic since the 1920s. The area is committed to the conservation of wildlife and diverse habitats found on the northern slopes of Mt Kenya. Endangered species abound in the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy. It then became a heavily guarded black rhino sanctuary, and it is now the headquarters for a non-profit wildlife conservancy, which has gained a world-wide reputation for extending the benefits of conservation beyond its borders.



Only lodge visitors may enter the reserve, which means that you have a massive area all to yourself where you will certainly encounter Elephant, Giraffe, Eland, unusual Grevy's Zebra, Oryx, Buffalo, Lion and perhaps even Leopard. An exciting number of unique conservation and community activities are open to guests who are invited to experience such projects as; horseback Rhino patrol, animal orphanage, assisting fencers on patrol, accompanying tracker dogs on daily training and collecting data with the Lion tracker. On the educational side are visits to hand-axe archaeological sites, attending schools and participating in drama, arts and music classes, visiting water schemes and other community projects.



Accommodation includes five comfortable thatched roof cottages, three containing two spacious suites with private bath and a central rondavel-style living room with fireplace. Two are free standing. They all have a verandah ideal for afternoon naps, reading, or conversation.

Special activities: Enjoy night and day game drives by open-top, four-wheel-drive vehicles, guided walks, and camel rides, game blinds, visits with orphaned wild animals. There is a stable full of horses ready for you, a swimming pool and a tennis court. Superb al fresco dining and perfect service!