

NGERENDE FACT SHEET

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General: Kenya and the Masai Mara, in particular, are known as the heartbeat of the safari, the origins of which date back to the early 1920's. Ngerende Island Lodge strives to capture the excitement, style and good living of those times but in contemporary style and in keeping with its environment.

Location: The lodge is set on an oxbow of the Mara River and is surrounded on all sides by the river except for a 100 yards section where the river has not yet cut the ox-bow free to become a true island. The lodge is situated about 120kms from Narok town (a two hour drive or 4 hours from Nairobi) on the Olchoro – Oirogua/Lemek Conservation Ranch which borders the Masai Mara Game Reserve. The Conservancy covers more than 17,300 acres and is mainly open savannah except along the banks of the Mara River which are heavily wooded and are ideal habitat for wildlife. The lodge lies at 5300 feet above sea level and is serviced by its own airstrip at a distance of 2kms with scheduled flights from Malindi, Mombasa, and Wilson Airport, Nairobi. The flight time from Nairobi is about 1 hour.

Accommodation: There are 7 luxury en-suite canvas and wood suites all with raised platforms giving panoramic views of the Mara River and the woods on the opposite bank. Each tent has polished Mahogany floors (including the terrace) and is very spacious providing open plan sleeping and living area complete with wood fire, a separate bathroom providing both a massage shower, open air bath (if desired) hand wash basins and flushing toilet. Comfortable seating is provided both in the living area and on the terrace so that the true tranquility of the lodge can be best appreciated. The distance between each suite has been maximized to reduce any risk of disturbance that may be caused by other guests.

Description: Ngerende Island Lodge has been designed to complement the safari experience so as to give comfort, luxury and service naturally. There is an abundance of wildlife both on the Conservation Ranch and of course within the Masai Mara Game Reserve to include Lion, Elephant, Rhino, Buffalo, Hippo's and many others. A feature of the Conservation Ranch is an exclusive project to rear the White Rhino so that they can take their place back in the Mara society to which they belong in greater numbers. Over 180 varieties of birds have been spotted within the lodge itself and there are 3 Hippo Pools strategically located around the lodge.



The luxurious lodge has only 7 elegant suites which are extremely spacious has stylish mahogany flooring with an open plan sleeping and living area, complete with fireplace. Comfortable seating is provided both in the living area and on the terrace so that the true tranquility of the lodge can be best appreciated.

All suites benefit from being built on stilt providing delightful panoramic views down onto the Mara and the woodland on the banks opposite.

The individual suites benefit from having a personal butler and the distance between each suite has been maximised to reduce any risk of noise disturbance that may be caused by other guests.

There are two restaurants, kitchen backed by chefs serving international cuisine and which are tailored towards guests requirements. There is also a spa which is a luxurious facility built in an area where there are rapids to reflect the true soul of Africa.

Activities:

Game drives in 4x4 wheel drive vehicles
Guided Bush Walks
Bush Breakfasts
Sundowners
Massage and Aromatherapy
Night game drives
Gym (Phase 3)

Wedding and Honeymoon:

The lodge is ideally suited for the hosting of weddings and the honeymoon suite a perfect getaway retreat.

Drinks and cuisine:

Soft drinks, house wine, bottled water, local beers and selected spirits are included in the room rates. Champagne, non-house wine and luxury spirits/liquors are an additional extra. Cuisine is international from our very talented chef who uses whenever possible organic vegetables grown at the lodge. The chef will easily adapt the menu to suit individual tastes and requirements if previously advised.

Airstrip:

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