LEOPARDS

Lair Tsavo

Activities 2027

LUMO COMMUNITY WILDLIFE SANCTUARY, TSAVO, KENYA





YOUR DAYS IN LUMO

Fifteen ways to spend the days and nights at Leopards Lair, from game drives across the Lumo Conservancy and hikes in the Taita Hills to an underground photography hide and a guided tour of the nearby First World War battlegrounds.

SAFARI IN LUMO

Morning or Afternoon Game Drive · Sunset Safari in the Park · Night Game Drive · Bush and Bird Walk

WALKS, HILLS & LAKES

Nature Walk · Hike Vuria / Taita Hills · Ngangau Forest · Lake Jipe · Shetani Lava Flow & Mzima Springs

CULTURE & HISTORY

A Day with the Taita · Taita Dancers Private Performance · Battlefield Tour (World War I)

BREAKFASTS, SUNDOWNERS & THE HIDE

Private Bush Breakfast · Private Sundowner · Underground Photographers Hide



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MORNING OR AFTERNOON GAME DRIVE

About 2 hrs, shared · minimum 2 adults · USD 115 per adult · USD 70 per child

Discover the wild Lumo Conservancy from a custom-built, open-sided safari vehicle. Expert guides take you to breathtaking viewpoints where you might spot elephants, lesser kudu, eland, impala, Grant's gazelle, lions and cheetahs. The best viewing is early morning or late afternoon. Included in the Ground Package; an add-on for Full Board guests.

Camp guide for Full Board bookings: USD 65 per day. Exclusive use of a vehicle: USD 400 per day in Peak Season · USD 335 in Shoulder and Green Season.

SUNSET SAFARI IN THE PARK

5:00–8:00 PM · about 3 hrs · minimum 2 adults · USD 115 per adult · USD 70 per child

The boundaries between day and night blur on this safari, led by an expert guide and spotter from golden dusk to velvet darkness. Around 6:30 PM the vehicle pauses at a strategic spot for a sundowner, to toast the sunset.

NIGHT GAME DRIVE

2 hrs · minimum 2 adults · USD 90 per adult · USD 50 per child

Night drives are generally not permitted inside national parks and reserves, which makes this a rare safari luxury. Leaving just before or after dinner, a powerful handheld lamp sweeps the bush for the hunters of the night. With luck you may spot leopard, pangolin and Lumo's melanistic serval.

Children below 8 at the discretion of management.

BUSH AND BIRD WALK

1–3 hrs · minimum 2 guests · minimum age 12 · USD 75 per person

Start the day with an African sunrise. Your 4x4 takes you to a safe area where Lumo Conservancy rangers lead you on foot, reading animal tracks and plants. Birdwatchers are well rewarded: around Tsavo West about 600 species are recorded, including Taita endemics such as the globally threatened Taita Thrush and Taita Apalis. The vehicle stays close by.



WALKS, HILLS & LAKES

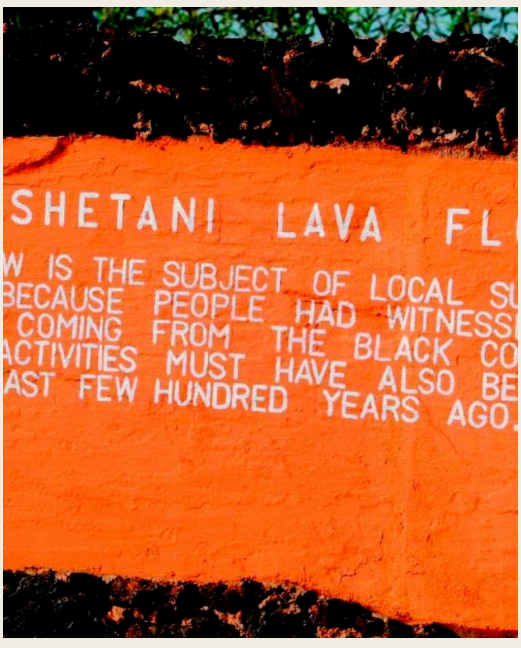
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NATURE WALK

With an expert guide or naturalist · Complimentary

Explore the ecosystem around Leopards Lair Cottages with an expert guide, learning to read animal tracks and signs and discovering the plants, insects and birds that thrive here.

HIKE VURIA / TAITA HILLS

Half to three-quarter day · minimum 2 adults · USD 130 per adult · USD 65 per child

Drive through the lush, mountainous Taita Hills, which locals call "little Switzerland", to Vuria, the highest peak at 2,300 metres. It takes about 55 minutes of steep walking from the vehicle to the panoramic view through montane forest, home to the rare Taita Apalis, Ross's turaco and Syke's monkeys. A picnic can be packed on request.

NGANGAU FOREST

Half to three-quarter day · minimum 2 adults · USD 130 per adult · USD 75 per child

Ngangau is one of the few remaining moist forests in the Taita Hills. Trek over a carpet of fallen leaves past the revered Mother Tree, tree caves and curious round rocks, then climb to the summit for a spellbinding panorama.

LAKE JIPE

Full day, packed lunch included · about 1.5 hrs from camp · minimum 2 adults · USD 170 per adult · USD 65 per child

A freshwater lake in Tsavo West that borders Tanzania and hosts hippos, crocodiles and unusual birds. The Kenyan side lies within the national park, so no fishing is allowed.

Tsavo park fees are not included. Boat rides are available at an additional KWS charge of USD 15 per person for 1.5 hrs.

SHETANI LAVA FLOW & MZIMA SPRINGS

Full day, packed lunch included · minimum 2 adults · USD 200 per adult · USD 135 per child

Mzima Springs is four natural springs in Tsavo National Park producing some 250 million litres of fresh water a day, with hippos, crocodiles, birdlife and an underwater viewing chamber. Shetani means "devil" in Kiswahili: a vast expanse of folded black lava spreading across the savannah near the Chyulu Hills, with the Shetani Caves nearby.

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A DAY WITH THE TAITA

Half day · minimum 4 guests · USD 120 per adult · USD 70 per child

Travel to the nearby town of Bura, where local Taita people host you for an authentic cultural day: milking a cow, learning traditional meal preparation, walking among medicinal plants, weaving sisal baskets, and ending with the Mwazindika dance and an interactive drumming session. Visits help the community benefit directly from tourism.

TAITA DANCERS PRIVATE PERFORMANCE

At the lodge, for your group · USD 550 flat rate

A private performance by Taita dancers, arranged for your group at the property.

BATTLEFIELD TOUR (WORLD WAR I)

Half to three-quarter day · USD 80 per person · USD 65 per child

Step back to the East African campaign of the First World War. Visit hilltop forts and Commonwealth war cemeteries at Maktau and Voi, and the water pipeline built by Indian Army engineers in 1916 that still flows today, guided by people trained by historians, with a sundowner against the backdrop of a storied battlefield.



BREAKFASTS, SUNDOWNERS & THE HIDE

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PRIVATE BUSH BREAKFAST

After a bush walk or early game drive · minimum 2 adults · USD 110 per adult · USD 55 per child

After your walk or early drive, your chef prepares a fresh breakfast under a tree with views across the Conservancy: fruit, juices, hot drinks and your choice of cooked dishes.

PRIVATE SUNDOWNER

From around 6:30 PM · minimum 2 adults · USD 60 per adult · USD 40 per child

A secluded, scenic spot among sweeping plains and distant hills. A chilled drink and light bites as wildlife roams nearby and the sky turns orange and crimson.

UNDERGROUND PHOTOGRAPHERS HIDE

Shared 8-hr session or exclusive 24-hr use · year-round · USD 150 per adult shared · USD 1,040 exclusive (max 4 guests)

The shared Lumo hide is built into the base of Lions Bluff and reached by road from Leopards Lair: a ground-level hide on a floodlit waterhole, glassed and lit for long sits. The dry season brings the best game viewing.

Shared access is included for Ground Package guests, subject to availability. Children under 16 are not permitted at the hide.



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Plan Your Days

Activities are arranged on request through your guide or at reception. Bush meals and sundowners need advance notice, so speak to your guide on arrival or when you book.

All prices in USD. A minimum of 2 adults applies to all activities and transfers. Conservancy fees and levies, and Tsavo park fees on park excursions, are not included. Rates valid 4 January 2027 to 3 January 2028.

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