

# PARK RULES

Adhere to Park entry and exit times. Unless you are an overnight visitor, always exit the park before dusk. Park gates open at 6:00 am and close at 6:00 pm.

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General rules of the road apply. Car hooting and driving under the influence of alcohol is strictly prohibited.



Move slowly and quietly but remember all animals are wild and can react dangerously if startled.

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All KWS parks, reserves and sanctuaries are **SINGLE USE PLASTIC FREE ZONES**.

**SOUTH ISLAND NATIONAL PARK**

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# PARK FEES

	Citizen	Residents	Non-Residents
	KSH	KSH	USD\$
Adult	250	250	20
Child/Student	100	100	10

Pay for your entry to any of our Parks or Reserves via:



## SPECIAL SERVICES/ACTIVITIES

Security/Guided tour per guide:

- Ksh. 1,720 – up to 4 hours
- Ksh. 3,015 – Over 4 hours

Lake Boating per Person Per Hour:

- Ksh. 1,290

## VEHICLE CHARGES PER DAY



Less than 6 Seats  
300/=



6-12 Seats  
1,030/=



13-24 Seats  
2,585/=



25-44 Seats  
4,050/=



45 Seats and above  
5,000/=

## WHAT TO TAKE WITH YOU

Whether camping or just visiting for a day trip, visitors are advised to carry with them the following; personal effects, drinking water, food, camping equipment if the visitor intends to stay overnight.

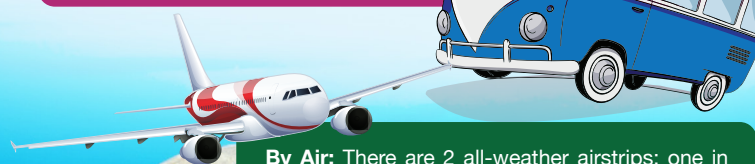
**Also important are;** Camera, binoculars, sunscreen, insect repellent, first aid kit, sunglasses, appropriate hiking gear and reserve car fuel if intending to be in the park longer.



## HOW TO GET THERE

**By Road:** The park is a one day 600 KM drive from Nairobi via Isiolo – Laisamis and or Marsabit town and South Horr.

The roads connecting to the park with the major town have both tarmac and murram; Nairobi – Laisamis – L. Turkana wind power project site and murram sections to Loiyangalani towns. High clearance 4WD vehicles are essential all year round and travelling in convoy is recommended.



**By Air:** There are 2 all-weather airstrips; one in the park and the other in Loiyangalani town. Other airstrips are found in Laisamis, Marsabit and North Horr towns.



# SOUTH ISLAND NATIONAL PARK

*Isle of Mystery*



# INTRODUCTION

Located in Southern L. Turkana, South Island National Park is a breeding ground for Nile crocodile and a range of venomous carpet snakes. It is also a UNESCO, Man and the Biosphere (MAB) reserve and Kenya's Important Bird Areas (IBA) as defined by Birdlife International as it is a key stopover for 34 species of Palaearctic migrant water birds.

Also characterized by unique geo-morphological features such as extinct volcanic ash overflows, sandy beaches, rocky outcrops islets and unidentified fossil deposits on sedimentary formations. The caldera - a rocky islet 20KM to the North of South Island is an important water fowl breeding site for the Great Cormorant, Reed Cormorant, Redheaded Gull. The park was gazetted vide GN 7867 under National Museums & Heritage Act 2006.



# KEY ATTRACTIONS & ACTIVITIES

South Island is a haven for water bird species and serves as a stopover for 6 rare migrants viewed between March-May. At least 23 bird species breed locally and include Goliath heron, African skimmer, white open African billed stork, duck and congregatory birds such as lesser flamingo. The lake is a major breeding ground for the Nile crocodile most prevalent in the numerous surrounding sandy beaches, a variety of reptile species including endemic lizards, 19 species of fish of which 12 are endemic.



The park is surrounded by the Turkana, Samburu and the El molo communities of rich traditional cultures. The Loiyangalani desert museum located 2KM from South Island on top of a hill bears a backdrop of the picturesque Lake Turkana with a display of rich cultural splendor of the eight communities living around Lake Turkana.

Lake Turkana Cultural Festival is also a great attraction. This is an annual festival held to celebrate the diverse and rich cultural splendor of the communities living in the area. These include; El Molo, Rendille, Samburu, Turkana, Dasanach, Gabra, Borana, Waata and Burji.

Visitors can enjoy game viewing, camping, walking safaris, picnicking and boat safaris.



# ACCOMMODATION

*Stay in the Wild, explore, create memories*

The Park has no self-catering accommodation options but visitors looking to experience an overnight stay have the option of camping.

## CAMPING: SPECIAL CAMPSITE

For this category, only camping grounds are provided. The visitor has to reserve the special campsite well in advance for exclusive use. Visitors have to bring with them a source of fire and kitchen utensils.

- Reservation of special campsites should be done through the park warden or through KWS headquarters reservations desk; [reservations@kws.go.ke](mailto:reservations@kws.go.ke)
- Prevailing camping rates apply per person per day for both special and public campsites including other park charges.
- There are other private accommodation options in Loiyangalani town.

