

FACT SHEET



Tsavo West National Park 'Theatre of the wild'

TSAVO EAST NATIONAL PARK

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FOR RESERVATIONS:

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ACCESS:

- Distance: 232 km from Nairobi, 250km from Mombasa (Mtito Andei Gate).
- By air There are 3 airstrips in the park
- Gates: Tsavo, Lake Jipe, Mtito Andei (Kamboyo HQ), Chyulu, Maktau and Ziwani.
- Roads: The main access routes are through Chyulu Gate from Amboseli and Mtito Andei Gate from Nairobi.
- Visitors from Mombasa also use Tsavo Gate near Manyani.
- The Park can also be reached via Taveta –Voi road through Maktau, Ziwani and Jipe Gates.
- Airstrips: Kamboyo, Kilaguni, Tsavo Gate, Jipe, Kasigau, Finch Hottons, Ziwani, and Makatau airstrips are in good.

SIZE / LOCATION

- 9065 Km².
- South Eastern Kenya, Inland from Mombasa

CLIMATE:

- Temperature ranges from 20-30^oc and rainfall from 200mm – 700 mm.
- Two rain seasons: Long rains – March & April & short rains – Nov/ December.

PERSONNEL ON CALL

- The Warden

SAFARICARD REQUIRED?

- Entry is by SafariCard only. Safaricards may be loaded – but not obtained at Mtito Andei Gate

MAJOR ATTRACTIONS

- Recent Volcanoes, lava flows and caves with potential for geological and cave exploration and hiking. Mzima Springs & underwater hippo and fish watching,

WILDLIFE:

- Leopard, Cheetah, Wild dogs, Buffalo, Rhino, Elephant, Giraffe, Zebra, Lion, Plains Game, Crocodile, Mongoose, Hyrax, Dik- Dik, Lesser Kudu, and Nocturnal Porcupine. Prolific birdlife features 600 species.

WHERE TO STAY:

In- Park Accommodation

- Ngulia Safari Lodge
- Kilaguni Safari Serena Lodge
- Kitani Severin Safari Camp/ Lodge
- Finch Hatton's Tented Lodge
- Voyager Safari Camp

Self – Catering Accomodation:

- Kamboyo Guest House: Former Warden's House; 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, and a caretaker
- Lake Jipe Bandas: 3 self-catering Bandas.

Camping

- 3 public campsites (offering water and latrines only) as follows: Kamboyo campsite (8 km from Mtito Andei Gate), Chyulu Campsite (1 km from Chyulu Gate) and Lake Jipe Campsite (on the lake shore)
- A wide variety of 'special campsite' (no facilities) exist and must be booked in advance through the wawrden or KWS HQs

ACTIVITY OPTIONS

- Game viewing.
- Camping.
- Cave exploration.
- Underwater Hippo and fish watching.
- Caving at the Shetani caves

BEST TIME TO VISIT

- All year round

WHAT TO TAKE WITH YOU

- Drinking water, picnic items and camping equipment if you intend to stay overnight. Also useful are: binoculars, camera, hat, sunscreen, sunglasses and guidebooks