

BORANA



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CONSERVATION ACTIVITIES

Borana Conservancy spans 32,000 acres of pristine wilderness. The landscape is typical to the foothills of Mount Kenya and perfectly situated for wildlife, with suitable habitat for The Big Five, including rhino.

In 2013, a founding population of 21 Black Rhino were introduced. Once they were settled, Borana and Lewa Wildlife Conservancy were integrated to form one landscape; allowing the wildlife free reign over 92,000 acres of unspoilt African wilds. Together with Lewa, the conservancy hosts a thriving community of over 150 rhino (both black and white), making this East Africa's largest continuous rhino habitat.

There are a wide range of conservation activities which guests of Borana Lodge are encouraged to take part in. From darting and ear notching rhino to accompanying rangers on their evening deployments, these activities give travellers a unique insight to the "behind the scenes" of conservation and how we take care of over nine highly endangered species who call Borana home.





RANGERS

The Lewa/Borana landscape is proud to report zero poaching incidents in almost five years. This is in huge part due to the efforts of the team of over 100 rangers who work tirelessly to keep Borana Conservancy and its wildlife safe. Your guests are invited to accompany parts of the anti-poaching team on their daily activities, giving a true insight into life as a ranger.

RHINO TRACKING

This is not your average bush walk, guests can help with conservation on Borana by joining the team of scouts who track and account for all rhinos each morning, often encountering elephant, giraffe and other wildlife. The team must set out on foot from various locations across Borana to see and monitor each rhino on the Conservancy. By joining them on this venture, Borana Lodge guests are given the opportunity to learn more about the “behind the scenes” work that goes into the conservancy, how we track and identify rhino, and take the time to meet the team that keep the rhino safe.

DEPLOYMENTS

Each evening, the armed unit of the anti-poaching team is deployed to various vantage points across Borana Conservancy in order to survey and monitor the wildlife, the land and the perimeter. Guests can help by driving parts of the team out on these deployments and dropping them off where they will then spend the night. These rangers are out all night, every night, regardless of the weather or time of year. This gives guests a unique opportunity to learn about the training, day to day lives of our anti-poaching team and generally spend time with our unsung heroes, the boots on the ground in conservation.

These activities are included in the guest experience, they do not need advanced notice and can be organised by guests with lodge management on arrival.

While working closely with Lewa Wildlife Conservancy, Borana Lodge and Borana Conservancy are proud to offer guests truly unique experiences which give them the chance to leave their mark on this incredible conservation story.

SPONSORING A RHINO

A handful of the rhinos on the Lewa-Borana landscape are yet to be named. Your guest is given the opportunity to name one of the world's most endangered animals and will be given quarterly photographs and updates on the rhino's welfare. There are a limited number of individuals which are yet to be sponsored, ranging in age. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to make a mark on the largest contiguous rhino habitat in East Africa.

This is at a one off cost of \$10,000 USD which is also considered a contribution to Borana and Lewa's rhino conservation program.

VETERINARY EXPERIENCES

Borana Lodge offers it's guests various opportunities to get involved in conservation as much as possible. Every now and again there will be an chance to join rangers and researchers in tracking, darting and carrying out veterinary procedures for a variety of species on the Lewa-Borana landscape. This type of activity can not be pre-booked and very much depends on the need for various procedures.

For more information and to book these unique opportunities please contact Eloise Best - eloise@borana.co.ke



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Borana Conservancy is dedicated to the sustainable conservation of land and wildlife. Our holistic approach commits tourism, ranching and other enterprise to building local livelihoods and enhancing ecosystem integrity.

All retained earning from Borana Lodge and other commercial enterprises contribute towards the support of communities, wildlife and it's habitat.

