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Mpala Research Centre 2024 fees structure Fees in USD

Mpala is dedicated to expanding the research community and promoting inclusivity by providing discounted accommodation rates and granting access to facilities and services. Our focus is on encouraging research collaborations with groups that have been historically underrepresented. To support this goal, we have maintained affordable accommodation rates for East African students and researchers. Furthermore, we have established an annual fund to assist Kenyan students and researchers in their research endeavors at Mpala.

CATEGORY A - Private bungalows

	Kenyans/E. African		International	
	New Rates	Current Rates	New Rates	Current Rates
Ranch house	150	100	150	100
Jenga house	120	100	120	100
Smithsonian house	120	100	120	100

This rate covers meals on full Board (breakfast, lunch, dinner and teas/coffee and snacks).
Provision of clean drinking water, daily laundry services, house keeping, WiFi.
Provision of a house chef.

CATEGORY B - Private houses per person sharing

	Kenyans/E. African		International	
	New Rates	Current Rates	New Rates	Current Rates
Grevy house	60	50	75	60
Klee house	60	50	75	60
Heathrow house	60	50	75	60

Provision of clean drinking water, daily laundry services, house keeping, WiFi.

CATEGORY C - Single ensuite bandas

	Kenyans/E. African		International	
	New Rates	Current Rates	New Rates	Current Rates
Banda -3	45	40	60	55

Banda -5	45	40	60	55
Banda -6	45	40	60	55

This rate covers meals on full Board (breakfast, lunch, dinner and teas/coffee and snacks).
Provision of clean drinking water, laundry services for 3 days a week, house keeping, WiFi.

CATEGORY D - Dormitories & shared accommodation

	Kenyans/E. African		International	
	New Rates	Current Rates	New Rates	Current Rates
PU/Keller dorms	30	30	45	45
Shared bandas	30	30	45	45

This rate covers meals on full Board (breakfast, lunch, dinner and teas/coffee and snacks).
Provision of clean drinking water, laundry services for 3 days a week, house keeping, WiFi.

CATEGORY E - River camp

	Kenyans/E. African		International	
	New Rates	Current Rates	New Rates	Current Rates
Student Groups	30	30	70	60
Non - Student Groups	50	45	80	70

This rate covers meals on full Board (breakfast, lunch, dinner and teas/coffee and snacks).
Provision of clean drinking water, laundry services for 3 days a week, house keeping.
Conference hall with a projector, access to WiFi.

CATEGORY F - Education & conservation documentary crew **

	Kenyans/E. African		International	
	New Rates	Current Rates	New Rates	Current Rates
Educational crew members	150	120	150	120

This rate covers meals on full Board (breakfast, lunch, dinner and teas/coffee and snacks).
Provision of clean drinking water, laundry services for 3 days a week, house keeping.
Conference hall with a projector, access to WiFi.

** documentary crew to pay 10% conservation fees in additional to accommodation rates.

CATEGORY G - Other fees

	Kenyans/E. African	International
Mpala Research Support - off campus researchers (per day) bench fees inclusive lunch & teas	15	35

Mpala Affiliation for off campus research (per person) charged annually	300	300
Mpala Affiliation for on campus research (pp) charged annually	150	150
Mpala land cruiser hire 8 seater (with driver) exclusive of fuel	100	100
Student day visitors inclusive of lunch	10	25
Technical Support & supplies	at cost	at cost

Office Space Monthly

Category I	\$150
Category II	\$100
Research Assistant Benefits (Cost per month; Covers costs of WIBA Insurance, medical, transport, normal PPE, etc.)	\$200 per month
Casual Wages per day (employed for less than 1 month)	or \$7 per day
Statutory drone operation supervision (MRC drone pilot)	\$20 per day on site
Administration fee 10% of the total cost for individual researchers and 15% for projects & grants	10% and 15%

NOTES:

- a) Accommodation is provided on single occupancy. Double occupancy (extra person) will be billed at 75% of the applicable rate.
- b) All researcher reimbursable (supplies) costs will attract a 10% support fee.
- c) Fuel will be issued at the recommended pump price in Nanyuki.
- d) Researchers whose cumulative accommodation aggregates a month will receive a 15% discount.
- e) Researchers who may need exclusive access to a house will be required to liaise with finance department for rate concurrence.
- f) Daily research support includes access to Mpala, non-specialized labs, use of internet, lunch and teas. This does not include transport to and from Mpala. Any additional expenses will be handled as provided under (b) above.