THE MANOR NGORONGORO

TANZANIA

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LAKE MANYARA AIRPORT
Lake Eyasi
GAME DRIVE TO LAKE MANYARA
Lake Manyara
TARANGIRE NATIONAL PARK

A World of Timeless Elegance

Nestled in the green, rolling hills south of the Ngorongoro Crater, is a welcoming Manor House in the Cape Dutch style that will whisk you to a bygone age of grandeur.









Set amidst the emerald slopes of a sprawling coffee plantation, The Manor at Ngorongoro offers an experience of unparalleled old-world charm. Located adjacent to the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, our manor house boasts grand, Cape Dutch-style cottages that perfectly complement the verdant highlands surrounding you. Here, you can enjoy the refined beauty of the estate while indulging in a seamless blend of safari adventure and manor-house luxury.

Fast Facts

Location	• Shangri-La Estate, Karatu, adjacent to the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, Tanzania
Global Coordinates	• S3°18′ 8.55″ E35°38′26.66″
Access	• Lake Manyara Airstrip is a 30 min flight from Arusha Airport (Scheduled flights daily) • 40 min transfer from Lake Manyara Airstrip to the lodge
Check-in	• From 14:00 to 18:00
Check-out	• 10:00
Lodge Facilities	• 4x4 Custom Game Vehicles • 24-Hr Power • Accept Credit Cards • Bar • Child Friendly • Children's Menu • Complimentary Wi-Fi • Daily Scheduled Flights • In-room Charging Facilities • Laundry Service • Restaurant • Room Service • Shop • Spa • Swimming Pool • Wheelchair-Accessible Lounge and Bar


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THE STABLE COTTAGE
STABLES
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NGORONGORO CONSERVATION AREA
PARKING
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HERB GARDEN
STAFF HOUSES
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STAFF HOUSE
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GIFT SHOP
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SWIMMING POOL
MAIN HOUSE
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COFFEE FARM
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Key Highlights

Classic Cape-Dutch Architecture

The Manor features an elegant, old-world Cape-Dutch architectural design, set amidst lush, manicured tropical gardens. This historic estate style offers guests a visually unique, deeply peaceful setting that contrasts beautifully with the ruggedness of the surrounding African bush. It serves as a tranquil, luxurious sanctuary before or after a full day out on safari.

Private Crater Lunches

The Manor holds special permission to host private bush lunches inside a secluded campsite area directly within the Ngorongoro Crater, safely away from standard tourist crowds. Set up directly from the safari vehicle under a shady awning, these premium excursions feature full tables, comfortable chairs, and gourmet culinary hampers.

Estate Horseback Riding Excursions

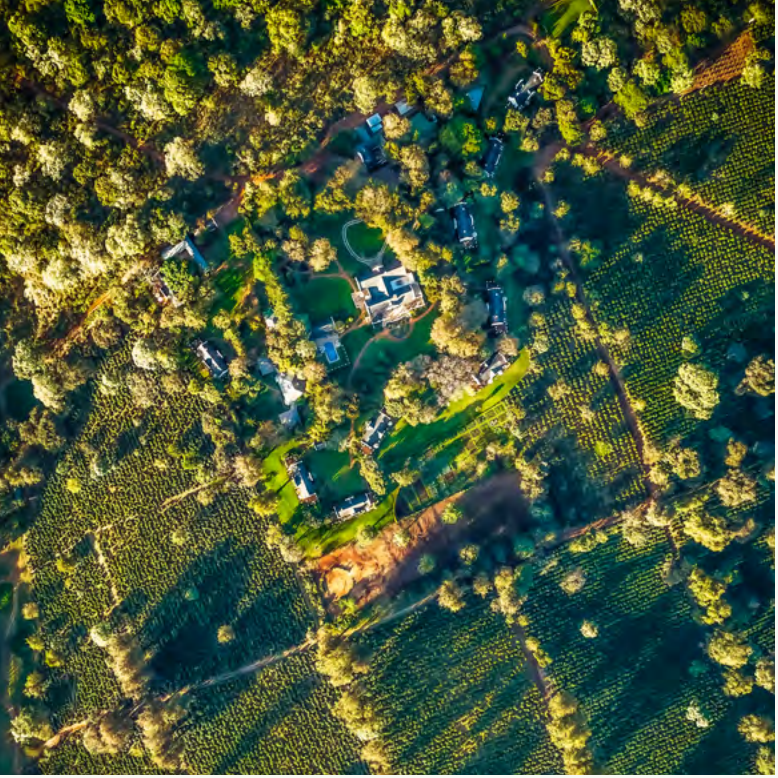
Guests can embark on a guided horseback excursion through the estate's sprawling coffee plantation and into the neighbouring wilderness areas. Suitable for various experience levels, these rides offer an active and intimate perspective of the landscape - a wonderfully immersive way to connect with nature.

Ngorongoro Coffee Tours

Situated on a historic 1,500-acre working Arabica coffee estate, the property provides an engaging, educational plantation tour. Guests can explore the rolling fields alongside an expert estate guide, tracking the complete journey from cultivation and hand-harvesting to the final drying and roasting stages, complete with fresh tastings.

Circuit Positioning

Ideally positioned as a relaxing midway point on the northern Tanzania safari circuit, the estate offers an exceptional balance of adventure and wellness. Guests can venture out on easy day trips to the Ngorongoro Crater or Lake Manyara National Park, or remain on site to enjoy deep relaxation and premium spa pampering.











Old World Charm

The Manor at Ngorongoro is a masterful blend of East African hospitality and European elegance, reminiscent of an era when life moved at a more graceful pace. Its white-walled cottages feature opulent, fire-warmed interiors - each suite serving as a sophisticated sanctuary of refined comfort that captures the grandeur and timeless beauty of the Tanzanian highlands.

- **18 Manor Suites in 9 Cottages (58.0m²):** Luxurious, fire-warmed suites set within classic Cape Dutch-style cottages.
- **1 Stable Cottage (116.0m²):** A three-bedroom family cottage featuring two bathrooms, one small children's bathroom, a family lounge area, a TV room, and a private dining space.
- **Wheelchair-Friendly Rooms:** Rooms 11 and 12 are wheelchair friendly.

All rooms feature private terraces overlooking the lush gardens and emerald-green hills. The cottages are strategically positioned to minimise disturbance and maximise sweeping views across the coffee plantation, maintaining an atmosphere of absolute intimacy and privacy - the perfect respite after a day exploring the nearby Ngorongoro Crater.

Every detail has been designed with comfort in mind. Each cottage carefully positioned to maximise views of the verdant hills, yet maintain the intimacy and privacy of an old-world Manor home. An elegant respite after a day in the Ngorogoro Crater.








Explore the lush coffee
estate on horseback,
discover the wonders of
the Ngorongoro Crater,
or simply unwind with
a spa treatment in your
manor-style retreat.

Activities

Select activities and excursions require advance booking and may carry additional charges. Should you have any questions or require further information, our team is available to assist.

A Day Trip to the Ngorongoro Crater
Witness the morning mist lift from the world's largest intact volcanic caldera, home to an extraordinary density of wildlife. Enjoy a full day of game viewing within this iconic UNESCO World Heritage site.

Day Excursion to Lake Manyara National Park
Explore lush groundwater forests and open floodplains along the lake Ernest Hemingway called the "loveliest in Africa." This scenic adventure offers a captivating look at one of Tanzania's most bird-rich national parks.

Maasai Boma Cultural Experience
Embark on an enriching visit to a traditional Maasai homestead in the neighbouring Ngorongoro highlands. Guided by local hosts, gain genuine insight into pastoralist customs while enjoying vibrant cultural performances and beadwork craftsmanship.

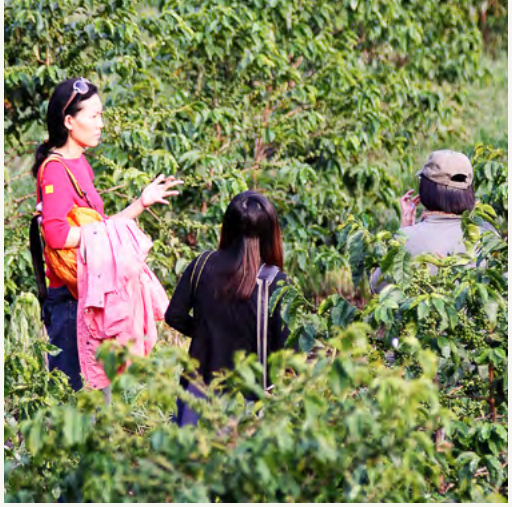
Ngorongoro Coffee Tour
Discover the journey of the coffee bean from tree to cup on a guided walk through our 1,500-acre working estate. Learn about the delicate harvesting and roasting processes before enjoying a fresh tasting.

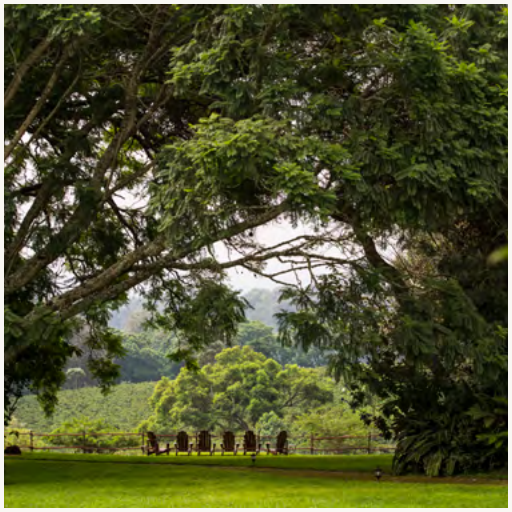
Horse Riding Adventures
Trek through the estate's rolling coffee fields and highland trails on a guided horseback ride suitable for all experience levels. Pony rides are also available as a delightful complimentary activity for children.
(Age restrictions may apply and is subject to experience).

Rejuvenating Massage Treatments
Unwind after a day on safari with therapeutic massages in our serene, private treatment room. Professional therapies using natural botanical oils restore balance and soothe tired muscles.

Swimming and Relaxation
Enjoy a refreshing dip in the outdoor pool overlooking scenic coffee trees and rolling hills. Comfortable poolside loungers offer an idyllic spot to unwind with a book between safari outings.

Guided Scenic and Nature Walks
Set out on foot with an expert guide to discover the vibrant flora and birdlife across our historic grounds. These gentle walks offer a intimate, immersive perspective on the local ecosystem.

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Children's Activities

- **Garden to Table**
  Little chefs harvest fresh vegetables and herbs from the lodge's organic shamba. Their hand-picked ingredients are then handed to the culinary team to incorporate into delicious family dinners.
- **Herb Planting**
  Young guests plant directly into garden beds. This hands-on activity leaves a green, lasting contribution to our thriving organic garden.
- **Cookie Decorating**
  Children design and decorate sweet treats in a fun, creative culinary workshop. Their colourful creations can be enjoyed straight away or displayed during afternoon High Tea.
- **Mini Twitcher Bird Walk**
  Young birdwatchers set out across the manicured lodge grounds alongside an expert guide. They will learn to spot, track, and identify colourful local bird species along the trail.
- **Stargazing & African Folklore**
  Children gather around the warm fire to discover constellations and track stars. Captivating traditional night-sky legends bring the African wilderness to life under the evening sky.



- **Movie Night**
  Little ones settle into the cosy cinema lounge for a fun-filled movie evening complete with treats. This entertainment option gives parents a peaceful, uninterrupted dinner experience.
- **Lawn Croquet**
  Families enjoy a classic garden game played across the estate's lush emerald lawns. It provides a delightful, relaxed outdoor activity for all ages to experience together.
- **Giant Lawn Jenga**
  Players test their balance and strategy using an oversized lawn Jenga set. Every block successfully removed unlocks a fascinating fact about local East African wildlife.
- **Homemade Playdough**
  Children mix, mould, and sculpt colourful creations during a hands-on crafting session. It is the perfect creative activity for quiet afternoon downtime before dinner.











The Culinary Experience

Classical technique, Dutch heritage and the produce of the Ngorongoro highlands define the culinary experience at The Manor. Much of what reaches the kitchen is grown in the estate's own shamba, allowing menus to follow the seasons and celebrate ingredients at their freshest.

Lunch is a relaxed farm-to-table affair, served à la carte and shaped by the day's harvest, while picnic hampers can be prepared for guests exploring the Crater. As evening falls, the experience becomes more refined, culminating in the Manor's signature five-course tasting menu.

Precision, balance and a strong connection to the estate sit at the heart of every dish, creating a dining experience that feels entirely at home within the elegant surroundings of The Manor.

Sustainability & Conservation

The Manor at Ngorongoro operates under a zero-tolerance waste philosophy and a commitment to positive community impact across the Ngorongoro highlands.

Environmental Stewardship

- **Accreditations:** Signatory of the Glasgow Declaration and RTTZ Tree Certified - the highest rating awarded by Responsible Tourism Tanzania.
- **Waste & Plastics:** Strict elimination of single-use plastics alongside comprehensive waste sorting at source.
- **Circular Economy:** Food waste converted into organic fertiliser for on-site culinary gardens supplying fresh, seasonal produce.
- **Environmental Auditing:** Ecological footprint and operational standards rigorously audited.

Community & Local Legacy

- **Local Education:** Long-standing support for Ganako Primary School through infrastructure development and essential learning supplies.
- **Social Enterprise:** Glass re-purposing and active recycling partnerships through the Shanga social enterprise.
- **Highland Stewardship:** Integration of farm-to-table practices and social investments to foster a lasting positive legacy for the region.





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