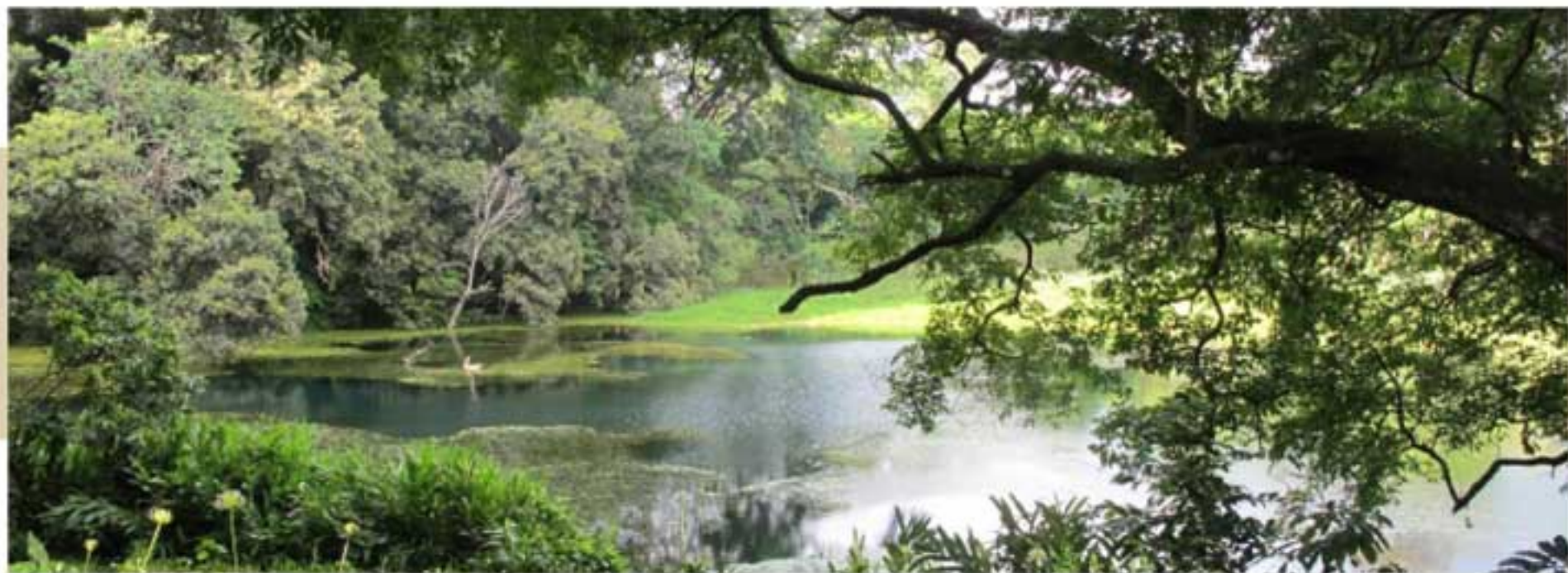


# NGARE SERO MOUNTAIN LODGE



A TRANQUIL BASE FOR SAFARIS AT THE FOOTHILLS OF MOUNT MERU

*The Main house of the lodge was built in 1905, and it still retains many of the original features.*



Long colonial verandas stretch along the front of the house. Long-armed chairs provide a perfect spot from which to contemplate the awesome view of Mount Kilimanjaro.

The Bar is next to the Reception. The fireplace living room, furnished with the stone bench and leather cushions, is decorated with antiques commemorating Tanzania's German colonial past.

# *Restaurant & Bar*



Ngare Sero Lodge serves delicious home cooked meals of hearty soups, freshly caught trout from the in-house fish farm, homemade bread and pastry, Meru cheese and bundles of fresh herbs and salads from its own organic vegetable gardens. Aside from a notable and reasonably priced beverage collection the Bar offers a healthy juice list.

# *Garden Rooms*



*Our 10 Garden Rooms are nested in the tranquil gardens with the beautiful views of bougainvillea and jacaranda from private verandahs*



8 rooms offer king-size Zanzibar beds and 2 others are furnished with twin beds.

Interiors are individually decorated with ethnic fabrics and handmade furniture like study tables and the ottoman sofas that on request can be used as a third single bed. Each room has an en-suite toilet, a bath tub and a dressing room.

# *Suites*



*Ngare Sero Lodge offers only three exclusive suites*



One suite is located in the main colonial house and two adjoined suites are in the Pool Cottage.

Main House Suite with bedroom and sitting room has a comfortable farmhouse feel – with Afgan rugs and wooden floorboards creaking under foot, decorated with the family collection of paintings and handmade furniture.

This suite has a private balcony with a spectacular view of Mount Kilimanjaro as well as the mirror-surfaced lake and a forest.

## *Pool Cottage Suite*



Our pool cottage with a little outside patio surrounded by the garden has two suites. Round Room has a 7-meter dome ceilings, big bath and a double bed. Oval Room has two bathrooms, one double bed and an extra single sofa-bed. The cottage is perfect for families with kids or honeymooners.

# *Ecology*



Located in a small forest reserve beside a spring, Ngare Sero Lodge aims to set an example for environmentally friendly and socially responsible tourism.

Damming the spring has created three lakes that support a healthy ecosystem of animals and birds. We generate our own hydro-electricity to power the lodge and our organic trout farm.

*We collaborate with the village government and the authorities to protect the forest, water source and management of water extraction.*



All drinking water comes direct from the springs, and we also supply fresh water to the neighboring schools and villages. We are striving to be carbon neutral by absorbing our carbon production via indigenous tree planting and forest protection. We have recently launched a community based project of harvesting indigenous crouton tree seeds for vegetable oil extraction. We have also converted our company vehicles and generator to run on unprocessed vegetable oil.

# Wild Life



Explore the fifty acres of forest, lake and beautiful gardens which will reveal an array of indigenous and exotic flora and fauna. Cold water springs rising in the forest feed a crystal clear lake home to many kinds of frogs, fresh water crabs and fish including barbel, sword-tails and trout. Troops of Sykes monkeys and black and white colobus monkeys are to be seen in the forest. This rich habitat attracts a great diversity of bird species. Of over 500 species of birds that occur in the Arusha area over 200 can be observed around Ngare Sero. Our bird list includes 16 species of herons, fish eagles, hornbills and many others.

# *Activities*



You can either relax among the lodge grounds amid the peace and serenity we wish to offer or partake in the myriad of activities to enhance your stay in Ngare Sero Mountain Lodge.

Explore indigenous forest and its inhabitants on a nature walk, try swimming in the 30 meter pool, fly fishing or boating in the cool waters of the clear lake or horse ride under the tree canopy.

# *Horse Riding*



Learn riding with one of our five horses on the lodge grounds or go around the village trails on the green hilly slopes of Mount Meru

## *Swimming*

# *Activities*



Swim or relax in the 30 metre pool amid the colourful gardens of ginger, bougainvillea, heliconia and jacaranda trees, with a splendid view of Mount Meru. Please ask for a towel at the reception.

# *Bird Watching*

## *Activities*



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We also offer to show ornithologists other great locations for bird watching in the diverse habitats on the slopes of Mount Meru.

# *Chemka Hot Springs*

## *Activities*



In Swahili “chemka” means boiling or bubbling. This beautiful mineral spring that originates from Kilimanjaro ground waters releases bubbles as it comes up into the natural pool surrounded by large fig trees. Here you can swim and snorkel in the transparent warm water (26 degrees), sunbathe or relax in hammocks in the shade.

We leave the oasis just in time to catch a view of Kilimanjaro and Mawenzi peak during sunset on our way to the Lodge.

# *Arusha National Park*

## *Activities*



- Arusha National Park is situated on the slopes of Meru is only half an hour drive from our lodge, and it has the widest floral diversity in Tanzania – from grassland through montane forest to heath and alpine desert as well as both soda and fresh water lakes. Mount Meru at 4,568m (15,000 feet) is Africa's fourth highest mountain and a relatively young volcano.
- We can organise full day game drives through Arusha National Park combined with shorter walks on Mount Meru towards the ash cone in the crater where you can observe wildlife in the mystical forest and lake habitats.

# *Garden Spa*



Ngare Sero Garden Spa has designed its therapies to especially benefit travelers, who come to rest and relax at the Lodge after long International flights, safaris or mountain climbs. For our treatments we use natural oils and sheer butter, natural cosmetics and traditional home-made remedies.

All massage and beauty treatments are provided amid lush gardens of heliconia and bougainvillea in the Garden Spa Tower.

# Events



*Tranquil atmosphere of Ngare Sero Mountain Lodge make it an exceptional venue for private events.*

Our gardens with a profusion of trees and flowers, and grass lawns with lake and forest views make perfect grounds for intimate family celebrations or grand receptions.

Our team can provide professional event planning services for conferences, weddings, as well as birthday parties and anniversaries.

# Weddings



- The Ngare Sero gardens with a profusion of trees and flowers, and grass lawns with lake and forest views make perfect grounds for intimate family wedding celebrations or grand receptions. Our staff is experienced in catering events of up to 150 people, providing an exceptional service in a tranquil and private setting.

*The lodge offers indoor and outdoor facilities for conferences and seminars. Our pool cottage and lake platform can host working groups of up to 50 people. .*



### Technical Facilities

- Sound system • Microphone • LCD Projector compatible with PC FAT 32 hard drives
  - DVD Player • Compact disc player • Flip chart
- Wireless Internet connection (upon request only) • Telephone

# *Retreats & Classes*



Ngare Sero Mountain Lodge has hosted a number of international yoga and meditation retreats with our resident yoga instructors and prominent teachers from all over the world. Our lake platform provides a quiet space for practice under the forest canopy surrounded by sounds of nature. We offer organic vegetarian and health foods for groups.

Ngare Sero is an optimal retreat base for writers, dancers, yogis, body-art practitioners and all those who seek to combine training in privacy amid nature with an abundance of cultural, adventure and wild life activities in close proximity.

# Our Team

*Ngare Sero Mountain Lodge is one of the oldest family lodges in Arusha. Acquired by Mike Leach almost 40 years ago it has been managed first by his wife Gisella and then his son Tim Leach.*



Most Ngare Sero Lodge staff are employed from the local community and have had on the job training and improvement of skills. Some of our people have been with us for over 20 years, and children of the first lodge employees are still working with the company.

Upon arrival you will meet Harold and Joel at the reception, Rama and Musa at the dining and the bar. Tim, Katya and Mike will always be glad to assist you. On behalf of our Ngare Sero Mountain Lodge team we wish you an enjoyable stay!

# Rates

## Rates per person (USD)

### Full-board – meals and accommodation:

Suite \$225 / Garden rooms \$170

### Full-board (for 3 or more consecutive nights):

Garden rooms \$150

### Half-board:

Garden rooms \$150

### Half-board (for 3 or more consecutive nights):

Garden rooms \$130

### Day room with dinner:

Suites \$120 / Garden rooms \$ 90

Single Supplement \$ 80

Holiday Supplement (24th, 25th and  
31st December) \$ 40

Lunch or Lunch Basket \$15

Dinner \$20

Transfer by car to/from KIA and  
Arusha airports one way (up to 5 pax) \$80

Transfer by bus to/from KIA and  
Arusha airports one way (up to 25 pax) \$130