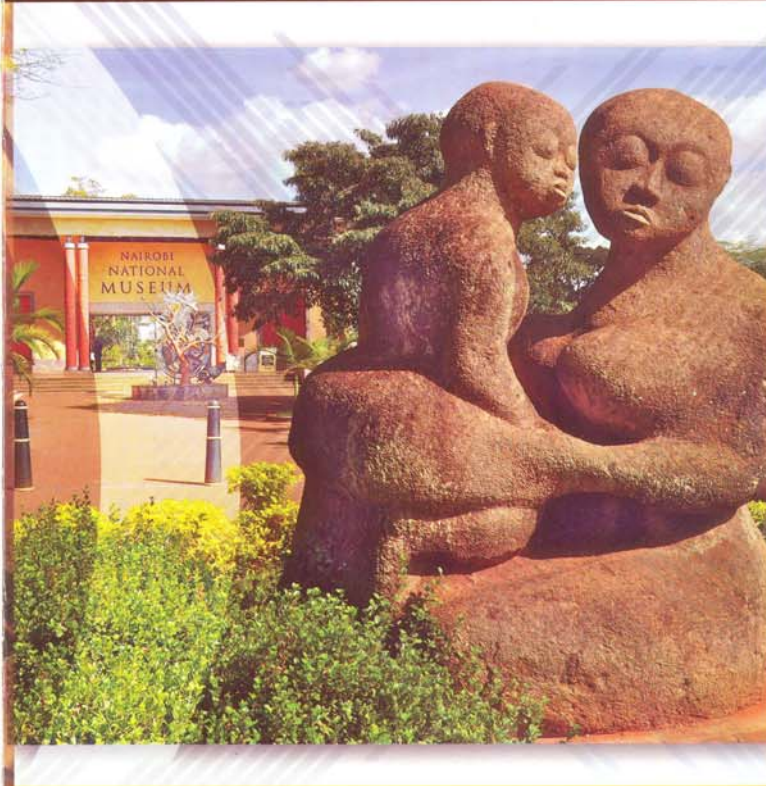


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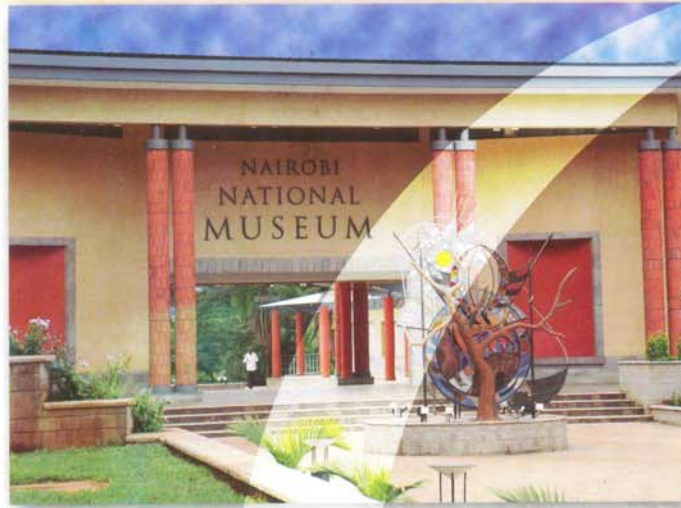
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NATIONAL MUSEUMS OF KENYA

WHERE HERITAGE LIVES ON



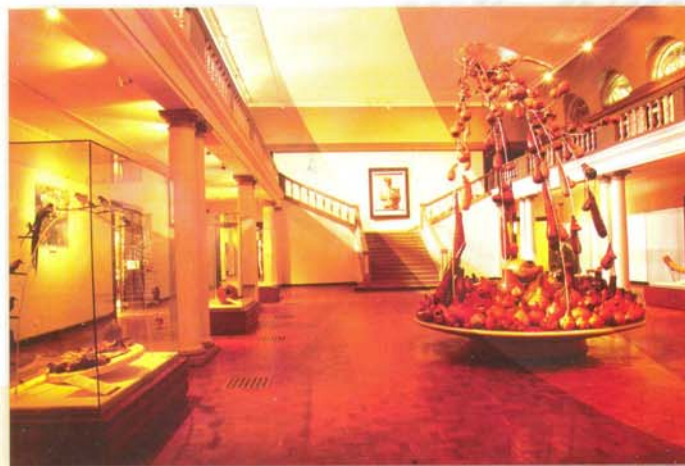


WELCOME/KARIBU

to Nairobi National Museum , a place of discovery.

This revitalized museum is the flagship brand of the National Museums of Kenya's (NMK) Museums, Sites and Monuments spread all across the country.

The Nairobi National Museum is a melting pot for rich discoveries in Kenya's heritage spanning through History, Culture, Nature, and Art.





HALL OF MAMMALS

The hall of mammals traces the development of mammals over time with a focus on their adaptations to movement, feeding and protection. The exhibition confronts the visitor with points of congruence as well as divergence in the make up of the mammal world.

Get ready for a harmless close up experience with some of Kenya's renowned safari favorites including the big five.

CRADLE OF HUMANKIND

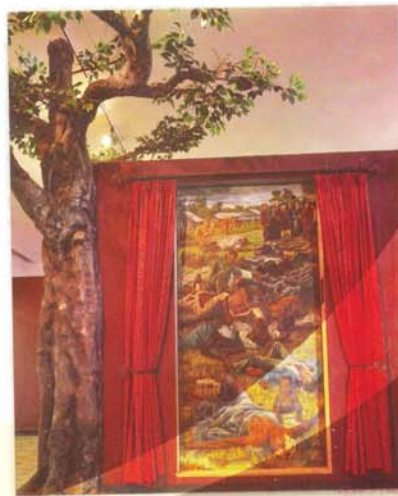
This unique collection that pointing to Kenya as the Cradle of Humankind is on display in this gallery. The exhibition traces human existence as evidenced in fossil findings across Kenya .



HISTORIA YA KENYA

The gallery highlights Kenya's history in three major phases; precolonial Kenya, period of colonial rule and independent Kenya.

Historical events such as the building of the Kenya Uganda Railway, land alienation and the two world wars that shaped the lives of the people of Kenya have also been featured.





CYCLES OF LIFE

Life amongst Kenyan communities is filtered through different stages in this exciting exhibition. From birth through youth to old age, death and transitioning into ancestry.

This exhibition samples cultural practices from Kenya's communities as associated with these different stages in life. There is a wealth of material and intangible culture to be appreciated in this exhibition.

TEMPORARY EXHIBITIONS

The museum features numerous provisions for temporary exhibitions ensuring that there is something new and different every time you visit.

We host both local and international exhibitions. Information on our current exhibitions is available at our visitor center and on our website.

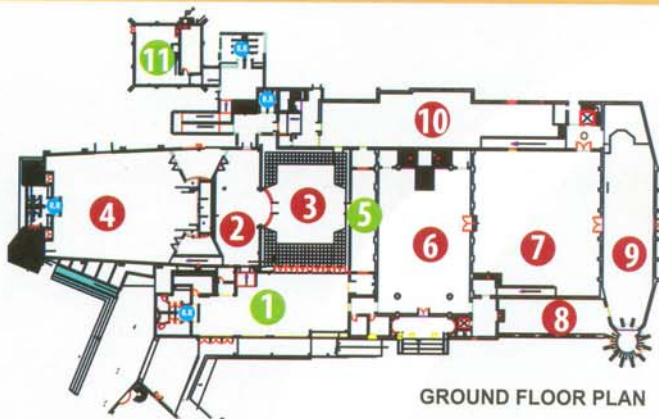


BIRDS OF EAST AFRICA EXHIBITION

They have come from far and wide, in all colors and sizes, and found a home at the spacious Birds of East Africa Gallery.

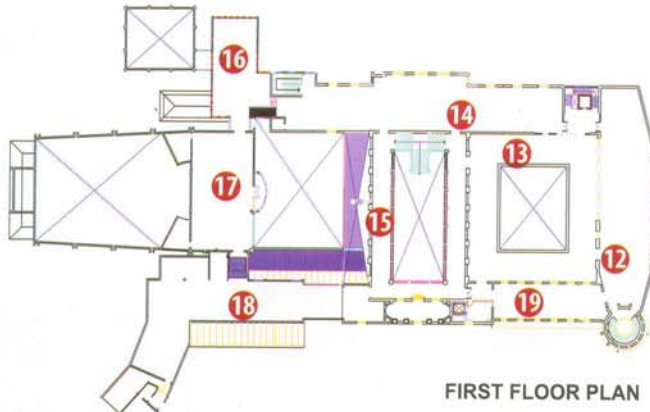
The exhibition is a showcase of the rich diversity of birds in East Africa.





GROUND FLOOR PLAN

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|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 Visitors Center | 7 Great Hall of Mammals |
| 2 Small Temp. Exhibition Hall | 8 History of Nairobi Museum |
| 3 Ahmed Courtyard | 9 Cradle of Humankind |
| 4 Great Hall | 10 Birds of East Africa |
| 5 Museum Shop | 11 Ford Hall |
| 6 Hall of Kenya | R.R. Rest Rooms |



FIRST FLOOR PLAN

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 12 Ecology Gallery | 16 Discovery Room |
| 13 Cycles of Life | 17 Creative Gallery |
| 14 Historia ya Kenya | 18 Creative Gallery |
| 15 Joy Adamsons Exhibition (upcoming) | 19 Temporary Exhibition |



OUR HISTORY

The Nairobi National Museum was initiated in 1910 by the then East Africa and Uganda Natural History Society [currently the East African Natural History Society (EANHS)]. The Society consisted mainly of colonial settlers and naturalists who needed a place to keep and preserve their collections. The Museum's first location was at the present Nyayo House in the Nairobi City centre. The site soon became small and a larger building was put up in 1922 where the Nairobi Serena Hotel now stands.

In 1929, the colonial government set aside land at the present Museum Hill and construction work started at the current site. On its current location, the Museum was officially opened in Sept. 22 1930 and named Coryndon Museum in honour of Sir Robert Coryndon, a one time Governor of Kenya and a staunch supporter of Uganda Natural History Society. Upon Kenya's independence in 1963, the National Museums of Kenya was formed and the Museum was renamed Nairobi Museum.

On October 15th 2005, the Museum closed its doors to the public for an extensive modernization and expansion project that lasted three years. The outcome is the impressive; Nairobi National Museum, a place of discovery. The new name underscores the museum's flagship status in view of over 22 sites and museums under the management of the National Museums of Kenya. The infrastructure improvement and new dynamic public programmes have transformed the museum into a magnificent world class facility.

Opening Hours: 8.30 A.M - 5.30 P.M

Open Seven Days a Week, all Year Round

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