

Historical Background

The gardens were officially declared a National Monument in 1966 because of their historical importance.

Of importance to note is that it is Kenya's birthplace. This is where the first Kenyan flag was first raised and thus marking the very first year of independence on the 12th December 1963.

Within the garden are two monuments commemorating Kenya's independence, and a Mugumo (fig) tree.

The Mugumo tree is symbolic as it was planted on the spot where the Union Jack (British flag) was brought down and Kenya's national flag was first hoisted. The site was a diversity of native flora and fauna of savannah woodland.

In addition to the historical significance, Uhuru Gardens continues to attract various events as a recreational park. It is popular as a rest area for families and friends, a must visit for schools and in recent times has gained popularity as an events venue for corporate launches, concerts, weddings, film location just to name a few.

For those who are looking for a secure jogging spot, this is the perfect location for keeping fit.

Future plans will include improving the park to have a wider variety of leisure activities for all. The Mashujaa/ heroes Corner will also be adjacent to this beautiful park which will mark as a reminder to celebrate our Kenyan heroes.

So next time you pass by Langata Road, walk or drive in to enjoy our rich heritage that lives on through this park.

Open Daily at 8:00am - 6:00pm.

To make your bookings for an event you'd like to host in the park, please send us an email:
publicrelations@museums.or.ke

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