***HEART OF AFRICA LODGE***

**Welcome to Heart of Africa Lodge. ( Karibuni wote)**

Heart of Africa Lodge is an exquisitely beautiful escape offering guests a full-service vacation package. We are located in Arusha, a short five-minute drive to the only road leading to Tanzania’s incredible national parks in the Northern Safari Circuit.

We have twenty serene guest rooms adorned with custom-made Tanzanian furniture and decorations. Guests enjoy spectacular views of our beautiful grounds, sunsets, and Mount Kilimanjaro. Away from city lights, the stars shine bright at night and sounds of nature can lull you to sleep.

Our luscious and vibrant grounds provide ample opportunity for leisurely strolls and relaxation. Our full-service restaurant and bar look out on beautifully landscaped grounds where songbirds serenade guests. We also offer a wide variety of safari packages for all types of travelers and budget. Let us work with you to create your own unforgettable Tanzania safari adventure.

We welcome you to Heart of Africa Lodge whether you are traveling alone, as a couple, with friends, or as a whole family. We offer unique and affordably priced single, double, and triple/family occupancy rooms. We invite you to experience the unparalleled beauty of Tanzan~~ia~~ and have an unforgettable adventure.

**Events**

Consider Heart of Africa Lodge as your destination wedding location or special event venue. Our beautiful grounds have ample open areas to set up tents or other event décor providing an intimate, beautiful atmosphere. We can accommodate up to 250 people for events. Contact us here for further details, and we can work with you to create your perfect special occasion!

**Camping**

Our modern, newly built lodge is unique. We also offer the budget-minded traveler the opportunity to camp on our property. We have a level, grassy area where you may set up your gear or rent from us. (provide price breakdown here)

**Heart of Africa Foundation**

Our lodge is affiliated with Heart of Africa Foundation’s Sion Center, which supports orphan girls and women in our community. We offer cultural activities of many kinds, including visiting with the girls and meeting the women in our Creative Community program.

How can you help?

1. Just by visiting: By staying at our lodge, you allow us to direct a percentage of our profits to provide for our young girls’ education and empowerment, ensuring they have food, clothing, shelter, school fees, and a home where they are cared for in a loving family environment.

Buy from our shop: Whether you purchase our signature heart bags or other keepsakes, 100% of the profit goes back to support both the women in our Creative Community Program. This allows them to make an income for their families and the orphan girls in our Sion Center.

1. Donate Direct: Your donation, large or small, makes a huge difference! If you would like to donate directly to Heart of Africa Foundation, you can do so here. (hyperlink the here to HoA Foundation website donation page).

**Safari Trips**

We are proud to offer a wide variety of safari packages through Heart of Africa Safari Tours (hyperlink HoA Safari Tours) for all types of travelers and budgets. We will work with you to create your own unforgettable Tanzania safari adventure. Choosing to come on safari with Heart of Africa means your trip supports local Tanzanian orphaned girls and provides education and income opportunities for women within our community. (hyperlink from “supports local TZ orphaned … to end of sentence to the HoA Foundation website about page)

Heart of Africa Lodge is conveniently located a mere five minutes from the road that is the gateway to the Northern Safari circuit. Within a short time, find yourself surrounded by elephants in Tarangire National Park or spotting the tree-climbing lions in Lake Manyara National Park. A short drive further, you can also visit Ngorongoro Conservation Area to see the famed Ngorongoro Crater – considered the 8th wonder of the world.Or visit the world-famous Serengeti National Park. Visit our Heart of Africa Safari Tours page here to see some sample itineraries or contact us (hyperlink “contact us”) directly to inquire further.

**Our Rooms**

We offer single, double, triple, and family rooms. Our rooms include a full ensuite bathroom with a sink, toilet, and hot showers. Beds are all protected with mosquito nets. Every room has free Wi-Fi and is cleaned daily by our housekeeping staff. Y**ou will enjoy listening to birds in the communal areas while sipping your drinks, reading a book, or enjoying conversation with your fellow travelers.**

**Restaurant and Bar**

Experience warm Tanzanian hospitality when you eat at our restaurant! Located on the ground floor of our lodge, with both indoor and outdoor seating and lounge areas, it is the perfect place to relax, relive your day, meet other travelers or locals, and make new friends. Enjoy a wide selection of Tanzanian beers, wines, mixed drinks, spirits, non-alcoholic drinks such as fresh juices and sodas.

**We offer a menu filled with tasty, hearty traditional Tanzanian dishes created by our experienced chefs. We prepare all fresh meals daily, using organic and free-range ingredients from the nearby markets whenever possible, another way we support the local community.**

(You’d need photos here of sample dishes prepared ….)

Typical breakfasts include fresh fruits in season, fresh fruit juice, free-range eggs, sweet potatoes, soups, breads, hot cereal, potatoes, made-to-order omelets, and pancakes. Finish your breakfast by enjoying a hot cup of coffee brewed from fresh, local beans or, savor a cup of traditional “chai ya maziwa” (spiced milk tea). Lunches and dinners feature homemade soups, breads, a variety of fresh vegetables, and traditional Tanzanian dishes. Of course, we can accommodate most dietary needs too, just ask.

Your safety is our priority. All of our produce is washed safely to ensure you can enjoy all the fresh fruits and vegetables.

**The Grounds**

Our beautiful, landscaped gardens are the perfect place to relax and enjoy some quiet time. Cool off in the shade surrounded by beautiful flowers and enjoy the sounds of songbirds around you. When it is cooler, guests can enjoy a fire next to the garden in the evening. There is plenty of outdoor seating and of course, a well-appointed bar. (hyperlink bar back to the restaurant page) that is open daily for snacks and beverages.

You might wonder why I created this lodge. I created this exquisite lodge because of my love of my homeland, Tanzania. I grew up transfixed by….surrounded by…(use brief descriptors …sunset, setting, animals). Building this dream lodge also allows me to support the orphan girls of Heart of Africa whilst providing a comfortable, budget friendly accommodation to guests from around the world. I love welcoming people from all walks of life to share in the beauty of my Tanzania.

**Accommodations and Services**

Let our experienced staff take the stress out of your travels and make your stay incredible. We are here to answer your questions and support your travels.

We offer the following services for an additional fee.

* Airport Transfers
* Guided tours such as Arusha Town, Maasai local markets, and Meserani Snake Park
* In-town transportation to any of the activities you may want to do.

Guests enjoy the following accommodations with their bookings:

* Free Parking
* High-Speed Internet (WiFi) throughout the lodge property
* Complimentary breakfast
* Baggage storage
* Mosquito nets
* Daily Housekeeping
* Access to our restaurant and bar, which offer special diet menus
* Communal lounge / TV area
* Opportunity to purchase local items at our gift shop
* Optional Laundry service (for a fee)

**Covid-19 Safety Protocols**

We follow all Covid-19 protocols on handwashing, masks, social distancing, as well as Standard Operating Practices for tourism. You can trust that we do will everything to ensure you have a safe visit to Tanzania and at Heart of Africa Lodge!

Location Details

Heart of Africa Lodge is located near Kisongo village, a five-minute drive from the main road to the national parks of the Northern Safari Circuit. (on this page I would include a Google maps image that is hyperlinked so people can click on and see exact location)