

Legal status and ownership:

NILO NATURE FOREST RESERVE (NNFR) having an area of 6,025 ha, was established on 7th December, 2007 and published in the official gazette with GN. 234 resulting from the upgrading the conservation status of Nilo Forest Reserve.

The reserve is owned by the Central Government under Tanzania Forest Services (TFS) Agency, Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism

Location:

The reserve is found within the ancient chain of Eastern Arc Mountains Forest in Tanzania, lying to the North West of east Usambara Mountains.

HOW CAN YOU REACH THE RESERVE

- From Korogwe town to Magoma – Kwetonge road then to the nature reserve head office at Kizara village, a total distance of about 78 km.
- From Tanga city to Maramba – Mashewa – Kwetonge road then to the nature reserve head office at Kizara village 81 km
- From Muheza– Amani Nature Forest Reserve road to Kizerui village which will lead you to the drive route through to the headquarter, a total distance of 66.5 km.

TOURISM ATTRACTIONS

Mountain peaks (Nilo and Lutindi Peaks):

Nilo peak is the 1st highest peak in the reserve as well as in East Usambara having an elevation of 1,506 metre (asl) followed by Lutindi peak (the 2nd highest peak) having an elevation of 1,400 metres (asl). Lutindi peak provides an opportunity to see almost 90% of dense forested Mountain Arcs found within the reserve and East Usambara. Lutindi peak is a good place where a part from enjoying cool weather associated with

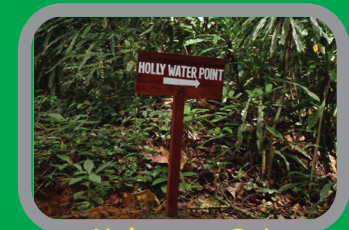
wind blowing at moderate speed, also to the western direction of this peak you can see a valley, an interesting geographical feature namely Lwengera valley which separates East Usambara and West Usambara mountains.



Lutindi Peak

Holy water Point:

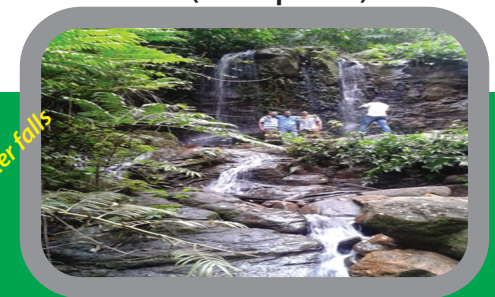
An historical point found within the reserve along the Kizara – Kizerui drive route. It is believed that in a number of past years, a Bishop and his porter were on the travel from Amani to Kizara. The porter felt thirsty, unfortunately they had no water and the place too, as a result the Bishop blessed the place and water came out. Even today water is there and people use it for drinking and other uses for local belief.



Holy water Point

Tuvui water falls:

It is very close to Denmark campsite and office headquarters about 200 metres. Water is falling on rocks laminated with endemic, beautiful and famous flower in Eastern Arc Mountains called African violet flower (Saint paulia).

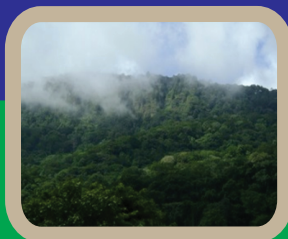


Tuvui water falls

High Diversity of Flora and Fauna:

According to the research done by Frontier – Tanzania 2002, the reserve has highest biodiversity value compared to other forest reserves in East Usambara. These include rare, endangered, vulnerable and threatened species of outstanding values.

botanists and zoologists as well as mountain climbers/hikers will satisfy their needs when visiting our nature reserve.



High Biodiversity of flora & fauna

Cultural Tourism

The culture of Wasambaa people has different practices which attracts tourists to learn from this tribe that being:

- Local dances - mdumange during marriage ceremony
- kidembwa when a woman has given birth
- Mpungwa spiritual healing dance.

Tukulanga dance

- Hand craft-spears, bow and arrows, Traditional beds with animals' skin (nkingo) as mattress
- Weaving-baskets, mats,
- Rain making rituals' this is done with the leaders
- Traditional foods-Bada made from fermented cassava flour, Vimande -breads made from ripen banana mixed with maize flour wrapped with banana leaves and boiled
- Local brew - Boha very strong gin made from sugar cane.

TOURIST ACTIVITIES

Hiking | Camping | Sun rise and Sun set view
Bird watching | Forest walk | Nature drive
Photographing | Research

ENTRANCE, CAMPING & RESEARCH FEES (Subject to change):

- Entry Fee (above 18 years): Tshs. 3,000/= for Tanzanians/East African citizens and US \$ 10 for expatriet/Non- residents.
- Camping fee (per person/day):
- For each own tent: Tshs. 3,000/= for Tanzanians/East African citizens and US \$ 10 for expatriet/Non- residents.
- For each hired tent: Tshs. 10,000/- for Tanzanians / East African citizens and US \$ 15 for expatriet / Non- residents.
- Research fee (per day): Tshs. 5,000/= for Tanzanians / East African citizens and US \$ 10 for expatriet / Non-residents.



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Welcome To NILO NATURE FOREST RESERVE



**“THE LAND OF HIGHER BIODIVERSITY
AND ENDEMIC FLORA AND FAUNA”
(HOME TO THREE HORNED CHAMELEON).**

