

Meeting time: 0645hrs | **Departure time:** 0700hrs | **Pick up point:** Steers Muindi Mbingu Street opposite Jeevanjee Gardens

Highlights: Natural forest, Bamboo walk, Birdlife, Scenic waterfall, wildlife Black and White Colobus, Sykes monkey, Scenic Kereita waterfall, Elephant swimming pool, Mysterious Bubbling water, Caves, Plunge pools, Cataracts. Additional activities at an extra cost;
Zipline

,
Archery

,
Mountain Biking

,
Paintballing
and
Tree Planting

Kereita forest forms part of the Aberdare Forest Reserve. The forest covers a total of 4,722 hectares. The forest lies within the Upper Highland Zone and forms an extension of the Aberdares range lying at an altitude of 2500 meters above sea level. The forest is an important bird area and home to a variety of animal and plants that have been threatened by years of illegal activities such as timber harvesting, commercial fuel wood harvesting, charcoaling, encroachment, destruction of catchment sites, overgrazing and poor resource management.

Kereita forest features many interesting hiking trails and nature features one of these trails the Carbacid leads to Kereita Waterfall on Gatamaiyu River and the adjacent cave that is home to a small bat colony.

Before the colonial era, Kikuyu warriors are said to have used Kereita forest for cover when fighting against Maasai warriors, taking advantage of the fog that typically covers the area in the mornings and evenings. The word Kereita in Kikuyu means "a place of warriors". This was also the arena where the widely publicized Lari Massacre took place in March 1953 when Mau Mau fighters attacked a loyalists' settlement in a nearby place called Kirenga, killing about 100 people related to or allied to the local colonial Chief. It is estimated that over 5,000 Mau Mau combatants and local residents perished in the subsequent revenge attacks by the colonial administration over several weeks following this incident. These unfortunate victims were buried in mass graves in Kereita forest.

The hike takes about 4 - 5 hours up and down the river valleys. We anticipate to be through with the hike by 1.30pm to allow time to engage in other extra activities namely; Zipline, Archery, Mountain Biking, Paintballing, Tree Planting at a minimal fee ranging from USD 5 - 30 per activity.

After enjoying your picnic lunch, conquering the hike and adrenaline activities and a possibility of sampling hot lunch at Forest lodge, we will embark on our journey back to Nairobi expected time of arrival is 1900hrs local time.

Charges per person Non Residents:

- 1 pax = USD 200
- 2 pax = USD 160
- 3 - 4 pax = USD 140
- 5 - 6 pax = USD 130
- 7 - 8 pax = USD 120

* Booking terms and conditions apply * Please refer to our comprehensive terms on our website <http://www.africahubvacations.com/bookingtermsandconditions>

Package inclusive of:

- Return transport to Kereita wilderness and the Forest Lodge
- Conservancy fees
- Guide fees
- Armed rangers fee
- 4 - 5 hrs Guided trek to the attractions within this beautiful forest

Package exclusive of:

- Additional activities at an extra cost depending on the particular activity
- Lunch (available at The Forest Lodge from USD 15 for a buffet meal)
- Medical, travel & personal insurance cover

- Drinks
- Tips & Gratuities
- Any other item not mentioned in the inclusive list

Feel free to share / forward this itinerary to your friend(s) who would be interested.