

Nanyuki River Camel Camp is designed to offer you the experience of the lifestyle of the Northern Nomadic peoples, within a few kilometers of Nanyuki town. You sleep in the traditional houses, eat traditional meals, drink camels' milk, and have the opportunity of learning about the lives of nomads and their camel experts.

The camp was developed by Chris Field after spending twenty years living as a nomad, helping pastoralists become more self-reliant, in the arid regions of northern Kenya on the Ethiopia border. Although three quarters of Kenya is arid or semi-arid, most visitors to Kenya never experience such extreme ways of lives.

Nanyuki River Camel Camp consists of eight traditional Somali houses brought from Mandera and Isiolo and made from woven palm mats attached to wooden frames. They provide accommodation for sixteen. There is a dining banda with a camp fire, toilets, bathing facilities, kitchen and store.

Additional campsites are located along the river. The camp is close to the forest growing on the banks of the Nanyuki river where there are additional campsites. The whole is set off by a magnificent view of Mount Kenya, which usually emerges from the clouds in the evening and early morning. Guests can enjoy camping in the 2 man tents.

Nanyuki River Camel Camp Activities include:

- Nanyuki River Camel Camp Guests are hosted by Chris and a camp supervisor.
- Eat traditional meals
- Buy traditional ethnic souvenirs
- Above all, enjoy the freedom of true nomads
- Nature walks in the riverine forest with bird watching
- Sleep in traditional nomadic houses or camp by the river
- Drink camels' milk- fresh or fermented (Prior arrangement)
- Learn about the lives of nomads and their camels from experts
- Watch camels being milked employing special skills. (Prior arrangement)

Nanyuki River Camel Camp has twelve trained camels for riding, and guests can attend traditional nomadic Boran or Somali dancing. Game drives to nearby Sweetwaters Game Reserve, and overnight camel trekking and camping on ranches or home stays can also be

arranged. Nanyuki River Camel Camp is open all year round.

Nanyuki River Camel Camp Two Full Days of Activities

Two full days of activities at a camel ranch near Nanyuki. Sleep in authentic Somali huts and prepare to be challenged! Typical activities include:

Camel Riding...

Definitely a popular one

Ring Quest

A series of challenges to travel through woods and upstream to search out and retrieve a set of rings. Participants get VERY wet

Search for Water

Armed with spear and ropes, work out how to cross the river, find and retrieve a barrel and return via a different route. The aim is NOT to get wet!

Somali Hut Building

Learn how to construct these intriguing huts that can be loaded onto the back of a camel.

Raft Race

Teams build a raft to their own design and race across the water. Participants might get wet...depends upon their skills of construction

At the start of each day there is a range of small and large team activities designed to keep participants thinking and active. With the occasional pause to slaughter a goat halal style...or join in with the Somali dancers in the evening...before enjoying toasted marshmallows over the campfire

1. **Camping with own tent and gear rates are from KES 1,500 per person per night**
2. **Double traditional houses KES 5,000 per person per night**
3. **Camel rides from KES 500 per person**

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