



Mangar **Community Conservancy & Geosite**

**A Beacon of Environmental &
Cultural Preservation**



Overview

Founded in 2019 and officially registered in 2024, Mangar Community Conservancy and Geosite is a vibrant effort to protect and preserve Mangar's natural and cultural heritage. Nestled in Baringo South's Marigat Ward, Mangar unites 210 members from the Sabor and Kimalel areas and serves over 2,100 beneficiaries. As the newest addition to the Baringo County Conservancies Association (BCCA), it is steered by a gender-balanced, ten-member board, with two rangers voluntarily safeguarding its treasures. Mangar's remarkable spring, a perennial source of fresh water even during droughts, sustains both people and livestock. The conservancy is a sanctuary for diverse wildlife, including the rare Batters monkey, spotted by the famous Crane family in 2023.



Home to nine species of this slow-reproducing monkey, Mangar has also protected species like the cliff springer, leopards, rock hyrax, and greater kudu. Visitors can witness a rare fish species, no larger than a finger, uniquely adapted to resist floodwaters.

Beyond wildlife, Mangar is rich in cultural heritage. Its sacred spring and a nearby hill are sites where forefathers once prayed for rain, and these shrines remain carefully preserved. The conservancy also protects indigenous flora like tamarind trees and medicinal herbs, while serving as a tributary to the Perkerra River and sheltering crocodiles. Mangar's commitment to community empowerment is evident through income-generating activities like women's table banking, catering services, and weaving, alongside basket and rope sales in regional markets.

Annual events such as the cultural dance on January 1st and the Rhino Charge fundraiser continue to raise conservation awareness. As a result, poaching has decreased, charcoal burning has reduced, and tree cover has expanded.

Future Plans

Looking ahead, Mangar aims to develop tree nurseries, aloe vera plantations, a campsite, and a Tugen cultural center, while also enhancing safety around the cliff.

Flora: Tamarind trees, Indigenous trees, medicinal herbs

Wildlife: Rare Batters monkey, cliff springer, kaalgat, leopards, rock hyrax, greater kudu.

Cultural Heritage: Annual cultural dance, sacred shrines.

Tourist Attractions: Hiking trails, Mangar Cliff, spring, rare fish species, crocodile sanctuary.

Community Initiatives:

Artifacts weaving, table banking.



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