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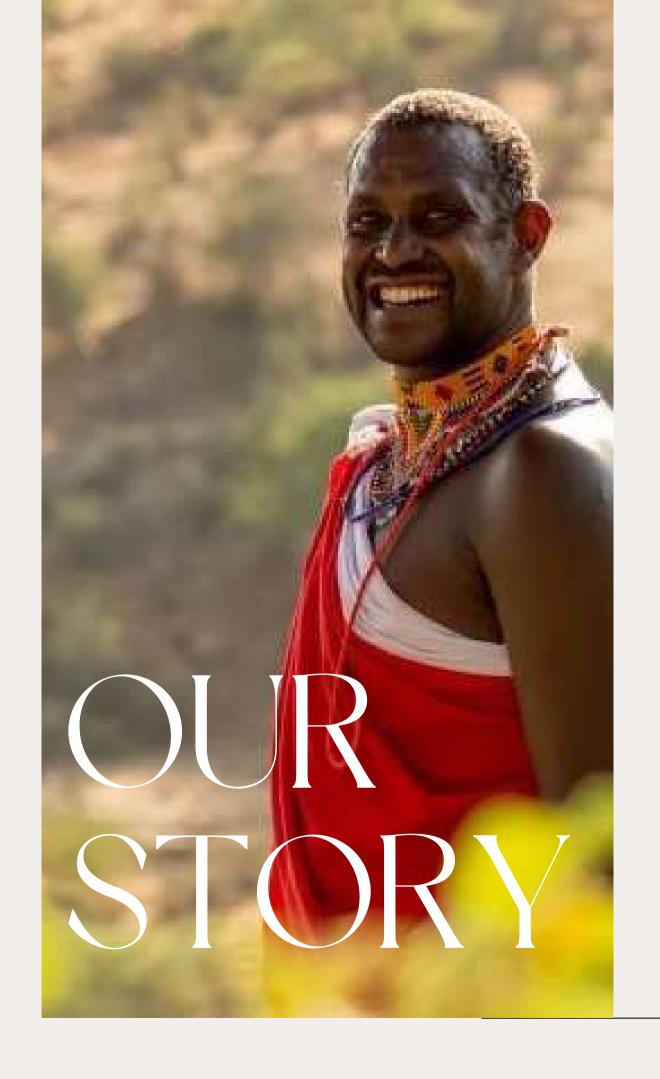
Lekurruki Conservancy is a community-managed wildlife sanctuary located in northern Kenya, on the eastern edge of the Laikipia Plateau. Set between the sweeping Maasai plains and the biodiverse Mokogodo Forest, it is part of the greater Ewaso ecosystem, known for its stunning landscapes and progressive conservation efforts.

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# ABOUT YAAKU

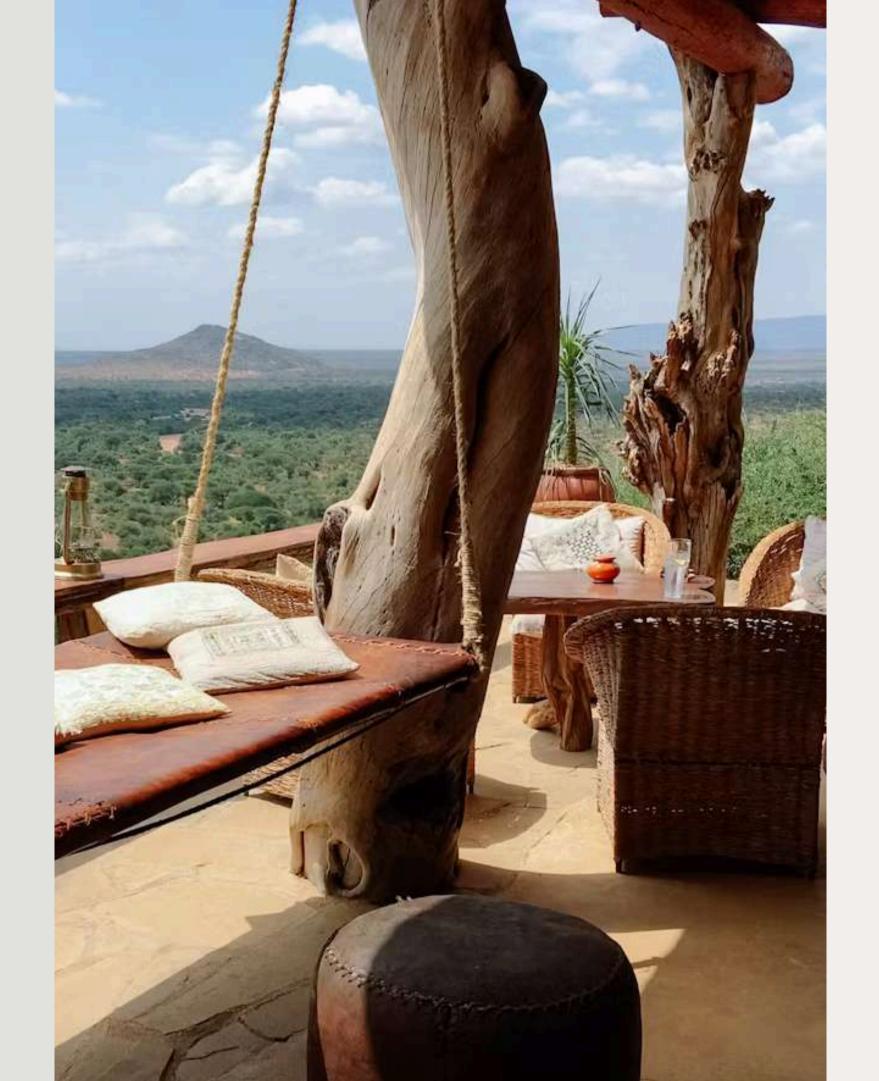


The name Yaaku is said to be a Southern Nilotic term for hunters while Mukogodo is a Yaakunte word meaning people who live in rocks. The Yaaku are a people who are said to have lived in regions of southern Ethiopia and central Kenya, possibly through to the 18th century. The Yaaku people are an indigenous community in Kenya, traditionally known for their rich connection to the natural environment and their unique Cushitic heritage. Originally hunters and gatherers, the Yaaku later adopted a pastoralist lifestyle, influenced by interactions with neighboring Maasai communities. They are best known for their historic reliance on honey and beekeeping, which is central to their culture and spiritual practices. The Yaaku speak a distinct language known as Yaakunte, although it is endangered today. Their traditions emphasize harmony with nature, evident in their sustainable practices and deep respect for their ancestral lands. Efforts are ongoing to preserve their cultural identity and linguistic heritage.





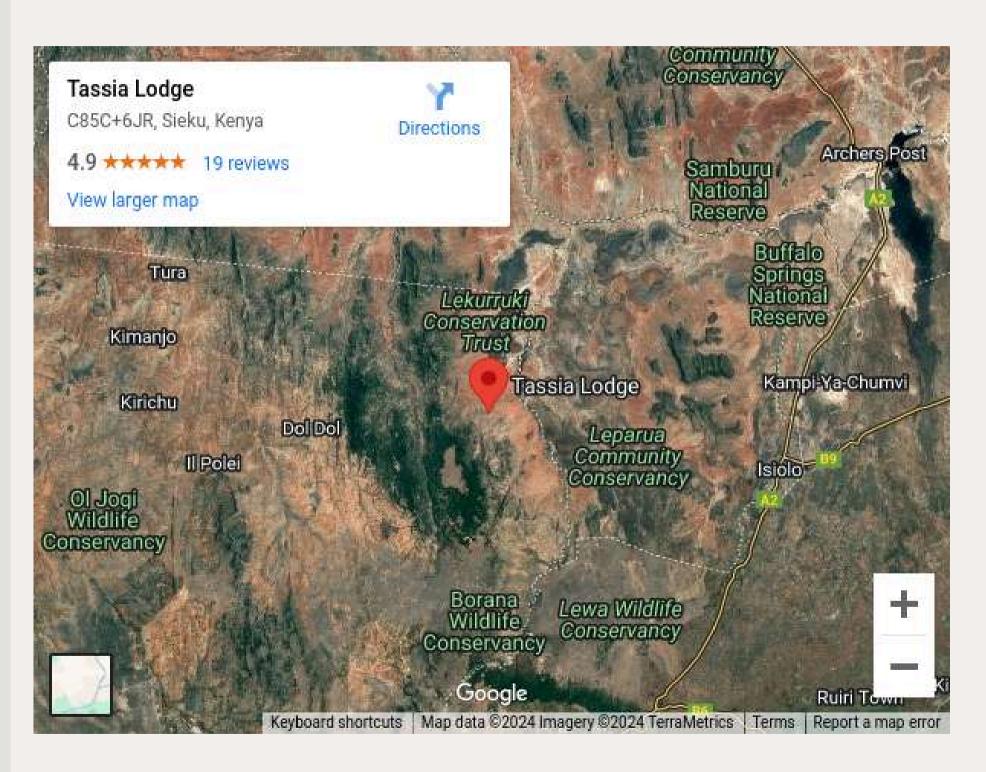
Tassia Community Lodge was born from a shared vision between the local Yaaku communities and passionate conservationists who sought to protect the stunning landscapes of the Lekurruki Conservancy. Built by the community with donations from generous benefactors, the lodge was designed to reflect the natural beauty of its surroundings while providing a sustainable source of income for the people who call this land home. Combining traditional knowledge with eco-conscious principles, Tassia not only preserves the environment but also celebrates the rich cultural heritage of its founders. Today, it stands as a testament to the power of collaboration and the importance of protecting both nature and community traditions.



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Tassia Community Lodge stands out as a beacon of ecoconscious and sustainable tourism, blending seamlessly into the rugged wilderness of Kenya's Lekurruki Conservancy. Designed with minimal environmental impact in mind, the lodge uses locally sourced materials to create its stunning, open-air structures that offer breathtaking views of the Lengishu plains, Nesarge and Lossos hills. Solar power provides energy, and water conservation is a priority, with systems in place to minimize wastage. Tassia actively supports the surrounding community by employing locals, sourcing produce from nearby farmers, and reinvesting profits into conservation and social projects. Guests are encouraged to embrace a lowimpact lifestyle during their stay, fostering a deeper connection with nature and a respect for the fragile ecosystem.

#### LOCATION



Tassia Lodge is located in the 60,000-acre Lekurruki Conservancy within the larger Laikipia region of Kenya. Perched on a rocky outcrop along the spur of an escarpment, the lodge offers sweeping views of the Northern Frontier District, including neighboring conservancies like Samburu, Lewa, and Borana. It is the only lodge in the Lekurruki Conservancy, ensuring complete privacy for its guests in an untouched wilderness.

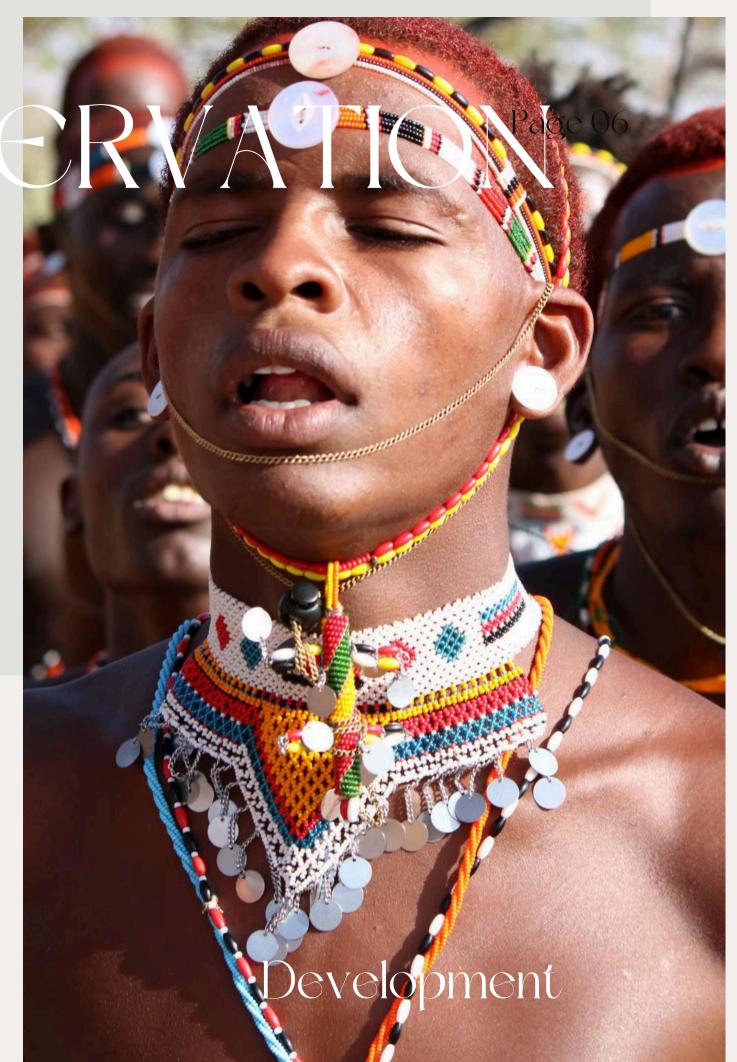
The drive takes approximately 2.5–3 hours from Nanyuki. Alternatively, visitors can charter a flight to Tassia's private airstrip, coordinates 0°25′47.0″N, 37°20′20.0″E, for quicker access .

#### PROGRESSIVE CONSE

Lekurruki Conservancy is a model of progressive conservation that harmonizes environmental stewardship with community well-being. Situated in the heart of Kenya's Laikipia Plateau, the conservancy is committed to protecting its diverse ecosystems while empowering the local Yaaku communities. Efforts include restoring wildlife habitats, safeguarding endangered species, and implementing anti-poaching measures through community-led patrols. Lekurruki prioritizes sustainable land use by integrating livestock grazing plans that align with wildlife corridors, ensuring coexistence between humans and nature. Revenue from ecotourism initiatives like Tassia Community Lodge directly supports conservation projects and community development, including education and healthcare. By blending traditional knowledge with modern conservation strategies, Lekurruki stands as a testament to grassroots environmental resilience.



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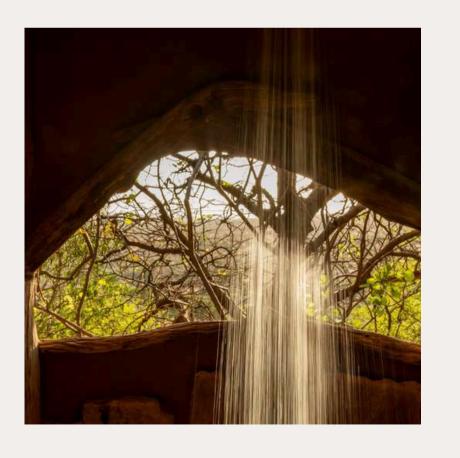


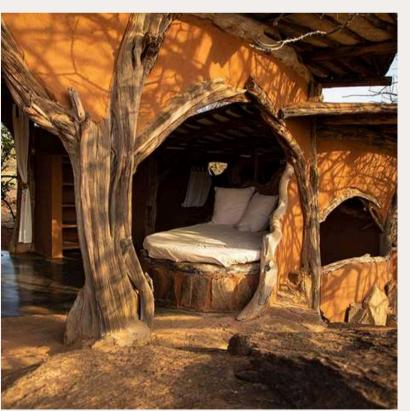
### FACILITIES

Unique, off-the-grid experience with its open-air design and stunning views of the rugged Kenyan wilderness. The lodge features seven beautifully crafted, eco-friendly rooms that blend seamlessly with the natural surroundings, each with private terraces overlooking the savannah. Guests can enjoy a central dining area, a cozy lounge with a rustic bar, and a plunge pool that provides a refreshing escape in the heat of the day Tassia also offers personalized experiences, including guided bush walks, cultural interactions with the local community, and wildlife tracking adventures.









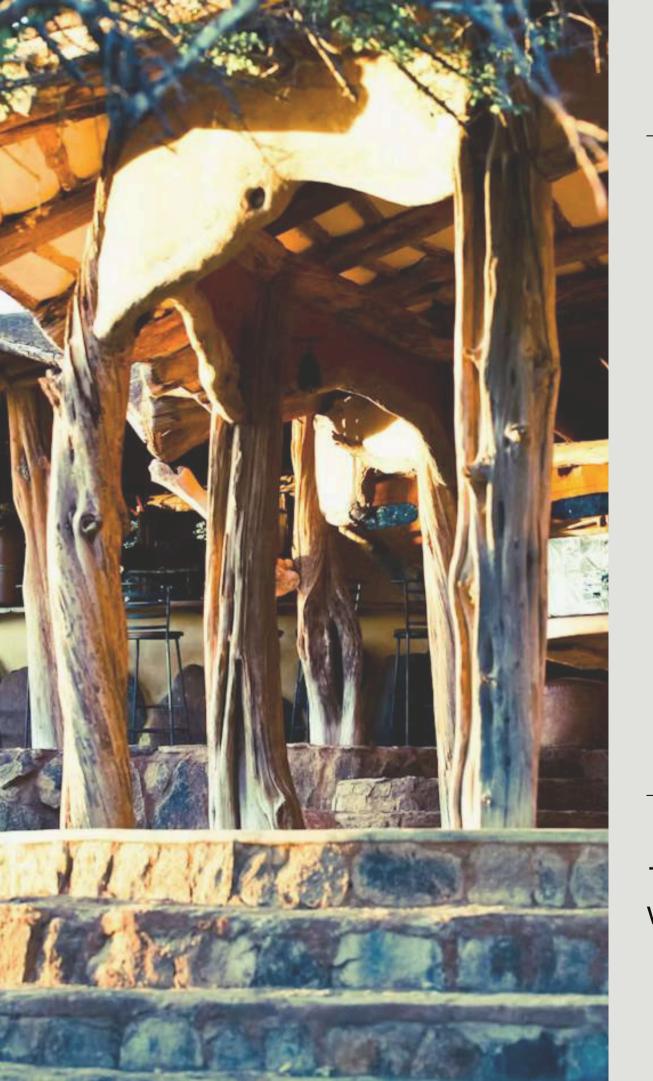


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In addition to game drives, walking is a highlight of the area, offering a more immersive way to explore the stunning surroundings. The Maasai plains stretch endlessly before the lodge, while the Mukogodo Forest, just minutes away, beckons with its rich biodiversity, including butterflies, birds, and rare plants. Adventurous walks along dry riverbeds provide a thrilling challenge, and after the rains, the flowing luggas, waterfalls, and natural pools offer perfect spots for refreshing dips. To enhance the experience, your hosts can arrange picnic breakfasts and unforgettable bush dinners in the heart of nature.



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