



# LODGE FACT SHEET





# OVERVIEW

Set on serene green lawns, acacia trees, and abundant wildlife, Sirikoi is more than a celebrated safari lodge in the renowned Lewa Wildlife Conservancy: it is a home for you to relax and enjoy the natural beauty whilst having a thrilling Kenyan adventure.

Family-founded and owned, exclusive and charming, Sirikoi offers luxury and high level of service, yet still welcoming, comfortable and unpretentious. Its four luxury tents, Sirikoi Cottage and private Sirikoi House, are perfectly positioned along spring-fed streams and wetlands, visited day and night by large numbers of wildlife. All the rooms are spacious and elegantly designed, with unique décor, a private sitting area, Victorian bathtubs, rain-showers, fireplaces and private decks, from where you watch elephants bathing, zebra and buffalo grazing, giraffe ambling and endless birds singing.

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# ACCOMMODATION

## Sirikoi House

Sirikoi House is a beautiful home, with three en-suite bedrooms (a master suite and separate cottage with two en-suite bedrooms). The courtyard leads on to an elegant central living and dining area made very special by two fireplaces, a bar and veranda. The private deck has a fire pit overlooking the wetlands, perfect for private meals and sundowners. Available on an exclusive basis-only, Sirikoi House comes with its own private safari vehicle and guide, as well as chef and team of staff. Guests have the choice of private dining or having meals on the main Sirikoi deck. A great feature of the house is its own private heated pool, perfect for relaxing but also for watching the wildlife that visits the area.

## Sirikoi Cottage

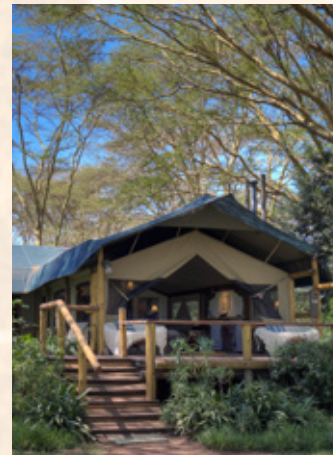
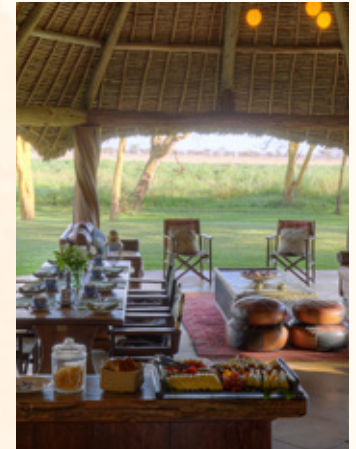
The Sirikoi Cottage is a two en-suite bedroom home with a private living and dining room, kitchenette and private deck. It accommodates four guests and is booked exclusively. The Cottage has a central living and dining room that opens out onto a spacious verandah from which to enjoy views of the African landscape and wildlife. Guests have their meals at the main Sirikoi deck and have access to facilities at the lodge.

## Sirikoi Luxury Tents

Each of the three luxury tents has a sitting area leading onto the outside deck, a large double bed or two single beds with a wardrobe behind the bed, a fireplace which is lit each evening, and an en-suite bathroom with a free-standing Victorian bath and rain shower. Guests enjoy their own private safari vehicle and guide per group, with meals served at the main deck and full access to lodge facilities.

## Sirikoi Family Tent

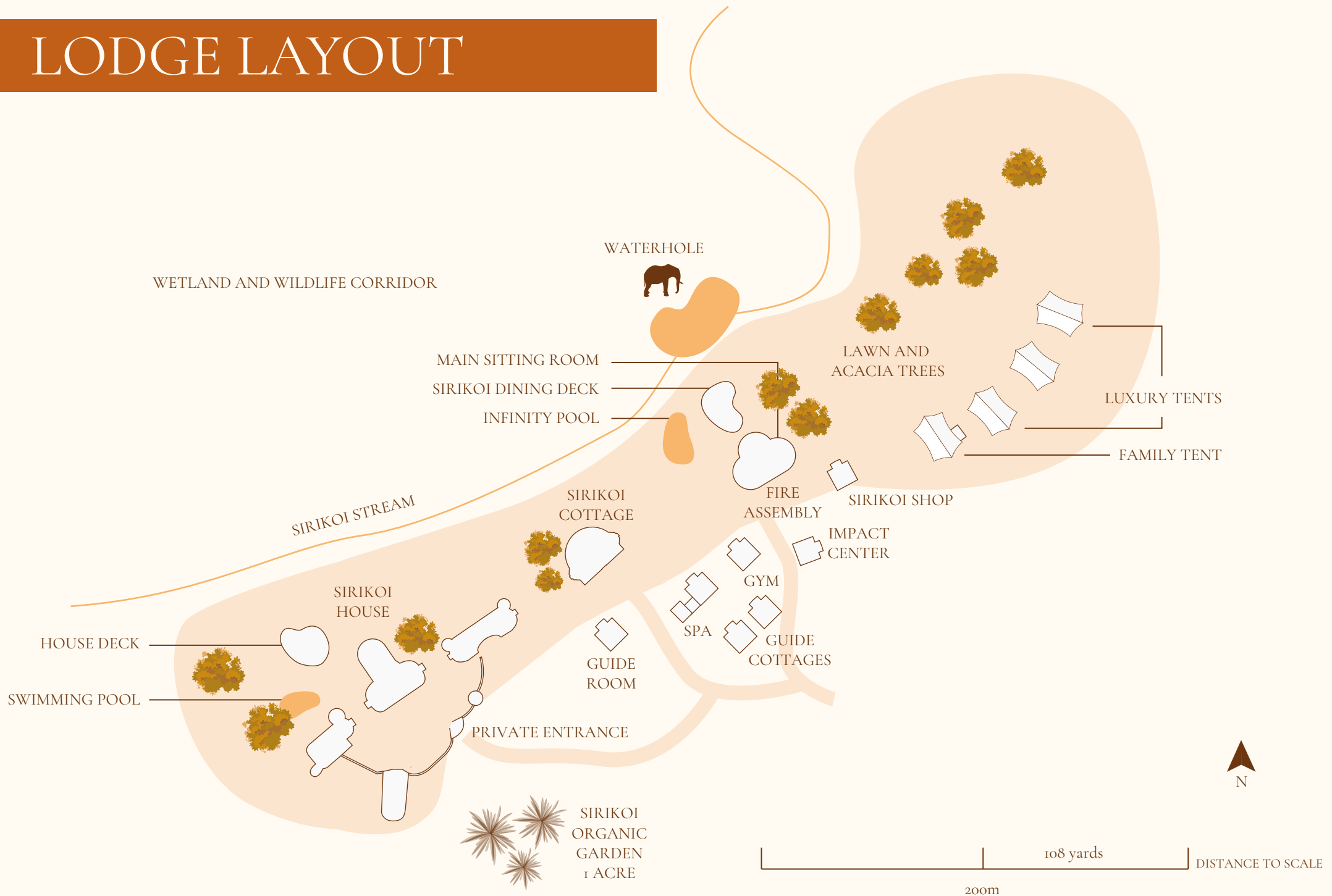
This spacious luxury tent has been designed for families with children aged 6 to 12: it has an annex that offers a secure, cosy space with two comfortable beds for the children. With a shared bathroom. It has a private deck. Guests enjoy their own private safari vehicle and guide per group, with meals served at the main deck and full access to all lodge facilities.



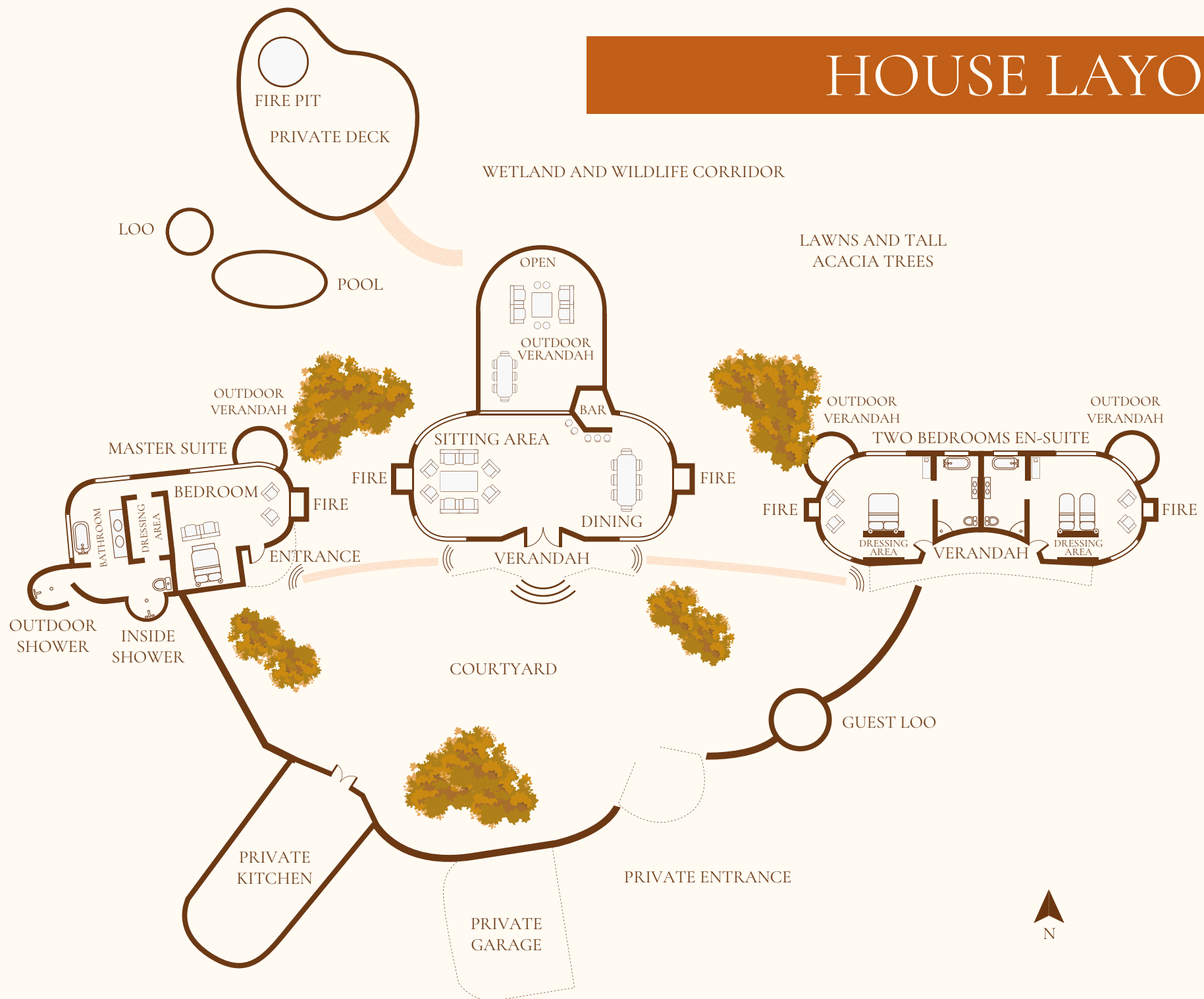
## Key Facilities

- Exclusive game drive vehicles
- Private deck
- Private sitting area
- Fireplace in rooms
- Victorian bathtub
- Rain shower
- Hair dryer
- Handmade, organic toiletries
- Laundry
- Digital safes
- International plug sockets
- Complimentary high-speed Wi-Fi
- Heated infinity pool
- Organic garden
- Sauna
- Pickleball court
- Gift shop
- Gym

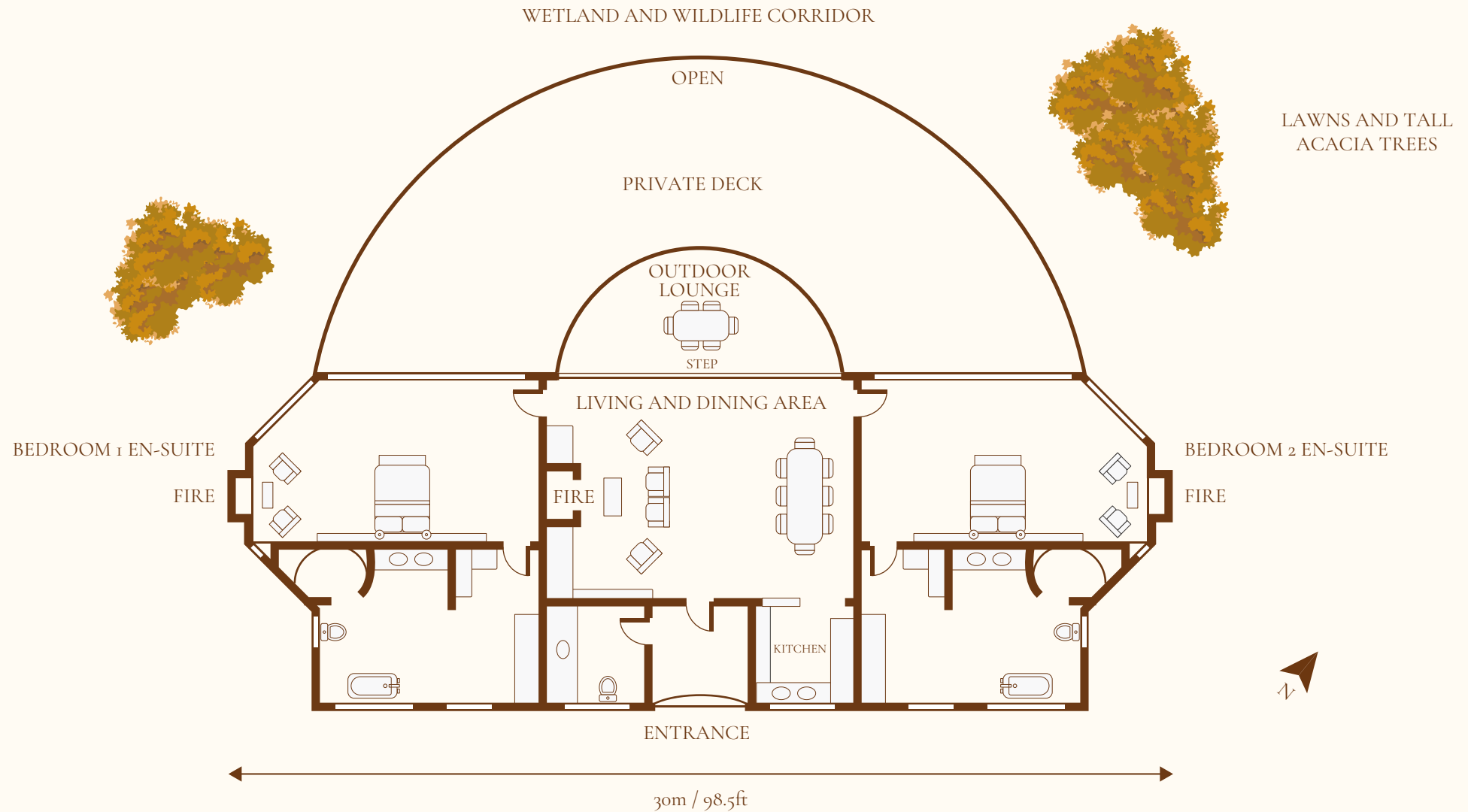
# LODGE LAYOUT



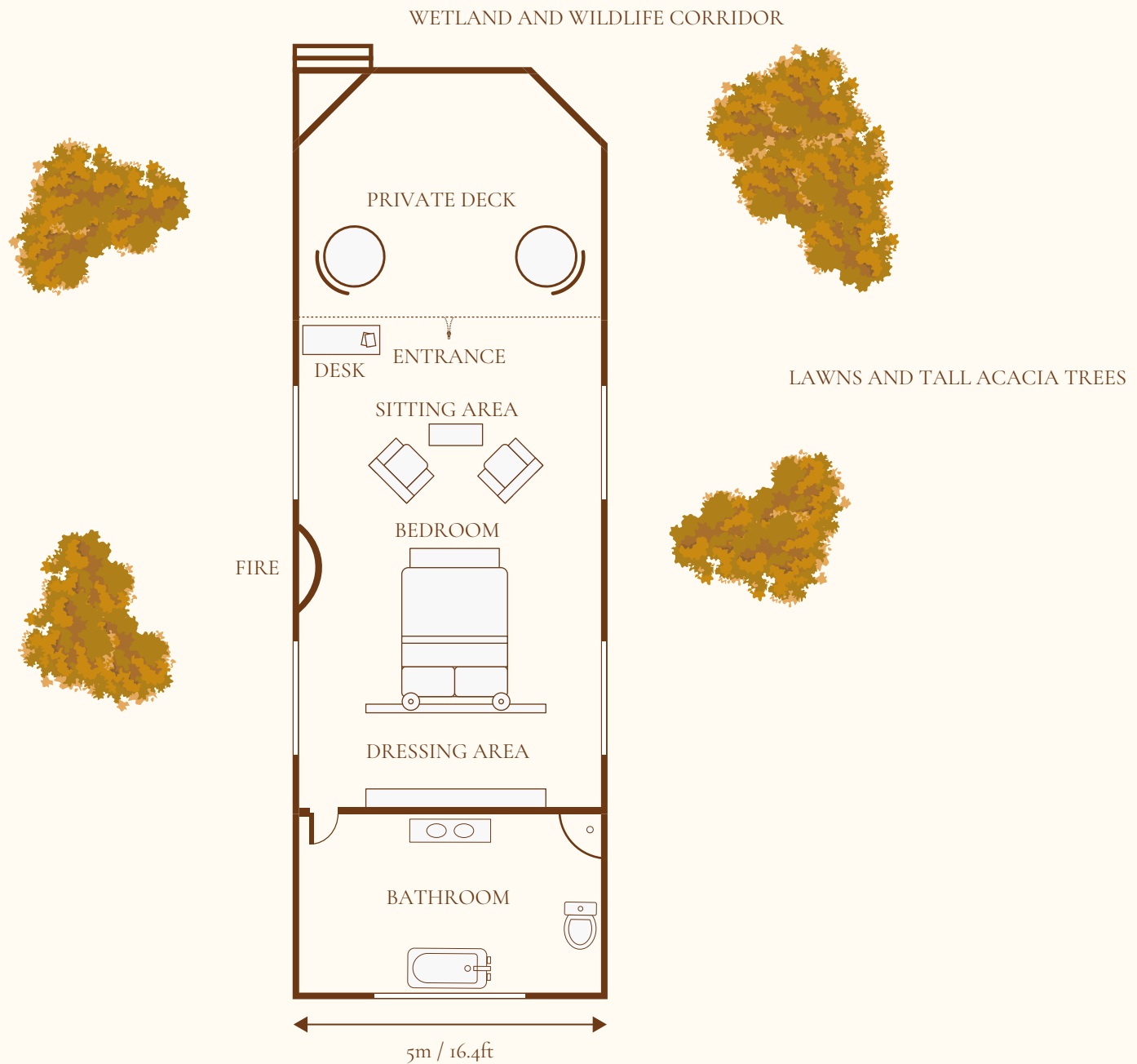
# HOUSE LAYOUT



# COTTAGE LAYOUT



# LUXURY TENT LAYOUT





# FAMILY TENT LAYOUT





# EXPERIENCES

Days can be action packed or as relaxed as desired. We offer a range of experiences for all ages to explore wildlife, wilderness and culture.

## Included Experiences

- Guided morning and evening game drives
- Sundowner and picnic experience
- Sirikoi Tour
- Guided bush walks (subject to availability) and bird watching
- Lewa Behind the Scenes Tour (subject to availability)
- Pre-historic site visits and Bau games
- Heated infinity swimming pool, gym and pickleball
- Children's activities

## Additional Experiences

- Helicopter Excursions
- Maasai Cultural Dancers
- Maasai Blessings and Vow Renewals
- Maasai Cultural Village Visit
- Horse Riding safaris
- Camel Riding safaris
- Ngare Ndare Forest visit (optional stop at the modern village/market)
- Sauna sessions
- Massages, available upon request

These activities incur an additional cost and are subject to availability.



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## Malaria Prevention

The lodge is located in a minimal risk area, and thanks to the frogs in the Sirikoi stream, there are few mosquitos and other insects. Anti-malaria medication is not necessary, although may be recommended depending on other destinations visited on safari. It is recommended to pack some insect repellent.

## Climate and Seasons

Sirikoi enjoys a lovely spring-like climate all year round. Mornings are brisk, midday is rather warm, and evenings are always cool enough to appreciate a fire.

*Altitude:* The lodge is located at 5,500ft.

*Rainfall:* Mid-April to mid-May and November are usually the rainy seasons.

*Temperature:* January to March are the warmest months, and June to September is a bit cooler.

## Eco-Tourism

Sirikoi runs off solar power, all water is gravity fed from the eye of a natural spring, uses natural cleaning products and toiletries, follows a strict recycling policy and grows their own fruits and vegetables.

We use organic and food waste for composting. As a result, Sirikoi has been awarded with a Gold level Eco-rating for many years. We work in partnership with the people who live near us and believe in sustainability and community development. For instance, all Proceeds from beauty treatments are donated to a local school. We also contribute to education bursary programmes from Lower school to university and provide supplies to our direct local school

## Food and Dietary

As a small and exclusive lodge, Sirikoi can cater for all dietary requirements. Food allergies and dietary requests should be arranged prior to arrival. The cuisine at Sirikoi is fresh and locally sourced, and the style is homely and nutritious.

## Laundry

A complimentary laundry service is offered to all guests. All clothes machine washed unless their instructions say hand-wash, and dried in the sun – it is not recommended to send delicate clothing that requires specialised care.

## Electricity

Sirikoi runs on solar power and has a back-up generator for those cloudy days. Guests' electronics can be charged in their rooms and the main areas. We have 3-point British plugs and one inbuilt international power socket in each room. We do however recommend guests bring their own converters and universal plug adapters.

## Water

Our water is tapped from a mountain spring a short distance away, and is gravity fed to the Lodge. It is used exclusively by Sirikoi and is naturally pure and beautifully clean. Filtered drinking water is provided in glass bottles beside the bed and in the bathroom.

## Internet

There is high-speed WiFi in all the rooms, as well as the main lounge areas. Connectivity is stronger in the rooms, and no password is required to access the WiFi. Please be considerate of other guests and do not watch videos, play music or engage in Skype or Whatsapp calls in the main areas.

## Telephone Network

Safaricom phone network covers the lodge and and guests are generally able to make and receive phone calls without issue. However, this may vary from time to time for reasons outside of our control.

## Exclusive Vehicles

All guests have an exclusive vehicle and their own assigned guide for the duration of their stay, whether a group of six friends or a solo traveller.



## Credit Cards

Mastercard, Visa and American Express credit cards are accepted at Sirikoi for additional activities, specialty champagnes and wines and shopping at the gift shop. Please note: There is a 3% surcharge for using a credit card to cover bank service fees.

## Security

The lodge perimeter has an electric fence to keep elephants out of the grounds. All other wildlife are free to roam onto the lawns. Askari's or night watchmen escort guests with a torch, to and from their rooms at night, and during the day it is safe to walk around lodge.



## Gratuities Guideline

Tipping is entirely at the guests' discretion. As a guideline we recommend a general staff tip of \$20 per guest per night, which is shared amongst all staff. Guides can be tipped separately and recommend \$50 per night per group, and your walking ranger \$20 per walk per group. Tipping generally is done at the end of one's stay.

## Child Policy

Sirikoi welcomes children from 6 years . Child rate applies from ages 6 -15 years old and Children 12 years and younger cannot stay in a tent on their own. Children are the responsibility of their parents.

## Weddings and Events

Sirikoi is widely known as a beautiful and exclusive venue for weddings and events, and the Sirikoi team is well practiced in arranging and catering for celebrations – from menus, to décor, to entertainment. Contact the booking office to start planning your perfect day.

## How to Get There

The Lodge is a 20 minute drive from the Lewa airstrip, which is served by both private charters and scheduled flights from Nairobi's Wilson Airport and Jomo Kenyatta International Airport – a 50 minute flight. Flights can be arranged for you by our reservations office. Helicopters from Nairobi, can land at the Sirikoi Helipad and can be arranged by our office. Driving to Sirikoi from Nairobi takes approx. 5 hours. It is a very scenic drive through diverse landscapes, and views of Mount Kenya.





# WHY SIRIKOI

## ‘Arm Chair’ Game Viewing

Sirikoi's waterhole and wetlands are a defining highlight of the Sirikoi experience, cherished by our guests for the exceptional wildlife viewing they offer each day. Elephants, giraffe, zebra, gazelle, birds and many more, all use this natural waterhole to drink, rest and play. Before and after setting out on safari with our guides, the adventure begins right on our doorstep, watching the African wildlife feeling at home at Sirikoi, under the distinctive, yellow-barked acacia trees that dot our lawns. This is armchair game viewing at its finest.

## Climate

Situated at 5,500 feet, Sirikoi enjoys a wonderfully spring-like climate for most of the year. With Kenya's arid north on one side and the lush foothills of Mount Kenya on the other, the setting strikes a lovely balance, mornings are crisp, afternoons pleasantly warm, and evenings cool enough to enjoy the comfort of a crackling fire.

Meals are typically served outdoors on our beautiful decks, allowing you to soak up the views and the fresh highland air as you dine

## Farm-To-Table

The jewel in our farm-to-table crown is the Organic Garden; a hidden gem found just behind the main lodge. With our unique climate we can grow most fruit and vegetables all year round.

Fed by a mountain spring, naturally rich soil and equatorial sunshine, the garden produces over 80 fruits, vegetables and herbs, which supplies the lodge with as much fresh produce as possible. Not to forget the beautiful flowers that guests find in the rooms and in the common areas.

## Conservation in Action

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## Family Fun Holidays

Family fun is important to keep everybody involved in the safari experience. Children thrive in discovering a new place and exploring freely around the Sirikoi grounds.

Our guides are expert at teaching children how to make fire, bows and arrows, searching for wildlife tracks and signs and learning about plants that are used, for example, sandpaper plant and the toothbrush tree.

They can get delightfully lost in our organic vegetable garden and overdosing on berries! picking flowers and vegetables, collecting eggs from the hens (who love to be carried around too!), stroking our rabbits and meeting our horses in their stables.

## Exceptional Location & Setting

Immersed in 68,000 acres of pure African wilderness, set on serene green lawns and acacia trees, Sirikoi's location is unique. The lodge is perfectly positioned along spring-fed streams and wetlands, visited day and night by large numbers of wildlife all year-round.

## Personalised Safari Experiences

At Sirikoi, the safari experience is created around the guests' needs and expectations. Every day can be as busy or as relaxing as they want with wildlife encounters, cultural discoveries, outdoors adventure, exploration of remote wilderness, behind-the-scenes tours, but also relax and inner spiritual reflection.

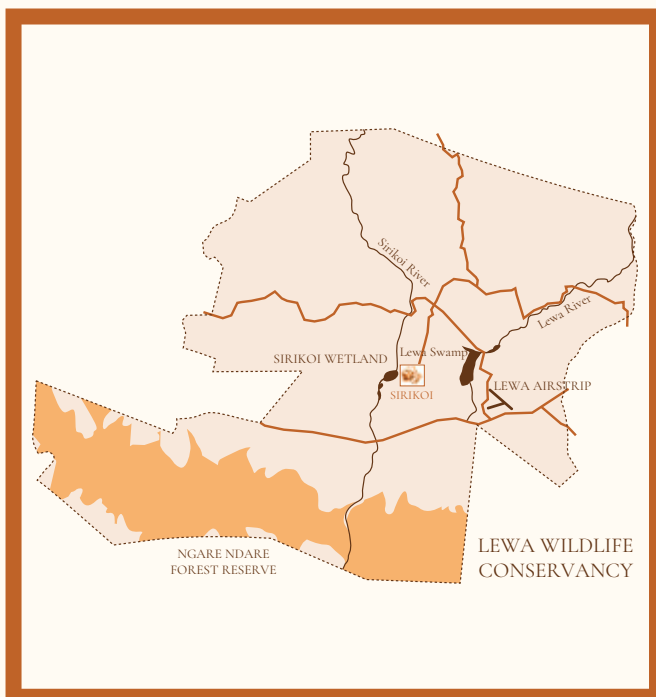
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## Awards & Recognition

Over the years, Sirikoi has been the recipient of many awards from the tourism and conservation industry. Among them Condé Nast, No. 1 Luxury Resort in the World and No. 1 safari property in Africa. World Travel Awards - 'Kenya's Leading Safari Lodge' Safari Awards. - 'Best Family Safari Experience' and Best Safari Experience in Africa.







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