

**Lake Elementaita Lodge**, derived from "Muteita" a Masai name meaning 'dusty place' was built by an English settler Lord Gabraith Cole early 1961's.

Lake Elementaita lodge an oasis of luxury comfort and excellent service is situated strategically on a cliff 30 Kilometers from Lake Nakuru and 120 Kilometers from Nairobi, Kenya.

**Lake Elementaita Hotel** has been profiled as a Ramsar Site, a wetland of international importance, home to millions of lesser flamingos, and also an important stop-over for over 350 bird species. Lake Elementaita Lodge retains the features of early colonial homes a red brick building with shady terraces, an internal courtyard, paneled walls and a sitting room with a library and log files.

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**Lake Elementaita Lodge** is located in The Great Rift Valley; the naturalists accompany the guests on a bird watching walks or ox wagon safaris. Lake Elementaita Lodge located off the Nairobi-Nakuru highway, is a popular Kenya safari holiday destination among birding and ornithological enthusiasts.

Situated in the eastern limb of the Great Rift Valley about 30 Kilometers from Nakuru town the 18 Square Kilometers soda lake hosts hundreds of thousands of alluring flamingos, pelicans, crested grebe and many other birds that dot the waters.

Taking the 90 minutes drive from Nairobi to Elementaita along the newly re-carpeted highway is itself an adventure. As you drive past Limuru, the road opens up to a viewpoint of the Great Rift Valley affording motorists a stunning view of the escarpment.

Curio shops eager for tourist stopovers are set up by the cliff displaying bright colored kikoyis all set against the substantial drop of the valley with a spectacular view of Mount Longonot at the horizon.

On arrival at Elementaita, visitors are greeted by thousands of rosy pink flamingos standing up 150 cm high – perhaps watching over their sister species of water birds. All around are signs of wildlife. Dozens of zebra, staring gazelle, eland and families of warthog can be spotted moving leisurely along the shores of the lake.

Among the must visit spots at Elementaita is Kekopey hot springs situated towards the southern end of the lake. This is the breeding ground for the Tilapia Grahamii. It is also very popular for bathing, with the local Masai claiming that it can cure AIDS.

After exploring the lakeside, visitors can walk into the welcoming Lake Elementaita Lodge where they can relax and sip some freshly squeezed juice while awaiting dinner.

From Elementaita visitors can tour the nearby Lake Nakuru National Park or the famous Kariandusi museum – an important Garden Meal in Lake Elementaita Lodge prehistoric site where stone hand axes and cleavers were discovered in 1928 by Louis Leakey.