

DEDAN KIMATHI UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY CONSERVANCY.

Dedan Kimathi University of Technology prides in being the only University in Kenya that owns and manages a Wildlife Conservancy. The conservancy opened doors to the public in 2012. The Dedan Kimathi University Wildlife Conservancy (DeKUWC) is set on about 120 acres piece of indigenous forest that was once managed as part of Nyeri forest. The conservancy is characterized by, a virgin forest that greatly serves the browsers, apes, zebras among others; open grassland that hosts grazers; permanent river that provides drinking water to animals throughout the year; and manmade water holes dug close to grazing areas.

DeKUWC has unique sceneries these includes; reptile park, nature trails spreading throughout the conservancy; Llama that are hardly found in other parks and reserves, Zebras, wild beast, endangered species of birds' that are in the red list e.g. the Hinde's Babbler which the University strives to conserve and increase their population. The natural sceneries surrounding the conservancy include Kabiruini forests, aberdare ranges and the clearly visible Mt Kenya snow capped peaks. Other resources of DeKUWC include an over 200 capacity conference hall, classic VIP Tents and Cottages, An open ground that is carpet green with grass that hosts open/outside events like games during team building

The Conservancy brings a unique array of services to the public which include: animal and wildlife viewing, bird watching to a variety of birds, Venues for meetings, team building events, weddings, birthdays, picnicking to mention but a few. To ongoing students in DeKUT and other institutions of higher learning, DeKUWC has on a continued basis acted as a laboratory for students undertaking PhD, Masters, Undergraduate and Diploma programmes in tourism and hospitality management areas, natural resources, botany, zoology, history among others.

To solidify on our uniqueness as the only conservancy owned and managed by a University in East Africa, DeKUWC draws from a rich pool of expertise in the areas of Wildlife and Conservation Management; Environment, Business Entrepreneurship; Research and innovations; and Community Linkages. Through the concerted efforts of the varied expertise, DeKUT offers consultancy services in the, establishment, development and management of conservancies as a business enterprise to individuals and corporate bodies. Through this the University is able proudly transfers current technology for consumption by the public which is part of her mandate.

For more information kindly visit <http://dkut.ac.ke/conservancy/> or call 0716 659 395

