



The Giraffe Manor Hotel is located in the Karen neighborhood, Langatta district, in the outskirts of Nairobi (Kenya). This small hotel with only ten rooms extends over 140 hectares of protected forest. Its emblematic building dates from 1930 and became one of the legacies of the first Europeans that travelled to Eastern Africa to enjoy their safaris.

In 1974, Giraffe Manor became the residence of Betty Leslie-Melville and her husband Jock, who devoted their lives to preserving the already endangered Rothschild giraffes. Thus, in the year 1979 and in the vicinity of their residence, they founded the *Giraffe Center: African Fund for Endangered Wildlife* (AFEW) [1].

Giraffe Manor guests can stroll through the gardens surrounding the property until reaching the Giraffe Center AFEW. Here they can learn about how Rothschild giraffes are in danger of extinction. The species only has about one hundred individuals left living in the wild, living in protected areas in Kenya and Uganda [2].

Today, the task of protecting these giraffes –started by Jock and Betty– is still active here, and their residence has become the first guarded luxury hotel in the world, evidently because of the eight Rothschild giraffes living in the premises.

Lovers of Africa and animals find Giraffe Manor an ideal location for the entire family. Imagine eating breakfast in an aristocratic building from the early twentieth century and, in between dishes, a giraffe suddenly stick its head and neck through one of the large windows in the room, wishing you a good day and obviously biting off a bit from your plate. This is a regular day at Giraffe Manor. It is a unique and fun experience to learn more about the importance of respecting Mother Nature.

This iconic hotel with a stately air features eight superior rooms and two standard rooms. Each room hides its own charm, and wood becomes an essential material. They have decorations with details made of steel or other forged metals, as well as a predominance of brown and white tones. The decoration of the house's first settlers is conserved in every corner of Giraffe Manor: robust wooden furniture and flowery details. There is also a predominance of natural materials such as linen, cotton, wood and leather, which decorate the hotel's different rooms and areas. The decor transports you the Colonial Era's majesty; such as four-poster beds adorned with fine linen fabrics of pure white.

Giraffe Manor is owned by **The Safari Collection**, a collection of luxury camps that offer the most authentic African experience to its visitors. Kenya is a country that has to be lived with all five senses. This is the goal of The Safari Collection, which offers very diverse activities for all tastes: fly over Mount Kenya on helicopter; learn about the Samburu culture and its colorful markets; or visit the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust and adopt a baby elephant [3].

If you are thinking about enjoying a truly African experience, Giraffe Manor and The Safari Collection is the best option to travel with family or for a romantic getaway, because they guarantee their visitors a unique and special place, reminiscent of the book *Out of Africa*.

[1] www.giraffecenter.org

[2] www.girafferesearch.com

[3] www.sheldrickwildlifetrust.org

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KATIKIES HOTEL

Els privilegis divins

The divine privileges



Les notes del pianista grec Yanni Chryssomallis ens transporten a l'illa més meridional que banya el mar Egeu. Santorini –coneguda com a Thera a l'antiguitat- va néixer després d'una explosió volcànica fa 180.000 anys, tot i que la formació de la Caldera actual s'ha anat coent a foc lent fins fa relativament poc, doncs la seva darrera erupció data del 1950.

Expliquen que, en aquesta terra fèrtil i meravellosa, que ofereix un dels vins més deliciosos del món, s'amaga el secret de l'Atlàntida. No hi ha dubte que la màgia de les Illes Cíclades va ser una inspiració per a Plató i, perquè no, també per a Francis Bacon. En aquestes terres, el viatger pot comprovar que la llegenda es fa realitat en entrar a Katikies Hotel.

Aquest hotel de gran luxe està situat a la població d'Oia i forma part del grup **Katikies Hotels Santorini**. La seva arquitectura respecta l'estil de les construccions de l'illa, vestint un blanc pur que l'integra en un entorn natural paradisiac.

Katikies Hotal té set tipus diferents de suites, totes elles delicadament decorades amb fins cotons i amb vista a la Caldera. Entre elles, destaquen les suites 'Lluna de mel' de 45 metres quadrats i jacuzzi a l'exterior; que ofereixen un clima romàntic ideal per a gaudir en parella. La 'Suite Principal', de 40 metres quadrats amb piscina exterior, resulta un preciós santuari que ens envolta en un ambient calmat, ideal pel descans.

L'atenció més exclusiva i personalitzada és un dels punts forts de Katikies Hotel, sense dubte està a l'altura de la meravella natural que l'envolta, convidant als seus clients a sentir-se com a casa.

La cuina grega està influenciada per les tradicions culinàries d'Àsia Menor i encara és coneguda pels grecs com 'Politiki Kouzina'. A Mikrasia Restaurant mantenen viva la tradició Politiki Kouzina, que combina els multiculturalment menjars de Constantinopla amb les receptes gregues més casolanes a base de productes de mercat. Una barreja de sabors contemporània per a agradar fins als paladars més exigents.

A més a més, el Seltz Champagne Bar & Restaurant ofereix un menú a la carta replet d'exquisideses i una extensa varietat de vins i còctels per a degustar relaxadament davant una posta de sol des d'un balcó màgic i privilegiat.

A només dos minuts de l'hotel, es pot viure una experiència única i inoblidable a Aspa Villas: un temple aquàtic que respira elegància i benestar, dissenyat per a revitalitzar el cos i la ment gràcies a les tècniques més sofisticades de massatge.

Katikies Hotel resulta un lloc sorprenent, en el qual la calma està assegurada. La millor ubicació de l'illa de Santorini per a sentir-te part de la tradició grega.



The musical notes of Greek pianist Yanni Chryssomallis transport us to the southernmost island bathed by the Aegean Sea. Santorini –known as Thera in antiquity– was created by a volcanic explosion about 180,000 years ago, although the formation of the current caldera has been going on for a relatively short time, since its last eruption dates from 1950.

Stories tell that in this fertile and wonderful land that offers some of the world's most delicious wines, the secret of Atlantis is hidden. There is no doubt that the magic of the Cyclades islands was a source of inspiration for Plato and, why not, for Francis Bacon as well. In these lands, the traveler can verify that the legend becomes reality when entering the Katikies Hotel.

This luxury hotel is located in the town of Oia and is part of the **Katikies Hotels Santorini** group. Its architecture respects the island's building style, painted pure white, making it fit into its idyllic natural surroundings.

The Katikies Hotel has seven different types of suites, each one tastefully decorated with fine cottons and overlooking the caldera. Among these are the 'Honeymoon' suites, with 45 square meters and an outdoor Jacuzzi; they are ideal for a romantic escapade with your partner. The 'Main Suite' is 40 square meters and has an indoor swimming pool. It is a beautiful sanctuary that provides a calm and relaxing environment, ideal for resting.

The exclusive and personalized attention is one of the strengths of the Katikies Hotel, without doubt living up to the natural wonder surrounding it, and inviting its guests to feel right at home.

Greek cuisine is influenced by the culinary traditions of Asia Minor and is still known to Greeks as 'Politiki Kouzina'. This tradition is kept alive at the Mikrasia Restaurant, combining multicultural delicacies from Constantinople with the homemade Greek recipes using fresh market produce. It is a blend of contemporary flavors to please the most demanding palates.

In addition, the Seltz Champagne Bar & Restaurant offers an à la carte menu full of delicacies and a wide selection of wines and cocktails to enjoy watching the sunset from a magical and privileged balcony.

Just two minutes away from the hotel, you can live a unique and unforgettable experience at Aspa Villas: an aquatic temple that breathes elegance and comfort, designed to revitalize body and mind thanks to the most sophisticated massage techniques.

The Katikies Hotel is an amazing place where calm is guaranteed. It is the best place on the island of Santorini to feel part of Greek tradition.

