



Harmonious Protected Landscape, Category V

Manager:

Fanamby Association

Area:

210,312 ha

Geolocation:

Province of Toliara; Region of Menabe; Districts of Morondava and Belo/Tsiribihina

International label:

Key Biodiversity Area (KBA), Alliance for Zero Extinction (AZE) site, Important Bird Area (IBA), Priority Area for Plant Conservation (PAPC), RAMSAR site (Lake Bedo)

FLAGSHIP SPECIES

Menabe Antimena is constituted by an exceptional biological diversity. It is characterized by large contiguous blocks of natural habitats such as **dense dry forests**, **Lake Kimanaomby**, **Lake Bedo and mangroves with a center of micro endemism**. The dense dry forests are home to many endemic species such as Hazomalany, rosewood and baobabs. They also constitute the main habitat of the flagship species of the Menabe Antimena including the giant jumping rat, the flat-tailed turtle, the smallest primate in the world (Madame Berthe's mouse lemur), the mongoose with fine stripes and the fosa. The lakes are home to many species of birds.



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SPECIES OF BIRDS

including 1 critically endangered (the Madagascar fish eagle), 5 endangered (e.g., the Madagascar teal, the white crab heron, the Madagascar grebe) and 3 vulnerable (e.g. the Madagascar gravelot, the variegated mestizo)



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SPECIES OF BATS

including **2** vulnerable (e.g., the Madagascar flying fox)



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SPECIES OF REPTILES

including 1 critically endangered (the flat-tailed turtle), 2 endangered and 4 vulnerable among which 2 species of chameleon



SPECIES OF LEMURS

3 of which are critically endangered (the small lepilemur, the sifaka, Madame Berthe's mouse lemur), 2 endangered and 2 vulnerable (e.g., the red lemur)



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SPECIES OF PLANTS

of which
243 are endemic
to Madagascar
among which
4 are endangered
(e.g.,Renala)
and 3 vulnerable



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SPECIES OF AMPHIBIANS including 1 vulnerable



SPECIES OF OTHER MAMMALS

including

1 local endemic
classified as
endangered
(the giant jumping
rat) and 1 vulnerable
tenrec species



SPECIES OF CARNIVORANS

including **1** endangered
and **1** vulnerable
(the Fosa)

LANDSCAPES AND HABITATS



Dense dry forest, xerophilous thicket (a highly impoverished variant of dense dry forest), mangroves, tans, lakes, secondary forests and thickets, secondary grasslands and pastures, inter-dune swamps.

PRESSURES AND THREATS



Slash-and-burn agriculture, uncontrolled bush fires, selective logging, charcoal production, hunting and trapping of wild animals, drainage and drying of marshes, mangrove logging, invasive species, migration.

PARTICULARITY



Includes the protection and conservation zone of the site of biological interest of the Kirindy forest (former forest concession (CNFEREF)), the Special Reserve of Andranomena managed by MNP, the former site of biological interest of Analabe (known as «La concession de Heaulme»); but the last two retain their own legal and land status.

ECONOMIC VALUE

The PA provides additional income for the population through ecotourism in the special reserve of Andranomena and the National Center for Training, Study and Research on the Environment and Forestry (CNFEREF).

Existence of an association of **sculptors** who value the dead (precious) wood in the areas of right of use, whose sector is well structured and brings in a lot of income for the communities.

LOCAL COMMUNITIES INITIATIVES

Both the de facto delegated manager (Fanamby) and the sub-delegates (Durrell), CNFEREF works closely

with the local communities: whether for the management of the area, through the various Natural Resource Management Transfers (NRMT) set up, or the implementation of activities such as patrols and firefighting, through the Local Management Committee (LMC), fire officers, **Dina Executive Committee** (KMD), etc.

32,095 inhabitants are directly benefiting from the ecosystem services provided by the protected area.

FAPBM'S EFFORTS

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