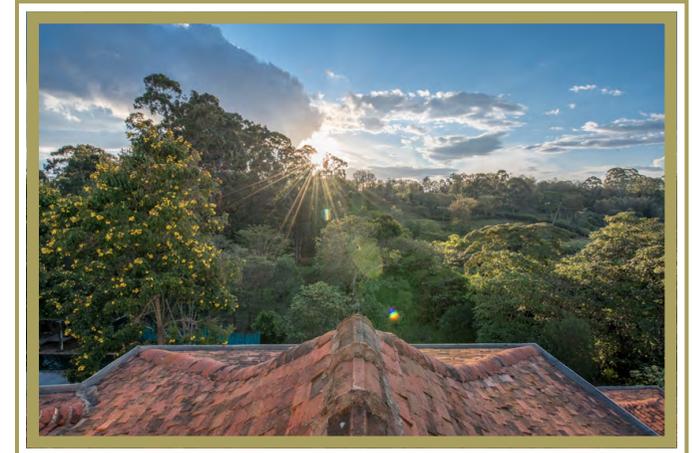

The Karen Manor



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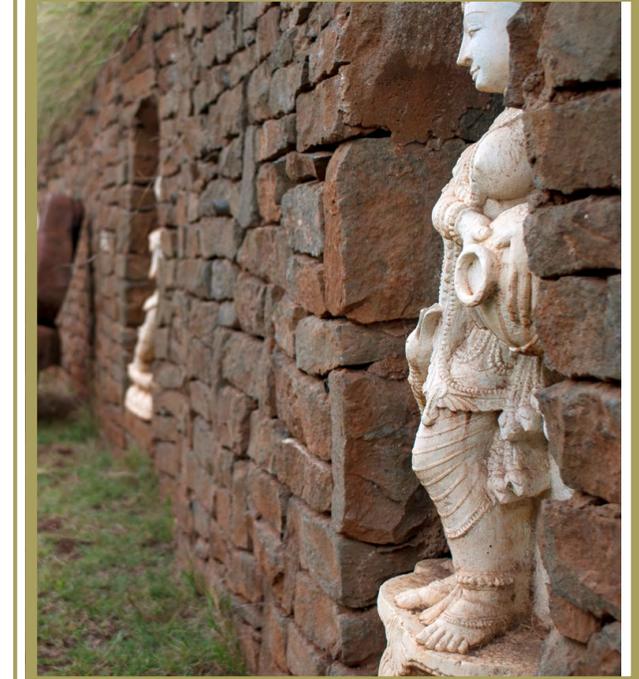
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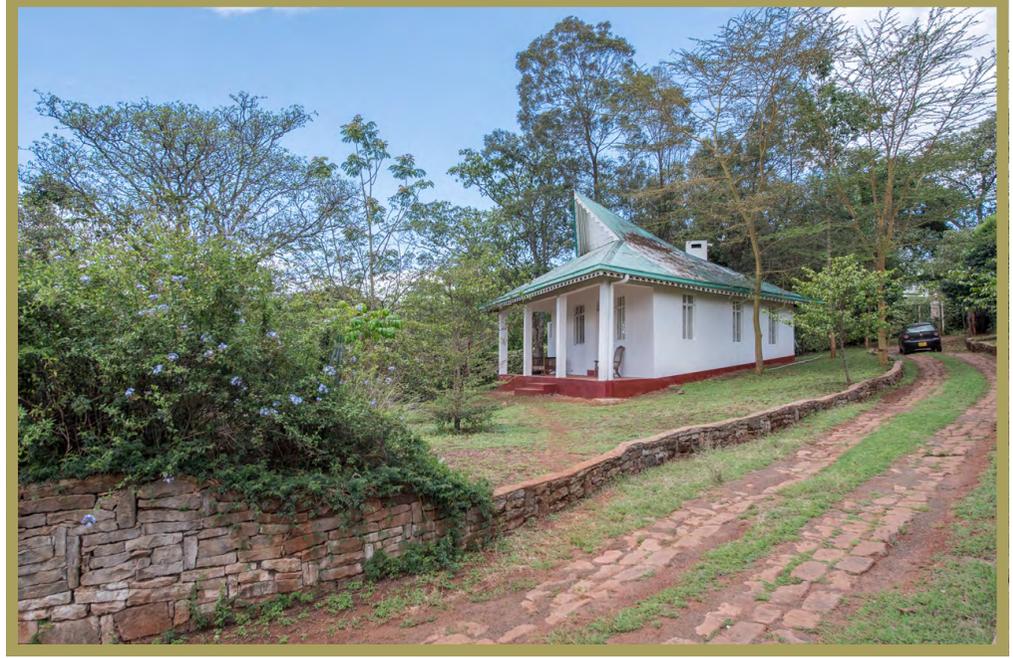
This stunning home offers the best of Karen living, with a large manor house situated on three acres of land. The home is located just next to Hemingways Nairobi on Mbagathi Ridge, a quiet residential street that embodies Karen's peaceful atmosphere. The Karen Manor is found on an estate consisting of six plots, with the home and its adjoining land comprising Plots 4 and 5. This arrangement allows for a high level of security, with 24-hour coverage including a gate guard and patrols, as well as road maintenance and upkeep, all through shared estate management costs. In addition to the five bedroom, spacious home, there is a large guest cottage also suitable for live in staff. This is an ideal investment property, thanks to its large land allotment, and can readily provide rental income. It is also ideal for families, with a lot of existing child-friendly features and plenty of room to grow.



First Impressions

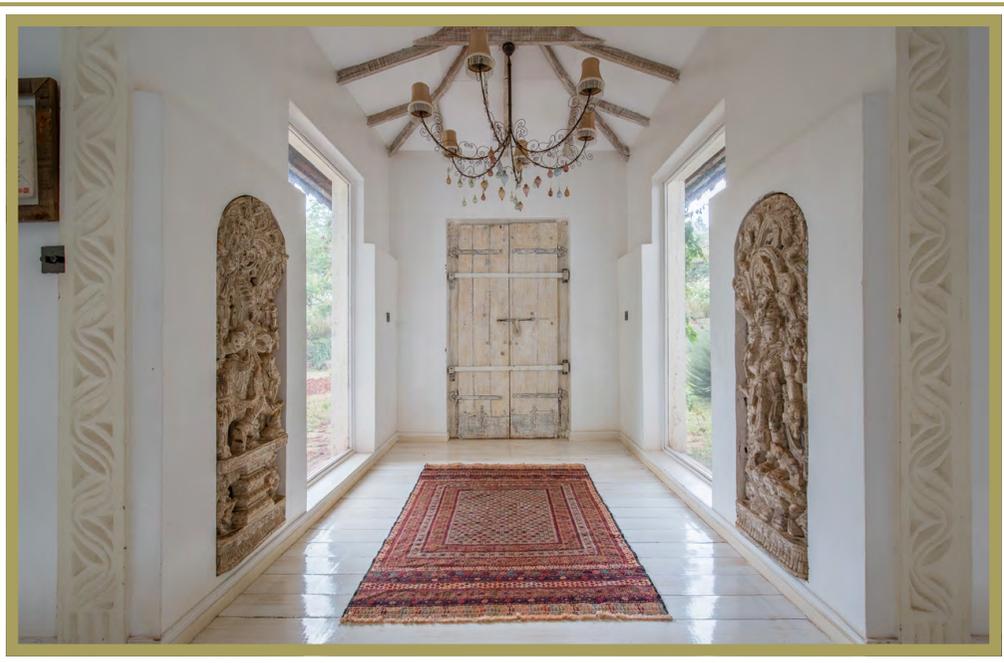
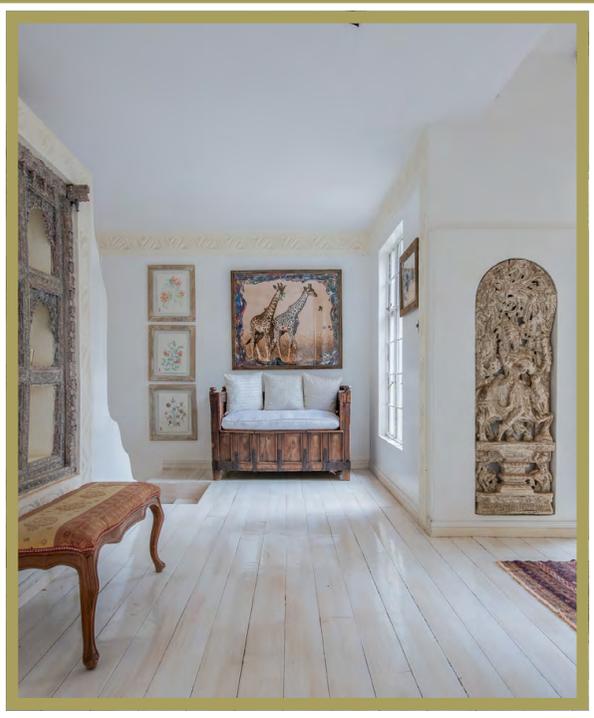
The Karen Manor is located approximately 250m from the estate gate. In the front garden, you'll find a pagoda perfect for everything from an outdoor workout space to a lovely area for al fresco entertaining. There is a nearby outdoor bathroom, complete with shower. This front garden area, while maintaining a spacious layout, also offers a circular drive, and ample parking space in two separate areas each comfortably fitting three cars. The back garden, which opens out into an acre and a half of land, hosts the home's large, fenced in pool, perfect for sunny Nairobi days.

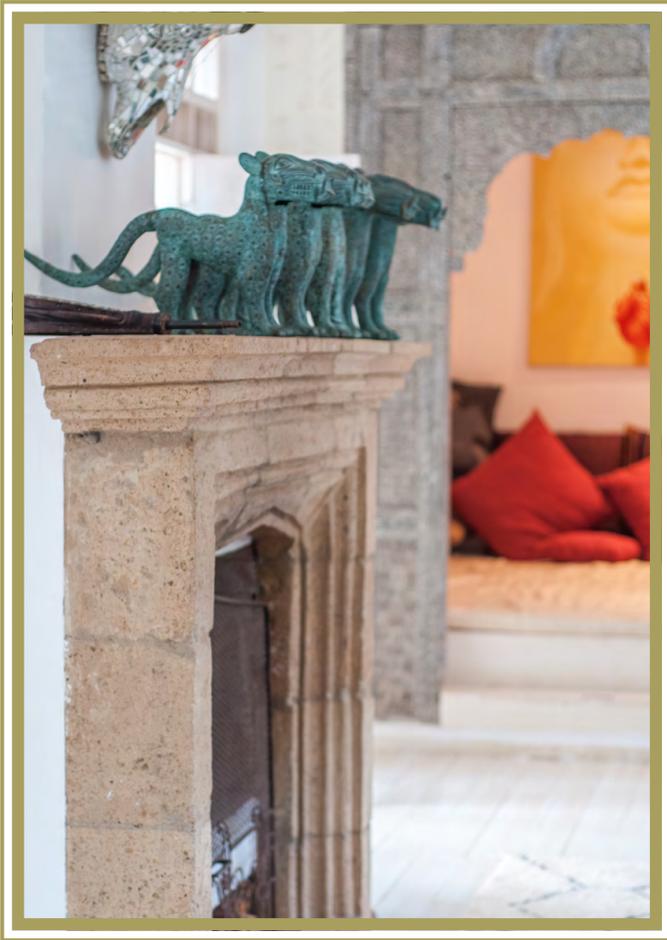




An Inviting Welcome

The home features two primary entrances. One opens into a connecting space between the kitchen and a large store room. The main entrance boasts a beautiful architectural element, with an antique door imported from Rajasthan, India. This sets the tone for the home, which features many similar antique pieces and architectural detailing and finishing that creates a Swahili aesthetic with a clean edge suited to Nairobi. The entrance opens into a parlour, complete a built-in nook currently serving as a cosy television room. The parlour has two sets of double doors opening onto the verandah.





Kitchen & Dining

This home's spacious kitchen, on one side of the entryway and parlour, shares an open plan with the dining room and a lovely lounge area beyond, complete with a fireplace. The kitchen itself features several in-built dining options, including one side of the large central island and a large bench fashioned from poured concrete. The high ceilings add to the area's spacious feel, while whitewashed wooden beams, Swahili-inspired doorframes and stunning architectural elements offer inherent style. There is ample counter top and cupboard space, and a large stable-style door that opens out onto the central verandah.

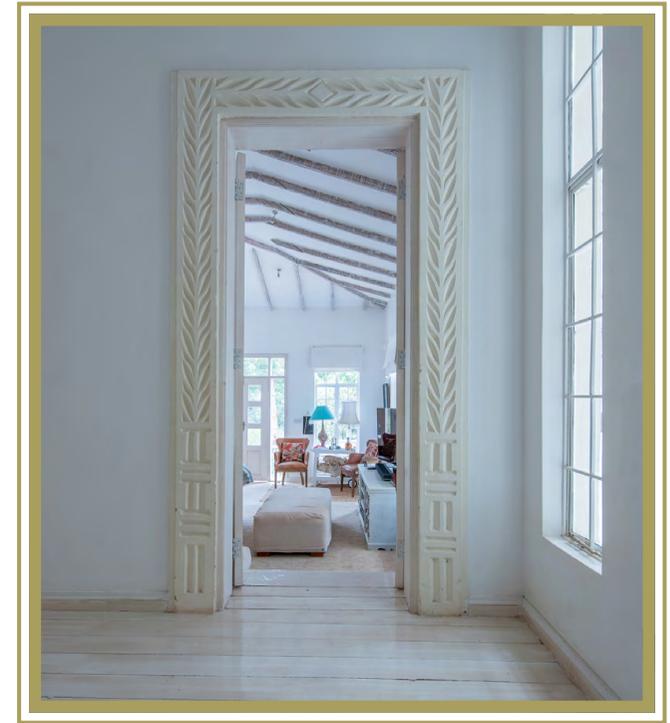


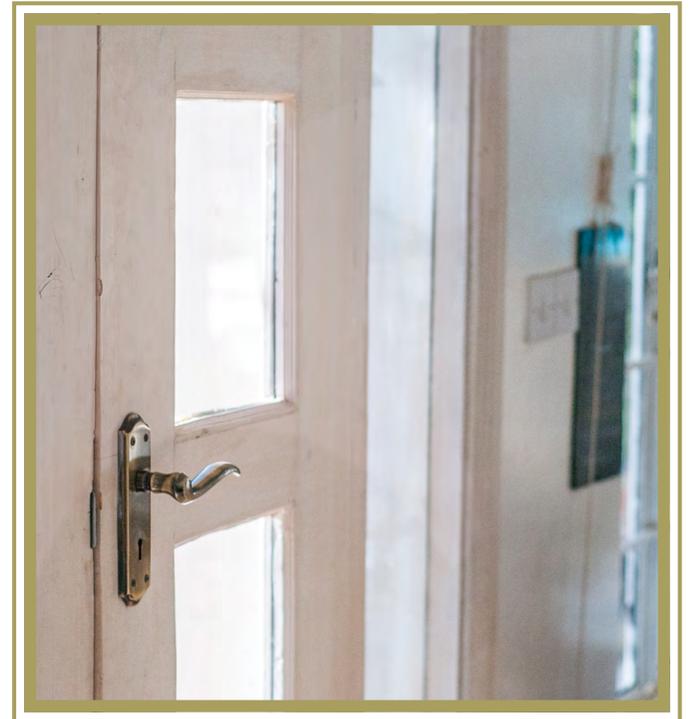




Live & Work

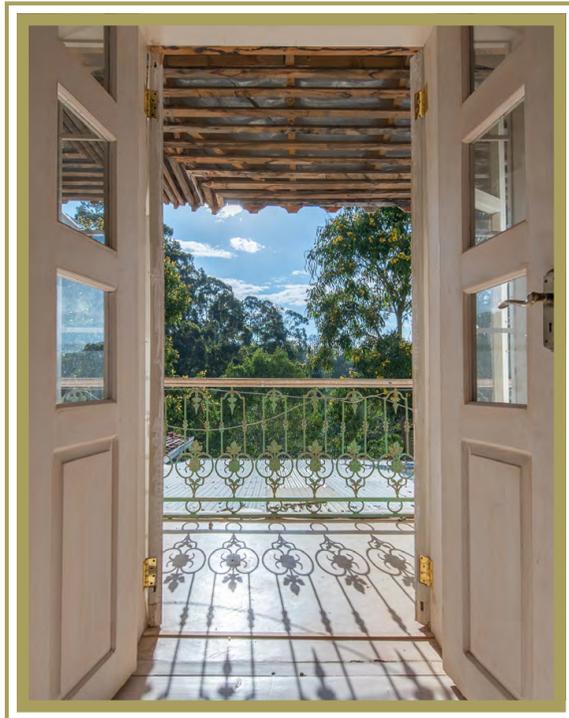
On the opposite side of the parlour you'll find a sunken lounge and home office space. This L-shaped room looks out onto both the verandah and the back garden, with a double door leading onto the verandah and plenty of windows that let in ample natural light and can create an airy, open feel on warm days. In its current layout, one side of the room is dedicated to a television space, while the other features a wraparound, in-built shelf that provides plenty of desk space. This is perfect for everything from a workspace for those who work from home to a study area for kids.





Master Bedroom

The master bedroom is a luxuriously spacious and beautifully inviting room. The door is a striking, antique feature, with mother of pearl inlaid in richly aged wood. The ceiling features whitewashed wooden beams and the room hosts a lovely stone fireplace. The bedroom opens onto two balconies, and features a dividing wall that separates the bedroom area from the wardrobe and the master bathroom.

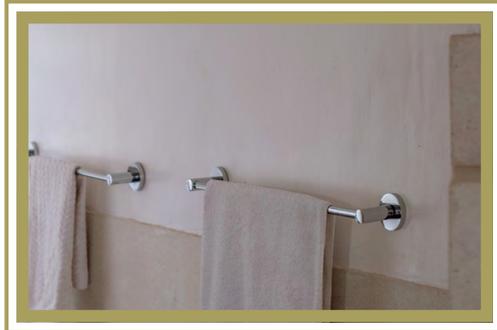
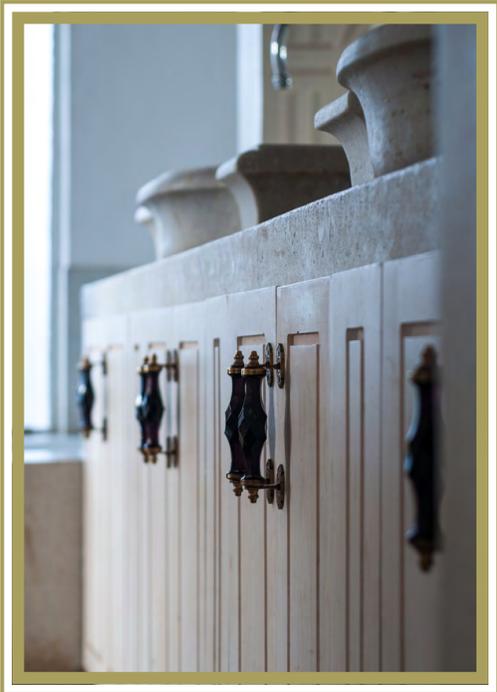




Luxuriously Spacious

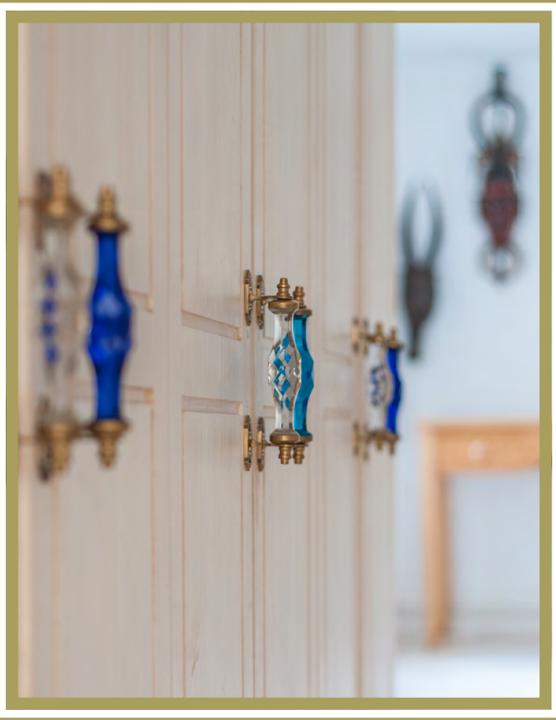
The master bedroom wardrobe space is a large area on the opposite side of the dividing wall, featuring a massive mirror framed with antique dhow wood and a bench in the same material. There is a large in-built wardrobe with plenty of space for additional, standalone wardrobe options. This space also opens into a stairway to the home's observation deck, a room that offers ample storage space and could function as a lovely studio or workspace, with stunning views of the entire area around the home. The master bathroom is a wonderfully spacious, with his and hers sinks, a bath, and a shower that opens onto a second outdoor shower.





The Bedrooms

This home features four bedrooms, with an additional large multi-purpose room that could serve as a fifth bedroom. One bedroom and the multi-purpose room are located on the ground floor, sharing a bathroom on that level. The ground floor bedroom features ample cupboard space, a cosy nook perfect for a small study or additional storage, and an in-built bedframe. Upstairs, you'll find two bedrooms in addition to the master bedroom. Both are spaciouly laid out with plenty of natural light and wardrobe space. These bedrooms share a bathroom with both bath and shower.





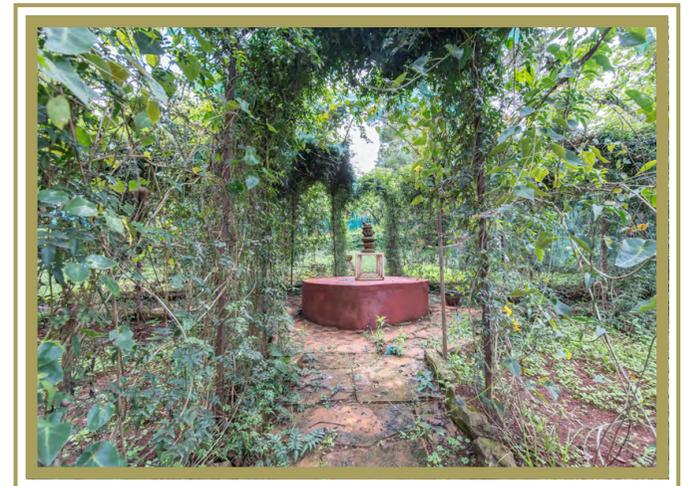
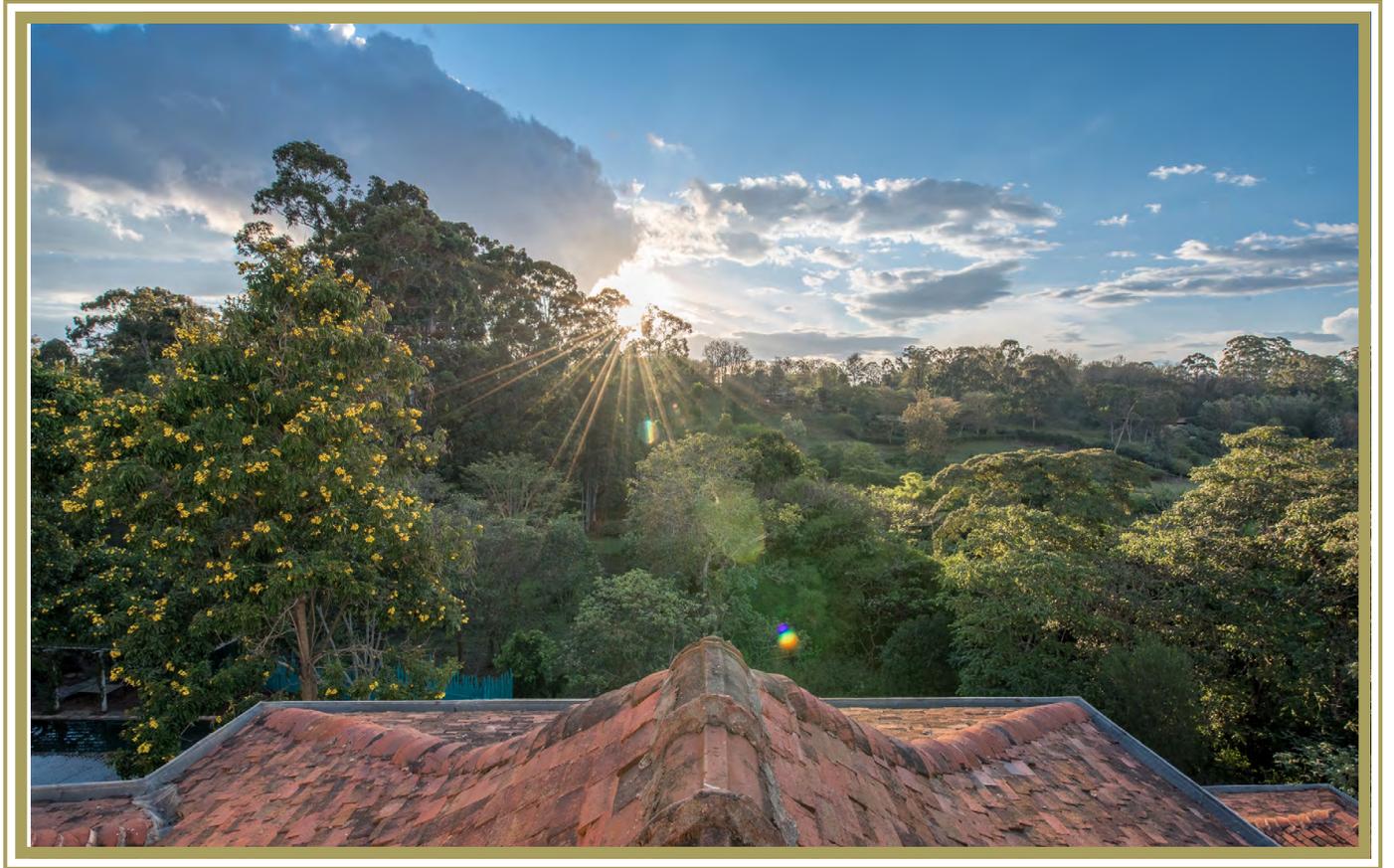
Outdoor Living

The ground floor of this home is built around its large, central verandah, a lovely layout that allows residents to take full advantage of Nairobi's sunny climate with plenty of outdoor living space. The verandah features a sunken lounge around a central fireplace, and has ample room on either side of that for a large dining area and further seating options. The verandah looks out over the fenced-in pool area and features a double staircase from either side leading to the pool and the back garden beyond. This home boasts a large pool with a unique layout and beautiful surfacing with mazeras stones. One end of the pool features allows entry from two semi-circular stairways, while the other end features a large soapstone sculpture. The pool area is completed with a covered deck, perfect for lounge chairs and even a small dining set for pool-side entertaining. This entire area is fenced for safety and convenience, and the pool gate opens to an outdoor staircase that leads to the open land and pond at the back of the property.



Three Acres to Dream

The entire area of the two plots that comprise this home totals approximately three acres. The front garden area and the home itself occupy roughly half of this space, with the second half currently providing a large green space that opens from the back garden. From the top of the first plot, the land gradually slopes downwards. Towards the end of the property line, there is a horseshoe shaped water feature adding a lovely feel to the space. This area could be further landscaped to expand the back garden and create more outdoor living space. Bordering the road, there is a third parking area that can hold an additional three cars.





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