



ZOMBITSE VOHIBASIA NATIONAL PARK

Category: National Park, Category II

Manager: Madagascar National Parks (MNP)

Area: 36,308 ha

Geolocation: Province of Toliara; Region of Atsimo Andrefana; Districts of Sakaraha and Ankazoabo Sud

International label: Key Biodiversity Area (KBA), Important Bird Area (IBA)

Start of FAPBM grants: 2023

FLAGSHIP SPECIES

The Zombitse Vohibasia National Park belongs to the Western ecoregion, where flora and vegetation are significantly influenced by variations in soil types and geology. **It exhibits remarkable diversity in both habitats and biodiversity.** The park's forest is divided into several forest blocks and harbors typical floristic species of the spiny thicket and dense dry forest. In terms of fauna, Zombitse Vohibasia has a locally endemic lemur species, the *Hubbard's sportive lemur*.



10
SPECIES OF BATS
including
1 vulnerable



6
SPECIES OF AMPHIBIANS



103
SPECIES OF BIRDS
including

3 endangered (e.g., Madagascar grebe), and **3** vulnerable



8
SPECIES OF LEMURS

including **1** critically endangered (Verreaux's sifaka), **2** endangered, **2** vulnerable, and **1** locally endemic species also endangered



2
SPECIES OF CARNIVORANS
including
1 vulnerable (fossa)



29
SPECIES OF REPTILES
including
3 vulnerable



270
SPECIES OF PLANTS
including
214 endemic to Madagascar, **5** endangered and **2** vulnerable and **2** locally endemic species



10
SPECIES OF OTHER MAMMALS
including
1 vulnerable



PROTECTED AREA SPECIFICITIES

LANDSCAPES AND HABITATS



Semi-deciduous dense moistevergreen forest, marshes and peatbogs, secondary grasslands and pastures, mosaic of culture with secondary thickets.

PRESSURES AND THREATS



Slash-and-burn agriculture, thicketfires, illegal sapphire mining, hunting, collection of non-timber forest products, poaching.



ECONOMIC VALUE

Hydrological source supplying the Southwest region and **protection of the hydrographic networks** of the peripheral zone of the Protected Areas (PA).



LOCAL COMMUNITIES INITIATIVES

Like all PAs managed by MNP, the management of Zombitse Vohibasia National Park is a **collaborative co-management** with the participation of members of local communities in conservation and development activities. They are brought together in the **CLPs (Local Park Committees)** and **COSAPs (Protected Areas Orientation and Support Committees)**.




FAPBM'S EFFORTS AND RESULTS





For PAs managed by MNP, **FAPBM secures part of salary costs and operating expenses for the management unit.**



Furcifer vertucosus, the warty chameleon © MNP

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