



NATURAL RESOURCE RESERVE OF ANKENIHENY-ZAHAMENA CORRIDOR (CAZ)

Category: Natural resource reserve, Category VI

Manager: Conservation International (CI)

Area: 369,266 ha

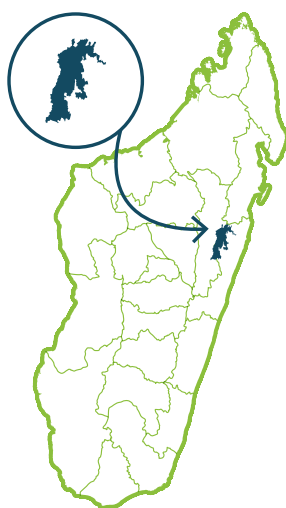
Geolocation: Province of Toamasina; Regions of Alaotra-Mangoro and Atsinanana; Districts of Moramanga, Ambatondrazaka; Brickaville, Toamasina II, and Vatomandry

International label: Key Biodiversity Area (KBA), Important Bird Area (IBA), Alliance for Zero Extinction (AZE), Important Plant Area,

Start of FAPBM grants: 2023

FLAGSHIP SPECIES

The Ankeniheny-Zahamena Corridor (CAZ) represents a large part of the remnants of the **moist evergreen rainforest, especially those at mid-altitude**. The flora found there includes typical elements of this habitat type but also endemic species in the East, including many **orchid species and numerous palms**. **The site also has a great wealth of fauna**. This corridor also has remarkable natural characteristics such as waterfalls, thermal springs, or landscapes of great tourist value.



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SPECIES OF BIRDS

including **4** endangered (e.g., Madagascar grebe), **6** vulnerable (e.g., Madagascar rail, Madagascar scops owl)



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SPECIES OF LEMURS

including **4** critically endangered (e.g., *Indri indri*, lemur vari), **2** endangered (e.g., Aye-aye nocturnal lemur), **6** vulnerable (e.g., red-bellied lemur)



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SPECIES OF BATS

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



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SPECIES OF AMPHIBIANS

including **1** critically endangered, **2** endangered, **3** vulnerable



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SPECIES OF PLANTS

including **750** endemic to Madagascar, **1** critically endangered, **3** palm species endangered, **1** vulnerable and **3** local endemics, including **1** critically endangered and **1** endangered



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SPECIES OF CARNIVORANS

including **3** vulnerable (e.g., fossa, Malagasy civet)



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SPECIES OF REPTILES

including **3** endangered, **1** vulnerable chameleon species



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SPECIES OF OTHER MAMMALS

including **2** endangered, **1** vulnerable

DID YOU
KNOW
THAT

The Ankeniheny-Zahamena Corridor is located in the heart of the landscape framed by Protected Areas (PAs) managed by MNP, which are: Zahamena National Park, Mangerivola Special Reserve, Betampona Integral Nature Reserve, and Analamazaotra-Mantadia National Parks. The New Protected Area (NPA) thus contributes to the connection of these PAs and the promotion of habitat and ecosystem continuity of the Eastern Ecoregion.

PROTECTED AREA SPECIFICITIES

LANDSCAPES AND HABITATS



Dense moist evergreen forest of low and mid-altitude, fragments of primary forests, grasslands and secondary pastures, mosaic of culture, rocky vegetation.

PRESSURES AND THREATS



Slash-and-burn agriculture or «tavy,» uncontrolled logging and mining in natural forests, migration in search of income opportunities.



ECONOMIC VALUE

The PA ensures the protection and water supply of the hydrographic networks that drain the large valleys of Alaotra and the surrounding plains of Toamasina.



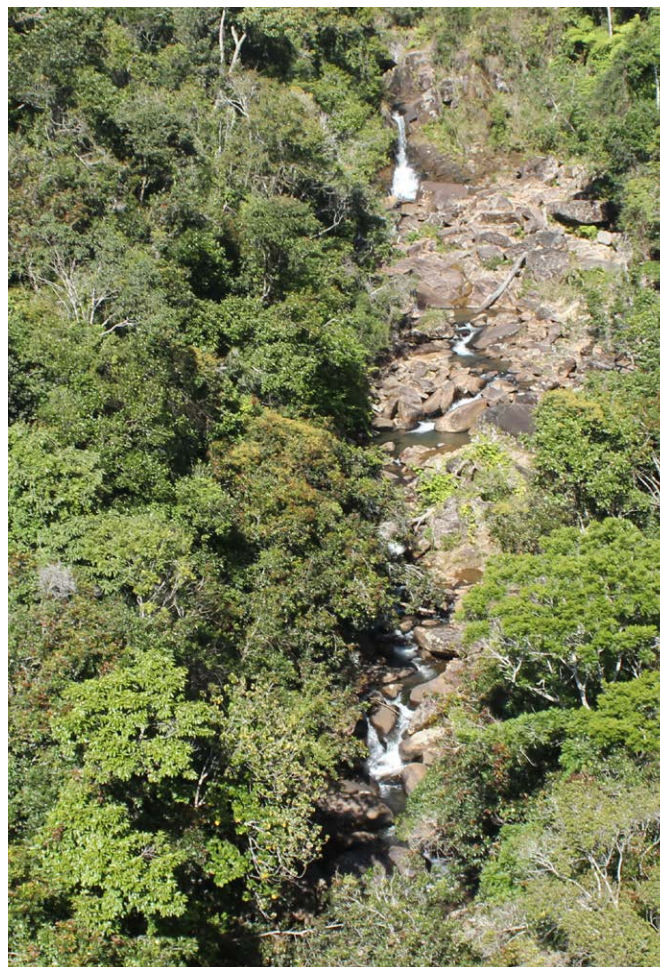
LOCAL COMMUNITIES INITIATIVES

The governance adopted for the PA is shared or co-management in which local communities are represented. **Federations of locally-based communities (VOI) have been established at the level of different sectors of the PA for the management of natural resources.** These local communities benefit from capacity building so that they can fulfill their role in this management.









FAPBM'S EFFORTS AND RESULTS

FAPBM's funding ensures the implementation of **conservation activities** (patrolling and surveillance, ecological monitoring and restoration, etc.), **support to local communities and management structures, and covers a part of the salary and operating expenses of the management unit.**



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