



CENTRE VALBIO PRICE LIST 2024

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Station fees and services



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Service Type	Description	Price per Unit (USD)	Unit Type
Station fees	Private room, with en suite - single occupancy	\$ 80	Per person, per night
	Private room, with en suite - double occupancy	\$ 120	Per couple, per night
	Standard (researcher, guest, other)	\$ 55	Per person, per night
	Student (primary school to PhD)	\$ 35	Per person, per night

NB 1: For researchers paying \$35/night station fees, those fees will not exceed \$950 per month for anyone staying for a minimum of 60 consecutive days and who pays in advance.

For researchers paying \$55/night station fees, those fees will not exceed \$1500 per month for anyone staying for a minimum of 60 consecutive days and who pays in advance.

NB 2: Station fees include three meals per day; lodging in NamanaBe dormitory (four and six person dormitories have shared shower/toilet facilities, private rooms have their own toilet and shower) or the camp site; access to high speed internet, computer laboratory, library, unlimited hot showers, and potable water.

NB 3: CVB technicians, in almost all circumstances, are only available to researchers staying at CVB. The multiple years of experience and training possessed by CVB technicians is only possible through the support of those people who stay at CVB as our guests. Your understanding is appreciated. For certain activities, such as darting and captures, this rule may be waived. Please contact us to discuss this possibility.

Service Type	Description	Price per Unit (USD)	Price per Unit (MGA)	Unit Type
Conference room	Daily rental - NamanaBe (w/ projector)	\$ 100		Per day (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>)
	Daily rental - AinaBe (large table only)	\$ 25		Per day (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>)
Recording studio	Daily rental	\$ 20		Per day (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>)
	Item breakage and consumable usage	per item		Depends on item used/broken
Laboratory	Laboratory fee	\$ 50		Per group of researchers, per week (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>)
	Item breakage and consumable usage	per item		Depends on item used/broken
	Storage (household freezer, c. -20°C)	\$ 2,50		Per week (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>), maximum size half a shelf
	Storage (-80°C freezer)	\$ 5		Per week (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>), maximum size half a shelf
	Liquid nitrogen	\$ On request		Usually sold in litres, limited availability (ask well in advance)
Technology lab	Laboratory fee	\$ 50		Per week (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>)
	Item breakage and consumable usage	per item		Depends on item used/broken
Administration & office fees	Administrative and logistics fee (parties of six or fewer)	\$ 60		Per group of researchers, per month (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>)
	Administrative and logistics fee (parties of seven or more)	\$ 200		Per group of researchers, per month (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>)
	Assistance w/permitting (excluding export)		Ar 436 000	Per permit
	Assistance w/permitting (export)		Ar 654 000	Per attempt (more trips may be needed)
	Office space	\$ 50		Per person, per month
	Daily transport for people working at CVB ('navette')	\$ 2		Per person, per day
Staff	Research technician - hiring cost	\$ 50		Per technician, per week (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>)
	Senior research technician (15 years' experience) - hiring cost	\$ 65		Per technician, per week (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>)
	Senior staff (NB: May not be available)	\$ 100		Per staff member, per week (<i>cannot be pro rated</i>)
	Research technician - overnight supplement		Ar 6 500	Per night, per person
	Senior research technician (15 years' experience) - overnight supplement		Ar 10 000	Per night, per person
	All CVB staff - weekend supplement		Ar 22 000	Per day, per person (<i>i.e. 44,000 per weekend</i>)
	CVB cook - hiring cost		Ar 5 000	Per day, per person
	CVB technician food supplement (Note 1)		Ar 4 000	Per day, per person
	Local temporary technician - from Ranomafana		Ar 7 500	Per day, per person
Local temporary technician - not from Ranomafana		Ar 5 500	Per day, per person	

	Local guide	Ar 5 000	Per day, per person
Guest food & drink	Lunch / dinner	Ar 40 000	Per meal
(NB: station fees include breakfast, lunch, and dinner)	Breakfast	Ar 15 000	Per meal
	Coffee & tea break	Ar 5 000	Per person
	Coffee & tea break - with snacks	Ar 15 000	Per person
	Field food	Ar 10 000	Per day, per person
	Packed lunch (sandwich, juice, cookies, fruit)	Ar 15 000	Per person
	Cocktail party (wine, beer, spirits, finger food)	Ar 32 000	Per person (price can be reduced if, e.g., no alcohol)
	Lunch / dinner buffet for party	Ar 50 000	Per person (price can be reduced if, e.g., no alcohol)
Organised activities	Park tour guide	Ar 220 000	For groups of 1 to 4 people (park regulation)
	Translator and other non-technician fees	Ar 50 000	Per day, per person
	Reforestation visit / tree planting	Ar 30 000	Per person (minimum 4 people, e.g. minimum 100,000 fee)
	Reforestation visit / tree planting - preparatory visit	depends on village	If CVB pre-visit is needed
	Arboretum entrance fee	Ar 10 000	Per person, does not inc. transport
	Medicinal plant garden entrance fee	Ar 125 000	Per group
	Tour of Centre ValBio	Ar 45 000	Per person
	Lecture	Ar 90 000	Per person
	Education program visit	Ar 30 000	Per person (minimum 6 people, e.g. minimum 180,000 fee)
	Education program visit - preparatory visit	depends on village	If CVB pre-visit is needed
	Village cultural visit	Ar 600 000	Per group (max. 8), does not include transport
	Concert by local groups	Ar 2 640 000	Per event
	Kayaking (NB: Not organised by CVB, depends on outside organisation)	Ar 125 000	Per person, does not include transport
Sundry costs	Laundry	Ar 6 000	Per small bag
	Printing & photocopying - document (black and white)	Ar 400	Per page
	Printing & photocopying - document (colour)	Ar 1 500	Per page

Note:

1. Per diem applies when technician/staff needs to purchase meal going/coming from field. E.g., a technician/staff member is not staying overnight (so no expedition food cost is added), but they need to buy lunch/dinner in the field themselves.

Transportation

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NB 1: It is the renter's responsibility to discuss cost sharing when cars are shared. If someone asks to ride with you, please make sure this is discussed beforehand!

NB 2: A portion of all transport costs are used to maintain the CVB fleet, ensuring transport is as safe, comfortable, and fuel efficient as possible.

Service Type	Description	Price Per Unit (MGA)	Unit Type
A - Vehicle use: rental (Note 2)	Coaster rental including the driver's per diem (Note 1)	Ar 300 000	Per day
	Car rental including the driver's per diem (Note 1)	Ar 200 000	Per day
(all journeys equal to or greater than 100km)	Driver's overnight accomodation - non-Tana	Ar 50 000	Per night
	Driver's overnight accomodation - Tana	Ar 64 000	Per night
(NB: CONSIDER IF TRIP IS A ROUND TRIP)	Cost of fuel	Depends on the market price of fuel	Per liter (you should estimate c. \$1.15 per litre)
	<p>Example: You want to travel to Tana from CVB. This requires two days of car rental at 190,000 a day, as it takes one day to travel to Tana and then the driver must return to CVB the next day. The driver also requires 64,000 overnight accommodation allowance for the night spent in Tana. So the cost before fuel is (190,000 x 2 + 64,000 =) 444,000. Then cost of fuel must then be added, and this will vary based on the car used, the weight in the car, whether you are sharing the cost, and the current market price of fuel. If the vehicle consumes 128 litres of fuel at 4,900 per liter, the cost of fuel would be 627,200. This gives a total cost of 1,071,200.</p> <p>Please also remember that not all cars are available at all times. For example, if the small car is already in use, you may need to use the 4x4. This will affect your price.</p>		

Fuel consumption estimates:
(fuel will be charged based on actual consumption)

Vehicle	Description	Liters Per 100 km
4x4 Landcruiser (new)	Includes 9 places, plus driver	17
4x4 Landcruiser (old)	Includes 9 places, plus driver	16
Small car No. 1	Includes 9 places, plus driver	15
Small car No. 2	Includes 12 places, plus driver	15
Toyota Coaster	Includes 23 places, plus driver	20

Service Type	Destination	# Kilometers (Round Trip)	Price (MGA)	Price (USD) (FX 4,300)
B - Transportation costs: non-vehicle rental (Note 2) (all journeys less than 100km)	Ifanadiana	60	Ar 258 000	\$ 60,00
	Ranomafana	14	Ar 60 200	\$ 14,00
	Kelilalina	40	Ar 172 000	\$ 40,00
	Ankevohevo / Masomanga	20	Ar 86 000	\$ 20,00
	Amboditanimena	24	Ar 103 200	\$ 24,00
	Ambatovaky	38	Ar 163 400	\$ 38,00
	Morafeno	28	Ar 120 400	\$ 28,00
	Vohiparara	16	Ar 68 800	\$ 16,00
	Sahamalaotra	14	Ar 60 200	\$ 14,00
	Androy	64	Ar 275 200	\$ 64,00

Notes:

1. Price **excludes** fuel.
2. Please add MGA 50,000 to all these prices if the Toyota Coaster is to be used.

Research and expedition equipment



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Service Type	Description	Price per Unit (MGA)	Unit Type
Specific equipment rental (Note 4, Note 5)	Generator	Ar 30 000	Per item, per day
	Video projector	Ar 30 000	Per item, per day
	Radio receiver	Ar 30 000	Per item, per day
	GPS	Ar 30 000	Per item, per day

Service Type	Description	Price per Unit (MGA)	Unit Type
Per-item equipment rental (Note 7)	For those people needing only a small number of items, they can be rented on an individual basis	Ar 18 000	One item, per week (<i>cannot be pro rated - Note 6</i>)
General equipment rental - groups of four or fewer (Note 1, Note 4, Note 5)	All other equipment (see below)	Ar 180 000	Unlimited items, per week (<i>cannot be pro rated - Note 6</i>)
General equipment rental - groups of five or more (Note 1, Note 4, Note 5)	All other equipment (see below)	Ar 288 000	Unlimited items, per week (<i>cannot be pro rated - Note 6</i>)
Equipment storage	Large: Dimensions of each item must not exceed 158 cm/ 62 in (length+width+depth) (<i>this is the Air France checked baggage limit</i>).	Price dependent on exact size, please ask	Per week (<i>cannot be prorated</i>)
Equipment storage	Medium: One suitcase-sized item. If one or more dimension(s) exceed(s) the maximum allowable for a small bag, but the total dimensions do not exceed the dimensions for a large bag, the bag counts as medium	Ar 13 500	Per week (<i>cannot be prorated</i>)
Equipment storage	Small: One backpack-sized item. The maximum dimensions are: Metric: H 55cm, W 35cm, D 25cm (Imperial: H 21.7, W 13.8, D 9.9) (<i>This is the Air France definition of hand luggage</i>). If any individual dimension exceeds one of these (but the total dimensions do not exceed the limit for a large item), the item counts as medium.	Ar 9 000	Per week (<i>cannot be prorated</i>)

General equipment available:

Tape measure

Tape measure for DBH

Compass

Headlamp

Caliper

Backpack (**Note 2**)

Duffle bag

Cooking materials (for 1-5 people)

Cooking materials (for 6-10 people)

Cooking materials (for 11+ people)

Sleeping bag

Sleeping pad

Tent ground cloth

Tarp (large)

Tarp (medium)

Tent

Notes:

1. This weekly fee covers the use of all items needed.
2. Backpacks are with a frame and designed to carry heavy loads.
3. Day packs are small, carry on and frameless packs for lighter loads.
4. Not all the listed equipment is available at all times. Please contact us to ensure that your desired equipment is available to rent.
5. For equipment lost or broken, the full cost of a replacement item will be charged, along with a small administration fee of 10% of the item cost.
6. Remember that equipment must be organised the day before an expedition, then checked, maintained, and washed the day after it is returned.
7. So, it is more efficient to rent items individually if you need nine or fewer, and more efficient to take the general equipment rental option if you need eleven or more items.
For ten items there is no difference (180,000).

Porters



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Porters (Note 1)	Centre ValBio Research Station	Maharira (James Herrera Camp)	Ar 20 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Centre ValBio Research Station	Maharira (TEAM Camp)	Ar 10 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Centre ValBio Research Station	Sakaroa	Ar 4 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Centre ValBio Research Station	Valohoaka	Ar 10 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Centre ValBio Research Station	Vatoharanana	Ar 6 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Centre ValBio Research Station	Bevoahazo	Ar 12 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Ambalakindresy	Antaramadehila (Cord nord)	Ar 20 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Ambodivoangy	Foabe	Ar 6 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Ambodivoangy (PEM Camp)	Bevoahazo	Ar 15 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Ampitavanana	Ampitavanana (PEM Camp)	Ar 5 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Ampitavanana	Torotosy	Ar 3 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Ampitavanana	Tsaramasoandro	Ar 5 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Ankevohevo	Ambodiaviavy (Forest Camp)	Ar 5 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Bevoahazo	Andemaka	Ar 12 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Bevoahazo	Andemaka (TEAM Camp)	Ar 20 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Bevoahazo	Bevoahazo (PEM Camp)	Ar 4 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Bevoahazo	Bevoahazo (TEAM Camp)	Ar 10 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Bevoahazo	Ranomena	Ar 10 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Bevoahazo	Torotosy	Ar 4 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Bevoahazo (PEM Camp)	Ampitavanana	Ar 9 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Domaine	Ranomena (Team Camp)	Ar 7 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Foabe	Torotosy	Ar 8 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Kelilalina	Ambodivoangy	Ar 10 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Kelilalina	Ampitambe	Ar 9 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Kelilalina	Ankazotsara	Ar 7 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Kelilalina	Kianjanomby	Ar 10 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Kelilalina	Mandrivany	Ar 7 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Kelilalina	Miaranony	Ar 18 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Mangevo	Ambinanindranofotaka	Ar 12 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Mangevo	Mangevo (Andrea Baden Camp)	Ar 8 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Mangevo	Mangevo (TEAM Camp)	Ar 9 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Marojano	Ambinanindranofotaka	Ar 10 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Masomanga	Ambatovory	Ar 6 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Masomanga	Menarano	Ar 6 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Masomanga	Ranovao	Ar 8 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Masomanga	Sambivinany	Ar 4 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Morafeno	Amboasary	Ar 7 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Morafeno	Amboasary (Forest Camp)	Ar 12 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Morafeno	Andemaka	Ar 20 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Morafeno	Mangevo	Ar 17 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Morafeno	Sahavoemba	Ar 10 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
	Morafeno	Marojano	Ar 15 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)
Morafeno	Mahasoa	Ar 17 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Morafeno	Tandrokaomby	Ar 25 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Ranomafana	Ambodiaviavy (Forest Camp)	Ar 15 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Sahamalaotra	Adranofady (TEAM Camp)	Ar 7 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Sahamalaotra	Sahamalaotra (MNP Camp)	Ar 4 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Sahavanana	Sahavoemba	Ar 7 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Tolongoina	Ambodivanana	Ar 10 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Tolongoina	Mandiandry (Forest Camp)	Ar 12 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Torotosy	Tsaramasoandro	Ar 7 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Tsaramasoandro	Bevoahazo	Ar 10 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Tsaratana	Ambohimila	Ar 13 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Vohitrarivo	Ambohimila	Ar 6 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Vohitrarivo	Miaranony	Ar 10 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	
Vohitrarivo	Miaranony (James Herrera Camp)	Ar 16 000	Per bag, per trip (one-way)	

Notes:

1. Porters are not employed by CVB. Therefore they may demand more than the listed prices. As such, all prices here should be considered guidelines.

Office supplies and communications

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Printing & photocopying	Document with text (black and white)	400	Per page
	Document with text (color)	1500	Per page
Commissary	Beer	Ar 6 000	Bottle (650ml)
	Mineral water	Ar 5000	Bottle (1,000ml)
	Soft drink - small	Ar 2 500	Bottle (300ml)
	Soft drink - large	Ar 4 000	Bottle (1,000ml)
	Biscuits (Salto, Gouty)	Ar 1 200	Pack
	Biscuits (chocolate)	Ar 1 000	Pack of two