



FACT SHEET: 2011

Who Are We?:

- Exclusive African island experience
- Barefoot luxury
- Small, intimate Lodge
- Personalized and individual service
- Superb food and simple yet stylish décor
- Easily accessible from Johannesburg & Nelspruit
- Pristine marine environment
- The very best location in the Archipelago!

Location:

The Lodge is situated on the protected North West side of Benguerra Island (Bazaruto Archipelago). ± 900km North of Maputo and 435km South of Beira

Lodge Contacts:

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Passport & Visa Requirements:

Visas are required for all passport holders, except South Africans. These are available on arrival in Vilanculos. Cost is US\$95 per person.

Accommodation:

Cabana (2)

- 2 x Doubles
- Luxury room built on stilts with beautiful sea views, private wooden deck and plunge pool
- Overhead fan and mosquito net
- En-suite bathroom with bath and shower
- Outdoor shower with beautiful mosaic inlays
- Mini bar with tea & coffee facilities
- Direct beach access from the deck

Casita (10)

- 6 Doubles, 4 Twins (Twin beds may be converted into doubles)
- Spacious, luxurious and very private, with beautiful sea views (80m² under thatch)
- Comfortable lounge area, tastefully appointed to relax in
- 100 m² of private timber deck, with plunge pool and outdoor Gazebo for starlit dinners or private lunches
- Plantation shutter windows and doors
- Fans and mosquito net
- En-suite bathroom with exquisite copper bath
- Outdoor shower with beautiful mosaic art work
- Mini bar with tea & coffee facilities
- Direct beach access from the deck

Villa Chibuene (1)

- Very exclusive, private Villa
- 2 bedrooms (twin or double, dependant on requirements)
- En-suite bathrooms with outdoor shower & bath
- Private kitchen/ dining area/lounge with personal chef
- Private pool and sun deck with private garden area
- 10 meters from beach

Bazaruto Archipelago Trust:

The Bazaruto Archipelago is a National Park. A park fee of US\$10 per person is requested: US\$6 goes into trust for the Benguerra Community and US\$4 goes to the National Park.

Facilities:

The Main Lodge consists of:

- Large Reception Area and Gift Shop
- Expansive Lounge, Bar and Dining Room – all with large wooden decks as well as indoor and outdoor seating areas
- Swimming Pool and small Spa

Activities:

- Scuba Diving / Snorkelling
- Saltwater Fly Fishing / Deep-sea Fishing
- Horse Riding Safaris/ Landrover Island tours
- Dhow Cruising / Sea Kayaking
- Cruises on Stiletto, our 38ft catamaran
- Castaway picnics / Other speed boat excursions
- Helicopter Sightseeing flights

Getting There:

- Direct flights from OR Tambo International, operated Federal Air: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
- Flights from OR Tambo International via Nelspruit operated by Federal Air: Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.
- Direct flights from Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport, operated by Federal Air: Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.
- Flights from OR Tambo International and Maputo, operated by LAM (Air Mozambique)

Transfers:

The island is a mere 8 minute, scenic flight from Vilanculos

- Helicopter transfers, operated by Alpine Aviation
- Plane transfers, operated by CFA

Island Airstrip:

Co-ordinates: 21.51.00 S / 35.27.00 E
1,000 meters of useable hard grass

Credit Cards:

VISA and MASTER Cards accepted. No American Express (AMEX) or Diners Club.

Rates Include:

- Refreshing, non-alcoholic welcome cocktail on arrival
- All meals and snacks including private beach dinners and private meals on Casita/Villa decks
- Teas & coffees (additional charge for the inclusion of local spirits & beers, house wines, soft drinks & bottled water)
- Standard included activities: Sea kayaking, Sunset dhow cruises, Landrover safari picnics with village visits.
- Local cultural event, including beach barbeque and tribal dances
- Daytime guided walk & village visit
- Guided nightlife experience – end with drinks in the local tavern (drinks excluded from rate)
- Medical evacuation through SATIB
- Daily laundry service
- Special honeymoon treats

What to Take:

- Anti-malarials (please consult your doctor) & insect repellent
- Sun hat, Sunglasses & Sunscreen
- Light clothing – with a jacket in winter
- Camera and Binoculars
- Divers: Log Book & Certification

Community Projects:

Benguerra is passionate about conservation and dedicated to the involvement of the local community in sharing and conserving the spirit of Africa in this idyllic part of the world.

Those wanting to contribute something to the local community are asked to bring:

- Pens, Pencils & Crayons
- Exercise books & Colouring-In books
- Aspirin & Plasters
- Clothing for children of all ages

For more information see our website.

Power:

AC 220 Volts. There are 2 x 3 pin round plugs (South African) in each room.

Dietary Requirements:

Please inform Reservations of any dietary requirements and/or allergies. The cuisine is comprised mostly of fresh seafood.

Weather:

Weather is increasingly difficult to predict – below is a guideline of what can be expected:

- **January:** Hot. 28-35°C. Rainy season
- **February:** Hot. 28-38°C. Rainy season, mostly storms in afternoon.
- **March:** Cooling down. 25-30°C. Little rain.
- **April:** Weather settled. 25-30°C. Little rain.
- **May:** Lovely month, weather settled. 20-28°C. No rain.
- **June:** Fine weather. 18-27°C. No rain.
- **July/August:** Winter months, but warm. 15-25°C. No rain.
- **September:** Warming up again. Nice month. 18-28°C. Rain unlikely.
- **October:** Getting hot again. 23-30°C. Rains unlikely.
- **November:** Hot. 22-33°C. Rains could start.
- **December:** Hot. 23-36°C. Could rain.

Fishing:

Fishing at the Lodge is excellent, with saltwater fly fishing our speciality. Game fish such as King-, Queen- and Spanish Mackerel, Kawakawa, Kingfish and Queenfish can be caught all year round. Marlin season is November-March and Sailfish May-September. We have a strict “catch and release” policy.

Diving & Snorkelling:

We have a fully equipped dive centre with a certified Instructor. All equipment is provided. There are numerous reefs to explore with a stunning diversity of coral, fish, rays, turtles and small sharks. Resort courses are offered for first timers. Dolphins are often seen in the bay, Whales migrate along the coast from July to September and occasionally, if they're lucky, guests might see Dugongs.

Highlights:

Gorgeous African sunsets, solitude and peace are a reality at Benguerra. Our guests can choose to do as little, or as much, as they want... Relax on unspoiled and uncrowded beaches or dive the pristine, uncharted depths. Take a walk through the indigenous forest and enjoy excellent bird watching, or have a castaway picnic on a remote stretch of beach. Spend hours teasing the fish on fly or indulge in a relaxing aromatherapy massage... It's all up to you.