

&Beyond Benguerra Island

## Why stay?

TRADITIONAL LODGE EXPERIENCE

&Beyond Benguerra Island is an authentic luxury island retreat. Set among swaying palm trees, each beautifully appointed room on the beach is situated some distance apart with incredible ocean views. The light and airy colour scheme combines tropical chic with a distinct African feel, showcasing the area's Portuguese heritage.

SPOILT FOR CHOICE

The variety of experiences at &Beyond Benguerra makes the lodge a firm favourite for the young and the young at heart. Tailor-make your own adventure and choose from a wide range of island, water and cultural experiences. For this reason, nothing less than a 4-night stay is recommended.

DINING AT YOUR CONVENIENCE

The lodge's vibrant dhow-inspired bar is the perfect setting to relax and enjoy open air meals throughout the day. Unwind on the shaded lawns for lunch during the heat of the day or, in the event of inclement weather, the protected guest area. For those looking for more privacy, your meals can be delivered to your room and enjoyed on your deck.

Guests visiting the island may awake to the sounds of fishermen trading their daily catch from their traditional sailing dhows. Find

trading their daily catch from their traditional sailing dhows. Find out the wonders of this beautiful destination and embrace its local culture. Enjoy an island drive and immerse yourself in the warmth of its people.

**INSPIRED LOCAL HOSPITALITY** 

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

We love introducing our guests to our local community and Oceans Without Borders projects, which offer opportunities for guests to learn from, and also give back to, the local people and surrounding marine life. Speak to your lodge manager about introducing you to these initiatives.



Our stay in Benguerra was unforgettable. All the staff made our experience at the lodge incredible.

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DISCOVER &BEYOND BENGUERRA ISLAND

# Adventures of a lifetime

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## In the water

The waters of the Bazaruto Archipelago boast outstanding natural reefs which are carefully preserved.





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#### SNORKELLING

Venture out into the Indian Ocean at low tide and explore large areas of exposed coastal reefs just off Benguerra Island. Discover the spectacular Two Mile Reef, which offers snorkelling opportunities for every guest, regardless of age and expertise. One of the favourite sites here is the Aquarium, known for its diverse reef and pelagic fish, and extensive coral, as well as a fascinating array of underwater rocks and boulders that create interesting structures such as swim throughs, and overhangs.

#### **SWIMMING WITH HORSES**

Equine enthusiasts of all ages and riding levels can enjoy a fun-filled Swimming with Horses adventure. Dress down for the occasion in just your swimwear and ride bareback into azure waters, gently striding into the warm waters of the Indian Ocean. Expect splashing and the occasional grunt of pleasure from your horse as it wades into the calm waters surrounding the lodge. This 30-to-45-minute adventure allows for a maximum of four guests per swim and is perfect as a standalone activity or can be added after a more extensive horseback exploration of the island.

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#### **SCUBA DIVING**

We offer a fully equipped Dive Centre, providing a full range of diving adventures that will suit the preferences of every scuba enthusiast. The island offers exceptional diving opportunities and boasts outstanding protected reefs. There is an infinite range of dive sites, such as Two Mile Reef, 5 Mile Reef, 9 Mile Reef, San Sebastian, and Magaruque Island, to name a few.

### SCUBA DIVING COURSES

The Dive Centre at &Beyond Benguerra Island offers a full range of PADI-accredited courses for those looking to advance their diving qualifications.

### PADI DISCOVER SCUBA DIVING

This introductory course is perfect for little ones or adults who are keen to explore the world of diving. It is also recommended for guests who have limited time on the island.

#### PADI SCUBA DIVER

This course is a lifetime certification. The maximum depth is 12m (39ft) and the minimum age is 10 years old. This course does not offer a full certification as an independent diver.

#### REFRESHER DIVE

Necessary for fully certified divers who have not participated in diving for six months or more.

#### PADI OPEN WATER DIVER

Learn to scuba dive to a depth of 18m (59ft) and earn a qualification allowing you to dive independently. Upon conclusion guests will receive a lifetime PADI Open Water diving certificate.

#### PADI ADVANCED OPEN WATER

This course is available to certified Open Water divers.
After completing five specialised training dives, the course will certify divers to reach a maximum depth of 30m (98ft).

#### **RESCUE DIVER**

'Challenging and rewarding" best describe the PADI Rescue Diver course. This course expands on what divers have already learnt about dealing with difficult situations.

#### **EMERGENCY FIRST RESPONSE**

Guests can take a step towards emergency preparedness and meet part of the PADI Rescue Diver prerequisites with this course.

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## On the water

The permanent channel directly in front of the lodge puts guests within easy reach of exciting water activities.









#### **SUNSET DHOW CRUISE**

Hop aboard a traditional dhow for an unforgettable cruise around the bay, accompanied by an &Beyond guide. This romantic sailing adventure presents the island and its surrounding waters in a unique light, from the perspective of one of the local fishermen.

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### KAYAKING AND STAND-UP PADDLE BOARDING

Explore the azure bay from a different perspective by taking one of the two-seater kayaks out for a paddle or try your hand at stand-up-paddle boarding. Enjoy the exercise, take in the warm sun, and gaze down at the fish dashing through the clear, sparkling water below.

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#### **PRIVATE CATAMARAN CHARTER\***

Charter our catamaran, the Stiletto, for the day and explore at leisure. Go in search of turtles, dolphins or even a dugong, or visit picturesque yet uninhabited islands in complete privacy. Soak up the sun while lounging on the boat and delight in food prepared for you by the lodge!

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#### WHALE WATCHING\*

Between the months of June and December each year, southern right whales are seen close to shore.
Between mid-June to mid-August, migrating humpback whales are known to breech regularly. Our boats take guests out to enjoy this magical wildlife spectacle.

<sup>\*</sup>These activities are at an additional cost and some are weather dependent.

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## On the island

The variety of activities at &Beyond Benguerra Island offers something for the young and the young at heart.









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#### **CASTAWAY PICNIC**

Feel as though you have the island all to yourself as you indulge in a decadent picnic set up, in one of the most secluded sites on the Bazaruto Archipelago. Disappear for an afternoon to the north or south side of the island and we will leave you there for a totally blissful private interlude. Enjoy a mouth-watering castaway picnic set up at a table for two under an awning on your very own stretch of beach.

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#### **ISLAND EXPEDITION**

Take a leisurely drive through the local communities enroute to explore inland lakes filled with crocodile and flamingo. If you are lucky, you may have a sighting of the shy suni antelope. Climb the highest sand dune on the northern side of the island and marvel at the 360-degree views from the summit. End this experience with a dip in the Indian Ocean or a delicious cocktail with exceptional views.

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#### WELLNESS TREATMENTS\*

&Beyond has partnered with Healing Earth, a leading natural, eco-friendly, and holistic spa and skincare company. This partnership has created a truly authentic African spa experience that rejuvenates and heals the mind, body and soul. Sink into serenity in the quiet massage room, tucked away within a small forest of native trees. The harmonic sound of the waves will ensure you unwind into a state of deep relaxation. We invite you to treat yourselves to a personalised massage.

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#### **WEDDINGS\***

We love an excuse to celebrate, whether it's the coming together of soulmates for a blissful island wedding or toasting to an anniversary, &Beyond has a wealth of experience in making your special occasion truly unforgettable. From world-class banquets to flower arrangements, officiants, photographers and entertainment, we can assist you every step of the way.

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## On the island









#### **BIRDWATCHING**

The last remaining patch of protected indigenous forest on the island can be found around &Beyond Benguerra Island lodge. Keen birders can keep an eye out for special sightings such as green malkoha and plain-backed sunbird. Head to the inland lakes to search for greater flamingo and western osprey. Pink-backed pelican, lesser crested tern, ruddy turnstone and other water birds can also be found in the area

#### **SCENIC HELICOPTER FLIGHTS\***

Experience the beauty of the Bazaruto Archipelago from above as you board a state-of-the-art helicopter and fly along the Mozambican coastline. This scenic trip offers magnificent photographic opportunities through every window, with unobstructed views of the idyllic islands and the depths of clear water surrounding them.

#### AFRICA FOUNDATION **COMMUNITY VISIT**

A fascinating excursion to the community centre, Centro Cumunitario Kanhe Kwedo, will introduce you to the heart of the island, where local women create beautiful, beaded items for sale and men practice conservation initiatives. Stroll among the pews of the village church, visit the local clinic built with the help of past guest donations, taste fresh fruit and vegetables grown by local farmers and interact with the friendly Mozambican people in their coastal villages.

#### HORSEBACK ISLAND RIDE

Horseback riding offers the perfect viewpoint from which to take in the exceptional and unparalleled beauty of Benguerra Island. Guides are well acquainted with the horses' temperaments and, as routes are not fixed, can tailor-make rides to accommodate each quest's ability.

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## Seasonal highlights

#### YEAR-ROUND ACTIVITIES

✓ Snorkelling	✓ Kayaking	✓ Private catamaran charter
✓ Scuba diving	✓ Stand-up paddle boarding	✓ Castaway picnic
✓ Swimming with horses	✓ Island expedition	✓ Sunset dhow cruise
✓ Africa Foundation community visit	✓ Scenic helicopter flights	✓ Birdwatching

✓ Wellness treatments

#### TIMING IS EVERYTHING

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC
Whale watching	×	×	×	×	×	~	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>	×	×	×	×

A perfect retreat, beautiful beaches, warm water, harmonious scenery, relaxing atmosphere, and wonderful accommodation.

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## WILDchild

The exciting  $\theta$ Beyond Benguerra WILDchild Programme is filled with fun, interactive activities that allow children to flourish in an environment that advocates exploration, discovery and learning. Deeply rooted in a love for Africa, it not only creates a series of unforgettable moments for the whole family, but forges strong bonds between our young guests, our planet, and its people.

#### WILDCHILD ADVENTURES

Children visiting the lodge can take advantage of the fun-filled and interactive WILDchild programme that offers various activities such as:

- Hand-line fishing from a dhow or the beach
- · Baking in the lodge kitchen with the chef
- Sandcastle building
- Racket and ball
- Horseback riding
- Kayaking and stand-up paddle boarding

## PARTICIPATION ON ACTIVITIES

For safety reasons, there are age restrictions for certain island activities such as scuba diving and horseback island rides. Please speak to the lodge manager to see what restrictions apply to your child as participation in selected activities is at their discretion. We offer a child-minding service for children under the age of 6 (at a nominal fee).

#### **FAMILY ACCOMMODATION**

	Casinha	2 triples available
1 Casa Familia (3 interleading bedrooms)  Maximum 4 adults + 2 children (3rd and 4th child on request) Perfect for families, however unable to accommodate 6 adults travelling together	(3 interleading	Perfect for families, however unable to accommodate 6 adults

#### CHILDREN'S DINING POLICY

0 – 11 years	Early, private dinners are arranged for little ones, complete with a special kiddies menu. If adults would like to enjoy a night off, we can offer the services of certain staff members who (even though they aren't trained child minders) are wonderful with children.
12 years and older	Permitted on all shared activities



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## Lodge amenities

Enjoy an array of sublime amenities, ranging from hanging daybeds and a massage sala to a fully equipped dive centre and welcoming dhow bar.













#### **DHOW BAR**

The vibrant dhow-inspired bar is the hub of the lodge, the perfect setting to sip on one of our signature cocktails and enjoy convivial conversation with other guests.

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#### **BEACH SHOP**

Within the lodge's Beach Shop, expect to find a range of quality, handpicked handicrafts and fashion wear that showcase the very best of the region. These unique items provide the perfect memento of your stay in Mozambique.

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#### **MASSAGE SALA**

We invite you to relax in our cool massage sala set in tranquil forest surrounds. Spoil yourself with one of our signature wellness treatments at a time that suits you. Couples massages are a firm favourite.

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#### **LIBRARY**

For those lazy days when a good book is all you need, we've got you covered.

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#### **DIVE CENTER**

The fully equipped PADI dive centre offers a full range of diving adventures and courses with the finest guides. Underwater GoPro's are also available to capture memories and sightings.

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#### PRIVATE BUTLER & DINING

While Mozambique is renowned for its fresh prawns and crayfish, we are always mindful that these delicacies are being depleted and so, in an effort to be more sustainable, will spoil you from time to time with these and other sought-after seafood ingredients.

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## Room amenities



HANGING DAYBEDS

Take a soothing nap on your

private hanging daybed in

your private sala or catch

some rays on the oh-so

comfy sun loungers on

the beach.

### **PRIVATE POOLS**

Lounge on private timber decks that border your private rim flow pool, a secluded alternative to beach sand and ocean waters.

#### **PERSONAL BARS**

Your room boasts a personal bar, stocked with a selection of local drinks. Your butler is on hand to customise your selection and keep it filled for the duration of your stay.

**COFFEE STATION** 

Day or night, if you don't feel like coming to the main guest area for a delicious cappuccino, your warm drink of choice can be made in room.

#### **BOSE BLUETOOTH SPEAKER**

Sync your favourite playlist with this device to get into that holiday spirit or ask the team for some suggestions of local artists.

#### MBAO GAME

Challenge someone to a game of Mbao out on your private deck. For those who aren't familiar with the game, your private butler would love to spend some time teaching you.

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## Lodge overview

#### LODGE

Maximum number of guests	32
Number of rooms	15
Family accommodation	Children are welcome. 3-bedroom Casa Familia (3 bedrooms – maximum of 4 adults and 4 children)
WILDChild programme	Yes
Room types	10 casinhas, 2 cabanas and the 3-bedroom Casa Familia
Distance between rooms	10 - 40 m / 30 - 130 feet
Check in / Check out times	14h00 / 11h00, with early check in and late check out on request
Lodge closure	Open year-round

#### DINING

Food / Dietary options	Sustainable sourcing of seafood, served as a treat and in moderation		
Private butler service	Yes		
Private dining	Yes		
Plated service	Yes		

#### PAYMENT TYPES ACCEPTED

Credit cards accepted	Mastercard and Visa		
Currency	All major currencies accepted		

#### **FACILITIES**

Power	220v AC (50 Hz) plug points in rooms
Internet access	Yes, Wi-Fi in rooms using a 3G connection
Wine store or cellar	No
Outdoor dining	Yes
Bar	Yes
Interactive kitchen	No
Swimming pool	Yes - main lodge pool and private plunge pools
Wellness offering	Healing Earth treatments offered in massage sala or in-room
Fitness	Yoga mats available on request
Conference facilities	No
Weddings & blessings	Yes
Wheelchair access	No
Complimentary laundry service	Yes
&Beyond Beach Shop	Yes

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## **Inclusions**

#### FULLY INCLUSIVE RATE INCLUDES

Accommodation	~
Three meals daily	~
Soft drinks, house wines, local brand spirits and beers, teas and coffees and refreshments during activities	~
Experiences: Scuba diving - max 2 dives per day (tide-dependent) - full PADI certification required, horseback island ride (85 kg weight restriction), swimming with horses, sea kayaking, sunset dhow cruise, scheduled snorkelling trip, castaway picnic, birdwatching, island expedition and Africa Foundation community visit (subject to availability and weather conditions)	~
WILDchild programme	~
Island map with Benguerra's illustrated Star Birds checklist	~
Laundry	~
Emergency evacuation insurance	~
VAT	~

#### RATE EXCLUDES

Administration fee	×
Telephone calls	×
Gratuities	×
All items of a personal nature	×
Beach Shop purchases	×
Champagne, cognacs, fine wines, premium brand spirits, cigars	×
Conservancy fee	×
Landing fees and airport taxes	×
Experiences: scenic helicopter flights, wellness treatments, private catamaran charter and whale watching	×



NOTE: Unmanned Aerial Vehicles: Please be advised that African Parks have prohibited the use of unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) within Bazaruto Archipelago National Park.

## Accommodation comparison

	CABANA	CASINHA	CASA FAMILIA
Room size (square meters)	50m² / 540ft²	60m² / 645ft²	170m² / 1830ft²
Room configuration	N/A	N/A	3 interleading bedrooms
Private veranda	Yes, with private sala and hanging daybed	Yes, with private sala and hanging daybed	Yes, with private sala and hanging daybed
Private plunge pool	Yes	Yes	Yes
Personal bar	Yes	Yes	Yes
Personal coffee station	Yes	Yes	Yes
Air conditioning / heating	Yes	Yes	Yes
Overhead fans	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mosquito nets	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bose music player	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bath	Yes	Yes	Yes
Shower	Yes - outdoor shower	Yes - outdoor shower	Yes - outdoor shower
Seperate W.C	Yes	Yes	Yes
Telephone	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hairdryer	Yes	Yes	Yes
Internet access	Yes	Yes	Yes
In-room safe	Yes	Yes	Yes
Plug type	220V AC Plug Type C, D, M, N Adapters available	220V AC Plug Type C, D, M, N Adapters available	220V AC Plug Type C, D, M, N Adapters available
Triple bed option	No	Two (children 12 years and younger only)	No
Twin bed option	Yes (however, beds are within the same bedframe)	Yes (however, beds are within the same bedframe)	Yes (however, beds are within the same bedframe)
Double bed option	Yes	Yes	Yes
Interleading door	No	No	Yes (3 interleading rooms)
Accessibility	Not suitable for those with mobility issues	Not suitable for those with mobility issues	Not suitable for those with mobility issues

