

MIAVANA: DAY 1

Day 1: Arrive in Antananarivo Airport and catch either an Air Madagascar flight or private charter to the northern most tip of Madagascar landing at Diego Suarez Airport. This flight will take around 2 hours (more for a smaller charter plane). You will be met on arrival into Diego Suarez by a Miavana host and escorted to our helicopter for your 20 minute transfer to Nosy Ankao - this might be a shared transfer, max 4 passengers.

Miavana lies on the island of Nosy Ankao (Nosy means Island in Malagasy), the largest of the five islands making up a reef-protected archipelago to the north east of the mainland. Architects Silvio Rech & Lesley Carstens (designers of Miavana's sister camp, Norman Carr Safaris' award-winning Chinzombo, in Zambia) have created Miavana, meaning to reconcile, which blends barefoot beach luxury and historic European renaissance style.

On arrival onto the island, you will be picked up in your own electric vehicle and transferred to the main area for a quick introduction to the island and activities available at Miavana before being driven to your Villa to relax and settle into your new surroundings.

NEED TO KNOW

14 Villas (1, 2 + 3 Bedrooms)

450sqm - 865sqm in size

Open All Year (late 2016 launch)

20 min helicopter flight from Diego

Suarez International Airport

Ultimate barefoot luxury



MIAVANA: DAY 2

Day 2: Today, become familiar with your surroundings and take your bicycle for a ride around the island. We have pathways you can use to explore the different beaches and coves of Nosy Ankao at your own pace. On your return, plunge into the ocean directly in front of your Villa using some of the snorkelling gear in your room to explore the underwater gardens.

This afternoon take the helicopter (5 minutes) or a small boat (30 minutes to the nearest landing point) to the Madagascan mainland in search of lemurs. The area you will be exploring is called the Loky Manambato Protected Area, managed by our local NGO partner, Fanamby. Your guide will show you a few different types of lemurs in this area including the critically endangered and endemic golden-crowned sifaka; this is the only spot in Madagascar where you can see them. The forest also contains butterflies, chameleons and a variety of plants and birds.

NEED TO KNOW

Activities include:

- Snorkelling (from your Villa or in the archipelago)
- Scuba diving
- Lemur Trekking, forest walks, bike riding
- Turtle, whale, dolphin, tern watching
- Fly and boat fishing
- Kite Surfing
- Yoga sessions and spa treatments



MIAVANA: DAY 3

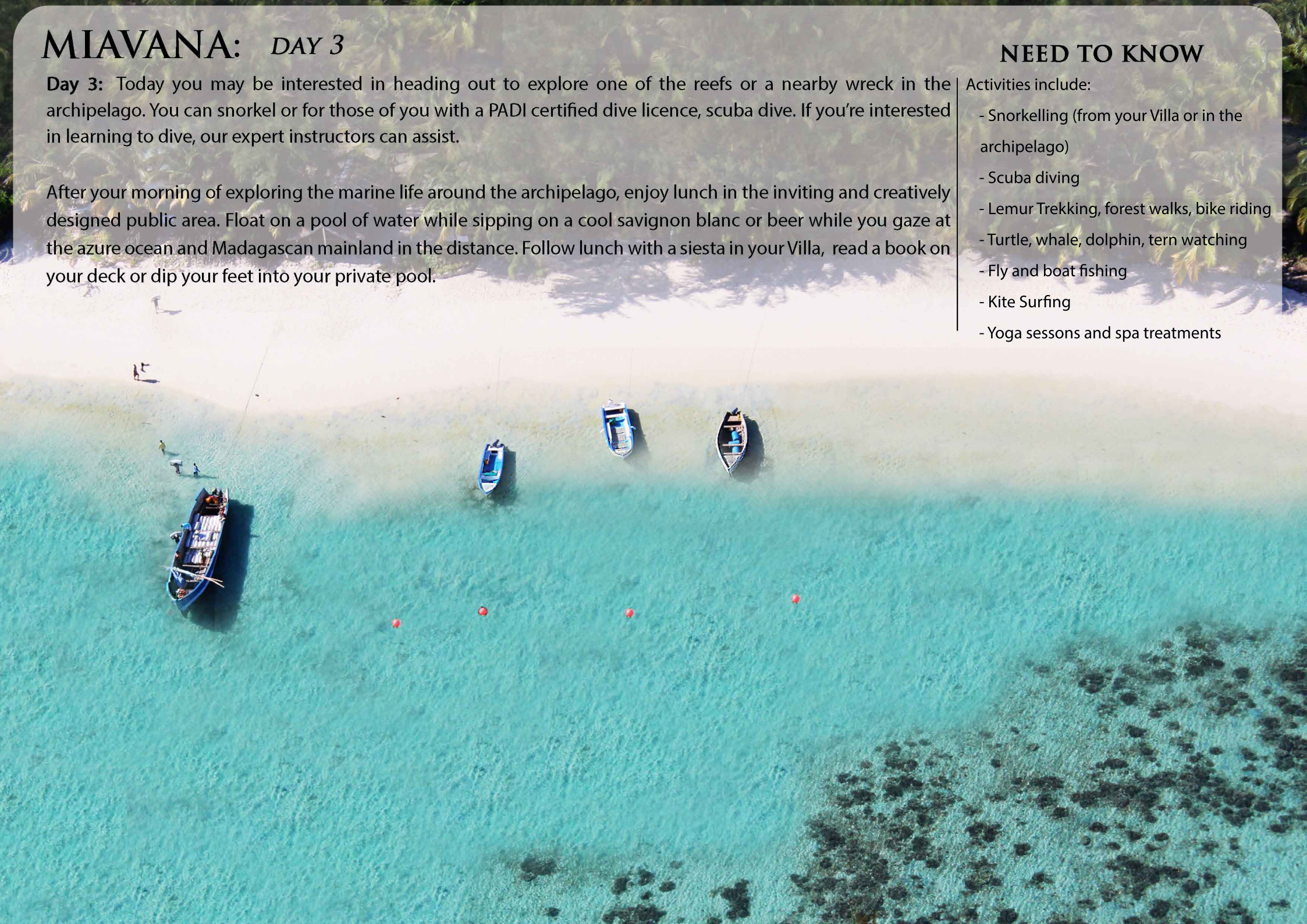
Day 3: Today you may be interested in heading out to explore one of the reefs or a nearby wreck in the archipelago. You can snorkel or for those of you with a PADI certified dive licence, scuba dive. If you're interested in learning to dive, our expert instructors can assist.

After your morning of exploring the marine life around the archipelago, enjoy lunch in the inviting and creatively designed public area. Float on a pool of water while sipping on a cool savignon blanc or beer while you gaze at the azure ocean and Madagascan mainland in the distance. Follow lunch with a siesta in your Villa, read a book on your deck or dip your feet into your private pool.

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MAVANA: DAY 4

Day 4: Depending on the tides, today could be your perfect day to ply your craft (if you're already a pro) or learn to fly fish off the sandy beaches of Nosy Ankao. One of our guides would be happy to assist you if you're learning or take you to the prime locations both off the main island (Nosy Ankao) or take a short 10 minute boat ride and explore the significant bounty of marine life around Nosy Manamphao .

If you're interested in exploring further afield, jump on a boat with some poppers and search for one of the many Giant Trevally which hunt in our waters. It's not uncommon to catch GTs upwards of 35kgs (80 pounds) only a hundred meters offshore.

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- Kite Surfing
- Yoga sessions and spa treatments



MIAVANA: DAY 5

Day 5: If you're feeling adventurous and the time of the year is right, how about learning to kite surf? Our expert guides tell us it's faster to learn to kite surf than windsurf and within 9 hours of beginner lessons (over the course of a week) you could be up and moving. We have group lessons available on the Activities Manager's advice (best winds, conditions etc) or can offer private lessons should you wish.

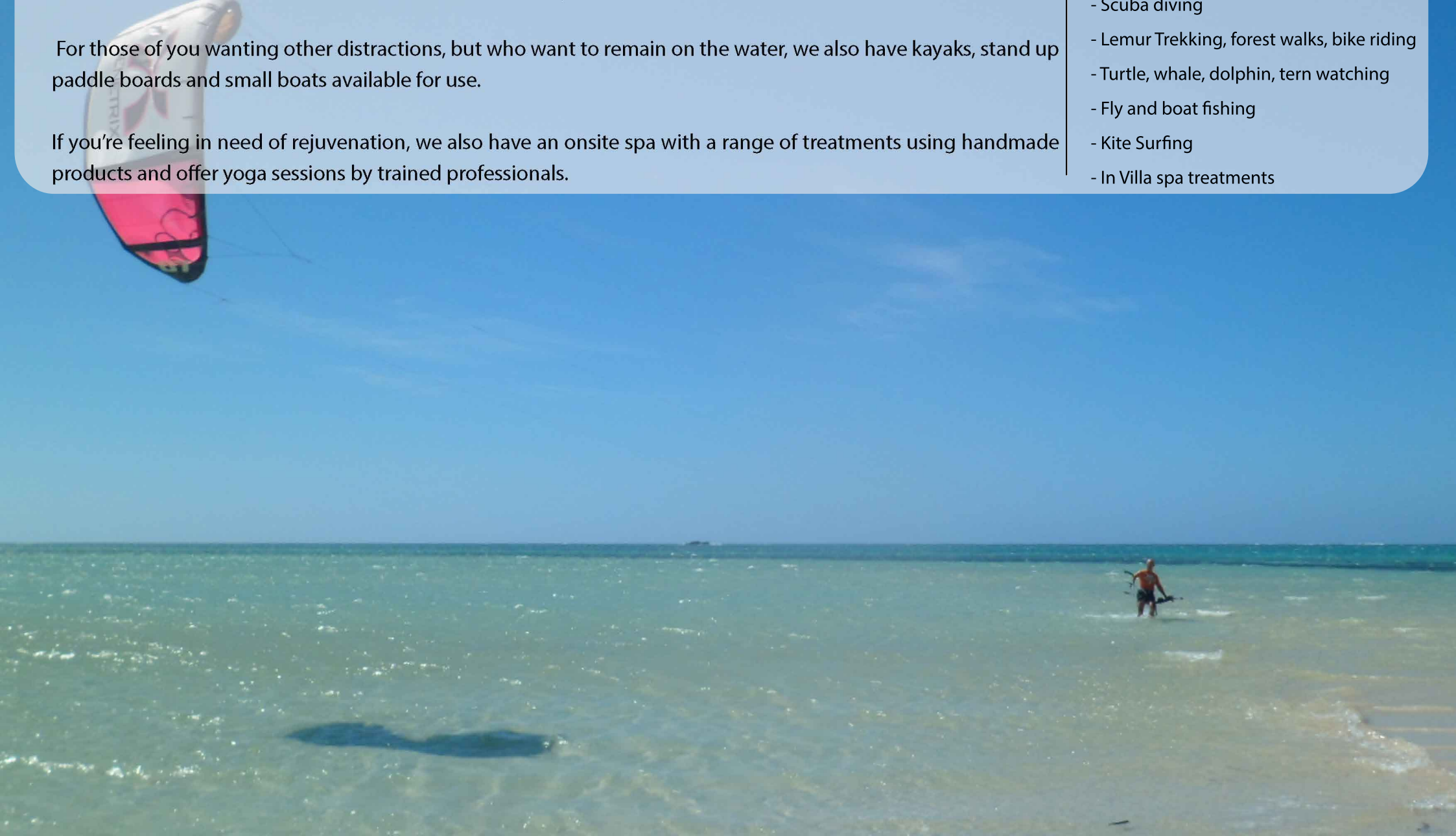
For those of you wanting other distractions, but who want to remain on the water, we also have kayaks, stand up paddle boards and small boats available for use.

If you're feeling in need of rejuvenation, we also have an onsite spa with a range of treatments using handmade products and offer yoga sessions by trained professionals.

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- Scuba diving
- Lemur Trekking, forest walks, bike riding
- Turtle, whale, dolphin, tern watching
- Fly and boat fishing
- Kite Surfing
- In Villa spa treatments



MIAVANA: DAY 6

Day 6: You will rise early this morning to catch the helicopter back to Diego Suarez (the journey is approximately 20 minutes). On arrival you will be assisted to your onward connecting flight with either Air Madagascar or private charter back to Antananarivo (Tana). This flight is approx 2 hours, longer in the smaller charter planes.

There are a number of international connections out of Tana including:

- SAA to **Johannesburg**
- Air France to **Paris**
- Kenyan to **Nairobi**
- Air Austral or Air Mauritius to **Reunion or Mauritius**
- Turkish to **Istanbul**
- Air Seychelles to **Mahe**

NEED TO KNOW

- Your stay contributes to our conservation efforts around Nosy Ankao
- Helicopter transfers available from Diego Suarez (30mins) or Nosy Be (1 hour)
- SA Airlink flies Johannesburg - Nosy Be directly



MADAGASCAR

Madagascar is the fourth largest island in the world and approximately 90% of its extraordinary plant and wildlife are found nowhere else on earth; the foremost being the Lemur.

Our Nosy Ankao archipelago is found on the north eastern coast of Madagascar. The islands are generously served with the fresh and warm Indian Ocean currents and protected by the reefs which surround them.

The largest of the four islands, Nosy Ankao, is 3.5kms from the mainland with gorgeous views of the ocean as well as the picturesque foothills and mountains of the north eastern Madagascan mainland.



MIAVANA

12°47'24.75''S
49°49'4.25''E



Journey Times

Jburg/Nairobi/Paris → Antananarivo

Various times (SAA, Air Mada, Kenyan, Air France)

Antananarivo (Tana) → Diego Suarez

1hr 55 mins (Air Madagascar)

Diego Suarez → Nosy Ankao

+/- 20 min helicopter flight (Time + Tide Air)

MIAVANA

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Max Temp Day	°C	32°	31°	32°	32°	31°	30°	29°	30°	30°	31°	32°
	°F	89°	88°	89°	89°	88°	86°	85°	85°	87°	88°	90°
Min Temp Night	°C	23°	23°	23°	23°	22°	20°	20°	20°	21°	22°	23°
	°F	74°	73°	73°	73°	71°	68°	67°	67°	68°	70°	73°
Avg Rainfall	mm	260	260	203	64	31	12	18	16	18	12	36

Miavana is open all year