

11 DAY MOZAMBIQUE & KRUGER PARK



Start in Johannesburg & End in Vilankulo

From USD 2,895 per person sharing

HIGHLIGHTS

Exceptional gameviewing at Shishangeni in Kruger National Park
Untouched beaches of Machangulo
Sailing dhow adventures & romantic sunset cruises
Best scuba diving and snorkelling reefs
Explore the islands of the Bazaruto Archipelago
Beautifully located Lodges

ACCOMMODATION

3 Nights Shishangeni Private Lodge, Kruger National Park
3 Nights Machangulo Beach Lodge, Mozambique
4 Nights Vilanculos Beach Lodge, Mozambique

COST OF SAFARI

11 Jan - 13 June 2021 - USD 2,895 per person sharing
14 June - 31 Dec 2021 - USD 3,190 per person sharing

Rates based on 2 people sharing
Single supplements may apply
Accommodation subject to availability
Rates exclude flights

OVERVIEW

Combine bush and beach experiences on this fantastic holiday package. The **Kruger National Park** covers an area of 20,000 sq.kms, stretching 350 kms from north to south and 60 to 90 kms from east to west. Despite the abundance of big game species that excite visitors, the **Kruger Park** is wonderfully diverse in its geology, vegetation, fauna and flora. There are 147 mammal species, over 500 bird species, many different species of reptiles and amphibians and over 300 different tree species.

At **Shishangeni Private Lodge** in the **Kruger National Park** you will indulge in thrilling wildlife activities. Your ranger will endeavour to make your wildlife experience as special and memorable as possible, following the signs of the wild through beautiful savanna terrain in an **Open Safari Vehicle**. A knowledgeable and experienced guide can transform your image of the bush into a new reality and make your experience truly rewarding.

Your safari also includes the luxuries afforded by the lodge, tantalizing food, the excitement of the stories around the campfire and the sounds of the night.

Keep an eye out for the abundant bird species who help create that special bush atmosphere with their calls, beautiful plumage and constant antics.

Machangulo Beach Lodge in southern **Mozambique** offers blissful barefoot luxury. Untouched beaches, untamed nature and luxurious service come together to create extraordinary holiday experiences. The lodge is surrounded by 5 marine and nature reserves in a truly unique location on a beautiful secluded peninsula with diverse activities for the whole family.

Vilanculos Beach Lodge is located further north in the small coastal town of **Vilankulo** with friendly people and a lively atmosphere, offering the perfect base from which to explore the picturesque **Bazaruto Archipelago** and the **Bazaruto National Park**. The marine reserve includes five islands and offers some of the worlds best snorkelling and diving. The islands are pristine in their natural beauty and diverse ecologies. The coral reefs are profuse with a diversity of tropical fish and turtles and are amongst the most pristine in the **Western Indian Ocean**.



MOZAMBIQUE



Mozambique is a fantastic beach destination known for its warm and alluring turquoise waters, long unspoilt palm-fringed beaches, tropical climate, abundant marine life, excellent diving and snorkelling in coral reefs and idyllic islands. It's coastline stretches for 2,500 kms between **South Africa** and **Tanzania** with the southern half being more accessible to tourism. Apart from diving there are a variety of other water activities including kayaking, sailing, dhow trips, boat cruises and fishing. Along the southern coastline you will find the popular beaches of **Ponta d'Ouro** and **Ponta Malongane**, the bustling capital **Maputo**, **Inhaca Island**, **Machangulo Peninsula**, **Bilene**, **Xai Xai**, **Zavora**, **Pomene**, **Tofo Beach**, **Vilanculos** and the **Bazaruto Islands**.

The coast of northern **Mozambique** is less developed though equally beautiful. Destinations worth visiting along this stretch include the remote **Quirimba Islands** and the former capital **Ilha de Moçambique**, a **World Heritage Site** with a fascinating history.

Bazaruto Archipelago consists of four main islands: **Bazaruto**, **Benguerra**, **Magaruque** and **Santa Carolina**. The islands are covered by large sand dunes, freshwater lakes and crystal white beaches. The offshore coral reefs are exquisite and home to large shoals of fish. The **Archipelago** was declared a **National Park** in 1971 and includes 180 species of birds, endemic butterflies, suni antelope and freshwater crocodiles. The protected reefs and beaches support dolphin, dugong, gamefish, giant lobster and several species of marine turtle.

Mozambique's blend of **African**, **Arab** and **Portuguese** influences provides a wonderful contrast to its neighbouring countries, from the colourful markets and small fishing villages along the coast to the bustling streets and pulsating night life of **Maputo**.

The 15 year civil war that started in 1977 greatly affected the country's big game reserves, though thanks to restocking programmes and successful conservation schemes, animal numbers have increased. The main national parks in **Mozambique** include **Banhine**, **Gorongosa**, **Limpopo National Park**, **Zinave** and the **Maputo Special Reserve** which is located close to **Maputo**. Also of note are the national parks within the **Bazaruto** and **Quirimbas Archipelagos**.

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DAYS 1 - 4

SHISHANGENI PRIVATE LODGE, KRUGER NATIONAL PARK

Luxury Chalet - Full Board

After completing Customs at **OR Tambo International Airport** in **Johannesburg** this morning, check in for your flight to **KMIA Airport** in **Nelspruit**. On arrival at **KMIA Airport** you will be met by a driver from **EZ Shuttle** who will display a **Welcome Board** with your names on it. You will then be transferred to **Shishangeni Private Lodge** in the **Kruger National Park**. You will enjoy the huge diversity of game, plant and birdlife on **Open Safari Vehicle** game drives and look out for the endangered **African** wild dog, cheetah, lion, leopard, hippo, elephant, rhino and hyena to name just a few. Enjoy an unforgettable wildlife experience in a magical environment. Thrilling game activities include early morning and late afternoon into evening game drives.

Your accommodation is in a **Luxury Chalet** with ensuite bathroom, outside shower, air conditioning, tea/coffee making facilities and a balcony with spacious deck perfect for gameviewing.

Lodge facilities include a private gameviewing deck, splash pool, lounge area, gym, spa and both indoor and outdoor dining areas. Activities include 2 game drives per day in an **Open Safari Vehicle**.

At **Shishangeni** you will indulge in a most thrilling wildlife safari. Your ranger will follow the signs of the wild in an **Open Safari Vehicle** and endeavour to make your experience one you won't forget. The combination of thrilling wildlife encounters, luxury lodge, tantalizing food,



the excitement of stories around the campfire and the sounds of the bush will make your safari a once-in-a-lifetime experience. And don't forget the special birdlife that create a unique bush atmosphere with their calls, beautiful plumage and constant antics.

Included : Accommodation, all meals, two game drives per day, Park fees, airport transfer and main gate transfers.

<https://www.bonhotels.com/shishangeni>

DAYS 4 - 7

Ocean View Room - Full Board



This morning you will be transferred to **Crocodile Bridge Main Gate** where a driver from **Machangulo Beach Lodge** will meet you and transfer you to the **Maputo Marina**. From here you will have a 1 hour boat transfer to the lodge. **Machangulo Beach Lodge** is situated south of **Maputo** in a truly unique location on a beautiful secluded peninsula and surrounded by 5 marine and nature reserves.

Accommodation is in an **Ocean View Room** on a **Full Board** basis. The rooms have spectacular views with facilities that include ensuite bathroom, air conditioning, mosquito nets, private deck, tea/coffee making facilities, mini bar, ceiling fan and safe.

Lodge facilities include a bar, lounge and dining area with incredible views. Activities include picnics, walks and drinks on secluded islands, snorkelling on incredible reefs, scuba diving, dhow cruises, kayaking, stand-up paddle boarding, birding, guided cultural tours of **Santa Maria Village** and **Inhaca Island** and **Maputo City** tours.

Included : Accommodation, all meals, laundry, non-motorized activities, road transfer to Maputo, return boat transfers to the lodge, airport transfer.

<http://machangulobeachlodge.com/>

DAYS 7 - 11

Luxury Bungalow - Bed & Breakfast

Say goodbye to the beautiful **Machangulo Peninsula** today as you are transferred by boat back to the **Maputo Marina** and then to the **Airport** where you will take a flight to **Vilankulo**, 700 kms further north along the **Mozambique** coast.

On arrival at **Vilankulo Airport** you will be met by a driver from **Vilanculos Beach Lodge** and transferred to the lodge.

Vilanculos Beach Lodge is located in the small town of **Vilankulo** and is about 100 m from the beach with an elevation that provides a wonderful view over the beautiful expanse of ocean.

Accommodation is in a **Luxury Bungalow** with **Breakfast** included. Room facilities include ensuite bathroom, air conditioning, mosquito nets, tea/coffee making facilities, mini bar, safe and a private balcony.

Lodge facilities include a restaurant, bar and infinity pool with spectacular views.

Activities include scuba diving, snorkelling on the amazing 2 mile reef, traditional dhow and boat trips to the islands of the **Bazaruto Archipelago**, kayaking, paddle skiing, kite surfing horse riding and cultural village tours.

The **Bazaruto Archipelago** offers some of the worlds best snorkelling and diving. The islands are pristine in their natural beauty and diverse ecologies. The coral reefs are profuse with a diversity of tropical fish and turtles, and are amongst the most pristine in the **Western Indian Ocean**.

Dolphins are seen year round and whales are seasonal visitors to the **Archipelago**. The park is also home to the last viable population of Dugong on the **East African** coast. There is an abundance of bird species, including the crab plover and olive bee-eater that tunnels its nest into the sand dunes. Large flocks of migrant waders visit the fertile mud flats from September to April and the nomadic Greater Flamingo arrive around mid-October.

Included : Bed & Breakfast, return airport transfers

<https://www.vilanculosbeachlodge.com/>



DAY 11

END OF SAFARI

This morning you will be transferred to **Vilankulo Airport** for your outbound flight.

We wish you a safe and thrilling journey that will leave lasting memories and a desire to return.

WHAT TO BRING

Torch, malaria prophylactics, hat, sunscreen, binoculars, camera, batteries, chargers, sunglasses, warm clothing and jacket for game drives, walking shoes, neutral coloured clothing, swimsuit.

The early mornings and evenings can be cold on game drives though blankets are often provided. It is advisable to dress warmly.

Malaria is rated as low risk in Kruger National Park and high risk in Mozambique so prophylactics are advised. However the months from June to October are lower risk than during the summer and autumn months from November to May.

Malaria in Southern Africa is transmitted by the female anopheles mosquito that is only active between dusk and dawn. It is advisable to wear long trousers and shirts and spray mosquito repellent on your hands and neck at dusk, before going to bed at night and when you awake early in the morning. There is no risk during the daytime.