7 NIGHTS Island Hopping Cruise

Northern Mozambique Quirimbas Archipelago



WHERE YOUR JOURNEY BEGINS





MOCIMBOA

MESSALO

WILDLIFE AREA

Cabo Pequeve

Guludo Lodge

PEMBA

TECMAGI

VAMIZI

QUIFUQUI

MIONGE

MEDJUMBE

ST MACALOE

MOGUNDULA

ROLUS MATEMO AIRSTRIP

180

AIRSTRIP

AS

MATEMO

BO ISLAND

QUILALEA

<> QUIZIVA

METUNDO

RONGAL

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What adventures may come...

The Quirimbas Archipelago consists of over 32 coral islands, stretching north to south along the coastline of Northern Mozambique. Some are quite big, others are tiny specs of sand and palm reefs, or sandbanks and coral atolls and most are uninhabited.

There are only 5 islands that have beach resorts or lodges on them and they are Ibo, Quilalea, Situ, Medjumbe and Vamizi Island, with the other islands remaining largely uninhabited.

Your cruise will take in most, if not all of the main islands, in the southern region up to Medjumbe, plus, time permitting up to the northern region of Vamizi and Metundo

These islands that stretch some 150 miles along one of the most unexplored stretches of coastline in the world, the Quirimbas Archipelago is, without doubt, a great charter destination.

The islands are all are blessed with white sandy beaches surrounded by the tropical Indian Ocean.

UNTOUCHED

The whole mainland coastline also remains completely unexplored, along with its many coves, beaches and coral reef. Virtually unknown to the outside world, the indigenous people who inhabit the islands have quietly gone about their daily business. Local fishermen build Arab style dhows hand-hewn from trees. They navigate hundreds of kilometres of winding channels and mangrove lagoons casting their nets and lines much as they have done for the last 1000 years.

It is the 'undiscovered' nature of these islands that make it so special. This is a place in the world where there are no cars, no roads, few hotels and therefore few tourists. This is a destination where you are unlikely to come across any other yachts on your cruise, so someone looking for a very special location, this is it!











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Adventure ahead

7 nights / 8 days Island Hopping Cruise











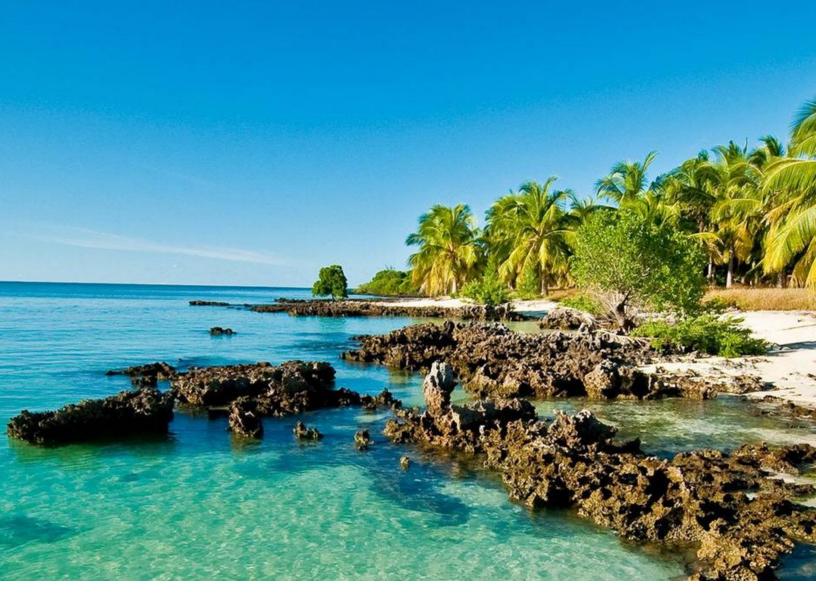
Includes

- 56ft Sailing Catamaran,
- 3.4 Metre RIB with outboard,
- Ensuite Cabins for guest,
- All linen and bathroom towels (please bring your own beach towels),
- English speaking Yacht Master skipper and crew,
- Snacks, Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner,
- Local soft drinks and water,
- Local beers, SA wines,
- Trolling fishing gear and tackle,
- Snorkelling equipment,
- 1 kayaks,
- 1 SUP
- Fuel for tenders and main engines,
- Water, gas and consumables

Excludes

- Scuba Diving in Rendezvous diving with local dive centres and is for the guests own extra account.
- International flights & Regional flights to Pemba, Zanzibar, Mafia, Pemba Island or Dar Es Salaam
- Inter-island Flights and Transfers if starting or ending a charter at one of the islands and lodges. (See below Important Details)
- Airport Transfers
- Premium Imported drinks and spirits. You are also welcome to bring your own duty free allowance on board!
- Visa, Medical & Travel and Cancellation Insurance (this is compulsory)
- Accommodation before or after the charter, on-shore restaurant meals and beverage costs, off yacht activities (unless otherwise stipulated)
- All items of a personal nature
- National / Marine parks and reserve fees,
- All items not specified as included.
- E & O Excluded

Below is an example itinerary. We try to keep things flexible to match guests wishes and interests and is subject to change due to weather and general conditions, operational requirements and guests wishes and interests.





Day 1 - Pemba to Situ Island

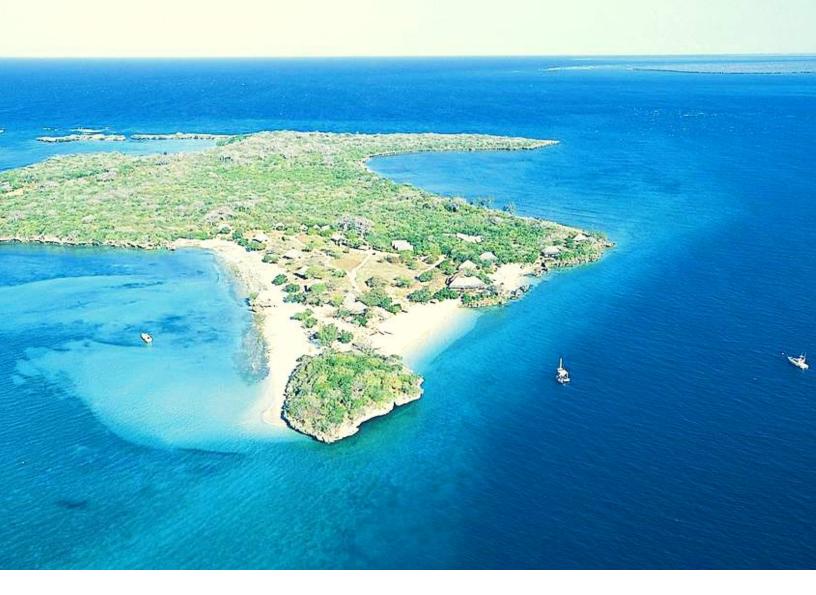
Arrive in Pemba between 1.30 and 2.30 pm. Meet and greet assistance and transfer to yachts. Enjoy a cold drink at the Nautilus Hotel on the beach while crew take luggage to the yacht.

They will then collect you off the beach by rubber duck and transfer to the yacht. You will need to wade knee deep into the sea to board the rubber duck, so don't bring your best shoes.

After a safety briefing and yacht familiarization, and set sail for Quirimbas Archipelago.

Fish while underway to overnight anchorage. Overnight at Situ Island, Tari Bay. With great snorkelling, fishing and mangrove kayaking.

Overnight On the yacht.





Day 2 Quilalea Island

Our destination is Quilalea Island which is 24 to 28 KM north depending on the route we take.

The more direct route takes us to the east of the first of the southern islands of the Quirimbas on the open ocean side. The slightly longer route takes us between the islands working your way past beaches, and over coral outcrops.

En-route we can stop and explore Quisiva Island and its old fort for lunch before we continue north to the Quilalea Island region. Snorkelling, diving and game fishing can be enjoyed along with all other activities.

We will find a nice anchorage in the lee of Quilalea or Quirimbas Island.

Overnight

On the yacht.





Day 3 Ibo Island

30 KM to Ibo Island

Our routes will take us on the outside of the islands and barrier reef. Here we can throw out a fishing line and see what we can catch

Our destination is Ibo Island, nominated for world heritage status and steeped in history and culture.

The yacht will be moored in the Ibo Channel.

We will spend the day here. You can go ashore to spend time at the award-winning Ibo Island Lodge, where you can have lunch, relax in the 2 pools. We will also take you on a fascinating cultural and historical tour of this very magical island.

Return to the lodge for sunset drinks on the rooftop terrace and feast on delicious seafood for dinner, before returning to the yacht for the night. (we keep today's activities flexible to account for the tides.

Overnight On the yacht





Day 4 Matemo Island / Rolas Island

The yacht will head out of the channel, past the main fort and out towards the old lighthouse on Ibos northern point. Here you will be able to encounter Ibos resident dolphins and snorkel with them.

After the dolphin encounters, we will then drop anchor close to early 19th-century steam shipwreck, where part of the ship cans till be seen above the waves. It's a great snorkelling spot.

We then head north to a stunning sandbank beach where we will anchor for lunch served on the yacht.

From here we head to the Matemo Island Sand Spit, which is our planned anchorage for the night.

When we get there, relax, swim, snorkel, kayak, try some Stand-up Paddleboarding.

We will be here for the rest of the day and night.

Overnight On the yacht





Day 5/6 Mogundula Island

This is an open ocean crossing with Rolas Island about a third of the way. We can stop for breakfast at Rolas before the next 15 km to Mogundula. This stretch is open to ocean conditions all the way to Mogundula.

Once we get to Mogundula we will drop anchor for the remainder of the day and night. Snorkel, swim and explore the island.

We will spend 2 days in the area so guests can properly unwind.

Overnights On the yacht

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Day 7 Medjumbe Island

North betweenen in the narrow channel between Pangane Peninsula and Tambuzi Island. Once past Tambuzi, it's 18km to Medjumbe Island. Enroute there are several sandbanks and reefs where we can stop and snorkel.

Medjumbe Island is beautiful but unfortunately private so we can go shore, but there is a smaller island to the west and great snorkelling and shallow clear seas.

We will find a nice anchor spot for lunch and for the rest of the day.

After dinner, we raise anchor and head back south on the yacht on the outside channel to Ibo.

Its 60 km back to Ibo Island and we will arrive during the night and will drop anchor back in the main Ibo channel.

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Day 8 Return to Ibo

Breakfast is served on the yacht and then we make our way ashore again to Ibo Island Lodge. Relax by the pool.

You will be catching a 25 min light aircraft flight from Ibo Island back to Pemba airport in time to connect to your international flight home.

End of expedition

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