

Children's Activities

Children at Azura Benguerra Island will be spoilt for choice when it comes to spending time here with us. We offer a host of activities many of which can be done without parents as they will be supervised by Azura's guides, hosts and activity coordinators. One of the obvious focuses is on the amazing pristine environment here on Azura Benguerra Island. Children can enjoy learning about interesting wildlife on the island, experience cultural encounters and perhaps learn a new skill or two. With miles of deserted beach...it's paradise here for families too!

COMPLIMENTARY ACTIVITIES:

Treasure Hunt

Take part in an exciting treasure hunt and race against time to find a treasure before the Pirate does. Explore Azura Benguerra Island following the cryptic clues to find a hidden treasure chest with one of our activities team.

Cookie Baking

Join one of the team for a chocolate chip cookie baking session, and of course enjoy them afterwards - The sharing of cookies with parents is optional.
Duration: 2 Hours

Traditional Dance Class

Put your dancing skills to the test and let one of our Rainbow Fund Kids Band dancers teach you some traditional local dance moves. The energetic moves will certainly get your pulse racing.

Offered: Fridays before the Rainbow Fund kids' band & also available during Benguerra Island school holidays

Pizza Making

Join our Head Chef and create your very own personalised pizza at Peri Peri Beach Club. Decorate your pizza with a variety of toppings and help Chef George keep an eye on it as he cooks it in the stone pizza oven. Bon appetite.

Sandcastle Building

Let your imagination run wild and build the most magnificent sandcastle on our long stretch of beach. Beach toys are available for you to use throughout your stay
*Can be supervised by guides, hosts or our activity coordinators"

Marine Life Walk

Join one of Azura's local guides and explore the tidal flats during low tide, whilst having the diverse marine life explained to you. During this walk you may stumble across Sand Anemones, Ghost Crabs, Pansy Shells, Starfish and all different types of small creatures which call this place 'home'.

Duration: 1½ Hours; Time: low tide Dependant on Condition

Family Beach Games

We have volleyball and football equipment available for you to use throughout your stay.

Please let your host or any of our management team members know, and we will set everything up for you close to your villa.

Family Board Games

A wide variety of board games are available in the lounge area.

Kite Flying

Take advantage of the trade winds at Azura Benguerra Island to fly kites on the beach.

We have a selection of kites available to use.

Dhow Picnic

Our butler-hosts will set up a picnic breakfast, lunch or dinner in our traditional Mozambican Dhow while it lies on the sand at low tide.

Great fun for little ones to play at being pirates or join in our normal sunset Dhow Cruise with your parents.

Duration: 1½ Hours; Number: 2 or more children; Offered: Several times a week, Weather & Tide Dependent

Soccer

You'll find children all over Africa kicking a football around with great enthusiasm often barefoot, on uneven playing fields.

Azura's staff plays soccer against one of the other teams on the Island just about every Sunday, where guests and older children are welcome to join in, or just come along and support our team. It's a great afternoon out for the family. We'll provide the refreshments.

Duration: Game Dependent; Offered: Most Sundays, Dependent on Guide & Vehicle Availability

Benguerra School Visit (Rainbow Fund)

A visit to Azura will not be complete before visiting our school, Benguerra Island's one and only school built by Azura Retreats, through our nationally registered and accredited 'Rainbow Fund', which has been formed for the benefit of the Island's local community and environment. Meeting the schoolteachers are inspiring, and seeing the children is a cultural exchange not to be forgotten (this can also be done as part of the Island Drive Excursions). Learn more about this amazing island and its flora and fauna along the way.

Duration: Dependent

CHARGED ACTIVITIES:



Learn to snorkel

USD 75 PER CHILD

Children that would like to learn how to Snorkel in the water or refresh their skills can visit us at the Water-Sports Centre. Our Water-Sports staff can teach children correct techniques at the Centre's Pool. We even have a selection of smaller goggles and snorkels for little ones! Afterwards head out to 2-mile reef and the aquarium which has some of East Africa's best snorkelling. Along the way we often spot dolphins as well as humpback whales in season (Jul-Oct). For those less experienced, to maximise your time on the reef and the enjoyment of your guide snorkelling experience, we recommend getting accustomed to the snorkelling equipment in the vicinity of the hotel before.

Duration: ½-1 hour

Learn to dive

Azura has a PADI 5 Star dive centre with a dedicated dive training pool.

We offer the PADI Bubblemaker course from age 8 as well as the PADI discover scuba from age 10. This is the perfect preparation for children & teens to go through before jumping into the warm sea waters and hanging out with the marine inhabitants of our reefs close up. Take the Plunge.



Bubblemaker

USD 100 PER CHILD

The Bubblemaker experience is as fun as it sounds - a chance for kids to blow bubbles whilst scuba diving. Kids from the age of 8 can get the thrill of using scuba gear to breathe underwater and swim around in the safe and shallow environment of our training pool. It is a great way to introduce kids to scuba diving. After a short brief, kids then hop in the pool where they learn basic key skills. After that, the rest of the time is just having fun blowing bubbles.

Duration: 1½ hours



Discover Scuba Diving

USD 195 PER CHILD

A perfect introduction to the underwater world. You will learn some basic theory then be taught 5 key underwater skills in the training pool. Afterwards head out on the boat and go for your first dive. You will receive a certificate that counts towards your full Open Water course should you decide to move forward with your training within the next 6 months. The pool session takes approximately one hour and the open water dive in the ocean is a 2 hour round trip. Available for everyone ages 10 and above.

Duration: 1-2 days

Fishing

USD 95 PER BOAT PER HOUR

Our fishing guides will happily take children out for fishing trips, and we have rods and tackle that suit all ages and abilities. Head out to the reefs to catch a variety of fish including Giant Trevally or go trawling the deep seas to catch the family's supper (we do ask that a parent accompany younger children). We also offer fishing at the nearby lakes for Tilapia, which is always a hit with the little ones as a catch is virtually guaranteed by all.

Best done at sunset, and great fun to release the fish into Azura's pond when you get back.

Duration: 1-2 hours

All activities are subject to tide and weather conditions and boat/vehicle/staff availability.

A limited number of children's flotation devices/lifejackets are available for use on boats. Safety is our priority.

Children undertaking snorkelling and diving should be physically fit and free from any colds or ear infections.

Caution should be exercised when swimming as currents can be strong at certain times. All activities are undertaken at your own risk

All activity prices are exclusive of local taxes.