

# AZURA

BENGUERRA ISLAND

## *Experiences*

Let the Azura family open your eyes to the most incredible spots in and around Benguerra Island! There are so many things to do and see. Our intimate knowledge of the island gives you the opportunity, not only to have lots of fun, but also to learn about the island's habitat, its people, its fauna and flora and its culture.

You are welcome to speak to someone from the management team regarding activities at any time during your stay via the Azura WhatsApp group, or we can visit your villa if you prefer. The exact timing of a booked activity will be confirmed with you the evening before it is due to take place. We are also happy to tailor-make your experience, simply speak to a management team member about how you would like to do it, and we will certainly organize it for you if we can.

All activities are subject to weather, sea and tidal conditions, prevailing local regulations, as well as boat, vehicle and guide availability.

*We hope you will have a spectacular time!*

\*All activity prices are exclusive of local taxes

# Ocean Safari In AZURE WATERS



## Island Hopping Picnic Day

**USD 195 PER PERSON**

**USD 250 PER PERSON INCLUDING BBQ**

Enjoy a combination of some of the best activities we have to offer. Travelling by boat, you will stop off at several breathtaking island highlights, including infinite views from the top of Bazaruto Dune; tidal Pansy Island with shells dotted along the white sandy strip; snorkelling off 2-Mile reef in warm waters teeming with fish, turtles and rays; finally rounding off a perfect day at North Point for a scenic picnic lunch set-up. This is Island life at its most memorable, hemmed by the stunning azure waters and panoramic views of the archipelago.

Departure times vary depending on tide and the whole trip will take approximately 4 hours

## Paradise Island

**USD 220 PER PERSON**

**USD 275 PER PERSON INCLUDING BBQ**

Visit the smallest island in the archipelago and travel back in time as you explore the evocative ruins of the once magnificent 1950s iconic destination, Hotel Santa Carolina. The island offers opportunities for walking, swimming and snorkelling, as well as some of our best turtle sightings. Mysterious and magical. Departing in the morning, the boat ride is approximately 45 minutes, with dolphins and sometimes the rare dugong spotted along the way. You will return to Benguerra late afternoon. With the opportunity to whisk you to and from Paradise Island by helicopter, enjoying a scenic trip on the way. More details and prices on request.



## Sunset Dhow Cruise

**1ST TRIP COMPLIMENTARY, USD 65 PER PERSON THEREAFTER**

Set sail for a sunset extravaganza on a traditional East African sailboat. Let down your hair and leave behind your shoes, as you step onto the wooden deck to see the islands from a different perspective. Sip on a delicious cocktail as the wind catches the sails, the ocean laps against the bow, the skies are painted in warm tones and the sun sinks into the sea.

The dhow will set sail in front of the main area 1 hour before sunset.

No shoes are needed.



## Snorkeling @ Two Mile Reef

**USD 85 PER PERSON**

Immerse yourself in the underwater wonders of 2-Mile Reef. This world-acclaimed site is set in a protected Marine Reserve making it a paradise for throngs of sea life. The sunlit, warm waters ensure you have excellent visibility and exquisite sightings of bright fish, turtles and smaller rays. Suitable for all levels of experience and fun for groups of all ages. Be transported by a reef ecosystem where no two days are alike. The round trip is approximately 2 hours.

# Seahorse Safaris

USD 60 PER PERSON

Discover the hidden beauty of Azura's seagrass meadows on an unforgettable snorkelling adventure guided by our in-house marine biologist. Located directly in front of the resort, our locally managed Marine Protected Area offers a rare opportunity to explore a thriving and carefully preserved marine ecosystem.

The calm, shallow seagrass habitat is home to two resident seahorse species—the **Giraffe Seahorse** (*Hippocampus camelopardalis*) and the **Kuda Seahorse** (*Hippocampus kuda*)—alongside an impressive diversity of marine life. During the safari, you'll encounter not only seahorses but also pipefish, anemones, shrimps, nudibranchs, squids, crabs, and moray eels, all flourishing within this sheltered environment.

Designed as a small-group experience and guided with respect for nature, the Seahorse Safari offers a rare chance to observe these delicate creatures in their natural habitat. Throughout the activity, our marine biologist shares fascinating insights into seagrass ecosystems, seahorse behavior, and ongoing conservation efforts.

By joining our Seahorse Safari, you are supporting marine conservation and helping local fishing communities build sustainable livelihoods.

This activity is subject to tidal conditions and has a duration of 1 hour.





## Scuba Diving

@ 2 MILE - USD 120 PER PERSON

@ 5 MILE - USD 150 PER PERSON

@ DOUBLE TANK DIVE - USD 200 PER PERSON

@ ADDITIONAL SUPERVISED DIVE - USD 120 PER PERSON

@ ADVENTURE DIVE - USD 130 PER PERSON

@ 4 DIVE PACKAGE (2 X DOUBLE TANK DIVES) - USD 350 PER PERSON

@ 6 DIVE PACKAGE (3 X DOUBLE TANK DIVES) - USD 535 PER PERSON

The various sites within the Bazaruto Archipelago offer some of the most sublime diving in Mozambique. Colourful corals host a diversity of marine life including turtles, moray eels, several species of rays and rich variety of fish. We offer the use of world-class equipment (Qualified Dive Certificate is required or PADI diving courses can be done at the resort). Your underwater paradise awaits



**PADI**



### **PADI – THE WAY THE WORLD LEARNS TO DIVE!**

Azura is a PADI 5-star Dive Centre with excellent instructors and top of the range ScubaPro equipment. We have a training pool perfect for refreshing your diving skills or taking a course. Azura is also a Diver's Alert Network Industry Partner which entitles all divers to do entry level courses a basic dive insurance coverage.

#### **COURSES:**

##### **SCUBA REVIEW - USD 110 PER PERSON**

PADI recommends that you take part in a review of your skills if you haven't been diving for at least 6 months. This course will review your theory and refresh your skills in the pool. This takes approximately one hour.

##### **BUBBLEMAKER - USD 100 PER PERSON**

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.

### **DISCOVER SCUBA DIVING - USD 225 PER PERSON**

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.

### **OPEN WATER SCUBA DIVER - USD 700 PER PERSON**

Once you learn how to dive your view of our beautiful planet completely changes. The underwater world is fascinating and inspiring. Completion of the PADI Open Water course allows you to dive to a depth of 18 meters, without supervision. The course consists of 5 theory sections, 5 pool sections, a final exam and 4 open water dives. It includes all diving equipment and documents for your certification. Kindly note that learning materials are not included and need to be purchased on the PADI website. The course takes approximately 30 hours split over a 4–5-day period. Ages 10 and above.

### **SCUBA DIVER - USD 385 PER PERSON**

If you have limited time this course is the perfect choice for you. It is essentially just over half of the Open Water course mentioned above. It certifies you to a depth of 12 meters, and all subsequent dives must be under the direct supervision of a Divemaster or Instructor. The course consists of 3 theory sections, 3 pool sections and 2 open water dives. It all counts towards your full PADI Open Water Diver qualification, which you can take at a later stage. The course includes all diving equipment and documents for your certification. Kindly note that learning materials are not included and need to be purchased on the PADI website. The course takes approximately 15 hours over a 2-day period. Ages 10 and above.

### **SCUBA DIVER TO OPEN WATER DIVER - USD 300 PER PERSON**

This course is the steppingstone to your full Open Water certification for those already qualified as a PADI Scuba Diver. It begins by reviewing your existing skills and knowledge and is then followed by 2 additional theory and pool sessions, the final exam and the remaining 2 open water dives which are required for your new rating. You will need to have with you your logbook as well as your referral form/student record signed by your previous PADI instructor. The course takes approximately 15 hours over a 2-day period. Ages 10 and up and only available for current PADI Scuba Divers.

### **OPEN WATER REFERRAL - USD 575 PER PERSON**

This is the completion stage of your Open Water course. You will have already completed your theory, final exam and possibly your confined water training as well. Our PADI instructors will talk with you and guide you through whatever remains for you to do. If you are doing a referral, please note you are required to have with you your referral form/student record signed by your previous PADI instructor.

### **ADVANCED OPEN WATER DIVER - USD 600 PER PERSON**

If you want to take your diving skills to the next level, consider the Advanced Open Water Diver course. There are 5 knowledge reviews to complete which correspond to 5 qualifying dives. There are 2 mandatory dives: Deep and Navigation. The remaining 3 you choose yourself: Peak Performance Buoyancy, Fish ID, Boat, Drift and Underwater Naturalist to name but a few. Any of these will enhance your diving abilities and skills and will make diving even more fun than it already is. The course takes approximately 15 hours over a 3-day period.

## *Strapped for time?*

Chat with our dive professional to see what other options are available. We also offer the Adventure Diver course, or you can do a single Adventure dive. Please note course duration times listed are approximate and are subject to weather conditions and student competency.



## *Fishing* \*EQUIPMENT INCLUDED

**USD 450 PER BOAT - FOR QUARTER DAY (4 HOURS)**

**USD 600 PER BOAT - FOR HALF DAY (6 HOURS)**

**USD 800 PER BOAT - FOR FULL DAY (8 HOURS)**

Some of the best big game, reef and bill fishing in the Indian Ocean, including a variety of species and some big scale-tippers. Open to all levels of experience. You can look forward to hooking various sought-after species including Black Marlin, Sailfish, Tuna, Bonito, King/Queen Mackerel, Prodigal Son, Wahoo, Dorado, Barracuda and Giant Trevally (often up to 25kgs). Trawling with our local guides gives you a great day out on the water. Kindly note that we do not offer Fly Fishing, but this can be arranged with an outsourced company.

MAIN FISHING SEASONS						
	MARLIN	SAILFISH	TUNA/BONITO	KING MACKEREL	QUEEN MACKEREL	KINGFISH/GT'S
JANUARY	SOME	FEW	EXCELLENT	GOOD CHANCE	GREAT	YEAR ROUND
FEBRUARY	FEW	FEW	EXCELLENT	GOOD CHANCE	GREAT	YEAR ROUND
MARCH	FEW	FEW	EXCELLENT	GOOD CHANCE	GREAT	YEAR ROUND
APRIL	GOOD CHANCE	GOOD CHANCE	GREAT	GOOD CHANCE	EXCELLENT	YEAR ROUND
MAY	GOOD CHANCE	SUPERB!	GREAT	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	YEAR ROUND
JUNE	GOOD CHANCE	SUPERB!	GREAT	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	YEAR ROUND
JULY	GOOD CHANCE	EXCELLENT	GOOD CHANCE	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	YEAR ROUND
AUGUST	GOOD CHANCE	EXCELLENT	GOOD CHANCE	EXCELLENT	GREAT	YEAR ROUND
SEPTEMBER	GREAT	EXCELLENT	GOOD CHANCE	EXCELLENT	GREAT	YEAR ROUND
OCTOBER	SUPERB!	GREAT	GREAT	GREAT	GREAT	YEAR ROUND
NOVEMBER	SUPERB!	GOOD CHANCE	GREAT	GOOD CHANCE	GOOD CHANCE	YEAR ROUND
DECEMBER	SUPERB!	GOOD CHANCE	EXCELLENT	GOOD CHANCE	GOOD CHANCE	YEAR ROUND

## Signature Dishes &

## INCREDIBLE LOCATIONS

### North Point Beach Picnic

USD 125 PER PERSON

USD 180 PER PERSON INCLUDING BBQ

Enjoy an incredible picnic lunch at stunning North Point. This is the most northern tip of Benguerra Island. The ever-changing colors of the sea, as the tide moves in and out, are just spectacular. Stroll along the white sand beach and feast on a delicious picnic fare. For an extra special treat ask the team about having a chef prepare a seafood BBQ at a small charge extra. The departure time is flexible but of course the trip usually leaves around lunch time.



## Wildside Beach Picnic

**USD 80 PER PERSON**

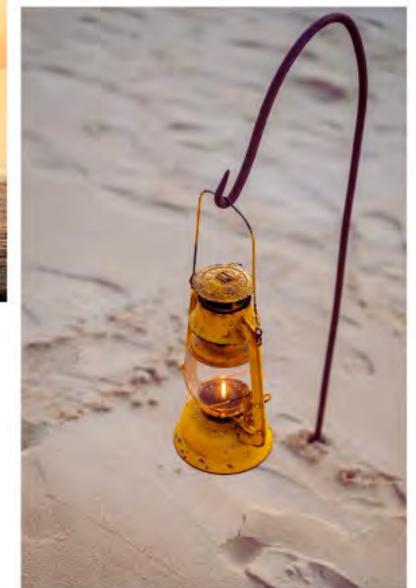
Imagine an endless deserted white sandy beach tucked in amongst the driftwood, a table and chair set up under the shade of an umbrella. Welcome to Wild Side, stroll along the beach or head up the Red Dune and take in the magnificent views of Benguerra Island from the highest point on the island. Look for crocodiles in the freshwater lake, then delight in a beautifully prepared picnic before jumping into the Indian Ocean. The drive to Wild Side by Land Rover takes approximately 20 minutes and has a flexible departure time. Or add it on to the end of your Island Drive for an extended trip.



## Private Beach Dinner

**COMPLIMENTARY or USD 50 PER PERSON INCLUDING BBQ**

Savour a private dinner beautifully arranged in front of your villa alongside the ocean and under the twinkling African night sky. Our chef prepares delicious fresh meals to order, served by your Butler Host and complimented by a selection of wines from our cellar. Candlelight and balmy ocean views set the scene for one of Azura's signature memory-making experiences.





## *Peri Peri Beach Club*

**INCLUDED FOR IN-HOUSE GUESTS  
USD 60 PER PERSON FOR OUTSIDE GUESTS**

Mozambique's hottest Beach Club offers a sociable and relaxed atmosphere with a range of memorable ways to experience the local flair at a stunning beachfront location. Overlooking an alluring swimming pool with breath-taking views over the Indian Ocean.

Enjoy an afternoon at Peri Peri, beachfront location, snacking on delectable dishes, sipping on ice-cold cocktails and an array of refreshments. Options include personal grills where you can sizzle your own seafood and meats, your own private Beach Sala, and Spa Pavilion offering African-themed massages. Let's add some vibe to your stay.

*Relax and*  
**UNWIND**

## *Special Sunset Cocktail*

**COMPLIMENTARY**

Spectacular sunsets are the ideal way to end the day. Enjoy the 'Sunset Cocktail' of the day, served at your private beach sala, accompanied by snacks as you ease back on reclining cushions surrounded by Mozambiquan ilala palm décor. Azura faces West and daily radiant sunsets are one of the picturesque experiences that makes our location so unique.





## *Azura's African Spa*

**PRICELIST AVAILABLE ON REQUEST**

Traditional African oils and balms soothe and rejuvenate in our open-air treehouse or plush pavilion spa. Spa treatments are offered by highly trained therapists in settings where nature contributes to creating a haven for relaxation and revival. Choose from a full menu of options and let the healing elements of the island work their magic as all your tension drifts away

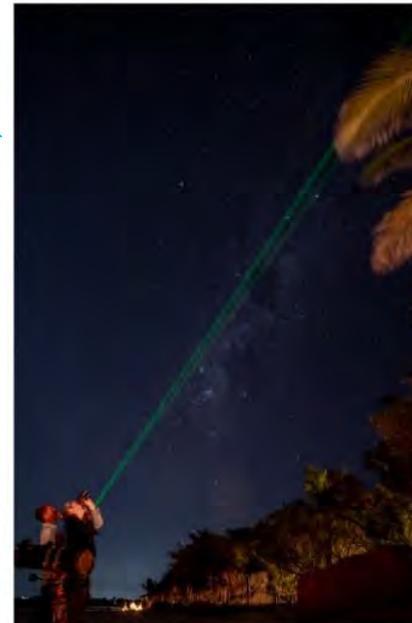


## *Immersed in* **NATURE**

### *Stargazing*

**COMPLIMENTARY**

Take in the splendour of the unspoilt night sky from a comfy beanbag, informed by a local expert. With so little ambient light, the stars shine luminous, and it is possible to see planets like Jupiter and Venus through our telescope. Discover prominent constellations accompanied by an interesting and informative talk topped off with snacks and drinks. Shooting stars are believed to be a sign of good fortune and prosperity for all. Let's see how many we can spot.





## Horse Riding

**USD 140 PER PERSON** - \*SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY AND ONLY BOOKABLE ON ARRIVAL

Ride along the beautiful shoreline, traverse the island, or experience ocean swimming on horseback. Our guides and well-trained horses will delight in taking you on sight-seeing outrides to explore a variety of locations at a peaceful pace. Horse riding on Benguerra Island is a unique adventure and is open to any level of experience

## Whale Watching

**USD 120 PER PERSON**

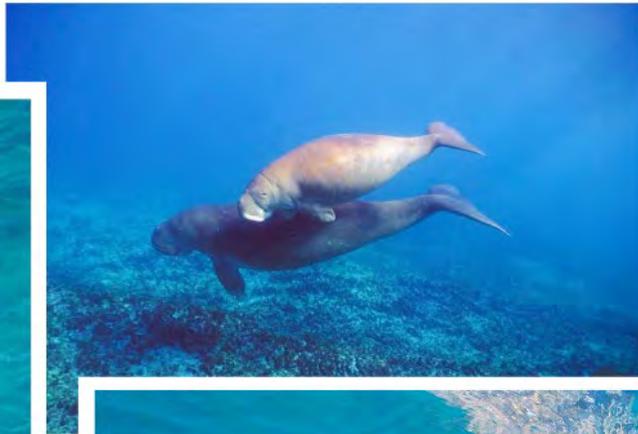
Experience the rare privilege of observing these majestic giants going about their natural behaviour. Every year, Humpback Whales make a long and arduous annual migration from the cold waters of the Antarctic to the warm waters of the Equator to give birth. Passing through our channels between July and October, providing incredible sightings as they frolic in the warm waters around the island.



## Island Drive

**1ST TRIP COMPLIMENTARY, USD 25 PER PERSON THEREAFTER**

Delve into life on Benguerra Island as you visit local communities and explore the wild side. The drive takes you through beautiful island landscapes to the happy homes of our local islanders. Visit the school built by Azura's Rainbow Fund in 2008, where 490 children now have the opportunity of primary education and 34 children on the mainland attend High School. Then, take a turn past the first-ever clinic on the island, offering health screening and medications previously unavailable, also built by our Rainbow Fund. Learn about indigenous fauna and flora as you take in the breath-taking panoramic views of Benguerra Island. This 2-hour activity is available twice a day, departing from reception at either 9:00am or 3:00pm. It is guided by a local island staff member with an array of knowledge that he will share with you, refreshments are available on board the vehicle.



## Dugong Spotting

**USD 120 PER PERSON**

Visit the last remaining population of these majestic marine mammals in the West Indian Ocean, where they frolic year-round in the aquamarine waters.

Called the "mermaids of the sea" Dugongs gather on the reefs where they gently graze on sea grass, making it possible for you drift close and marvel at these peaceful and awe-inspiring creatures.

## Island Football "Soccer"

### COMPLIMENTARY

The whole of Africa is football (soccer) mad, and here on Benguerra Island it's no different. There is an Island League made up of teams from the different lodges and villages. It is an important event amongst the local community with lots of pride at stake. Come and support the Azura team at one of their matches over the weekend. We will set up shade and refreshments, and if you're up for it you can even join in the game. It's great fun for everyone. Duration approximately 2 hours on a Sunday afternoon.



## Marine Walk

### COMPLIMENTARY

Our marine walk is amongst the magnificent activities that you can enjoy at Azura. The coastal environment provides important breeding areas and nursery grounds for a wide variety of creatures including fish, small shrimps and even seahorses. Additionally, seagrass habitats like the one we have in front of Azura serve as foraging arenas for flamingos and magnificent marine birds. Join our inhouse marine biologist for a short walk alongside the beach to learn about the astonishing biodiversity of Benguerra Island and the importance of protecting and conserving our ocean. This activity takes approximately 30 minutes and is tide dependent.

