

2024 US\$ RATES

ASTOVE ATOLL EXPERIENCES

SEASON: 01 JANUARY 2024 – 31 DECEMBER 2024
ALL ACTIVITIES ARE WEATHER & TIDE PERMITTING

Astove Excursions & Packages

EXCURSIONS [MIN 2 PAYING GUESTS]	INCLUDES	US\$
ASTOVE 'THE WALL' GUIDED SNORKEL 1HR 30MIN	Snorkelling equipment and soft drinks	75 pp
'PAULIES' ISLAND SNORKEL 2HRS		85 pp
BLUE SAFARI 3HRS		105 pp

PACKAGED ACTIVITIES* [MIN 2 PAYING GUESTS]	INCLUDES	US\$
ASTOVE 'THE WALL' GUIDED SNORKEL	Snorkelling equipment and soft drinks	240 pp
'PAULIES' ISLAND SNORKEL		
BLUE SAFARI		

*FOR PRE-BOOKINGS ONLY.

Astove Dive Experiences

DIVING	INCLUDES	US\$
PER DIVE	Diving equipment and soft drinks	175 pp
DOUBLE TANK		330 pp
5 DIVE PACKAGE		765 pp
10 DIVE PACKAGE		1,365 pp

SURCHARGE FOR PRIVATE GUIDE \$110

PRIVATE BOAT AVAILABLE ON REQUEST AT AN ADDITIONAL COST [SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY]. PRE-BOOKED DIVE PACKAGES CANNOT BE SHARED BETWEEN DIVERS.

Astove Fishing Experiences

GUIDED FLY FISHING		INCLUDES	US\$
BASED FROM ASTOVE ISLAND	HALF DAY	Fly Fishing rod & reel hire	455 pp
BASED FROM ASTOVE ISLAND	FULL DAY		825 pp

BLUE WATER FISHING		INCLUDES	US\$
Y-KNOT	HALF DAY	Fly Fishing rod & reel hire	1,820 per boat
Y-KNOT	FULL DAY		3,085 per boat

** FLY FISHING & BLUE WATER FISHING ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY

FISHING TIMES: *HALF DAY: 07H30 - 12H00 OR 13H00 - 17H30 | **FULL DAY: 08H00 - 17H00

ASTOVE EXPERIENCES

Experiences are Our Luxury...

** COMPLIMENTARY ACTIVITIES ON ASTOVE ATOLL.
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ACTIVITIES



INDEPENDENT ACTIVITIES**

The Blue Safari team is at your disposal should you wish further activities like bird identification walks or organise a private picnic about the island. For those who like to explore independently there is much to offer.

There are a number of running and walking paths through the beautiful natural vegetation on the island and guests will be provided with information on the various distances and routes they wish to explore. Kayaks and stand-up paddle boards are available for guests wanting to navigate the island independently. Snorkelling is a great way to see what marine life resides beneath the waves and complimentary snorkelling equipment is available for all guests.

FLATS LUNCH**

A special treat offered by Astove is the amazing Flats Lunch. A dining experience like no other. Revel in the sheer beauty of the flats whilst enjoying a delicious buffet feast, accompanied by ice cold beverages.

SAND DUNE SUNDOWNERS**

Every Sunday guests join the AFC guides and team at the infamous Astove sand dune for social gathering. Guests enjoy drinks with fellow nature, fishing and diving partners celebrating the week's achievements. Remember, every fish and new sighting counts!

EVENING SUNDOWNERS**

Your island hosts will arrange evening sundowners where you can enjoy stories from the day over a cocktail or an ice cold beer. As the sun sets with you companions ready yourself for the day ahead.

ASTOVE ATOLL SAFARI**

Take a drive around Astove in our ATV, the only way to get around this vast atoll in style. Your guide will familiarise you with your new home showing you the layout of the island, all the secret spots and best views,

KAYAK AND SUP**

Kayaks and SUP's are a perfect and non-intrusive way to get close to turtles and rays around the flats and allow guests to enjoy Astove from a new perspective. On the guided tour your knowledgeable guide will take you to Astove's 'Wall' where you can peer down into the blue depths of this dramatic coral drop-off. With the help of your guide you will spot and identify countless turtles, fish, shark and ray species whilst paddling the water's edge.

Alternatively, your guide may take you into the calm quiet of the magnificent Astove lagoon where you will paddle its azure water. Get up close to mangroves and roosting seabird in the tranquility of nature.

For something more private and personal kayaks are readily available for guests use. This way guests get to appreciate the untouched exquisiteness of Astove solely at their own pace. A picnic basket in the form of a Yeti Cooler can be organised for guests to carry along, enabling them to choose a spot for a secluded meal or snack.

REEF FLATS EXPEDITION**

Travel the reef flats from the lodge with a knowledgeable and insightful guide. On this expedition guests get to appreciate the untouched views of the rich seagrass beds and crystal clear waters whilst searching for juvenile turtles, eels, crab and molluscs squeezed into crevices in the reef platform. This is an opportunity to see all types of life and mind-blowing biodiversity on the macro scale.

TURTLE NESTING VIEWINGS**

Despite being a small island, Astove has one of the largest populations of nesting green sea turtles. Astove Lodge is just a 10 minute walk from where the female turtles haul themselves out of the ocean to lay their eggs on the beach. Spending an evening with a knowledgeable guide waiting for this natural phenomenon is a rare treat. During the excursion guests will be educated about turtle ecology and reproduction as well as the turtles conservation status.

SCUBA DIVING

Sightings whilst diving range from reef to pelagic fish, big predators and tiny macro life. The large marine turtle population means you are guaranteed of seeing both green and hawksbill turtles. Schools of predatory fish such as giant and bluefin trevally patrol the drop off looking for prey. The reefs are covered with a forest of gorgonian and black corals that extend down to great depths. Of a selection of great dive sites, 'The Wall' of Astove is probably the best dive site in the Seychelles and the few people that have dived here regard it as one of the best in the world. This is not something to miss during your stay. All diving must be pre-booked with the Blue Safari reservations team.

ASTOVE 'THE WALL' GUIDED SNORKELLING

On this guided excursion you will be taken along the length of 'The Wall' which drops vertically from 1 - 2 metres to 50m plus. Snorkellers will see soft coral covered walls, crevices, cuts and overhangs that conceal fish. Snorkellers can take full advantage of the proximity to the open ocean at this dive site to possibly encounter sharks and rays, as well as large grouper, snapper, napoleon wrasse and tuna. Snorkelling equipment is complimentary and available for all guests to use.

PAULIE'S ISLAND GUIDED SNORKELLING

Paulie's island is a gemstone on the flats, where you can snorkel in shallow, crystal clear waters and come face-to-face with a variety of fish, spot crabs hiding in the islands' nooks and crannies and see the numerous turtles that reside here. Snorkelling equipment is complimentary and available for all guests to use.

BLUE SAFARI

This is your opportunity to make the most of your own personalised Blue Safari, speak to your guide to create the perfect trip. You may choose our traditional Blue Safari in the open ocean in search of our resident spinner dolphin, leaping tuna, flying fish, mating turtle or even humpback whales, when in season. Alternatively, join our guides on an adventure like no other, learning, exploring and discovering the coastline of Astove atoll. You may encounter a number of craggy islets full to brim with birdlife and come face to face with this unique habitat. As you are able to hop-on and hop-off during this trip you may choose to have a perfect picnic in a secret spot looking over the fabulous ocean vista. This can be a full or half day excursion and as the skiff ride is yours, you are able to decide how far and wide you would like to explore this magical atoll.

ASTOVE LAGOON MANGROVE NATURE HIKE

Take this fantastic excursion across the lagoon and into the mangroves. With such a variety of mangroves on Astove this excursion may include venturing into the very top of the lagoon among the mangrove roots looking for all types of wildlife. For any nature lover this will bring endless delights. Our trained guides will be able to help you identify the various species that you see around you. Alternatively you may spend much time at the edge of the lower lagoon mangrove and peering into the tree tops for interesting bird life or watching for sharks patrolling the mangrove edge. This is one of those increasingly rare environments that have the power to put you in touch with raw nature.

FLATS FLY FISHING

Astove has become synonymous with the largest flats-caught GT's in the Indian Ocean. Its shallow lagoon and small entrance, surrounded by sheer drop-offs makes this experience truly unique. The lagoon is a sanctuary for both juvenile and trophy-size fish that feed on the shallow sand flats that line the inside of the lagoon. Try your hand on a full or half day of fly fishing with one of our experienced Alphonse Fishing Co. guides in search of the various species Astove has to offer.

BLUE WATER FISHING

Experience offshore fishing like never before... The unspoilt waters of the Astove atoll are home to a wide variety of blue water species. The structure and sheer drop-offs are ideal for species such as sailfish, wahoo, dogtooth tuna, yellowfin tuna and dorado. On any given day there is an opportunity to fight the reel and target these species for either a full or half day. Be sure to pre-book your blue water fishing trip to ensure boat availability.

An Untouched Paradise with a Rich Biodiversity

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