



## LUXURY TENTED CAMPING AT ITS FINEST, INTEWEAVING UNIQUE WILDLIFE, LOCAL CULTURE AND ECOTOURISM



As the sun rises over rugged mountains, fingers of orange light sparkle across the river to awaken the forest and camp within. The distant singing of the local tribe as they fetch water from the river, the morning calls of the Coucal and Crested Coua, welcome you to another glorious day on the banks of the Mandrare River.

Our Luxury en-suite tents are generously spread out in the shade of tamarind trees, all with breath-taking views across the tranquil water to the sacred mountains beyond.

The seclusion of the camp affords intimate access and insight to the spiny forest; home to an abundance of wildlife and the fascinating Antandroy tribe that co-habit this arid and otherworldly landscape.



Shaded by tamarind trees and offering exceptional views from their private terraces, our tents provide an oasis of Luxurious comfort.

### Tents

The ornate wooden furniture in each tent is individually hand carved to depict a different local wildlife theme: Chameleon, Lemur, Gecko, Baobab, Radiated Tortoise and Heron.

- Private terrace with chairs and table
- 4-poster mosquito netted bed
- Wardrobe and dressing table
- Bedside lights and tables
- Fans
- 24hr Lighting and hot water from solar
- Fully plumbed bathroom
- Hand carved wooden furniture
- Baggage Trunk



### Dining

Dine together around hand-carved pallisandre tables in the warm glow of lanterns. The singing of children by the river, accompanied by the calls of birds and other forest animals, are the perfect serenade as you enjoy our exquisite food.

Breakfasts are freshly baked bread, pain au chocolat and croissants, locally made preserves, cereals and fresh fruit juices. Lunch is a succulent barbeque with fresh salads, fruits and cold meats. A sumptuous 3-course dinner awaits you in the evening, a truly heavenly bush experience.

We use the freshest and finest Madagascar produce, blended in a French style by our excellent chefs. All drinks in camp including imported wines and spirits are included in the rate.

The weird and wonderful creatures, that eek out an existence in the sacred forest of the Mandrare Valley are as unique as the red island itself.

A Sifaka dances along the ground, hands held high for balance as it spins like a ballerina, a Warty Chameleon checks warily with his 360° vision, a Running Coua's eyes flash brilliant blue in the bright sunlight. Welcome to a world of intrigue and discovery.

Whether by day or night, on foot or by 4x4, the abundance of wildlife is a revelation. Our experienced guides share their intimate knowledge of the sacred Gallery and Spiny forest's unique flora and fauna.

A beautiful, fierce nomadic tribe, steeped with traditions of ancestor worship, the Antandroy are the most unique and interesting in Madagascar.

The local markets are a confusion of colour, sounds, smells, people, animals and of course the odd bargain. Visiting Mandrare River Camp offers you the chance to step inside the doorway to another culture separated from the rest of the world and rarely visited by foreigners or "Vazahas".



## BAREFOOT LUXURY IN A TRULY BREATHTAKING SETTING



Sparkling blue seas, verdant rainforests, abundant wildlife, and distant mountains, this small and intimate lodge offers a taste of serenity to all of its guests.

Nestled into a forest cove, our luxury thatched bungalows offer private decked terraces inches from the sea, perfectly reflecting the tranquillity of their natural surroundings.

The ebb and flow of the tide, the haggling of the local fisherman, the slow and the unchanging life of the village, invites you to leave your stresses and strains behind in the hectic ever-changing world. Sink into your hammock and feel yourself descend into this quiet corner of paradise.

### Bungalows

Spacious thatched rooms, lead directly onto the pristine sands and azure waters of the Indian Ocean

Our 4 luxury bungalows and 1 two bedroom family bungalow are discreetly tucked into the edge of the forest, with private wooden-decked terraces and stunning views across the bay. Melding local wood, ravinala thatch and stone with modern comforts, creates the perfect "Robinson Crusoe" experience.

- Private decked terrace with hammock
- Super king-size & single bed
- 270 degree windows
- Full en-suite with hot fresh water
- Walk in shower
- 24hr solar electricity, 220V sockets
- Indoor and outdoor seating areas
- Private beach shower
- Mosquito nets
- Ocean views
- Sun loungers
- Touchpad room safe



A mouth-watering feast of lobsters, oysters, mussels and fresh fish flows from our open kitchen.

Meals are enjoyed in our open sided, ravinala thatched bar/dining area. Outside seating lets you unwind as you watch a perfect sunset, or on cooler winter nights relax around a large fireplace and chimney on soft cushions.

We provide a family friendly all-inclusive drinks set-up of unlimited soft drinks, mineral water and beers. All other drinks (wine spirits and freshly squeezed juices) are paid separately.

Witness the awesome spectacle of Humpback whales breaching, powering themselves high into the cobalt sky. Approaching by motorboat, guests can view these amazing mammals close-up.

The sheltered bay with its calm waters and abundant, coral based sealife, provides the perfect spot for safe swimming and snorkelling (equipment provided).

Motor boat or kayak trips into the mangroves and wetlands are a must for birders. The mix of fresh and brackish water attracts sea and wading birds and a wealth of other wildlife. Or be dropped off with a picnic lunch on one of the nearby uninhabited islands for an afternoon of total solitude and that unforgettable "Lost" experience.

Despite being the perfect sea location, the lodge also offers many shore and forest based activities.

- Whale watching lookout tower
- Open air massage salon
- Day and night walks in the littoral rainforest with our expert guides enable you to see: Dwarf, Mouse, Woolly, sportive and Brown lemurs, chameleons (including Brokesia), snakes, and Geckos, carnivorous pitcher plants as well as excellent forest birding.