

*Africa*



**& BEYOND**

BENGUERRA ISLAND

*Mozambique*



## MOZAMBIQUE



The second largest island of the Bazaruto Archipelago, Benguerra offers exceptional opportunities to explore some of the very best of Mozambique's magnificent marine life and experience an abundance of island adventures. Characterised by its towering sand dunes, inland lakes and idyllic beaches, Benguerra was declared a National Park in 1971. It is home to over 140 bird species and the waters surrounding the archipelago are home to Africa's last remaining population of the rare dugong. With one of the most pristine coral reefs in the world just offshore, the island waters boast a staggering variety of colourful and exotic tropical fish, while keen fishermen can target a full range of game fish, from sailfish to giant trevally, bonito and marlin (catch-and-release).

Guests visiting the island awake to the sounds of fishermen trading their daily catch from their traditional sailing dhows and embark on a series of adventures that includes horse riding dhow cruises, diving, snorkelling and exhilarating catch-and-release deep-sea fishing.

*{Benguerra Island}*

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A tropical paradise tucked into a lush indigenous forest and looking out onto a picturesque crescent of sandy beach, **&Beyond** Benguerra Island is the quintessential luxury island retreat. Set among swaying palm trees, ten casinhas and two cabanas offer a light and airy colour scheme that combines tropical chic with a distinct African feel and reminders of the area's Portuguese heritage. Ideal for families or groups, the three-bedroom Casa Familia ensures privacy and exclusivity. Set under local thatch, both casinhas and cabanas boasts elegant four-poster beds with white linen canopies and comfortable day beds. Large windows with dark wooden shutters gaze out towards the Indian Ocean, while private timber decks and cool plunge pools offer a secluded alternative to beach sands and ocean waters. Bathrooms feature generous tubs big enough for two, while al fresco showers are decorated with hand-painted tiles. Woven hammocks invite guests to an afternoon siesta, lulled by a chorus of songbirds that makes the forest canopy its home. A shaded gazebo provides the ideal venue for starlit dinners, while the stylish dining room and open lounge, both of which boast wide, sunny decks, are the setting for more social dining.

Set in its own secluded garden and mere metres from the beach, the Casa Familia boasts three bedrooms, each with its own ensuite bathroom, as well as private swimming pool set on the sheltered wooden veranda. The lodge's colourful dhow-inspired bar, sheltered by swaying palm trees, is the perfect setting to relax or enjoy open air meals throughout the day. Set deep in cleverly created patches of shade, comfortable loungers beckon guests to relax around the pool while drinking in the ocean views.

## AT A GLANCE

- Ten casinhas and two cabanas
- Three-bedroom Casa Familia for families or groups
- Private plunge pools and a lodge pool
- Beach Shop
- Dive Centre

## WHAT SETS US APART

- Barefoot luxury
- Direct beach access
- Dive centre
- Ideal for swimming and snorkelling
- Beautiful beach walks
- Outstanding marine life
- Situated in a national park
- Home to the rare dugong
- Swimming and boat access directly off the beach even at low tide
- Diverse birdlife
- Exceptional game fishing and fly fishing destination

## ACTIVITIES

### *Included*

- Scuba diving
- Scheduled snorkelling trip
- Sunset dhow cruise
- Sea kayaking
- Horse riding
- Birdwatching
- Castaway picnic
- Island expedition
- Local community tour

### *At an additional charge*

- Deep sea fishing or saltwater fly fishing (catch-and-release)
- Catamaran cruises



## ACCESS

SA Airlink and LAM operate direct flights from Johannesburg to Vilanculos, while LAM also runs flights between Maputo and Vilanculos. This is followed by a short helicopter transfer to the lodge.

*“A perfect retreat, beautiful beaches, warm water, harmonious scenery, relaxing atmosphere, wonderful accommodation, really excellent cooking, trips and adventures – but, above all, welcoming and friendly staff and people.”*

*&Beyond Benguerra Island guest book*

## ACCOLADES



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## TABLE OF FACTS

NUMBER OF ROOMS	15 (10 casinhas, 2 cabanas and the 3-bedroom Casa Familia)
MAXIMUM GUESTS	32
CHILDREN	Children are welcome
CHILDMINDING	Not available
FAMILY ROOM	3-bedroom Casa Familia (3 bedrooms – maximum of 4 adults and 4 children)
TRIPLES	2 casinhas
TWIN BEDS	All convertible to double
AIR CONDITIONING	Yes
OVERHEAD FANS	Yes
MOSQUITO NETS	Yes
BATH	Yes
OUTDOOR SHOWER	Yes
SEPARATE W.C	Yes
IN-ROOM SAFE	Yes
TELEPHONE	No
HAIRDRYER	Yes
LAUNDRY INCLUDED	Yes
WHEELCHAIR ACCESS	No
DISTANCE BETWEEN ROOMS	10 – 40 m / 30 – 130 feet
CHECK IN / CHECK OUT	14h00 / 11h00, with early check in and late check out on request
KOSHER FOOD	Not available
POWER	220v AC (plug points in rooms)

INTERNET ACCESS	Wi-Fi available in main guest area and suites
PRIVATE BEACH / BANDA DINNERS	Yes
CREDIT CARDS	MasterCard and Visa
MASSAGE / HEALTH TREATMENTS	Massage sala
EXERCISE EQUIPMENT	Not available
WEATHER	Mozambique's hot weather lasts from October to February, while the winter months from June to August are warm
RAINFALL	Rainfall usually occurs between November and March and peaks in January and February. Rain is mostly in the form of afternoon storms
TEMPERATURE	Average daytime temperatures are 25 - 34 °C (77 - 93 °F) in summer and 21 - 27 °C (70 - 80 °F) in winter. Water temperature ranges from 26 - 31 °C (79 - 88 °F) in summer and 21 - 28 °C (70 - 82 °F) in winter
BEST TIME TO TRAVEL	Year-round
MALARIA	The island is situated in a malaria area and necessary precautions should be taken
GPS COORDINATES	S 21°51.00' E35°27.00'
CAMP CLOSURE	Open year-round

## NOTE

- Please note that park fees and government charges may apply. Speak to your travel consultant for more details.
- Drones are not permitted at **&Beyond's** reserves, lodges, camps and villas.

CAMP LAYOUT



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