

Excursions

Dear Guest,

Welcome to Zanzibar

Explore our beautiful island in choosing an excursion from our portfolio.



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Zanzibar – the island of mystique, spices, history and the best beaches in East Africa

Come and explore with us our beautiful little place.



STONETOWN SERVED ON SPICES







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INCLUDED

During Drive | Cold water in the car

Lunch | Swahili lunch on the farm including bottled water

Fees & Guides | All entrance fees and tour guide

Transfer | Private transfer from your hotel

SPICE TOUR - Zanzibar for mouth and nose

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ZANZIBAR'S NATURE AND IT'S CAPITOL









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THE ROCK – 'THE' place to take a picture

After your forests tour you head a little further South East, where you will have lunch in a beautiful beach club right opposite of the world famous "The Rock"! Relax and unwind on a superb beach. Take some pictures of this unique place and chill with the amazing view of the coral formations before you turn back around towards your hotel.

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SPECIAL RUSTIQUE TUMBATU – MYSTIQUE OF ZANZIBAR







TUMBATU - THE FORBIDDEN MYSTIQUE OF ZANZIBAR

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Full day excursion including light packed lunch









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A unique experience!! Tumbatu is one of Zanzibar's best kept secrets, as the vast majority is forbidden to set foot on the Island. To enter the island you need special permission from the elders of the community on Tumbatu. People call the Watumbatu – inhabitants of Tumbatu - aloof and unfriendly, just because they are living as a very close self- supporting community. You won't find cars or scooters and Tumbatu has only one road to walk within the island, but they are living on the island where in the 11th century the Shiraz built the first stone building in the entire Zanzibar Archipelago.

JONGOWE – learn the Watumbatu life

After arriving at the beach of Jongowe, you will see how the Watumbatu prepare their fishing nets, fish traps and also how they build and maintain their boats — all by hand! In a short walk you will arrive at the school of Jongowe and learn about who built the school and the importance of the huge and old Baobab trees to the community. You will see the difference between new and old sections of the village and you will visit the house of a fisherman's family. We will show you the unspoken secrets of Tumbatu, as they are world famous for witch craft.

MAALE - Sandbank

Leaving from Mkokotoni by boat you are heading to the fishing territories of the Watumbatu, the citizens of Tumbatu. One of the oldest fishermen within the Watumbatu will show out at sea, towards the sandbank of Tumbatu how they fish with nets and traps. Fishing is the major revenue of the island, though the Watumbatu don't eat too much fish themselves. They trade with their fish in the nearby fishing village Mkokotoni. After you have witnessed the special techniques of the Watumbatu, which have the reputation of being the best sailors in the region you move on and head towards the village Jongowe, on the South of Tumbatu Island.



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TUMBATU – special information:

As Tumbatu is a very special excursion and only possible based on the trust of the elders with their community of Tumbatu, we would like to provide a little extra information for the benefit of all, of which you should pay attention:

Please note that you may have to walk knee deep in the sea, while entering the boat or reaching the island, depending on the tides.

> Therefore you need waterproof shoes and clothes which can be wet, but no beach wear!

The Watumbatu are **very religious** and do not accept our type of clothes.

> Therefore you have to wear a Kanga around your hip and for women a scarf/ kanga to cover your hair! NOT allowed is beachwear of shoulder free T shirts! Best is a wide trouser or long pair of shorts with a Polo Shirt or T Shirt!

As we are almost the whole time on or **near the sea without a shade**, sun protection and a hat are very important!

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Photographs are only allowed after you get the permission from our guide

➤ No photographs without permission

Based on the type of the excursion, we **are not able to serve you a normal lunch**. Therefore please note that we only provide packed lunch with soft drinks

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As you probably heard, it is very rare to get permission for Tumbatu, therefore we expect you to follow the rules of the guide and show respect at any time. Many of the Watumbatu have never been on Unguja!

> Show respect to the Watumbatu at all times and follow the rules of the guide.



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Yes, Watumbatu are very special and different to people from Unguja! But if you want to learn the secrets and how they live, we ask you to follow the rules of your guide at all times and don't show disrespect to this special community.

A part of our excursion price goes directly back to the community to support the well supervised projects of the elder community.

INCLUDED

During tour | Water & packed light lunch

Transfer | Private transfer from your hotel

Dress Code | Kanga and scarf (for women)

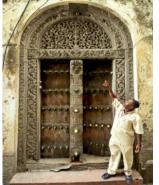


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Enjoy the boat ride to prison island right opposite of Stonetown and experience the history of the island and the company of the Giant turtles.

Don't forget to take pictures of the skyline of Stonetown on your way back!

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On this tour we will take you to places where you will understand the 1000 Hands of Zanzibar. You will see the fish market of Mkokotoni, you will see how we make our nails for our dhows, or equipment for the daily life just with palm tree leaves and you will see a typical village of Zanzibar and how we live. You will see how Zanzibaris building new dhows and repairing old dhows and you will see the turtle sanctuary in Nungwi. We will show you the real and normal life of a typical Zanzibari and what they do with their hands, it is incredible.

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SAFARI BLUE - SOUTH OF ZANZIBAR







SAFARI BLUE - CLASSIC & A LA VASCO DA GAMA

Private Transfer | Daily Departure from 08.30 am Full day excursion including Lunch









SAFARI BLUE - SOUTH OF ZANZIBAR

Menai Bay

Leaving from Fumba, which is in the South East and a very untouched and remote area still in Zanzibar you are heading on a trip in traditional wooden dhows towards your first snorkel stop. On the way you will hopefully meet Dolphins, playing around in the shallow Marine Park of Menai Bay. After enjoying the beautiful underwater world of Zanzibar with your snorkelling guide you head towards a second snorkelling stop. The reefs surrounding the sand bank are your second snorkelling trip; the underwater world will seem very different compared to your first stop. Enjoy the short trip with your boat towards your final stop where you reach the beautiful island Kwale, and our crew will be waiting for you!

Mangroves

Depending on the tides we may stop in a very special place, where our boats are taking you into the world of an island full of mangroves for a swim. The tidal lagoon has centuries of history stored in its coral. It's a different swimming experience with warm waters and a stunning location for photographs.

Lunch

On this secluded uninhabited Island, you will enjoy the lunch fit for Kings from an Island in the Indian Ocean, with slipper lobsters, grilled fish, calamari, chicken and rice, and many more vegetables. But that's not everything! After your main course we will start a fruit journey with you with up to 15 different fruits.

INCLUDED

On Board | Soft drinks and snacks

Marine Park | Entrance Fee for Marine Park Menai Bay

Lunch | Soft drinks, beer and full lunch

Equipment | Snorkeling gear

Transfer | private or shuttle transfer from your hotel

Private Boat with lunch on private island if you book it



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SNORKELING - Mnemba Kitchwani Coral Reef

After heading with your dhow from Kendwa to the stunning Mnemba Atoll and with every possibility of dolphins on the way, you will stop at Mnemba Kitchwani Reef for your first snorkelling stop. This amazing reef, with steep slopes offers some great under water topography and a chance to see amazing corals and a lot of fish. Snorkelling session is roughly 45-60 Minutes. A snorkel guide is of course also in the water, pointing out all of the little camouflage and the tricks most people's eyes miss.

SNORKELING – Mnemba Coral Gardens

After a 20 minutes boat travel from Kitchwani Reef you will arrive at the Mnemba Coral Gardens. Here you will snorkel for a further 45-60. These coral gardens are home to many species of aquarium fish, and stunning soft and hard corals.

LUNCH – Mouth-watering BBQ at Muyuni Beach

After your second snorkelling trip you are heading from Mnemba Atoll to the opposite side, an area called Muyuni Beach. Here you can enjoy your lunch with fruit and drinks, and a mouth-watering sea food and mixed grill BBQ. You will have ample time after your lunch to relax on this beautiful secluded beach before your trip continues with a sail back to Kendwa

INCLUDED

On Board | Soft drinks and snacks on the way to Mnemba and

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Marine Park | Entrance Fee for Marine Park Mnemba Atoll

Lunch | BBQ with fruits, soft drinks and beers

Equipment | Snorkeling gear

Transfer | shared transfer to Kendwa



DHOW SUNSET CRUISE NORTH





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Private Transfer | Daily Departure at 16.30

Short Dhow Cruise with Snacks and Drinks

This excursion is provided by ZanTours







DHOW SUNSET CRUISE NORTH

Sunset Cruise on a traditional wooden dhow

Enjoy the world famous sunset of Zanzibar's West Coast on a traditional wooden dhow. This 2 hours boat trip is a must do in your Zanzibar stay. If the wind allows the crew, they will sail you like the traditional fisher boats you can see every evening on the horizon.

INCLUDED

On Board | Soft drinks, beer, wine and snacks

Transfer | shared transfer to Kendwa or pick up at the jetty



DO & DON'T in Zanzibar

DON'T - buy anything from the <u>sea such as large shells</u>, <u>turtle shells or pieces of coral</u> from street or beach vendors. Buying such items encourages the destruction of our fragile marine eco-system.

DO - take photos only

DON'T - walk around in towns and villages as a women in <u>bikinis</u>, <u>miniskirts or sleeveless tops and as a men topless</u> or as a women topless on the beach.

DO – dress modest to show respect to the Muslim inhabitants of Zanzibar. Women should cover their shoulders and their knees. Bikinis and swimwear are acceptable on tourist beaches but not if fishermen or seaweed harvesters are nearby.

DON'T - <u>take photos</u> of anyone or of any public place <u>without permission</u>

DO – ask before taking pictures for the permission of the person

Ramadan is the holy month in the religion of Islam, when it is not allowed for Muslims to drink or eat during day light. Please do respect this and do not eat or drink in public places.

Sea Urchins are these beautiful black sea inhabitants which are interesting to look at, but hurtful to step on – be careful!