



7 Day Mozambique Escape – Maputo to Maputo

Kick back in the relaxed pace of Southern Mozambique. Enjoy the wildlife, untouched beaches and warm Afro-Portuguese vibe on your Mozambique Escape!

Tour Highlights: Maputo City Tour, Afro-Portuguese Culture, Salamanga Hindu Temple, Maputo Elephant Reserve, Ponta Mamoli, Dolphin Excursion

Group Size: Minimum 2

Meals: 6 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 4 Dinners

Accommodation: 4-star hotel with air-conditioned rooms and en suite facilities (2 nts.), Beach lodge with en suite rooms with ceiling fans and swimming pool (4 nts.)

Tour Includes: Tour highlights, accommodation, transport, airport transfers, park fees, road tolls & taxes, meals as indicated & services of a tour guide & driver.

Tour Excludes: Visas, travel insurance, flights, airport taxes, drinks, laundry, tips to driver & local guides, optional activities & items of a personal nature.

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Day 1: Maputo (L)

Arriving at the airport you are met by a guide and transferred to your hotel in the city. Maputo is an enchanting city of wide acacia-lined avenues and tall buildings overlooking Maputo Bay and the Indian Ocean. One of the city's more fascinating features is its remarkable wealth of grand period architecture, that makes it somewhat unique amongst African cities. After taking lunch in a popular local restaurant by the sea we take an afternoon city tour to discover Maputo's buildings and markets. This evening your guide can advise where you may like to eat, but Maputo boasts a host of great street cafes and restaurants that bring a taste of the Costa del Sol to Africa!

Day 2: Salamanga, Maputo Elephant Reserve (B / L / D)

Leaving the city, we enjoy the early morning breeze and cross Maputo Bay via Catembe to Salamanga where we stop to see its impressive Hindu Temple. Heading south, we then cross the Maputo and Futi rivers before entering the Maputo Elephant Reserve, home to approximately 350 elephants, along with zebra, hippos, antelope, monkeys, jackals, crocodiles and a wealth of birdlife. Situated 79km south of Maputo on the coast, this is a wilderness area of forest, grassland and sandy soils. It is part of the Limpopo Transfrontier Conservation Area and is linked via a narrow corridor, to Kruger National Park in neighbouring South Africa. With conservation projects in effect, the area hopes to develop more wildlife here in the coming years. We enjoy game driving through the area where we hope to spot the park's inhabitants, before a leisurely lunch. This afternoon we head south along the coast to secluded Ponta Mamoli, situated on a wild and beautiful area of untouched coastline. For the next four nights we stay at a local run lodge close to the beach.

Days 3 to 5: Ponta Mamoli, Dolphin Excursion (Bx3 / Dx3)

You now have three days here to enjoy at leisure. Ponta Mamoli has a private and secluded beach in a bay which is perfect for snorkelling, fishing, surfing and swimming.

The lodge itself, also has a swimming pool, bar and restaurant where you can relax and sip cocktails. If you wish to be more adventurous, Ponta Mamoli Dive Centre offers wonderful snorkelling and

scuba diving expeditions to local reefs. There are also canoe trips, horse trails, shell spotting and bird trails organised in the bay to keep young and old amused. Keen anglers may like to try deep sea fishing, while the bay is also a favourite for saltwater fly-fishing. During our time here we include a dolphin excursion - taking a boat out into the bay to meet its pod of inhabitant dolphins. While sightings are never guaranteed, success rates are high!

At the end of a fulfilling day relax at the bar and restaurant with new friends.

Day 6: Ponta Mamoli, Maputo (B / L)

After a relaxed breakfast there is time to enjoy an early morning drive or horse ride on the beach before we head back to Maputo. We plan to arrive late afternoon.

Day 7: Maputo (B)

Enjoy today at leisure until your transfer back to the airport for your onward flight.