

## MERIDIAN DIVE ADVENTURES

### NOSY BE DIVE TOUR

The Nosy Be Archipelago is situated off the NW Coast of Madagascar and consists of the islands of Nosy Be, and dozens of smaller uninhabited islands such as, Nosy Komba, Nosy Tanikely, Nosy Sakatia and Nosy Iranja. Nosy Be is approximately 10kms off the main Island of Madagascar, some 500 kms from the capital Antananarivo.

Estimate package prices subject to change depending on seasons.

#### PACKAGE TOUR A

8 Days / 6 dives:

Estimate Package Price: R10 220.00 pp sharing

#### Package A Includes:

- Return economy class flights Johannesburg / Nosy Be excluding taxes, on Madagascar Air.
- Return transfers between airports and resort.
- 7 nights Nosy Be Hotel, in Standard Rooms on a DBB basis (HB), pp sharing.
- 6 Dive Package, including cylinder, weight belt.
- Full Day Tour Nosy Komba (snorkel) & Tanikely (Lemur)
- Can upgrade to 10 Dive package – additional R850.00

#### OR PACKAGE TOUR B

11 Days / 10 dives:

Estimate Package Price: R12 950.00 pp sharing

#### Package B Includes:

- Return economy class flights Johannesburg / Nosy Be excluding taxes, on Madagascar Air.
- Return transfers between airports and resort.
- 9 nights Nosy Be Hotel, in Standard Rooms on a DBB basis (HB), pp sharing.
- 1 night La Varongue Hotel, Antananarivo, in Standard Room, DBB basis, pp sharing.
- 10 Dive Package, including cylinder, weight belt.
- Full Day Tour Nosy Komba (snorkel) & Tanikely (Lemur)



**Package Tour A & B Tour Excludes:**

- Airport taxes & forex charges (subject to fluctuation) - currently R2275.00 pp
- Visas to-date are free of charge – obtainable at Antananarivo airport.
- All drinks, beverages, any tours, excursions, meals, single supplements, and items not included in standard tour.
- Travel Insurance if required.
- Single Supplement for Package Tour A – extra R1750.
- Single Supplement for Package Tour B – extra R2570.



**Typical Flight Schedule Saturday to Saturday (Package A)**

Saturday: Depart JNB at 14h10 – arrive TNR at 18h00  
Depart TNR at 19h10 - arrive Nosy Be at 20h40

Saturday: Depart Nosy Be at 07h55 – arrive TNR at 09h25  
Depart TNR at 10h35 – arrive JNB 13h00

**Typical Flight Schedule Saturday to Tuesday (Package B)**

Saturday: Depart JNB at 14h10 – arrive TNR at 18h00  
Depart TNR at 19h10 - arrive Nosy Be at 20h40

Monday: Depart Nosy Be at 09h30 – arrive TNR at 14h40 (Flight is via Diago Saurez) – Overnight in Tana

Tuesday : Depart TNR at 09h30 – arrive JNB 11h25 (No direct flights Tuesday)



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## SCUBA DIVING

This area is one of the most untouched reefs in Madagascar. The outlying island reefs range from 3m-20m depths, as well as ship wrecks lying between 20m-30m. Soft corals are immense with Gorgonian corals fans. Schools of Barracudas, Yellow-fin tuna, crocodile fish, stingrays, whale shark and other shark species, hump-back whales may be spotted during their migration in Sept, Oct, Nov. Turtles are a familiar sight on the local island reefs. Visibility ranges from 15 – 40m depending on the season.

The Rainy Season is towards the end of December through until April. June is the cooler dry season, with night time temperatures dropping to around 25°C. Daytime water temperature drops to around 26°C. November air temperature can be up to 38°C during the daytime and 30°C at night, with water temperature of 30°C. Therefore the best time is between May – December.

Jacques Cousteau rated Madagascar as his favourite dive site on the planet.

Extra Dives: +- Euro 35 per person including cylinders and weights

Night Dives: +- Euro 40 per person

Nitrox Fill: +- Euro 10 per fill

## NOSY KOMBA & NOSY TANIKELY IN THE SOUTH



A full day excursion to these two beautiful islands is included.

On **Nosy Komba** see the village culture where man and lemurs live in harmony with one another. Discover

fascinating Madagascar wildlife, fauna and flora including Lemurs, Chameleons and Boa Constrictors. The Lemur sanctuary allows you to get up close and personal with these endearing little animals.



**Nosy Tanikely**, a marine reserve offering world-class snorkelling right off the beach and scuba diving. Snorkelling equipment may be hired at the beach. A sumptuous sea food lunch & refreshments are served on the beach under the trees while being observed by the local Lemur population, making for an excellent day excursion. Some divers quote this is the best snorkelling in the world...let's wait and see!

### **Nosy Be Hotel:**

Undoubtedly one of the most charming hotels we have ever visited. Elma, the owner, runs the resort with a very “hands on” approach, with meticulous attention to service, and detail. The rooms are large and spacious, with superior furnishings. The resort is situated in a lush, manicured garden, literally right the beach. The food is superb, with an emphasis on fresh local seafood, and produce. Even the most discerning traveller will not be disappointed.



### **Services & Amenities:**

General Facilities: Restaurant(s) Bar(s) Sauna/Spa, Souvenir/Gift Shop, Swimming pool, Solarium, TV Room

Languages spoken: English, French, Malagasy

Services: Airport transfers, Hotel safe

Communication Facilities: Cell phone reception, call box , telephones in each room (local)

Credit Card Facilities: Visa, MasterCard

**Accommodation Options:**

There are Five options to choose from:

- Air-conditioned standard rooms: maximum 2 adults – quoted for.
- Loft rooms: maximum 4 adults or 2 adults and 2 children.
- Bungalow VIP: maximum 4 adults or 2 adults and 2 children.
- Junior Suite: maximum 2 adults.
- Senior Suite: maximum 4 adults or 2 adults and 2 children.



<b>All Room Facilities:</b>	<b>Standard room:</b>	<b>Bungalow:</b>	<b>Junior suite:</b>	<b>Senior Suite:</b>
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### Dining At Nosy Be Hotel

The chef prepares a refined local cuisine and western dishes are made with seafood, foie gras country or zebu meat. Many cocktails await you at the bar; we invite you to try the famous "caipirinha"



### EXTRA INFORMATION

**Time:**

1 hour ahead of South Africa

**Electricity:**

220V – European two prong plugs

**Visas:**

Visas are required by all visitors. Obtainable at Antananarivo airport

**Health:**

Malaria prophylactics are essential. Only drink bottled water

**Currency:**

Credit cards are not widely accepted. Change some money into local Ariary at the airport bank on arrival. This can be converted back into hard currency prior departing Madagascar. SA Rand is not accepted anywhere.

**Weather:**

Temperatures average 24 – 26C along the coast. October and November tend to be the warmest months reaching 33C. The cyclone season in January to mid-March.

**Language:**

Officially French and Malagasy – but English is understood and spoken in the hotels.

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The last night of the 10 night Package B will be at La Varangue, Tana, which offers its guests the comforts of an elegant home and a tasteful French restaurant. La Varangue is just a few minutes away from a supermarket, bank, and post office and is just a short drive to the city centre.

This delightful old creole-style property has been completely rebuilt, and now offers seven exclusive guest rooms, all tastefully furnished and decorated, in the heart of downtown Antananarivo. In each guest room, the hotel provides a double bed, TV, mini-bar, comfortable en-suite bathroom and balcony with city views.

Situated in the business area of the capital, close by the main Banks, the Presidential Palace, and various shops, it has a nice small garden where it is very enjoyable to have your meals. Varangue offers typical Malagasy food, which is fit for a king. Indeed, that's the reason the owner gave the hotel the name Varangue, as it means "sacred". Moreover, they have a beautiful restaurant on the terrace, with a view directly to the high city and a bar sculpted in the form of a hull.

#### Facilities & services:

- Bar(s)
- Restaurant(s)
- Safe at reception
- Room Service



#### Rooms:

As La Varangue used to be a private residence, all the rooms are slightly different in shape and size. There are standard rooms and studios, which are usually in French style with modern decor.

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### **Standard A – quoted in the package**

This room category has a bed for two persons. Rooms are comfortable and quiet, and have a private bathroom with private sanitary, hot water and shower, in addition to TV, mini-bar and telephone.

- Bathroom-Private: Shower only
- Mini Bar
- Room Safe
- Telephone - International Direct Dial (IDD)
- TV - Cable/ Satellite
- Hot and Cold Water
- Table Lamp



### **ACTIVITIES IN ANTANANARIVO**

[Ambohimanga](#) - Historic village & Flea/street market. The former royal capital and its palace on a steep hill offer stunning views overlooking rice terraces.

Tsimbazaza Zoo\_ Antananarivo zoo offering variety of Malagasy species

[Analakely Market](#) - Colorful fruits and vegetables vie with fish and even grilled lizards at this frenetic outdoor market.

[Queens Palace burned out](#) - A magnificent Castel, worth a visit.

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**TERMS AND CONDITIONS – Shortened version. Full version on request.**

- All tours accommodation, transfers, flights, and activities / excursions are subject to availability as at the time deposits are received, notwithstanding the fact that at the time of request, availability may have been confirmed. Prices on this quotation are subject to changes at the time of booking due to fluctuations.
- Rates quoted, are subject to exchange rate fluctuations, and final cost will be determined and finalized, as at the date of receipt of full payment. This is a specific condition, notwithstanding that the tour may already have been invoiced, and deposits paid against it.
- All payments for the tour must be made in full prior to departure, and no tickets, confirmations, or travel documents will be issued until all these payments have been received.

**Payment**

- A minimum 20% non-refundable, non transferable, deposit of total tour price
- 30% due at a given date
- The full outstanding balance is payable 30 days prior to departure.

I need to provisionally book spaces as the hotel owns one boat which takes 8 divers, but they will provide another boat, so please confirm or provisionally confirm your spaces as soon as possible.

Look forward to seeing you all on another fun-filled MERIDIAN DIVE ADVENTURE 😊

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