

Mafia Island

7 night stay at Butiama Lodge



Day 1: Arrive Mafia Island – Butiama Lodge (7 nights, half-board)

Arrive Dar es Salaam and connect with flight to Mafia Island.

On arrival, meet your driver for transfer to Butiama Lodge, where you stay 7 nights (sea front bungalow on half-board basis).

Butiama Lodge

Butiama is located on one of the longest beaches on Mafia Island and consists of 15 sea front bungalows, each decorated in a relaxed, bohemian style.

The furniture is crafted locally and where possible makes great use of reclaimed wood from old dhow boats. The colourful fabrics and soft furnishings are also locally sourced and used to great effect. Beds are large and comfortable with ceiling fans and mosquito nets.

Each bungalow has a large verandah with hammocks from which to take in the fabulous ocean views and sunsets.

Butiama's main public area is built under cool makuti thatch and consists of an open-sided restaurant with ocean views, beach bar, library with board games and a pool table, small spa, and swimming pool.



Butiama is the perfect escape for those wanting to enjoy a spot of winter sunshine on one of East Africa's least-developed islands. It's a laidback, owner-run lodge, which makes up for what it lacks in luxury amenities with its low-key charm.

Situated on one of Mafia's quieter beaches, Butiama is also very well placed for keen divers and wildlife enthusiasts. It offers among the best opportunities for whale shark swimming between Nov and Feb, as well as diving, kayaking, and dhow boat excursions throughout the year.



Day 8: International departure

After a leisurely breakfast transfer to the airport for international flight out or onward travel.

This itinerary can easily be extended with a couple of nights in Zanzibar's capital of Stone Town, or with a few days in one of mainland Tanzania's superb game reserves – ask us for suggestions.



Price Guide:

*The cost of this itinerary is from **£1,200 per person**, or from **£1,320pp in high season**. Prices based on twin/double share and subject to availability at the time of booking. For more information, or if you would like to enquire about a tailor-made holiday combining part or all of the above itinerary, please [contact us](#).*

Includes:

- Accommodation in a sea-view bungalow (half-board basis)
- Internal flights and airport transfers (Dar es Salaam to Mafia Island return)
- Use of kayaks

Excludes:

- International flights
- Visas
- Accommodation in Dar es Salaam (if required)
- Travel insurance
- All items of a personal nature

NB: High season rates apply 20 Dec - 10 Jan and all of August. Standard rates apply the rest of the year.