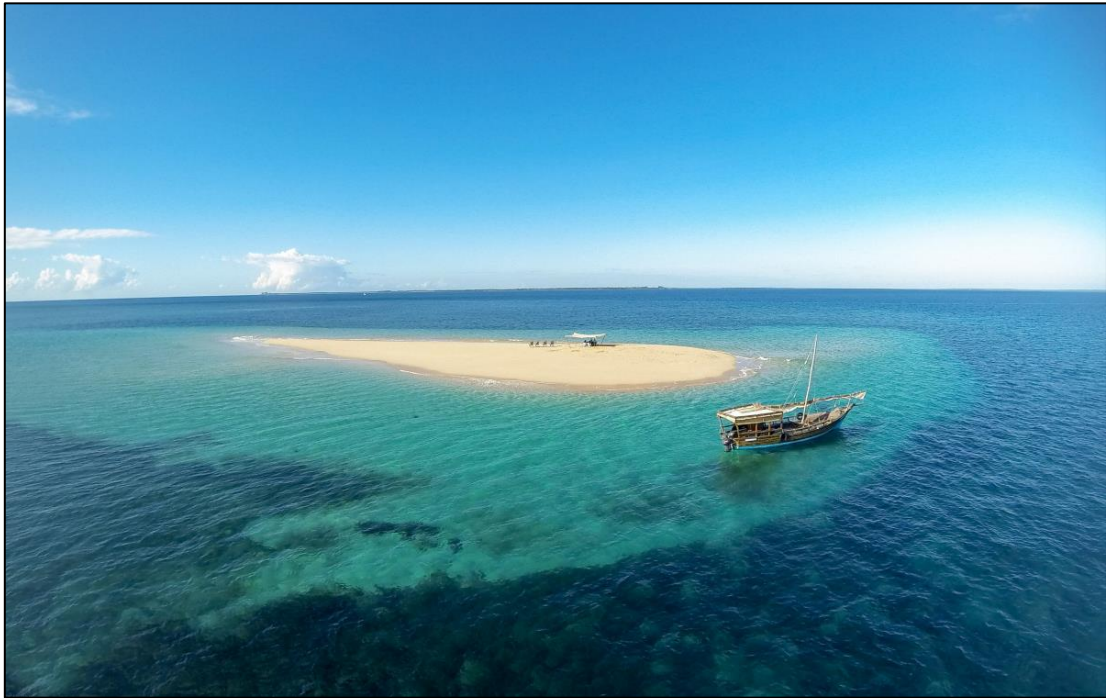


Quirimbas Island Hopping

Mozambique Mobile Camping Safari



Day 1: Arrive Pemba; transfer by light aircraft to Ibo Island

You will be met on arrival at Pemba Airport and escorted to your light aircraft, which will carry you over the pristine islands and turquoise waters of the Quirimbas Archipelago to Ibo Island Lodge.

Ibo Island Lodge

Not your typical beach resort, Ibo Island Lodge consists of three stunning mansions, all of which date back to the mid-19th century. Though the mansions have been extensively renovated, they retain many of their original features, with thick stone walls and lofty ceilings. In places the lodge has been expanded, but as the island is now being considered as a potential World Heritage Site, the additional structures have been designed in such a way so as to sit easily with the architectural style of the old buildings.

Ibo Island Lodge is a small but charming lodge. It offers stylishly-furnished rooms and excellent amenities, including two swimming pools, open-air lounge, indoor dining room and roof terrace with bar and restaurant. The central mansion at Ibo Island Lodge is known as Bela Vista, and it certainly lives up to the name - the view of the ocean, which is just a few steps away from the lodge, is indeed beautiful.

Evening at leisure at Ibo Island Lodge.

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Day 2: Dhow transfer to Matemo Island

Depart Ibo Island after breakfast at the lodge and journey north into the Quirimbas Archipelago by dhow boat.

Your destination is Matemo Island, where clear, turquoise waters and beautiful scenery await you. But first, you'll have the chance to explore more of the archipelago in the company of a talented skipper!

Expect to arrive on Matemo Island early afternoon, in time for lunch on the beach while your crew set up your mobile campsite in a private spot on the southern tip of the island. The rest of the day will be at leisure – enjoy a stroll along the sandbank at sunset, before returning to camp for a campfire dinner.



Day 3: Matemo Island

Today will be spent exploring Matemo Island. Start the day with an early morning cruise up the Ulumbwa estuary, during which you'll learn more about the wide variety of birdlife and the mangroves that thrive in this area. In the afternoon, there'll be time to take a tour through the island's largest fishing village, allowing you to get to know the ways of these fisher folk as interpreted by your knowledgeable guide.

Late afternoon, return to your campsite. Evening at leisure on the beach.

Day 4: Quirimba Island

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast as your crew pack up camp. When ready, depart Matemo for Quirimba, the island that gave the archipelago its name.

Quirimba Island is rich in history owing to its place on the old spice route. Its villages show a clear Arabic influence, while its now dilapidated churches recall the Portuguese and wider European presence in this region. You'll have the chance to explore the island this afternoon with your guide, before setting up camp on its shores for another night on the beach. If you prefer to simply relax this afternoon, let your guide know and they can arrange for camp to be set up early.



Day 5: Day trip to Mogundula Island

Set off early this morning by dhow boat for Mogundula Island.



Mogundula is surely amongst the most beautiful islands in the Quirimbas archipelago. Known locally as “the island with the sacred lake”, it provides marvellous opportunities for bird watching, snorkelling and swimming off the pristine sandbank beach.

You’ll have a day at leisure to enjoy the beach and coast off Mogundula Island, with picnic lunch. Late afternoon, or whenever you’re ready, return to your campsite on Quirimba Island for dinner and overnight.

Day 6: Return to Ibo Island

Today will see you return to Ibo Island. After breakfast at camp, board your dhow boat for the leisurely cruise back to Ibo Island Lodge.

The afternoon is free for you to relax and enjoy the lodge facilities. Ibo Island Lodge has two pools, a spa and beach bar in which to relax. And of course the beach is only a few steps away from your room.

Evening at leisure.



Day 7: Explore Ibo Island

A full day to explore Ibo Island in the company of a local guide.

Probably the most compelling historical attraction in the Quirimbas, Ibo's 200-year-old ghost town and 16th-century forts make for a fascinating journey to an era long forgotten.

The Ibo Island guided tour will provide a chance for you to interact with the local people and observe their unique island culture and heritage. Wander around the mysterious ruins of old Portuguese & Arabic forts and centuries-old trade buildings with many fascinating stories waiting to be told.

Late afternoon, return to Ibo Island Lodge. Evening at leisure.



Day 8: Departure

Transfer by boat to Quirimba Island for your light air transfer to Pemba and onward flight connection. The stunning light aircraft flight over the islands is a wonderful way to say goodbye to this magical region!

Price Guide

*The cost of this itinerary is from **£2,880 per person** based on a group size of 2-4 (twin/double accommodation). Lower rates apply for groups of 5 or more.*

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:

- Itinerary as specified (NB itinerary routing may change due to various circumstances)
- Meet and greet in Pemba and light aircraft transfer to Ibo Island
- 4 nights island and mainland hopping by dhow. Overnight island, river and beach camps
- Experienced English and Portuguese speaking crew.
- All camping and catering equipment included for island camps (sleeping bag, pillow and towel supplied)
- Meals during mobile safari (drinks excluded)
- 3 nights at Ibo Island Lodge on full board basis (excluding all drinks)
- Guided tours of Ibo Island
- National Park fees and Ibo Island development taxes
- Light aircraft transfer from Ibo Island back to Pemba.

Excludes:

- International airfares – ask for a quote
- Meals not specified
- All drinks, personal bar account.
- Mozambique arrival / departure airport taxes
- Items of a personal nature
- Optional activities / excursions / transfers not specified
- Vaccinations, visas, travel and medical insurance