

Scopus Travel • Itinerary

# 9 Nights ~ 10 Days East

A soul-detox trip through the east of Madagascar

| PRICING | TOTAL TOUR DAYS | ARRIVAL PORT | DEPARTURE PORT |
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Countries Covered: **Madagascar**

**Tour Overview**

## 9 Nights~10 Days in the magical east of Madagascar

Family | Leisure | Small Groups | Wildlife/Nature Clubs | Honeymoon

- A soul cleansing trip of 10 days to the Magical East Madagascar. *[Best seller!]*
- Accommodation plan:
  Mantasoa 2N, Andasibe 1N, Palmarium 2N, Foule Pointe 1N, St Marie 2N & Tana 1N.
- This tour starts in Mantasoa, 70 km east of Antananarivo [Tana]. [2 nights]
- The tour then proceeds eastwards to the Andasibe. [2 nights]
- Andasibe to Manambato by road and then by boat to Palmarium. [2 nights]
- Transfer to Tamatave by boat & to Foule Ponite by road. [1 night]
- Foule Ponite to Nosy Boraha - Saint Marie island by boat. [2 nights]
- Commercial flight from St Marie to Antananarivo. [1 night]
- Operator hand to hand protocol for the safest, surest journey.
- Season: 15 June ~ 15 October.
- Weather type: Fall/Winter.
- Recommended clothing: Casuals, Outdoor shoes, Sweater, Shawl/Scarf, Pullover/Windcheater.

# Trip Itinerary

Tour Program

## Day 01 — Ivato Airport [TNR] – Antananarivo – Mantasoa Hotel (70Km)

Accommodation: Mantasoa | Meals Included: Dinner

- Midday arrival in Antananarivo at Ivato International Airport.
- *Meet & assist by Scopus representative/s. [Tel #….].*
- *Transfer to Mantasoa.* [70 km] [2 hours].
- *Check into hotel at Mantasoa*.
- Dinner & Overnight at Mantasoa.







*City of Antananarivo at sunny day with fluffy clouds in the sky. Madagascar*





*Jacarandas en fleurs à Antananarivo*

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## Day 02 — Nosy Soa Park & House of Jean Laborde

Accommodation: Mantasoa | Meals Included: Breakfast, Picnic Lunch & Dinner

- *08.00 Transfer by private boat to Nosy Soa park.* [35 minutes]
- Relaxed walking tour of Nosy Soa park.

- Close interaction with Brown Lemurs, Dancing Lemurs & Ring Tailed Lemurs of Nosy Soa.
- *Picnic lunch at Nosy Soa.*
- *Return transfer by private boat to Mantasoa*. [35 minutes]
- Afternoon tour of Mantasoa village, visiting the house of Jean Laborde .
- Dinner & Overnight at Mantasoa.



*"Mantela" also known as Tomato Frog (Dyscophus Antongilii), Nosy Soa park, Mantasoa*



*Friendly interaction with Ring tailed lemurs, Nosy Soa park, Madagascar*



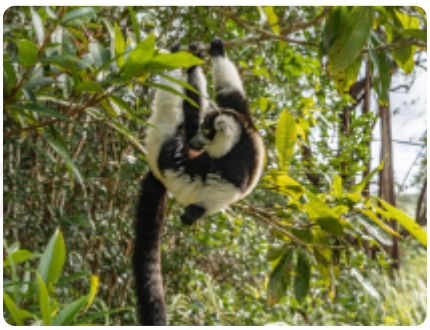
*Farikata (Vari) lemur, Nosy Soa park, Madagascar*



*Ring tailed lemur, Nosy Soa park, Madagascar*



*Ring tailed lemurs, Nosy Soa park, Madagascar*



*Vari or Farikata lemur, Nosy Soa park, Madagascar*

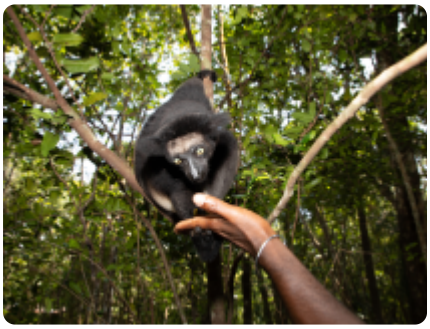
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## Day 03 — Andasibe, Analamazotra Reserve

Accommodation: Andasibe | Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

- *07.30 Transfer to Andasibe Analamazoatra Primary Forest. (2 hours)*
- *Walking tour of the Analamazoatra Primary Forest.*
- *What is a primary forest?*
  *"A primary forest is a forest that hasn't been damaged by human activity. They're the forests we picture in our dreams – intact, self-regulating ecosystems, whose dynamics and functions haven't been disturbed by our presence."* *Read more...*
- *3 hours walk in the Analamazoatra primary forest seeking out the largest of the Lemur species in Madagascar - the elusive, canopy dwelling Indri Indri. Encounter various endemic species of flora and fauna - ferns, wild guavas, wild berries, ant hills, termite mounds, beetles, crickets, chameleons and Lemurs. Soak up the the pristine primal energies of mother nature. Experience solitude in the depths of an ocean of forest sounds.*

- *Transfer to Hotel.*
- Lunch at Hotel. *(A' la carte, payment direct by the guests)*
- Dinner & Overnight at Andasibe



*Lemur Indri indri, babakoto black and white largest lemur from Madagascar. backlit rainforest background, close-up.cute animal with piercing blue eyes in selective focus. Palmarium park hotel*



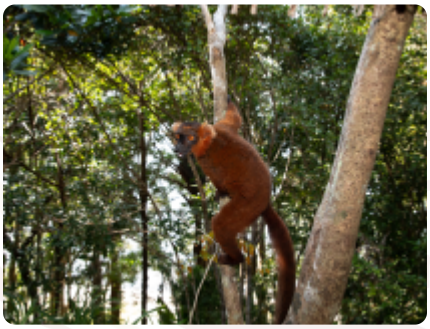
*Crowned lemur (Eulemur Coronatus), endemic animal from Madagascar. Palmarium park hotel. selective focus cute funny gray animal with red pattern on head.*



*Aye-aye, nocturnal lemur of Madagascar*



*One rare, nocturnal aye-aye lemur with a coconut*



*Red lemur (Eulemur Coronatus), endemic animal from Madagascar. Palmarium park hotel. selective focus cute funny vivid red animal with black and red pattern on head and orange eyes*



*very rare Aye-Aye (Daubentonia madagascariensis) lemur, strepsirrhine primate, world's largest nocturnal primate, Masoala forrest reserve, Madagascar wildlife*

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## Day 04 — Andasibe - Vokona - Manambato - Palmarium

Accommodation: Palmarium | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- *08.00 Transfer to Vokona private reserve. (30 minutes)*
- *1.5 Hours tour of Vokona Private reserve - close quarters with Bamboo Lemur, Farikata, Sifaka & Ring Tailed species.*
- Also see the flying ducks, chameleons and the delicious wild guavas(edible) that grow in this area.
- *10.00 Transfer to Manambato by road. [3 hours]*
- *13.30 Transfer by private boat to Palmarium Forest Reserve at Ankanin'ny Nofy.* [40 minutes] *[Tel #....].*

- *Short lunch (Snack meal).*
- *Check into the hotel at Palmarium beach*.
- Free afternoon at Palmarium Beach.
- Dinner & Overnight at Palmarium Beach.





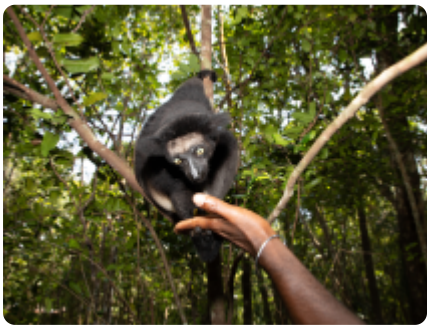

*The Pangalanes channel, eastern Madagascar*


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## Day 05 — Ankanin’ny Nofy park, Aye Aye Island

Accommodation: Palmarium | Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

- *08.30 Transfer to Ankanin’ny Nofy park by private boat.* [10 minutes]
- Relaxed walk in the reserve. [1 hour, 30 minutes]
- Close quarters with Chameleons, Brown Lemur, Farikata, Indri Indri and Bamboo lemurs.
- *Light lunch at Palmarium Hotel.  (A' la carte, payment direct by the guests)*
- *Transfer to Palmarium Beach by private boat.* [10 minutes]
- *17.00 Transfer by private boat to Nosin Akoho’ Island.* [20 minutes]
- Evening walk to meet the nocturnal Aye Aye, the rarest species of Lemurs.
- *19.30 Transfer by private boat to Palmarium Beach.* [20 minutes]
- Dinner & Overnight at Palmarium Beach.



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*A cafe and a pus-pus taxi in Madagascar*



*Shore of the sea with green palms and grass, Toamasina, Madagascar*

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## Day 06 — Pangalanes canal, Palmarium-Tamatave-Foule Pointe

Accommodation: Foule Pointe | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- *08.30 The Pangalanes Canal - Transfer by private boat to Tamatave*. [2 hours]
- *Meet by our representative at Tamatave. [Tel #....].*
- Orientation tour of Tamatave.
- Lunch by the sea.
- *Transfer to Foule Pointe.*
- *Check-in to Hotel at Foule Ponite*.
- *Catamaran/Dugout ride over the reef [Tel #....]*. [1 hour]
- Dinner & Overnight at Foule Pointe.







*Barge at sunset on the Pangalanes canal, eastern Madagascar*



*the tropical rain forest is reflected in the calm water along the shore. Palms and mangroves*





*Fish traps on the Pangalanes Canal, eastern Madagascar*

## Day 07 — Foule Pointe-Sainte Marie

Accommodation: Nosy Boraha - Saint Marie Island | Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

- 07.30 Transfer to Foule Pointe/Mahambo Boat Terminal.
- *08.30 Transfer by boat / speed boat to Saint Marie Island [Tel # ...]* . [4 hours / 1 hour 30 minutes]
- Ride the waves with Dolphins and Whales.
- *Check into hotel at Saint Marie.*
- *Lunch at Hotel. (A' la carte, payment direct by the guests)*
- Free afternoon at the beach.
- Dinner and Overnight at Saint Marie.





*Landscape of the Pangalanes canal, eastern Madagascar*



*Reflections of tropical vegetation in the Pangalanes channel, Madagascar*



*Landscape of the channel between Rasoabe and Ranomainty Lakes in Toamasina Province, Madagascar*



*Aerial view of Sainte Marie island, Madagascar*



## Day 08 — Whale wacthing boat ride, Tour of Pirate Island & Cemetery

Accommodation: Nosy Boroha - Saint Marie Island | Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

- 07.30 Boat trip watching Whales at close quarters. [3 hours]
- *Transfer to Ambodifototra [Tel:,,,,]*. [30 minutes]
- Tour of the Pirates Cemetery at St Pierre.
- *Lunch at Ambodifototra. (A' la carte, payment direct by the guests)*
- *Transfer to Hotel*.
- Dinner & overnight at Saint Marie.











*Interaction MB-La mère saute tout près du rostre du baleineau-Cetamada-Ile Sainte Marie, Madagascar-2014*

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## Day 09 — Saint Marie-Antananarivo

Accommodation: Antananarivo | Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

- Transfer to Saint Marie airport.
- Commercial flight to Antananarivo(Tana) Ivato airport.
- *Meet & assist by Scopus representative/s [Tel #….]*.
- Transfer to Hotel.
- *Check in to Hotel at Tana.*
- Lunch at Hotel. *(A' la carte, payment direct by the guests)*
- *Optional Tour of Shopping for local produce.*
- *Farewell Dinner at Antananarivo.*
- Overnight at Antananarivo.





*Vanilla pods collected and left to dry on the sun*

*Antananarivo cityscape, Tana, capital of Madagascar, french name Tananarive and short name Tana, Poor capital and largest city in Madagascar*



*City of Antananarivo at sunny day with fluffy clouds in the sky. Madagascar*





*Beautiful colonial houses, Antananarivo, Madagascar*

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## Day 10 — Departure

Meals Included: Breakfast

- *Check out & Transfer to airport.*




*Airplane silhouette landing in Antananarivo, Madagascar. City arrival with international airport direction signboard and blue sky. Travel, trip and transport concept 3d illustration.*

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**Tour Highlights**

# High value tours, activities & attractions



## Nosy Soa Park

Close interaction with Lemurs

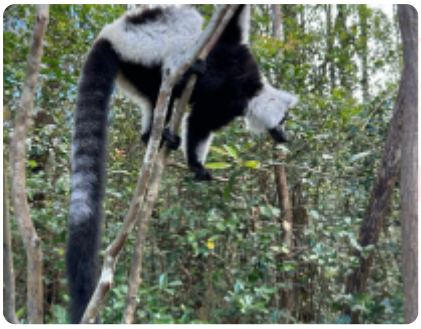
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## Nosy Boraha

Sainte-Marie Island is known for its authentic and preserved character, whale watching, beautiful beaches, and history.

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## Andasibe Mantadia National Park

"Almost the whole park is formed by primary forest which has never been modified by human beings. It is also a refuge for many animals and plants. Thus, it is not uncommon to come across a multitude of species: lemurs, birds, chameleons, and insects of all kinds."

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## Palmarium forest reserve

The name Akanin’ny Nofy means “the nest of dreams”. The name describes this little paradise perfectly. However, the reserve is better known under its second name “Palmarium” or formerly “La Palmarie”.

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## The Canal des Pangalanes

Along the East Coast of Madagascar south of Tamatave, the Pangalanes Canal is a long succession of rivers and lakes. Separated in places by only a few hundred meters of forest or sandbanks of the Indian Ocean, you will enjoy two worlds that are as charming as each other.

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# Popular Queries

Additional information

**"Operator hand to hand protocol" -- what is it?**

- The Operator hand to hand protocol is an operational directive, where by the guests are handed over from one operator to the next, as the program requires.
- This method will preempt our guests looking for drivers, and contact persons and other assistance at various points of the journey.
- Though there is a cost, this method ensures hassle free, relaxed enjoyable tour for our guests.

**Who can travel?**

- Adult passengers from all countries.
- Minors must be accompanied by an immediate relative/guardian.

**What are the travel requirements?**

- Passport valid for at least 6 months from the start date of the tour.
- Entry permit as required for various Nationalities.
- Madagascar visa policy.
- Health insurance valid for the duration of the journey, preferably "cash free" policies.

**How safe is Madagascar?**

- As safe as safe could be.
- With no large carnivores, nor poisonous reptiles, outdoors are very safe.
- The population is very friendly and easy going.
- Public Transportation is erratic and is not recommended for tourists on short holidays.

### Are credit cards accepted in Madagascar?

- Not everywhere.
- Many vendors do not accept Master Card, and will insist on payment with VISA only or cash.
- Other popular cards like Amex, Diners, etc are also scarcely accepted.

### Should cash be carried in local currency?

- It is advisable to keep at least 100~200 $/EUR in local currency - Malagasy Ariary.
- The exchange rate is approximately 4400MGA = 1US$ / 4700MGA =1EURO [April 2024]
- The best place to get it changed is on arrival at the airport.
- Please request assistance from our team on arrival.
- Arirary will be required to make local purchases, for restaurants, tips etc...

### How much cash could be carried into and out of Madagascar?

- Visitors and residents can import up to MGA 400,000 and an unlimited amount of foreign currency. Sums of money greater than EUR 7500 will need to be declared at the customs department.
- Visitors and residents can also export up to MGA 400,000 in local currency and an unlimited amount of foreign cash providing a written declaration is made at the customs department.

**What are the other important entry regulations in Madagsacar?**

- **Free import**
  • 500 cigarettes or
  • 25 cigars or
  • 500 grammes of tobacco
  • 1 bottle of alcoholic beverages
- **Prohibited**
  • Illegal drugs
  • Weapons, explosives and ammunition
  • Knives and deadly weapons
  • Plant and plant products – unless permission has been obtained
  • Meat and meat products
  • Pets and animal products – unless permission has been obtained
  • Electronic equipment
  • Counterfeit money and goods
  • Pornographic materials
- **Restricted**
  • All passengers planning on re-exporting guns and ammunition will be required to apply for an export permit from their local “Chef de Province”.
  • ***All perfume is subject to duty regulations and cannot enter the country for free.***
  • Fruit and vegetables will need to be declared and an entry permit obtained before being granted entry into the country.
  • Protected plant and plant materials are prohibited from entering the country.
  • *All animals entering the country will be forced to undergo a sanitary inspection upon arrival. The creatures will require a veterinarian health certificate from the country of origin specifying the creature’s condition and lack of any contagious diseases. Dogs over three months and cats over six months old will need to be specifically vaccinated against rabies less than one month and over three months respectively prior to their entry into the country.*

**Are foregin insurance policies accepted in Madagascar?**

- Yes they are and it is a mandatory requirement to travel with us.

**How much does this package cost?**

- The cost of a tour package is a function of various services; viz, class of accommodation, period of travel, meal plan etc.
- Please make a booking and we will send a price offer for your consideration.




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