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Sustainable Sojourns

Go off the grid with eco-conscious journeys that boast unspoiled landscapes and bountiful wildlife protected by local conservation groups. Joss Kent, CEO of luxury experiential travel provider &Beyond, picks out his top destinations to visit



1. VAMIZI ISLAND, MOZAMBIQUE

The remote location of Vamizi means luxurious seclusion amidst natural beauty, powder-soft beaches and waters teeming with marine life. Located off the coast of east Africa, this island is home to more than 300 species of reef fish and 180 species of coral. Divers will flock to Neptune's Arm, a sunken island that's a short boat ride from Vamizi—it's long been considered one of the world's top diving sites to get up close to grey reef sharks, sea turtles and other sea creatures.

2. KWAZULU-NATAL, SOUTH AFRICA

Picture panoramic views of valleys and greenery from your private lodge, with your closest neighbour likely to be an inquisitive furry critter. It's all part of the fenceless safari experience at &Beyond Phinda Private Game Reserve in northern KwaZulu-Natal, which protects endangered species such as the white rhinoceros. Traverse the seven distinct habitats of the wildlife reserve at your own pace; each villa is allocated a dedicated personal ranger, a safari vehicle, and a chef and butler to see to your every need.

3. GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS, ECUADOR

Board a yacht and island-hop at one of the world's most ecologically diverse locations, which has been recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage site—a dream destination for nature enthusiasts. This cluster of 127 volcanic islands boasts scenic nature trails and plenty of marine excursion opportunities, where you'll get to snorkel among penguins, meet giant tortoises, and encounter sea lions and other life forms under the sea.

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