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MOZAMBIQUE AFRICA'S UP AND COMING BEACH DESTINATION *December 2015*



With its balmy climate, vast miles of untouched beaches and colourful Portuguese and Arabic heritage, Mozambique is fast emerging as Africa's hottest new holiday destination. Add to this the warm and friendly nature of the people, as well as the delectable cuisine, based heavily on abundant seafood and fiery spices, and you have a truly irresistible and authentic African beach experience.

Scattered off the sun-drenched coast, the country's many secluded islands are famed for their pristine coral reefs, waters filled with marine life and luxury accommodation. From fishing and diving to simply enjoying an indulgent holiday in the sun, the wide range of activities available includes perennial favourites such as dhow cruises and castaway picnics.



At the recently refurbished &Beyond Benguerra Island, situated in the Bazaruto Archipelago, guests can indulge in a romantic horseback ride on the beach or plunge into the waves along with their mounts. The horses, part of a herd rescued from neighbouring countries years ago during times of upheaval, take real pleasure in the experience, frolicking in the ocean along with their riders. The ride is ideal for horse enthusiasts of all ages and riding levels, who dress in their swimwear for the occasion and ride bareback into the azure waters, holding on to their horse's bridle or mane. The horses snort and splash among the waves before emerging onto the beach, where their riders dismount to allow them to roll on the soft sand.

Known for their responsible travel ethics, &Beyond also involves guests in the lives of the local villagers, whose development they support both through providing employment opportunities and via their social development partner, the Africa Foundation. Guests are invited to sample a taste of authentic local life on a two-hour journey that takes in the varying environments of the island, from lakes to dunes, before exploring the village. The tour spends some time at the village school and church, allowing plenty of opportunities to interact with the local people and find out more about the community projects that are run on the island. Guided by a member of the local community, the drive provides a real commentary on the lives of the island people.



While its tropical beach delights are well on their way to establishing Mozambique as a sought-after holiday destination in its own right, the country is also easily accessed from South Africa and forms the ideal combination with a Big Five safari in the famous Kruger National Park. &Beyond Ngala Safari Lodge, which is undergoing its own refurbishment in 2016 to complement that recently completed at &Beyond Benguerra Island, subscribes to the same community and conservations ethics. The Southern



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African Wildlife College, based on a portion of the Ngala land, provides training in natural resource management and conservation practices to underprivileged youths from throughout Southern Africa.

The [African Safari & Island Romance](#) tour creates the ideal balance between a wildlife adventure in South Africa and the ultimate relaxation on the calm shores of Mozambique. To find out more contact your preferred travel partner or log on to www.andBeyond.com.

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