

ZANZIBAR

4 DAYS



Beach, Zanzibar

- Each departure limited to 16 guests
- Luxury accommodation
- 8 à la carte meals (table d'hôte, if unavailable) including beverages of your choice
- All sightseeing (including entrance fees) as indicated in the itinerary
- Arrival and departure transfer by private car
- All gratuities are included
- Portage of 2 suitcases per passenger
- Airport departure taxes

Day 1

NAIROBI - ZANZIBAR

Upon your arrival, you check into your hotel – the **Zanzibar Serena Inn** – overlooking the sea in the historic Stone Town. The hotel is an expertly converted multi-story former Chinese doctor's residence and telecommunications office. It has been described as being a premier hotel worthy of a rich sultan – and fittingly enough, it is the property of the Aga Khan. A low tiled fountain is in the center the gracious lobby, glowing under a chandelier and brass and glass lighting fixtures. Charm abounds in the old Zanzibari chests, sitting area, and flooring of large terra-cotta tiles crisscrossed with small white, blue and green tiles.

Your à la carte dinner this evening is

The East African coast has a series of continental islands; they are actually part of the continent. When the intermediate land sank, and the area was filled with water, the smaller isolated land areas became islands. Zanzibar is one of these islands.

The old section of Zanzibar Town is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Much of the charm it had in the days when it was a flourishing seaport is evident; there is a winding labyrinth of narrow streets – only passageways in some places – and architecture that is a blend of Portuguese, East Indian, Persian and Omani Arab influence. You stay in a premier hotel owned by the Aga Khan in “Stone Town” and visit plantations famous for groves of coconuts, cinnamon, cloves, cocoa, and pepper. Swim and snorkel off lovely, unspoiled beaches and have a picnic of fresh grilled fish.



Room at the Serena Inn

served in this delightful inn with romantic views of the harbor. (D)

Day 2

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After a breakfast including a terrific selection of freshly baked pastries, you begin your tour of the city. You walk through the marketplace, with its exotic sights and smells, and visit the Zanzibar Museum with exhibits of the history of the island, and the Anglican Cathedral, built on the site of the old slave market.

In the afternoon, you tour the ancient Jozani Forest to catch a glimpse of the rare red colobus monkey. Dinner this evening is at the hotel in the charming dining room, with stained glass shading the room with colored light. The à la carte menu features locally caught seafood and fresh vegetables. (B,L,D)



'Stone Town' - Brass-studded door



Serena Inn

Day 3

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This morning, you drive outside town through lush scenery on a “spice tour” which includes visits to spice and fruit plantations; you see how jack fruit, papaya, cinnamon, cardamom and the island's famous cloves are grown. Afterward, driving to the northern part of the island, fish purchased in the village of Mkokotoni is grilled for lunch at the beach near Nungwe.

You have dinner with your companions at the hotel overlooking the dhows sailing by the dining room window. (B,L,D)

Day 4

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You have time this morning to shop for souvenirs in Stone Town or relax at the hotel beside the fish fountains and the oceanview pool. Later, you are escorted to the airport for your flight. (B)

DATES

can be added to any Africa trip (either before or after the tour)

COST PER PERSON

Land Portion (Double occupancy)	\$ 1,040
Single supplement	\$ 185

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