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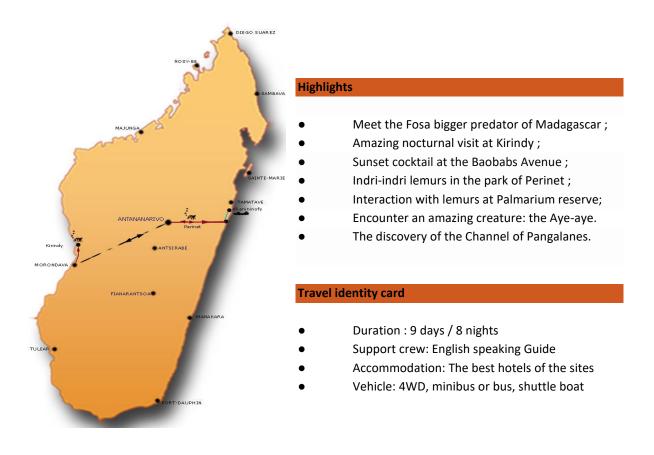
# **ABOUT LEMURS & BAOBABS**

9 days / 8 nights

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Traveling in Madagascar is to discover another destination, original, far from the classic roads. This is to reach out to new images and new situations in the countryside, villages and national parks.

Madagascar are varied, amazing, amazing landscapes where light and colors will delight photographers. The unique fauna, with lemurs, chameleons, butterflies, perfectly complements the safaris of previous trips. Madagascar is intense, Madagascar is intimate, we invite you to discover.



## Day 1 – Antananarivo --- Arrival



Welcome by the guide at the hall at the airport.

Transfer to our hotel in town.

Duration: +/- 1h of drive

Your accommodation in Antananarivo : www.hotel-palissandre.com

## Day 2 – Antananarivo > Morondava > Kirindy Reserve



Transfer to the airport. Fly to Morondava

Your guide will meet you at the airport. Drive out of Morondava towards the famous "Allée des Baobabs" to reach Kirindy after a few hours drive. It is a private reserve with one of the most endangered ecosystems. The reserve is famous for the Fosa (Cryptoprocta Ferox), we can also find different species of lemurs and endemic reptiles. Flora is so unusual in Kirindy with a certain number of endemic species.

Go for an evening walk in search of the local night active animals.

**Distance:** 70 km **Duration:** +/- 1h of flight and +/- 2h of track and 2h of visit Your accommodation in Kirindy: <u>http://www.relaisdukirindy.com/</u>

### Day 3 – Kirindy > The Baobabs Avenue > Morondava



Walk in the forest to explore the fauna and flora with a local guide. We might meet the Fosa, the largest carnivorous animal in the country, by chance.

Lunch at the camp.

For sunset, we pass through the famous "Allée des Baobabs" just before we get to Morondva town and at the best time, a low sun light setting off, baobab smooth trunk reflects the orange sun ray. You can take wonderful photographs.

**Distance:** 70 km **Duration:** 3h of visit and +/- 2h of track **Your accommodation in Morondava:** View on website: <u>www.palissandrecote-ouest.com</u>

#### Day 4 – Morondava > Antananarivo > Andasibe



Transfer to Morondava airport. Flight to the Malagasy capital. In Antananarivo, welcome by the guide Malagasy Tours and departure in direction of Andasibe by taking the RN2. We leave the Highlands through the escarpment of the Mandraka. We are immersed in lush tropical vegetation due to the wet climate that prevails throughout the year in this region. We continue on our way east. Arrival at the end of the afternoon at the village of Andasibe. We have a night walk at Mitsinjo Communitary Reserve.

**Distance** : 150 km **Duration** : +/-1h of flight and +/- 3h30 drive and 1h30 of visit **Your accommodation in Andasibe** : <u>www.hotelvakona.com</u>

#### Day 5 – Visit Perinet National Park & Vakona Reserve



We walk with a local guide to discover this protected area. It is mainly covered with primary forest to the eastside of Madagascar. Many rare and endemic species can be found in this rain forest. We'll meet Indri indri the largest of lemurs here. His behaviour is fascinating and your guide will explain all about him. Many other species are living there such as Grey Bamboo lemur (Hapalemur griseus), Wooly lemur (Avahi Laninger) and others. Flora is also very interesting, there are several species of medicinal plants. Have lunch on spot and in the afternoon, you will visit the private reserve of Vakona.

**Duration** : +/-1h drive - walk is around 2 to 4h (depending on you) Your accommodation in Andasibe : THE SAME AS THE PREVIOUS DAY

# Day 6 – Andasibe > Ankanin'ny Nofy



After breakfast, we continue our route towards the East. We drive along the Ravinala road (the traveler's tree) to Brickaville. From there a not very good track takes us to Mananbato on the edge of Rasoabe Lake.

We then take a boat which takes us on the Channel of Pangalanes to Ankany'ny Nofy. We are here between lagoons and the ocean.

**Distance** : 140 km **Duration** : +/- 3 hours drive and +/- 1 hour navigation Your accommodation in Ankanin'ny Nofy: <u>http://www.palmarium.biz</u>

# Day 7 – Exploring the Channel of Pangalanes & Aye Aye encounter.



Breakfast at the hotel. We spend our morning discovering the Palmarium Reserve and meeting the Malagasy wildlife. The afternoon is free for a moment of idleness on the terrace of your bungalow or a walk in the surroundings. Your hotel will be able to show you the trails and surrounding villages. At the end of the day, encounter amazing with one of the most amazing creatures: the Aye-aye.

Palmarium Reserve has about ten species of lemurs: Indri-Indri, Sifaka, Crowned-lemur, Black and white ruffedlemur, Brown lemur, Aye Aye...a rare and endemic land and arboreal fauna, an amazing flora: orchids, carnivorous plants, ebony, mahogany, travellers' palm... Madagascar typical, rare and best palm.

#### Your accommodation in Ankanin'ny Nofy: THE SAME AS THE PREVIOUS DAY



Day 8 – Ankanin'ny Nofy > Antananarivo

We leave this morning by boat, for our descent of the Channel of Pangalanes to Manambato, on the shore of Lake Rasoabe. We find here our vehicle for the continuation of our journey. This journey between the great port of Malagasy and the capital is very busy, with many trucks. We reach the Highlands through the Mandraka escarpment, before arriving in Antananarivo in the late afternoon.

**Distance** : 260 km **Duration** : +/- 1 hour navigation and +/- 7 hours drive Your accommodation in Antananarivo : <u>www.hotel-palissandre.com</u>

## Day 9 – Antananarivo > departure

Visit Antananarivo town then transfer to the airport for the international flight.