



MADAGASCAR



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TRIP SUMMARY

Base Cost	Total	Monthly
(LO)Land Only (Must Purchase Your Own Flight)	\$3375.00	\$200 Deposit + 12 Payments of \$264.58
Trip Dates		
July 29 th – August 6 th 2021		
Included in Base Cost		
7 Day Double Occupancy Hotel Stay (Twin Bed)	Host Dinner	
Day Tour of Antananarivo & Ambohimanga w/ Lunch	Daily Breakfast & Dinner	
Round Trip Airfare to Morondava	The Highly-Coveted AAT T-Shirt	
Half Day Tour of Kirindy National Reserve	Ongoing Support of the AAT staff	
Half Day Tour of Avenue of the Baobab	Onsite Photographer + Low-Def Photos	
Day Tour of Tsingy	Trip Highlight Video	
Add-ons and Upgrade	Total	Monthly
Single Room Upgrade	\$850.00	\$70.83

Payment Arrangements

- Your \$200 deposit is due Aug 15th. Your deposit is only \$100 when you use the code “Baobab” when checking out by Aug 1st.
- Your first monthly payment will be collected Aug 30th. Each of the subsequent payments will be collected the 30th of each month and on the 15th in July, for a total of 12 payments.

Refund Policy

- Your deposit is fully refundable for 15 days after it has been paid, or until Aug 30th, whichever comes first.
- 50% of your deposit can be applied to a future trip within a years' time of this trip being cancelled.
- Each monthly payment becomes non-refundable 30 days after the due date for that payment.
- The trip becomes 100% non-refundable on/after June 15th.
- All trips are non-transferrable
- Refunds can take up to 30 days from the date it is requested.
- In the event we are not able to visit our main desired destination (Madagascar) for any reason, our only recourse is to postpone to a later date(s). If you are unable to attend the new dates, we will offer you the option to go anytime on your own. Any request to cancel under this circumstance will abide by our above refund/cancellation policy.
- Travel/Cancellation insurance is highly recommended for ALL AAT trips. Please contact an AAT rep for assistance in getting you a quote.

THINGS TO KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

About AAT

Detailed Itinerary to be Distributed Upon Receipt of First Monthly Payment

To ensure an intimate and uninvaded experience for our travelers, certain details such as airline names, departure times, hotels and our preparation tips will be withheld until the first monthly payment is received.

All Details Are Tentative!

Despite the countless hours invested into planning this trip, the circumstance may arise where we must make changes. For example, maybe we might find out that our hotel isn't up to AAT standard or maybe our airline may go belly up bankrupt (this has actually happened)! Whatever occurs we will do everything in our powers to ensure the trip goes on as planned. And if we do have to make a change, that change will result in you going on a trip that is equal or greater than the value of what you originally paid!

Traveling Alone?

While the option is there for you to get a single occupancy room if you choose, by no means do you have to select it if traveling alone. We understand that the extra money spent in getting your own room, takes away from the money available to you to splurge on the streets of Madagascar

For that reason, we extend each traveler the option of having us pair you with a suitable roommate for no additional cost. Roommates are paired based upon the answers to their personality questions on their registration form, as well as their ages and even astrological signs. At least 2 months before departure you will be given the contact information of your roommate, giving each of you the opportunity to get properly acquainted.

The "Tell-A-Friend" Discount

Do you know someone who may be interested in joining our trip but isn't a member of AAT? Here is your chance to save a little money while bringing them on a trip of a lifetime!

For every traveler that you refer to our trip, you can subtract \$50 from the cost of your trip. There is no limit to the amount of people you can bring if that person has not already traveled with AAT. Be sure to tell your friend to enter your name in the registration form under "How did you hear about this trip?"

Your \$50 discount will be put back on your card once you and your referral have paid in full.

The "Thank You to All Medical Staff & First Responders" Discount

At the time of writing this, we are enduring what is certain to be labeled as the most challenging period of our lifetimes. While this situation has forced us all to make sacrifices, none of us has made a greater sacrifice than medical staff and first responders that have been tasked with being our lifesavers in the face of complete uncertainty. When this is all behind us, we will owe to it you for getting us to better days.

As a token of our appreciation we would like to extend to all our many customers that are first responders or work in Medicine a \$100 discount off any single trip you book in the year of 2020.

To claim your discount, simply indicate in our registration form your occupation and follow up by emailing us a work ID or any work credentials.

Your discount will be returned to you after all payments are collected!

About Madagascar

Entry Requirements

PASSPORT:

You must have a U.S. passport valid 6 month past the date of entry with 3 blank pages.

VISA:

All visitors to Madagascar are required to get a visa to enter the country. Besides getting visa from an embassy or consulate in advance, foreign visitors can also obtain visa online or on arrival. The cost of the visa on Arrival is roughly \$37. You **MUST** pay using cash, cards are not accepted

Shots/Vaccines

Yellow fever, if traveler has been in a yellow fever endemic country within 6 months of arrival

Weather

Daily high temperatures are around 74°F, rarely falling below 63°F.

THE ITINERARY

Madagascar

Thursday, July 29th 2021

3:00 PM	Hotel Check in Begins Antananarivo
7:00 PM	Black & Gold Host Dinner

Friday, July 30th 2021

9:00 AM	Depart Hotel for Airport	
12:15 PM	Depart for Morondava	1h Flight
1:15 PM	Arrive in Morondava	
3:00 PM	Check into Morondava Hotel	

Saturday, July 31st 2021

9:00 AM	Checkout of Morondava Hotel / Depart for Kirindy National Reserve	3h 30m Drive
12:00 PM	Break for Lunch	
	Visit with the Lemurs	
5:00 PM	Check into Kirindy Hotel	
	Nighttime Safari	

Sunday, August 1st 2021

6:30 AM	Checkout of Kirindy Hotel/ Depart for Bekopaka	5h Drive
	Break for lunch in Belo sur Tsiribihina	
7:00 PM	Check into Bekopaka Hotel	

Monday, August 2nd 2021

9:00 AM	Depart for Day tour of Tsingy	
12:00 PM	Break for Lunch	
5:00 PM	Return to Bekopaka Hotel	

Tuesday, August 3rd 2021

9:00 AM	Checkout of Bekopaka Hotel/Depart for Morondava	8h Drive
12:00 PM	Break for lunch in Belo sur Tsiribihina	
5:00 PM	Stop at Avenue of the Baobabs for Sunset	
6:00 PM	Check into Morondava Hotel	

Wednesday, August 4th 2021

9:00 AM	Depart Hotel for Airport	
12:15 PM	Depart for Antananarivo	1h Flight
1:15 PM	Arrive in Antananarivo	
3:00 PM	Check into Antananarivo Hotel	

Thursday, August 5th 2021

9:00 AM	Depart for Antananarivo Ancient City Tour
12:00 PM	Break for Lunch
2:00 PM	Tour Ambohimanga Blue Hills and Royal Palace
5:00 PM	Return to Antananarivo Hotel

Friday, August 6th 2021

12:00 PM	Hotel Checkout Begins
	Transfer to Airport

IN DEPTH

Morondava



Morondava is a town on Madagascar's west coast. It's the gateway to the Avenue of the Baobabs, where massive baobab trees tower over the landscape. Nearby, Kirindy Forest is home to lemurs and carnivorous, catlike fossas. Farther north, Tsingy de Bemaraha National Park has jagged limestone pinnacles connected by rope bridges and walkways. South of the city, ships are built by hand on Belo sur Mer's sandy lagoon.

Kirindy National Reserve

Kirindy is the best place in the whole island to observe fossa. It also home to seven species of lemur. The most common are the common brown lemurs and the Verreaux's sifakas. These long-legged, seven-pound lemurs, white with dark patches, leap among tree trunks high in the canopy, propelled by their powerful hind legs but continually maintaining an upright posture. The remaining species are nocturnal: the rare Coquerel's giant mouse lemur and pygmy mouse-lemur, fork-crowned lemur, Gray mouse lemur, western fat-tailed dwarf lemur and red-tailed sportive lemur. Several bats, tenrecs, mongooses and rodents complete the mammal population. 40 bird, 50 reptile and 15 amphibian species are also found in this magnificent forest.



Bekopaka



Bekopaka is a town and commune in western Madagascar. It belongs to the district of Antsalova, which is a part of Melaky Region. The population of the commune was estimated to be approximately 9,000 in 2001. Passing through the dry deciduous forest, you will also embark your vehicle on barges to cross bridge-less rivers while enjoying the view and everything Bekopaka has to offer. We will cross the river to Belon'i Tsiribihina a town and commune in Madagascar that belongs to the district of Belo sur Tsiribihina, which is a part of

Menabe Region, where we will have lunch and interact with locals..

Tsingy de Bemaraha National Park

Perfectly laid out by Madagascar National Park, depending on the capacity of the visitors, the Bemaraha National Park offers hiking circuits but also sportier treks. Visitors will contemplate the magic of the genesis of the Tsingy by circulating in the canyons, advancing through the labyrinths and touching their walls. They will feel the emptiness by the climb to the roof of the Tsingy and will admire the overview of the Tsingy and the differences in vegetation from the lookouts. They will also visit the pretty caves containing testimonies of ancient human presences and showing the different forms of concretions.



The big Tsingy is probably the most rewarding day in the park because it penetrates deep into the limestone forest through the suspension bridges with the impressive karst formations underfoot. The track is not technically difficult and even children can cope with it, but you should definitely not suffer from vertigo! The downward gaze of the suspension bridge is something to be avoided for easily passed out.

Visitors can spot 11 species of lemurs, including Decken's sifaka, red-fronted brown lemur, fatty tailed lemur, gray mouse lemur or Cleese woolly lemur and bamboo lemur, which do occur here. The other resident mammals are the small carnivorous falanouc and the ring-tailed mongoose, as well as several bats.

More than 100 species of birds have been listed inside the national park, including the critically endangered Madagascar fish eagle and the crested ibis, the Madagascar railing, the coua giant or Coquerel's coua.

The 45 reptiles and amphibians found there are all endemic. Some important species that are only found in Bemaraha are the Madagascar iguana, a long-tailed skink.

Bring good walking shoes and comfortable, breathable clothing. These circuits are organized and adapted according to the duration you want, and your level

Avenue of the Baobabs



Enjoy the sunset and legend of baobabs in love where two twisted together and became a natural monument. The Avenue of the Baobabs, or Alley of the Baobabs, is a prominent group of Grandidier's baobabs lining the dirt road between Morondava and Belon'i Tsiribihina in the Menabe region.

These giant, dry season-deciduous trees, members of the Mallow family, many of which are more than 800 years old with trunks that are over 150 feet

around did not always stand alone. At one time the trees dotting the lane were part of a rich forest of the trees and other plants, but the encroachment of modern civilization and increasing populations in the area led to massive deforestation leaving the remaining baobabs to stand in relative isolation

Antananarivo



Antananarivo is the capital city of Madagascar, in the island's Central Highlands. Optional visit of the lower and upper town which is the ancient city. Overlooking the city, the Rova of Antananarivo palace complex was the center of the Merina kingdom from the 17th century. It features wooden houses and royal tombs. The pink baroque Andafiavaratra Palace sits in the nearby Haute Ville neighborhood in the Blue Hills. In the city center, heart-shaped Lake Anosy is ringed by jacaranda trees.

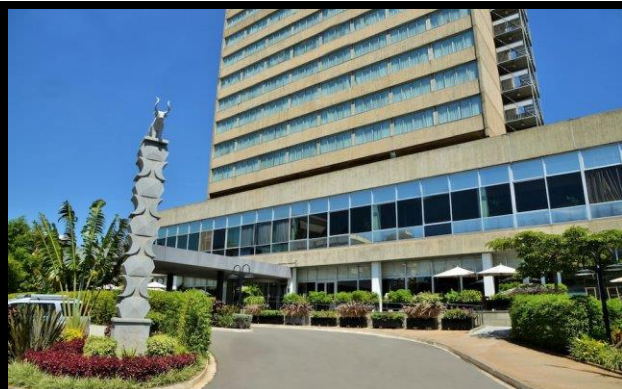
Ambohimanga

The Royal Hill of Ambohimanga consists of a royal city and burial site, and an ensemble of sacred places. It is associated with strong feelings of national identity, and has maintained its spiritual and sacred character both in ritual practice and the popular imagination for the past 500 years. It remains a place of worship to which pilgrims come from Madagascar and elsewhere.



ACCOMODATIONS

Antananarivo Hotel



is the Landmark 5-star Hotel with 50 years' experience of impeccable quality service and warm hospitality in the most iconic area of Antananarivo. With its unique Location in the Historical, Cultural and Financial heart of the City, offers 171 elegant Rooms and Suites with breathtaking views of the Queen's Palace and the magnificent Lake Anosy highlighting the First World War Memorial. The hotel has exclusive Conferencing and Event facilities for over 1000 guests, comprising the Toit de Tana, with astonishing panoramic views of the entire city.

offers exceptional features and world-class facilities including 04 restaurants and bars in house, on terrace and in the open-air offer, a semi-Olympic open Swimming Pool; a Clay Tennis Court; an upscale Fitness Center; in-house Laundry & Dry-Cleaning; onsite Beauty Parlour and Hairdresser; deluxe Boutiques & Services.

Morondava Hotel

The West Coast is located on the beach of Morondava, 30 minutes from the legendary Walk of Baobab trees. An ideal place to relax or to storm Tsingy Bemaraha! The

thirty bungalows built in materials from Madagascar: granite stone, rosewood and roof mokotry. They are spacious and all have a private terrace with sea view In each room you will find a great comfort in a popular area of Madagascar also declined. Air conditioning, mosquito net, mini bar, bathroom with shower, hairdryer, satellite TV and even wifi. The Rosewood West Coast also offers a nice pool next to the bar and restaurant (whose leader has had several great restaurants in Antananarivo). Enjoy the spa massages, this particular on your return from the long road of Tsingy!



Kirindy Hotel



The is a recent concept near the kirindy reserve with overwater bungalows with large terrace. The energy needs are provided by the solar and a generator. This hotel offers a restaurant-bar by the pool with wifi, already renowned for its national and international cuisine. A selection of the best dishes composed of local and fresh products, a simple and refined decoration in a relaxed atmosphere, a sense of hospitality and a neat service await you.

