

Essentials of the West and Tsingy of Bemaraha



Days:	7
Price:	710 EUR International flight not included
Comfort:	★★★★★
Difficult:	★★★☆☆
📍 Fauna & Flora	📍 Must see
📍 Travel with children	📍 Adventure

On the road between **Morondava and the Tsingy of Bemaraha**, we will discover the peculiar landscapes of western Madagascar: arid and eroded lands, rivers, baobabs, canyons, rocks of all shapes... On the way back, we will see rice fields and all sorts of planting and landscaping! Stages include a crossing of the **Baobab Alley**, a ferry ride on the **Tsiribihina River**, a trek to the feet of the **Tsingy of Bemaraha Mountains**.

Tsingy of Bemaraha National Park, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, displays unparalleled scenic beauty! Imagine a multitude of skyscraper-like sharp rocks piling up, leaving only narrow passages leading to crevices and caves! The vegetation here has found a way to adapt to the environment, as have the animals. The program also includes walking and canoe tours of labyrinths and canyons... From **Bekopaka to Morondava**, we will pass through **Belo sur Tsiribihina**. After the Bongolava massif and its bare and rugged mountains, the landscapes give way to terraced rice fields and varied cultures. Hills are strewn with red brick houses, characteristic of the Central Highlands. The road to the capital will also introduce us to **Ambatolampy** and its aluminum foundries.

Day 1. Flight from Antananarivo to Morondava



Antananarivo 📍
✈️ 500km - ⌚ 1h
Morondava 📍

Antananarivo - Morondava

- Transfert to the Ivato Airport for your connecting flight from **Antananarivo to Morondava**.

The Détours Madagascar team welcomes you upon arrival at the **Morondava** airport, and transfer to you hôtel.

🏠 Accommodation

Hôtel Kimony Resort | Morondava

Day 2. Morondava > Belo sur Tsiribihina > Bekopaka



Morondava 📍
🚗 200km - ⌚ 10h
Bekopaka 📍

Morondava - Bekopaka

- Early departure towards **Bekopaka**. We pass by the famous **Baobab Alley**, which we will see again on our way back at sunset.

After crossing by ferry the __river Tsiribihina__, we drive on a chaotic track, along which some stops will be needed to stretch out our legs. But the ride is very beautiful, and definitely worth it.

We arrive at **Bekopaka** at the end of the day, on the foothills of the **Massif of the Tsingy of Bemaraha**, classified Natural World Heritage by the UNESCO.

Settling down at the hotel for the night.

🍳 Breakfast

Hôtel Kimony Resort | Morondava

Day 3. Pirogue on the Manambolo and Hike in the Tsingy



Bekopaka 📍
10km - ⌚ 15m
Bekopaka 📍

Bekopaka - Bekopaka

- A day visiting the outstanding **Tsingy of Bemaraha National Park**.

The __Tsingy__ are real limestone cathedrals. This dense network of faults, canyons and limestone blocks shaped like blades, is one of the __most spectacular landscape in Madagascar.__
Inboard a __pirogue__ and by foot, inside __canyons and mazes__, we set foot to discover __great spaces, vertigo and sensational hikes__.

🍳 Breakfast	Hôtel Olympe du Bemaraha Bekopaka
🍴 Lunch	Picnic during the hike
🏠 Accommodation	Hôtel Olympe du Bemaraha Bekopaka

Day 4. Aerial Hike in the Great Tsingy of Bemaraha



Bekopaka 📍
20km - ⌚ 2h
Tsingy of Bemaraha 📍
Bekopaka 📍

Bekopaka - Tsingy of Bemaraha

- We go to discover great spaces : the **Great Tsingy of Bemaraha**.

Our tour starts by a transfer by car, 17 km North of the village of **Bekopaka**, to reach these huge limestone cathedrales, the dense faults network, deep canyons, and limestone blocks carved in blades or peaks forming the **Tsingy**.

Through canyons with humid vegetation and mazes, we will reach the **"Tsingy's Rooftop"**.

Back to the village at the end of the day.

🍳 Breakfast	Hôtel Olympe du Bemaraha Bekopaka
🍴 Lunch	Picnic during the hike
🏠 Accommodation	Hôtel Olympe du Bemaraha Bekopaka

Day 5. Back to Baobab Alley at Sunset



Bekopaka 📍
🚗 200km - ⌚ 6h
Morondava 📍

Bekopaka - Morondava





- In the morning we make our way to **Belo sur Tsiribihina** with our SUV. Despite the condition of the track, the landscape we cross make up for a little discomfort. Arrival in Belo at around midday.

Crossing the **River Tsiribihina** with the ferry, then continuation on the track. We reach the famous **Baobab Alley** at sunset, and spend the evening in **Morondava**.

🍳 Breakfast	Hôtel Olympe du Bemaraha Bekopaka
🏠 Accommodation	Hôtel Kimony Resort Morondava

Day 6. Morondava > Antsirabe, The City of Waters



Morondava 
 485km -  8h
 Antsirabe 


Morondava - Antsirabe

- Road to **Antsirabe**, crossing the rice fields.

After the small village of __Mahabo__, the landscape becomes more rough until __Miandrivazo__. We stop in some small villages to visit the market.

Little by little, the dry landscapes of the middle-west and the eroded mountains of the **Bongolava** leave space for the patchwork of terrace rice fields and diverse crops, with hills overlooked by the typical red brick houses of the **central Highlands**.

Arrival in __Antsirabe__ at the end of the day.

 Breakfast





Hôtel Kimony Resort | Morondava

 Accommodation

Ecolodge Les chambres du voyageur | Antsirabe

Day 7. Antsirabe > Antananarivo, back to the capital



Antsirabe 
 180km -  4h
 Antananarivo 

Antsirabe - Antananarivo

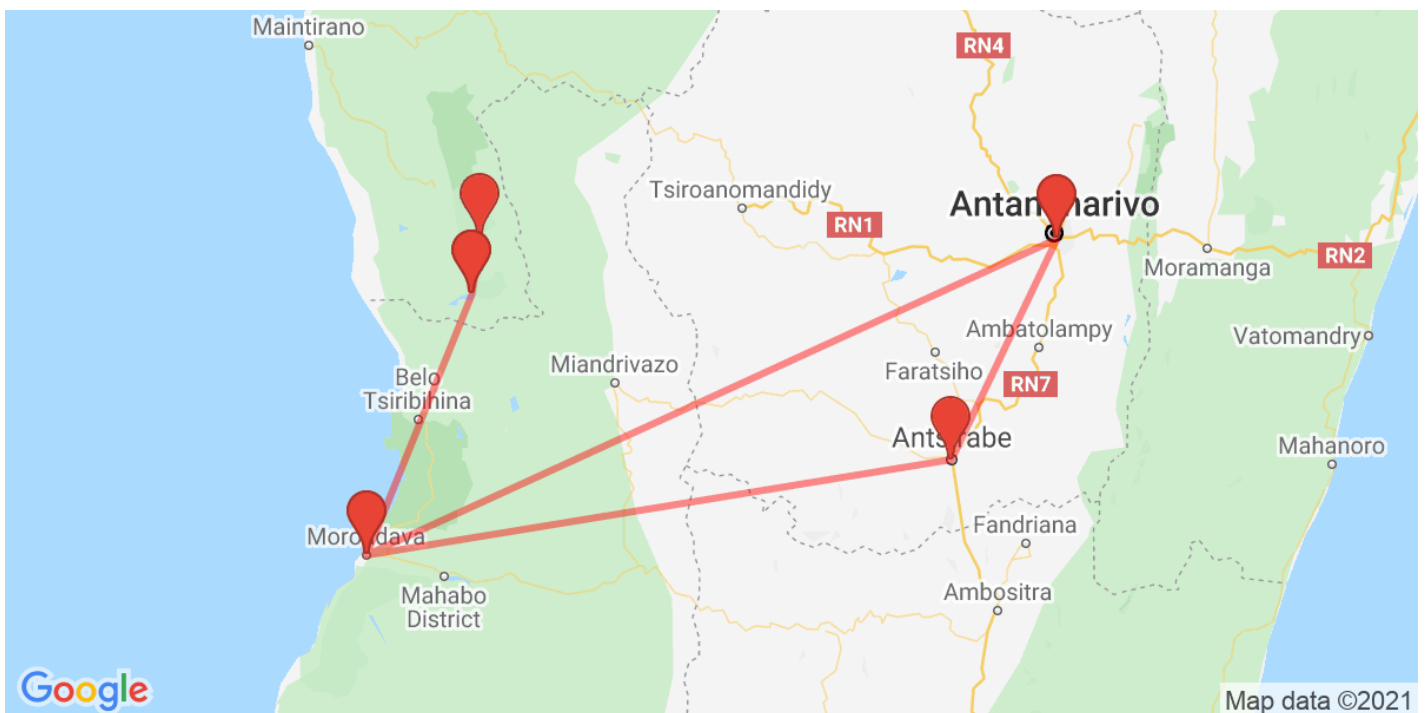
- Little walk around the city of **Antsirabe**. We will visit the **local craftsmen**, who make miniature bicycles and cars, work with zebu horn... Then we drive on to **Ambatolampy**.

Rice fields and typical Highlands villages draw the landscape around us, as we make our way to **Antananarivo**.

 Breakfast

Ecolodge Les chambres du voyageur | Antsirabe

Itinerary map



Individual price per person

2-2	3-3	4-4	5-5	6-7
1090 EUR	840 EUR	710 EUR	850 EUR	750 EUR

Included

- Guiding by English speaking driver-guide(s),
- Transportation by 4x4 vehicles,
- Accommodation in double / twin room in mentioned hotels with breakfast,
- Pic-nic lunch on D3 and D4,
- Entries in the indicated sites,
- Local guides in parks and reserves,
- All transfers.

Not included

- International flights,
- The domestic flight Antananarivo - Morondava,
- All meals except breakfast, Pic-nic lunch on D3 and 4,
- Activities non mentioned in the program,
- The single supplement,
- Tips, drinks and personal expenses,
- First Aid costs, Cancellation and Repatriation Insurance,
- Visa fees and Exit Territory Tax.