Malagasy Southern Getaway



Days: 7

Price: 490 EUR
International flight not included

Comfort: ★★★★★

Difficult: ★★★☆☆

Fauna & Flora Must see
Travel with children Hiking

This itinerary will allow you to immerse yourself in the **extraordinary island of Madagascar**, a mysterious land that surrenders only to the one who knows how to listen and understand, to the one who takes the time to discover.

Go beyond its beaches, get to know and love this traditionally welcoming people.
Madagascar with breathtaking landscapes, crossing cultures and traditions that make it a country of exception, a unique land.

Day 1. Antananarivo > Tuléar > Ifaty



Antananarivo
935km - 1h 30m
Tulear
45km - 1h 30m
Ifaty

- Take off to **Tuléar**.
- Car transfer to Ifaty, a fishing village located 45km north of **Tulear**.

Accommodation | Hôtel Belle Vue I Ifaty

Day 2. Free Stay in Ifaty



Ifaty

- **Ifaty, Mangily, Madiorano** and **Ambolimailaka** are small villages that face the majestic lagoon of **Ranobe** with turquoise water, renowned for its coral reef. They are here as seaside resorts.

  Free stay, activities to see at the hotel or with your guide: hiking in the backcountry of the dry forest to various varieties of endemic spiny, __euphorbia__, __Didiéracées__, __pachypodium__ and of __Baobabs__.
  The visit can be done in zebu charette or on foot; or relax to enjoy the beach, a beautiful invitation to swim in this beautiful lagoon.

  Will also be at the rendez-vous: __excursion featured__, __balade in traditional dugout canoe__, __trolling__, __water skiing, snorkeling__... Or simply walk along the beach, meet the locals and discover in depth the life of these fishing villages.

Breakfast | Hôtel Belle Vue I Ifaty

Accommodation | Hôtel Belle Vue I Ifaty

Day 3. Ifaty > Tuléar > Ranohira



Ifaty
45km - 45m
Tulear
250km - 4h
Ranohira

- Departure for a day on the road, driving along the RN7. From the city of **Tulear**, we go North to the village of **Ranohira**.

  On the road we will see many well decorated tombs of the ***Antandroy*** and ***Mahafaly*** tribes.
  We also cross several cities of sapphire researchers, most of them created after the discovery of sapphire in the area.

  Before arriving at the hotel we stop at **the window of Isalo**, a place where we will be able to watch the **sunset** through the massif.

  Settling down at the hotel.

Breakfast	Hôtel Belle Vue I Ifaty
Accommodation	Isalo Ranch Hôtel | Ranohira

Day 4. Discovery of Isalo National Park



Ranohira
20km - 4h
Isalo National Park
Ranohira

- A beautiful day of hiking, discovering the **Isalo National Park**, between **deep canyons**, plateaux, **natural swimming pools**... We should be able to spot many **endemic species of lemurs, birds, reptiles, plants and butterflies.**

  __Isalo National Park__ was created in 1962, and is classified in the category of Exceptional Parks. Its area is 100 km large from North to South. It is unique in Madagascar thanks to its geological formation, dating from the Jurassic period. This mountain massif made of continental sandstone and dug with deep canyons, welcomes a __rupicolous vegetation__ __(Aloes, Euphorbias, Pachypodium...)__.
  You can also find there an **exceptionally rich fauna**, where most species are **natives**, such as **rock reptiles, makis and other lemurs**.

  The main __ethnic group__ in this region is the __Bara__, living essentially of __farming zebus__ and agriculture. Considered as descendent of the Bantu, the Bara are livestock breeders but also __fierce warriors__, proud and ready to give up their life to defend their freedom.

Breakfast	Isalo Ranch Hôtel | Ranohira
Lunch	Picnic during the hike
Accommodation	Isalo Ranch Hôtel | Ranohira

Day 5. Ranohira > Anja > Fianarantsoa



Ranohira
210km - 4h 30m
Ambalavao
60km - 1h 30m
Fianarantsoa

- Road to **Ambalavao**.

  We keep on driving on the __Horombe plateau__ until __Ihosy__. We leave the dry South and start climbing the foothills of the __Highlands.__
  We make a stop at __Anja's reserve__ : a forest of ficus, lianas and orchids developed in between a spectacular rock chaos, sometimes forming caves used as shelter by animals.
  The rocky slopes have been colonized by succulent plants such as ***kalanchoes*** and ***pachypodiums***.

  In this lush green paradise live in small colonies the makis catta, this lemur with a striped tail which represents Madagascar. They spend a lot of time on the ground, are not too wild and so easily observable.

  The profit of Anja's reserve are managed by the AMI (Anja Miray) organization, and are donated to finance __social and economical projects__, which purposes are to improve crop yield, crafts development, health

and education towards the villagers.
We keep going towards __Ambalavao.__
- Continuation to Fianarantsoa.

Breakfast	Isalo Ranch Hôtel | Ranohira
Accommodation	Villa Sylvestre Hôtel | Fianarantsoa

Day 6. Fianarantsoa > Antsirabe



Fianarantsoa
250km - 6h 40m
Antsirabe

- Departure to **Antsirabe** located 240km to the North.
A few stops along the way to explore the surroundings of the remains on the road.
Arrival in Antsirabe at the end of the day, check-in at the hotel.

Breakfast	Villa Sylvestre Hôtel | Fianarantsoa
Accommodation	Ecolodge Les chambres du voyageur | Antsirabe

Day 7. Antsirabe > Antananarivo



Antsirabe
180km - 4h
Antananarivo

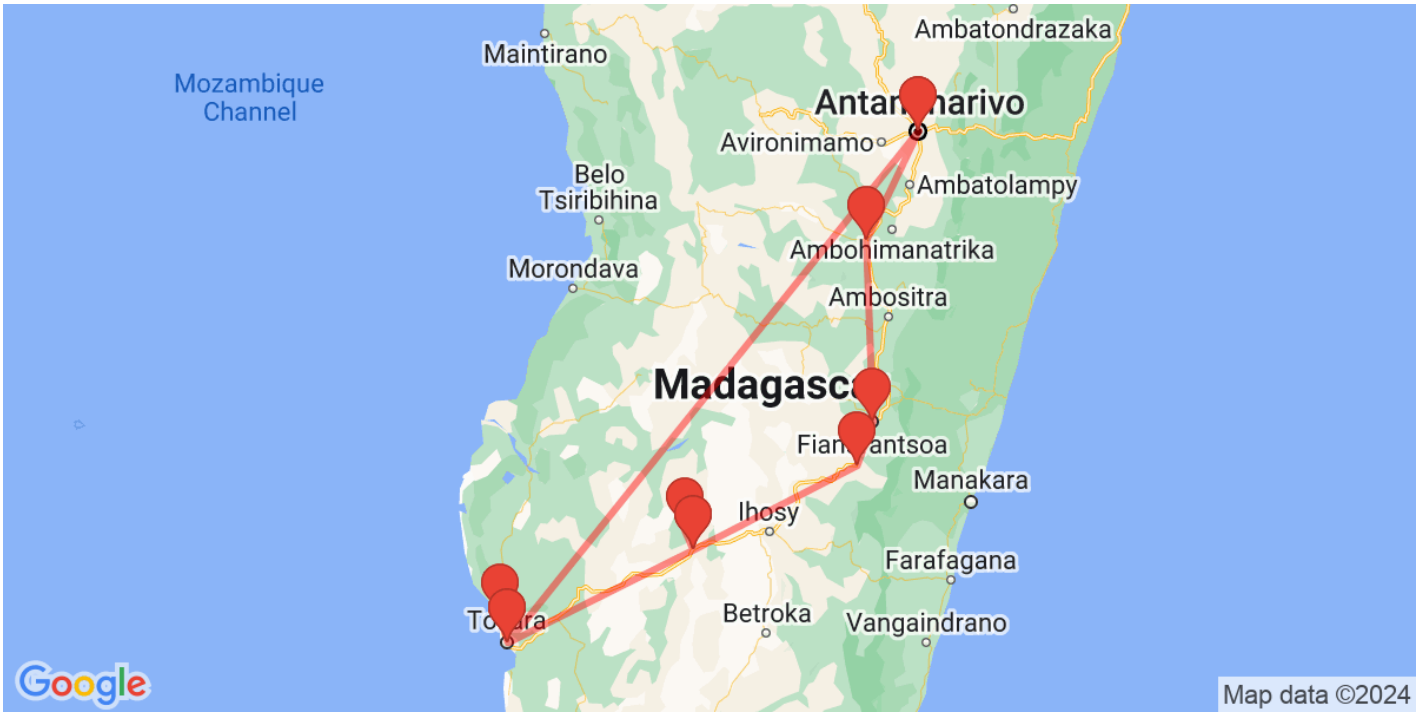
- Little walk around the city of **Antsirabe**. We will visit the **local craftsmen**, who make miniature bicycles and cars, work with zebu horn… Then we drive on to **Ambatolampy**.

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

  If our timing allows it, visit of the __crafts market.__
  Rooms are provided in a hotel near the airport, so you can rest and have dinner. Evening transfer to the airport, boarding assistance on the flight to Europe.

Breakfast	Ecolodge Les chambres du voyageur | Antsirabe
Accommodation	Hôtel Au Bois Vert I Ivato

Itinerary map



Individual price per person

1-1	2-2	3-3	4-5	6-6
1600 EUR	890 EUR	690 EUR	590 EUR	490 EUR

Included

- Guiding by English speaking driver-guide(s) except at Ifaty,
- Transportation by 4x4 vehicles or mini-bus (according to the group's size) from Ifaty on D3 to Antananarivo,
- Accommodation in double / twin room in mentioned hotels with breakfast,
- Pic-nic lunch on D4,
- Entrances into the indicated sites,
- Local guides in parks and reserves,
- All transfers.

Not included

- International flights,
- The domestic flight Antananarivo - Tuléar,
- All meals except breakfast and pic-nic lunch on D4,
- The vehicle during the free day in Ifaty,
- Activities non mentioned in the program and during the free stay in Ifaty,
- The single supplement,
- Tips, drinks and personal expenses,
- First Aid costs, Cancellation and Repatriation Insurance,
- Visa fees and Exit Territory Tax.

Extra infos

Booking conditions

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All requests for registration must be made by e-mail from the Local Agency, directly online from the Customer Area accessible from the website of the Local Agency, or the website of our group www.nomadays.fr.

To connect to the Customer Area, simply enter the login and password set during the first connection.

Registration is considered final once the online booking form is completed and upon received payment of the deposit and/or balance depending on the date of registration.

Depending on the services chosen and the regulations of the country, a photocopy of the passport may be requested by the Local Agency. In case of not sending the photocopy of the passport within the time indicated by the Local Agency, it cannot guarantee the proper performance of the reserved services.

Once payment has been made, a confirmation email is sent to the Customer. It includes the confirmation of the regulation as well as the electronic downloadable invoice.

A confirmation letter is sent to the Customer electronically. If the Customer does not receive the confirmation letter, the reservation would nevertheless be definitive as if it is confirmed by the Local Agency.

Payment Conditions

Registration made more than 30 days before the departure date

The Customer must pay a deposit of 30% of the total amount of the reserved services. The balance must be paid no later than 30 days before the date of the beginning of the stay.

Registration made less than 30 days before the departure date The Customer must pay the full amount of the trip at one time.

Methods of Payment

Upon confirmation of your reservation, your local agent will prepare your electronic invoice, hosted on the platform of Nomadays under your own account. Payments are made either:

- By credit card online, free of charge, from the payment links available on the electronic invoice.
- By bank transfer to the account of the travel agency.

The electronic invoice is updated with each payment received and can be consulted at any time from the Customer Area. The electronic invoice is downloadable and printable.