

The East, Andasibe, the Pangalanes Canal and Sainte Marie



Days:	7	
Price:	590 EUR International flight not included	
Comfort:	★★★★★	
Difficult:	★★★★☆☆	
Cruise	Must see	Fauna & Flora
Ethnic minority		

Eastern Madagascar is characterized by thick vegetation with endemic fauna, beautiful water landscapes made of lakes and rivers, beautiful beaches, etc.

On the road from the capital to Andasibe (150 km, 3 h), we will start visiting **Madagascar Exotic**, a farm breeding chameleons, reptiles and endemic butterflies. As we arrive at **Andasibe National Park**, we will have a glimpse of the richness of the Eastern Rainforest: a dozen species of lemurs (this place is in an Indri-Indri sanctuary), chameleons, birds, orchids, medicinal plants, rare tree species (rosewood), etc.

Water landscapes begin in **Manambato** and its lake. We will also cross the famous **Pangalanes Channel** to reach **Ankanin'ny Nofy** (the dream nest), a village located on the shores of Lake Ampitabe. We will stop at Le Palmarium Nature Reserve to admire rare palm species, carnivorous plants, etc.

To reach **Tamatave**, we will take the waterway again, on the canal, discovering unforgettable scenes of life: local people taking bush boats (river taxis), smiling barge navigators who never fail to say hello, children playing on the banks...

An essential stopover in eastern Madagascar: **Sainte-Marie Island**, famous for its history related with pirates and for whale watching. To get there, we will reach Mahambo where we will cross the sea. Sainte-Marie is also known for its welcoming and warm population. On the program: mountain-bike rides or walks, visits to the pirate cemetery, sea excursions and water sports, diving, whale safaris (from June to September), etc.

Day 1. Antananarivo > Andasibe



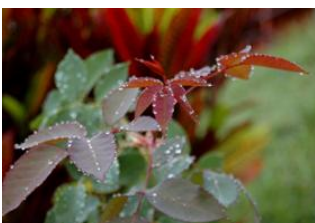
Antananarivo
 150km - 3h
Andasibe

- Departure to Andasibe. Visit en route to Madagascar Exotic, a farm for breeding butterflies, chameleons and endemic reptiles threatened by anthropogenic action (bush fires, deforestation ...)
- Arrival in Andasibe in the early afternoon.

Accommodation

Grace Lodge Andasibe

Day 2. Andasibe > Ankanin'ny Nofy



Andasibe - Andasibe National Park

- Visit of the National Park of Andasibe, site of conservation of the Indri-Indri, the largest of the lemurs. Other animal species can be seen, including 11 other lemurs, chameleons, birds ... The flora is not our most left with several varieties of orchids, rosewood and medicinal plants.

Manambato - Akanin'ny Nofy

Andasibe 📍

Andasibe National Park 📍

🚗 150km - ⌚ 3h 20m

Manambato 📍

🚗 20km - ⌚ 45m

Akanin'ny Nofy 📍

- We keep going towards the **East Coast**. Arrival on the shores of **Lake Rasoabe**. We navigate on the **Pangalanes' Canal** up towards **Ankanin'ny Nofy**, the "**nest of dreams**", on the shores of **Lake Ampitabe**.

🍳 Breakfast	Grace Lodge Andasibe
🍴 Lunch	Picnic during the hike
🏠 Accommodation	Palmarium Ankanin'ny nofy

Day 3. Ankanin'ny Nofy > Tamatave



Akanin'ny Nofy 📍

🚗 60km - ⌚ 3h 30m

Tamatave 📍

Akanin'ny Nofy - Tamatave

- Visit of the **Palmarium Natural Reserve**. With a local guide from the reserve, we will encounter about a **dozen species of lemurs**, and an **exceptional flora** (orchids, mahogany, carnivorous plants, and some very rare species of palm trees).
- A full day navigating on the **Pangalanes' Canal** towards **Tamatave**.

On this aquatic boulevard, we encounter **traditional boats**, **"brousse-boats"** (like fluvial taxi-brousses), **pirogues**, local transportation... **Spontaneous wavin** between sailors... **Cries of joy** from the children on the shores come along with us during our shipping. We are the witnesses of unusual and **unforgettable pieces of life**.

Arrival in **Tamatave** in the afternoon.

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🍳 Breakfast	Palmarium Ankanin'ny nofy
🏠 Accommodation	Joffre Hôtel Tamatave

Day 4. Tamatave > Sainte Marie



Tamatave 📍

🚗 90km - ⌚ 3h

Mahambo 📍

🚗 - ⌚ 3h

Sainte Marie 📍

Mahambo - Sainte Marie

- Crossing the sea towards **Sainte Marie Island**, for about 3 hours.

Transfer to your hotel where you can settle down for the night.

🍳 Breakfast	Joffre Hôtel Tamatave
🍴 Dinner	Samaria Lodge Sainte Marie
🏠 Accommodation	Samaria Lodge Sainte Marie

Day 5-6. Free Stay in Sainte-Marie



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A preserved site of mass tourism, the island offers you the opportunity to live at the rhythm of a wild nature, in contact with a warm and welcoming population. All activities can be organized from the hotel: hiking or mountain biking, excursions by sea or by car to the picturesque sites of the island; In season (from June to September), whale safaris are also organized.

Sainte Marie 📍	🍳 Breakfast	Samaria Lodge Sainte Marie
	🍷 Dinner	Samaria Lodge Sainte Marie
	🏠 Accommodation	Samaria Lodge Sainte Marie

Day 7. Sainte Marie > Antananarivo



Sainte Marie 📍
 ✈️ 500km - ⌚ 1h
 Antananarivo 📍
 ✈️ 8500km - ⌚ 10h
 Paris Roissy CDG 📍
 Antananarivo 📍

Sainte Marie - Antananarivo

- Transfer to the airport and flight to the Malagasy capital.

Depending on your flight schedule, we will have more or less time to take a tour in the **old town** and the **craft market**.

Lunch and dinner at your own expense.

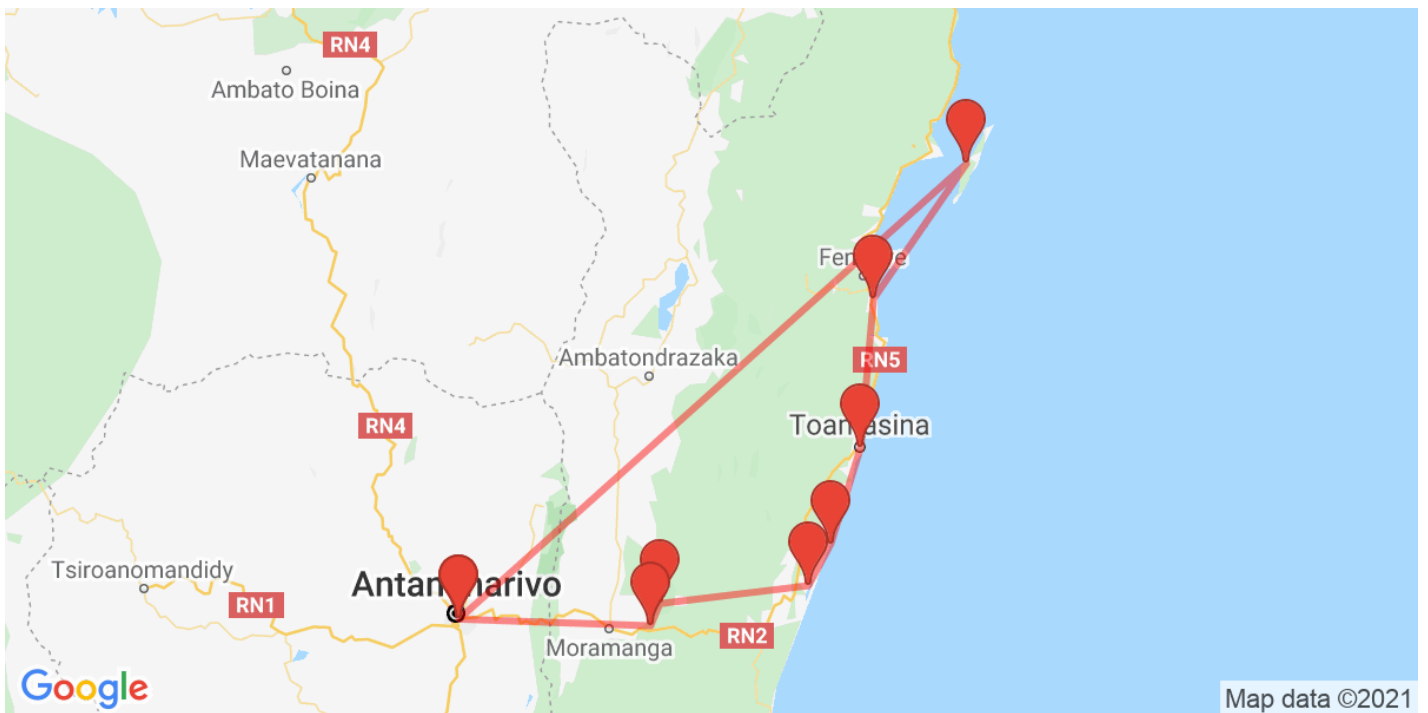
Antananarivo - Paris Roissy CDG

- Flight back to Europe. The **Détours Madagascar** team takes you back to the airport, and wishes you farewell...

See you soon !

🍳 Breakfast	Samaria Lodge Sainte Marie
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Itinerary map



Individual price per person

1-1	2-2	3-3	4-6
1400 EUR	790 EUR	660 EUR	590 EUR

Included

- Guiding by English speaking driver-guide(s) up to Manambato,
- Transportation by 4x4 vehicles or mini-bus (according to the group's size) up to Manambato,
- Accommodation in double / twin room in mentioned hotels with breakfast,
- Pic-nic lunch on D2,
- Dinners on D4 to D6 at Samaria Lodge (Mandatory Half Board),
- Entrances into the indicated sites,
- Local guides in parks and reserves,
- All transfers.

Not included

- International flights,
- The domestic flight Sainte Marie - Antananarivo,
- All meals except breakfast, Pic-nic lunch on D2, and dinners at Samaria Lodge (D4 to D6),
- Activities non mentioned in the program, and during the free stay in Sainte Marie,
- The single supplement,
- Tips, drinks and personal expenses,
- First aid costs, Cancellation and Repatriation Insurance,
- Visa fees and Exit Territory Tax.