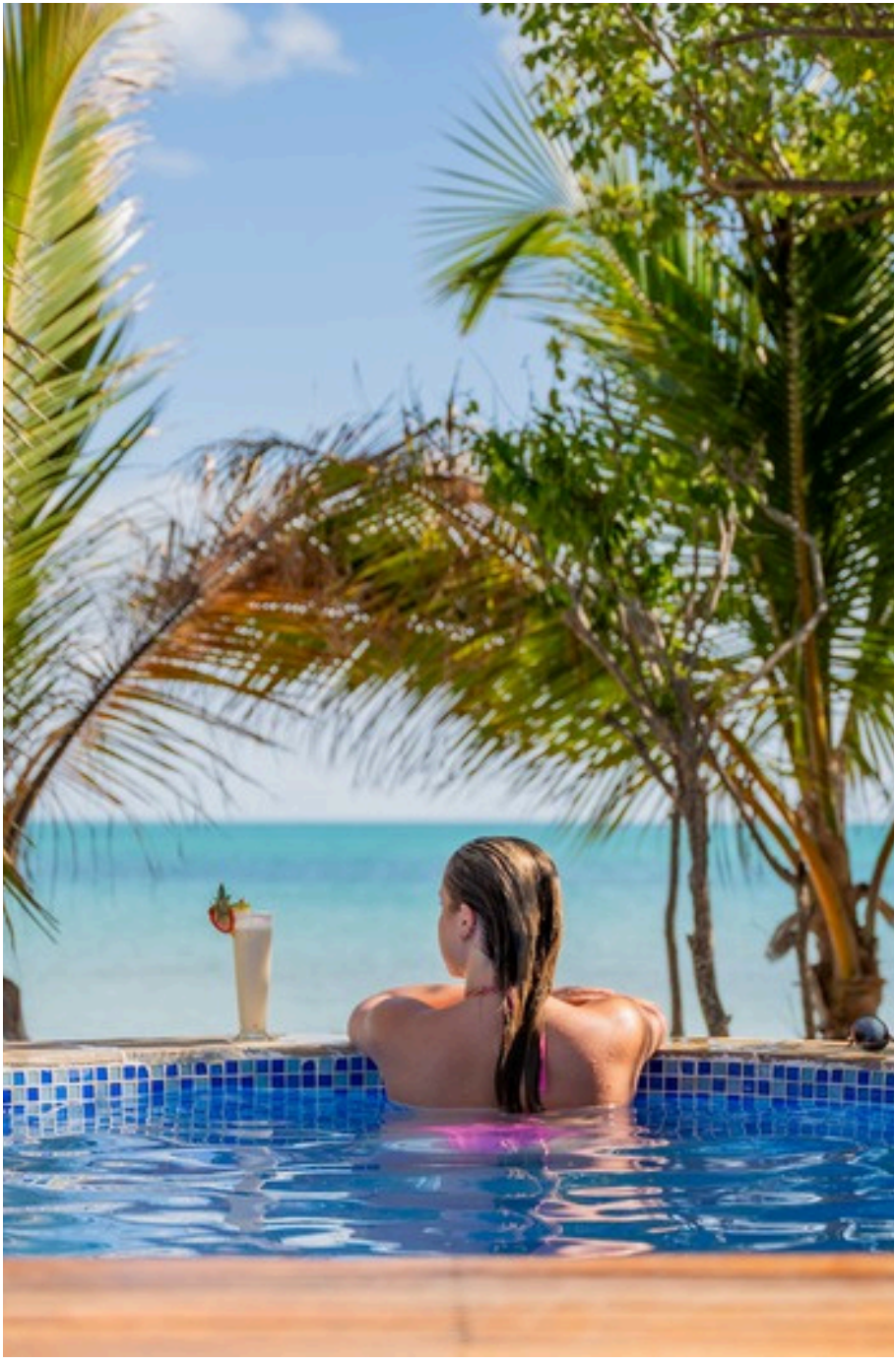


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THE ZAMBEZI & INDIAN OCEAN CREST

12 Days/11 Nights | June through October | $18,500 per person (double occupancy)

The Concept: An evocative, unhurried journey bridging the primeval, rhythmic wild of Nyamatusi Camp in Mana Pools with the sun-bleached, private infinity pools of Azura Benguerra Island. Connected seamlessly by private skies and effortless helicopter crossings, this is the ultimate contrast of raw African adventure and pure island isolation.

A Note from the Founder
At Elysian Safaris, our expeditions transform twelve years of continental expertise into absolute trust. We design exclusively for those who wish to breathe in the pure, sublime soul of Africa.

Following our classic journeys, I wanted to curate a rare escape and the ultimate contrast: a path pairing high-octane wilderness with the deep serenity of a private tropical island.

The Zambezi & Indian Ocean Crest Expedition carries you first into Mana Pools—a realm of raw beauty famous for its legendary walking safaris, thrilling 4x4 game drives, and the iconic, canopy-stretching elephants that uniquely stand on their hind legs to reach the high winter-thorn pods. Here, at flagship Nyamatusi Camp, you will dwell in an architectural masterpiece of eco-luxury directly along the remote banks of the Zambezi River.

Your next chapter unfolds across six unhurried nights at Azura Benguerra Island in Mozambique. Perched within a protected marine national park, your private infinity-pool villa sits directly on the white sand, just steps from the crystalline water. Here, with a dedicated butler-host catering to your every whim, you will experience an intimate beach escape situated at the very edge of the pristine Indian Ocean.

Reserved exclusively for private bookings, **the comprehensive day-by-day itinerary and curated investment details await you at the conclusion of this lookbook.**

— Michael Fortin
Founder & Director, Elysian Safaris
Elegant Adventure.



day 1-5



THE PRIMEVAL VALE / MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK



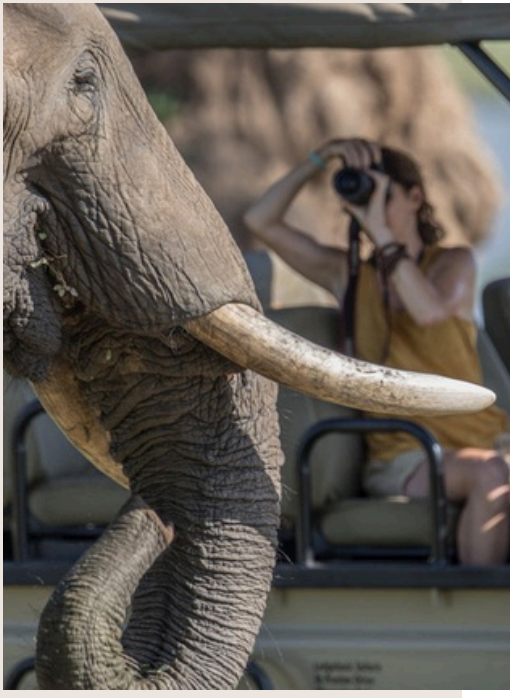






ARCHITECTURAL WILDERNESS
ECO-LUXURY AT NYAMATUSI CAMP







THE GROUND-LEVEL TRACK / WALKING SAFARIS & GAME DRIVES





THE ZAMBEZI RHYTHM





HEAVENLY LIGHTS OVER THE WATER



THE TRANSITION

ON DAY 5, A PRIVATE CHARTER CARRIES YOU FROM THE DEEP BUSH TO THE TRANQUIL GARDEN WATERFALLS OF AMANZI LODGE IN HARARE—A GRACEFUL PAUSE TO SHED THE DUST OF THE SAFARI. THE NEXT MORNING, A REGIONAL FLIGHT CONNECTS YOU SMOOTHLY TO VILANCULOS IN MOZAMBIQUE, WHERE A PRIVATE HELICOPTER LIFTS YOU EFFORTLESSLY OVER AZURE SEAS, LANDING YOU DIRECTLY INTO ISLAND PARADISE.

day 6-12



THE TROPICAL ISOLATE / THE BAZARUTO ARCHIPELAGO

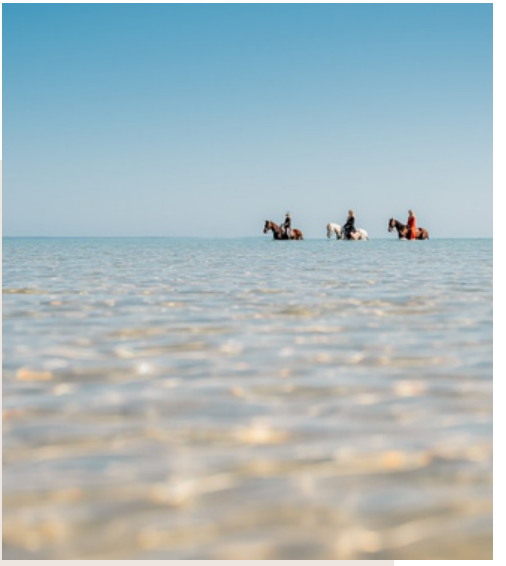


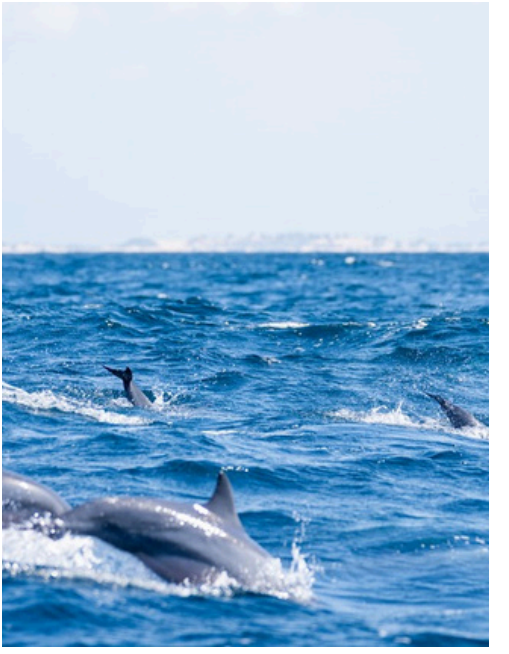


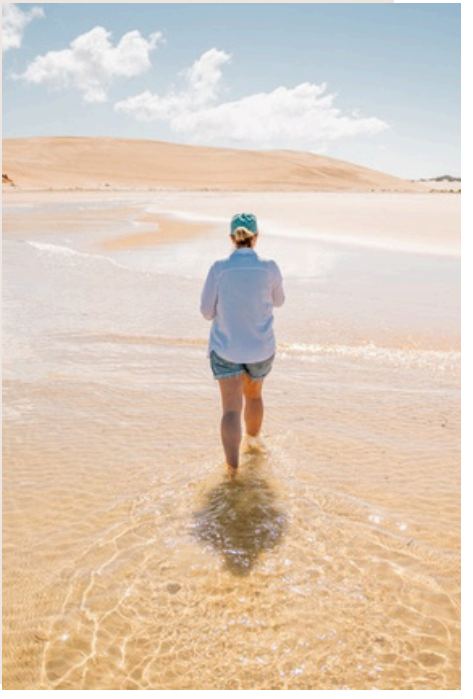


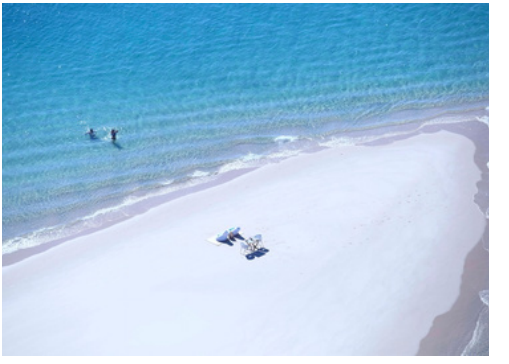


LUXURY UPON THE SAND
THE BEACHFRONT VILLAS OF AZURA BENGUERRAY









THE UNHURRIED HORIZONS





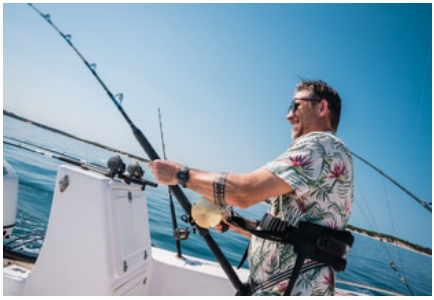
BUTLER-HOSTED SOLITUDE

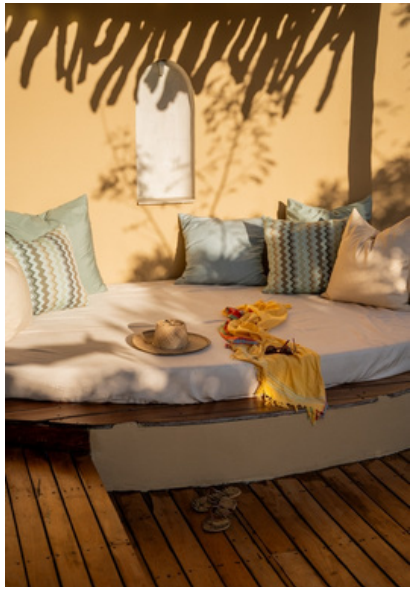




THE CREST OF DELIGHT











THE ART OF UNWINDING
OCEANIC HOURS





A GRACEFUL DEPARTURE

The Itinerary Index

THE ZAMBEZI & INDIAN OCEAN CREST EXPEDITION (12 Days/11 Nights)

June through October Departures

- **Day 1: Into the Wild Heart —** Arrive in Harare and board your private charter flight, sweeping over the dramatic Zambezi escarpment straight to Mana Pools. Step into the ultra-premium sanctuary of Nyamatusi Camp. Settle into a luxury tented suite featuring a private plunge pool overlooking the river's permanent flow. Embark on an afternoon 4x4 game drive tracking predators before dining under a canopy of stars.
- **Days 2–4: The Pure Soul of Mana Pools —** Three days of sensory immersion in Africa's premier walking and tracking destination. Track the legendary big bull elephants on foot as they stand high on their hind legs to feed, explore the wild terrain on expert-led 4x4 game drives, or drift down the tranquil channels of the Zambezi by canoe. As the afternoon heat peaks, retreat to your cool, air-conditioned suite to watch the wild world gather at the water's edge.
- **Day 5: A Thoughtful Pause —** A final morning chorus on the river before your private bush flight carries you back to Harare. A private transfer brings you to the tranquil garden sanctuary of Amanzi Lodge. This deliberate stopover lets you shake off the dust of the bush, enjoy an evening of fine dining, and sleep deeply before crossing borders tomorrow.
- **Day 6: Helicopter Over Azure Seas —** Fly to Vilanculos, where your private helicopter awaits. Soar across the turquoise channels of the Bazaruto Archipelago, landing directly on the shores of Azura Benguerra Island. Step into your private sanctuary to meet your dedicated Mozambican Butler-Host.
- **Days 7–11: Absolute Island Isolation —** Five unhurried days to completely disconnect. Your luxury villa sits directly on the white sand, just steps from the crystalline water. Dip into your private infinity plunge pool, enjoy butler-served beach lunches, or sip cocktails as the tide rolls in. The days are yours to surrender to the slow, sensual island rhythm.
- **Day 12: A Graceful Farewell —** A final breakfast looking out over the pristine Indian Ocean before your private helicopter carries you back to Vilanculos Airport to connect with your regional flight to Johannesburg for your journey home.

Essential Travel Notes

- **Wellness**: We recommend a brief consultation with your travel clinic prior to departure to review standard regional health guidelines and keep your preparations effortless.
- **Visas & Entry Requirements:** Zimbabwe entry visas are obtained on arrival for $30 USD cash. For Mozambique, US citizens are visa-exempt but must complete a digital pre-registration (eTA) online (evisa.gov.mz) at least 48 hours prior to departure. You must bring a printed copy of your eTA approval to present at airport boarding gates. Passports require 6 months of validity and 2 blank pages.
- **The Art of Packing:** To ensure seamless private charter and helicopter transits, guests are required to pack exclusively in soft-sided duffel bags without rigid frames. The strict, total weight allowance is 20kg (44lbs) per person, inclusive of hand luggage, to maintain safety standards over remote wilderness skyways.
- **Currency & Gratuities:** US Dollars (USD) are widely accepted throughout both Zimbabwe and Mozambique.

The Expedition Investment

THE ZAMBEZI & INDIAN OCEAN CREST EXPEDITION (12 Days/11 Nights)

All-Inclusive Private Journey: $18,500 per person (double occupancy)

Master Inclusions

- **Seamless Skyways & Transfers:** Executive road transfers, 2x private bush flights (Harare ➔ Mana Pools round-trip), 2x private helicopter transfers (Vilanculos ➔ Azura Island round-trip), and multi-country regional flights (Harare ➔ Vilanculos ➔ Johannesburg).
- **Wilderness Excursions:** Expert-led walking safaris, canoeing excursions, 4x4 game drives, and park concession fees while at Nyamatusi Camp.
- **Luxury Accommodations:** 4 nights at Nyamatusi Camp, 1 night at Amanzi Lodge, and 6 nights in a beachfront, private-pool villa at Azura Benguerra Island.
- **Refined Dining & Cellar:** All gourmet meals throughout the itinerary (Bed & Breakfast basis at Amanzi Lodge), featuring an extensive selection of premium local wines, craft spirits, beers, and soft drinks.
- **Expedition Conveniences:** Dedicated private Butler-Host service throughout your stay at Azura Benguerra, complimentary daily laundry service while at Nyamatusi Camp, and all national park, marine reserve, and community conservation levies.
- **Curated Island Experiences:** A private sunset dhow cruise, a guided scenic island drive, butler-hosted stargazing, and unlimited use of sea kayaks and stand-up paddleboards.

Personal Exclusions

- International flights to/from the African continent.
- Personal travel, medical, and emergency evacuation insurance.
- Dinner and drinks during your stopover night in Harare.
- Laundry services during your stay at Azura Benguerra Island.
- Optional Island Experiences: Motorized water sports, deep-sea fishing, private boat hire, reef snorkeling excursions, island horseback riding, premium spa treatments, and additional resort excursions.
- Discretionary guide and lodge staff gratuities.

Securing Your Suite

Expeditions are reserved strictly on a first-preference basis. A non-refundable deposit of **$4,500 per person** secures your reservation, with the remaining balance of **$14,000 per person** due 90 days prior to departure.



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