



Beach Escapes
Escaping Winter

I often think that we enjoy our safari way more when we sneak in a little downtime at the beach. Imagine having some quiet moments to sit and reminisce about your safari experiences before heading home to a life that unfolds at a million miles per hour. This is the perfect time to organise your amazing photos, tweak the images for social media and start posting, and complete your safari journal. This is the opportunity to soak in everything you experienced during your safari, from how big the elephants were, to how fast cheetahs ran or how a lion's roar sent chills down your spine.

Read on to find a collection of wonderful extensions at the beach (yes I know Malawi is landlocked but Lake Malawi still has an amazing beach), with some of our favourite properties and perfect safari itineraries that we recommend you start with.

Which destination would be your favourite?

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DIANI | KENYA



Diani Beach is a multi-award winning destination famous for sparkling white sands and lush greenery. A perfect post safari relaxation spot to sit on the beach, sipping a refreshing drink - reminiscing about the safari experiences. There is a wide variety of accommodation choices to suit every traveller.

Diani would make for the perfect ending to any of the following safaris:

[Kenya Bush & Beach Adventure](#)

[Wild Romance in Tanzania](#)

[Livingstone, Chobe & Delta Escape](#)

THE FACTS

How to get there

- ◇ Multiple direct flights from Nairobi for any East African Safari
- ◇ Fly from Livingstone or Johannesburg to Nairobi and connect onto Diani for any Southern Africa Safari

Recommended Properties

- ◇ Sands at Nomad 4*
- ◇ Waterlovers 4*
- ◇ Sands at Chale 4*
- ◇ Alfajiri 5*
- ◇ Almanara 5*
- ◇ Kinondo Kwetu 5*

Diani has a host of amazing water sports activities like kite surfing, deep-sea fishing (catch and release) wind surfing, water skiing, SUP, and more. Enjoy a morning dhow ride to Wasini Island and the Kisite Marine Park, one of the most gorgeous snorkelling reefs on the Kenyan coast.

LAMU | KENYA

Lamu is an island that has barely changed since the time of the Omani traders. With no vehicles on the island, the pace of life slows to a gentle stroll through East Africa's oldest town. Walking, donkey rides, or old dhows are the only means of transport to get around.

This charismatic, unforgettable location is made up of narrow winding streets filled with the sound of the residents going about their daily business whilst the gentle chorus of the call to prayer echoes softly from the mosques. The beaches on the seafront are miles long, backed by sand dunes, and are hauntingly beautiful.

Lamu would make the perfect ending to any of the following safaris:

[Exclusive Kenya](#)

[Exclusive Tanzania](#)

[South Africa Luxury Adventure Safari](#)



THE FACTS

How to get there

- ◇ Several flights from Nairobi to Manda Airstrip for any East African Safari
- ◇ Fly from Livingstone or Johannesburg to Nairobi and connect onto Lamu for any Southern Africa Safari

Recommended Properties

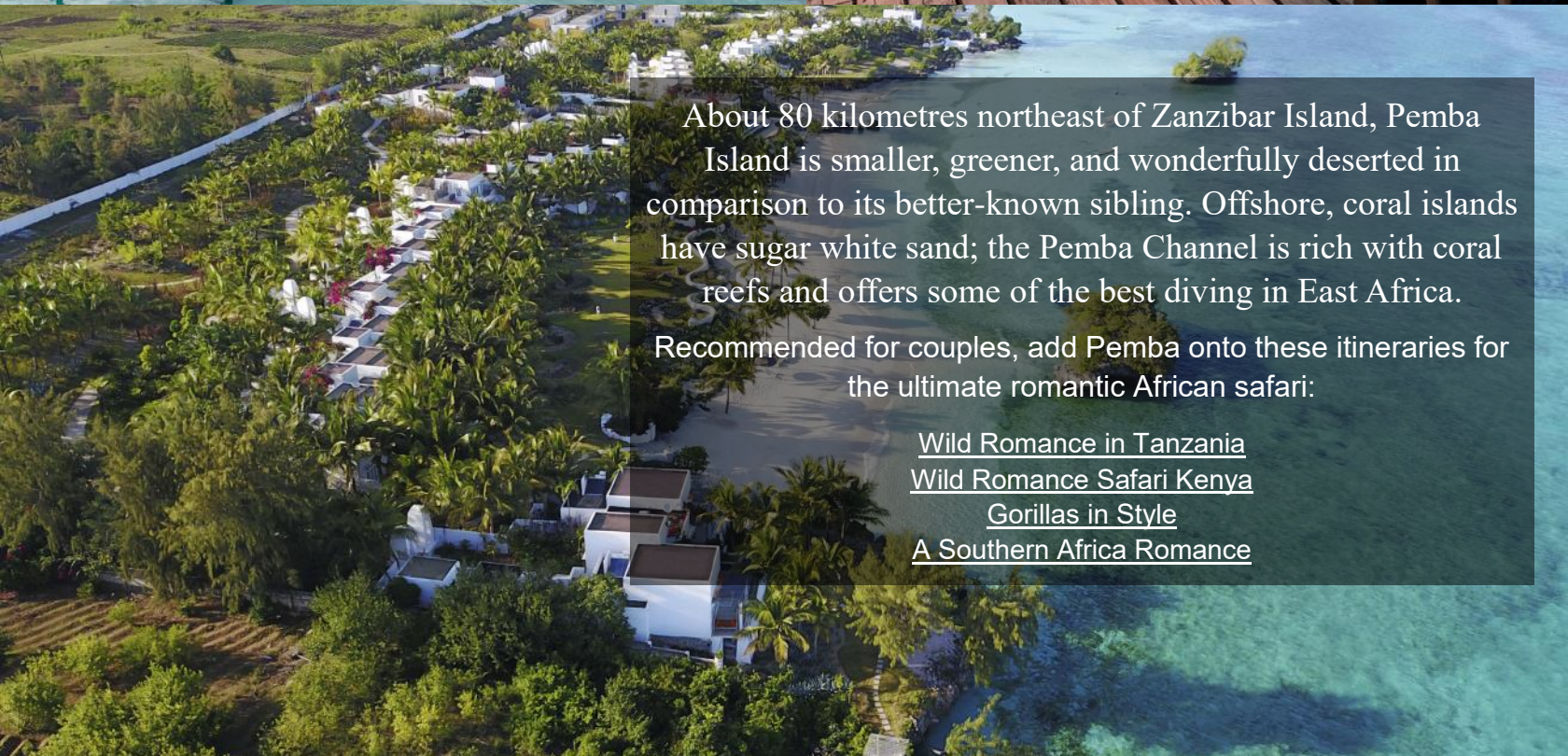
- ◇ Peponi Hotel 4*
- ◇ Manda Bay 4
- ◇ Kijani Hotel 4
- ◇ The Majilis 5*

Sailing on a traditional dhow is a critical part of experiencing life on Lamu - for a full-day experience set sail on the largest dhow on the African coast, Tusitiri, and spend the day fishing, wakeboarding, and enjoying time on this incredible vessel. Explore the narrow streets of the city, enjoy a drink at the bar of Peponi Hotel, or set out on a deep sea fishing expedition.



PEMBA ISLAND | TANZANIA

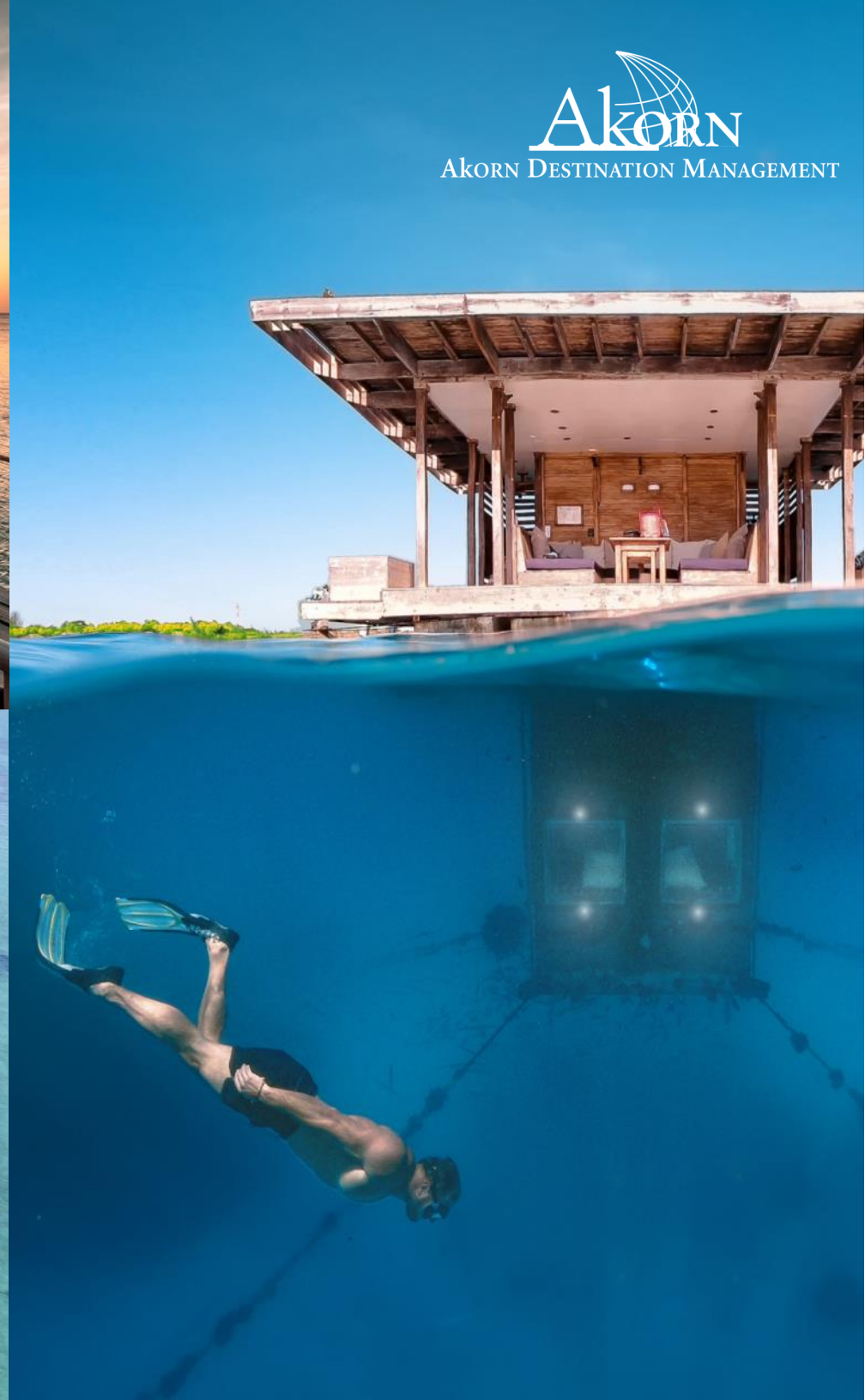
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About 80 kilometres northeast of Zanzibar Island, Pemba Island is smaller, greener, and wonderfully deserted in comparison to its better-known sibling. Offshore, coral islands have sugar white sand; the Pemba Channel is rich with coral reefs and offers some of the best diving in East Africa.

Recommended for couples, add Pemba onto these itineraries for the ultimate romantic African safari:

[Wild Romance in Tanzania](#)
[Wild Romance Safari Kenya](#)
[Gorillas in Style](#)
[A Southern Africa Romance](#)





THE FACTS

How to get there

- ◇ Pemba Island is accessed from most airports in East Africa via Zanzibar
- ◇ Fly into Kilimanjaro Airport and connect onto Pemba for any Southern African safari

Recommended Properties

- ◇ Fundu Lagoon 4*
- ◇ Manta Resort Pemba 4*
- ◇ Aiyana 5*

Pemba is one of the world's best dive sights with huge stretches of unspoilt, uncrowded reefs to explore. For those that would like to stay in the shallows, there is a myriad of easily accessible reefs to snorkel on. The mangrove forests in the area are pristine and gliding through them on a kayak will give you an insight into another world.



MADAGASCAR

Madagascar lies in the southwest Indian Ocean off the coast of Mozambique. It has been called the land in a forgotten sea. It's the fourth biggest island on earth and has several small peripheral islands off its coastline. With an unparalleled mixture of endemic wildlife like lemurs and plant species in a variety of habitats from forests to reefs, Madagascar truly is one of the greatest biodiversity regions.

We recommend you combine Madagascar with these bush experiences:

[Zambian Explorations](#)
[Kenya's Secret Treasures](#)
[A Tanzanian Adventure](#)
[A South Africa Adventure](#)



THE FACTS

How to get there

- ◇ To connect from any Southern Africa safari fly direct from Johannesburg to Antananarivo
- ◇ To connect from an East Africa Safari fly directly out of Nairobi.

Recommended Property

- ◇ Miavana by Time+Tide 5*

During your stay, enjoy on-island activities such as guided lemur walks, forest walks, scuba diving, snorkelling, boat cruises, island cultural visits, half-day fishing trips, surf-ski, water skiing, stand-up paddle boarding, wakeboarding, kite-surfing, quad biking, a 30-minute spa treatment per person and complimentary group yoga sessions every morning.



SEYCHELLES

A thousand miles off the coast of Africa, the Seychelles Islands are scattered like gemstones across the blue expanse of the Indian Ocean. Some of these constitute the oldest mid-oceanic granite islands on earth while others form the low-lying coral atolls and reef islands of the Outer Islands.

These seductive islands offer unspoilt beauty in a natural setting, whether on a flat coral castaway atoll or an island carpeted by rich vegetation and dominated by rugged granite mountains.

Include Seychelles in these itineraries for an ultra-lux or adventure-packed holiday:

[The Greater Kruger & Cape Town Villas](#)

[The Adventurous Millennial Traveller](#)

[Incredible Rwanda & Tanzania](#)

[A Superb Safari: Uganda & Kenya](#)

THE FACTS

How to get there

- ◇ To connect from any Southern Africa safari fly from Johannesburg via Doha, Dubai, or Mauritius
- ◇ To connect from any East Africa Safari fly directly from Nairobi to Mahe

Recommended Properties

- ◇ Kempinski Seychelles Resort 4*
- ◇ Hilton Seychelles Labriz Resort & Spa 4*
- ◇ Six Senses - Zil Pasyon 5*
- ◇ Four Seasons Resort 5*

Seychelles comes with a healthy dose of adrenaline and laidback activities - there's something to suit everyone's interests. Lace up your hiking shoes and explore the upland trails, snorkel and sail in pristine blue waters, indulge in the local culture with a cooking class, or simply relax at world-class spas.



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MOZAMBIQUE



Welcome to Mozambique, a country of few visitors and one of Africa's best-kept secrets. The country's location on the southeast coast of the African subcontinent once made it an important trading centre, and the remains of trading ports and company headquarters can still be found along the coast today.

Enhance your Beach Getaway with one of these itineraries:

[The Bush, Beach and Winelands Escape](#)

[Your Private Botswana Journey](#)

[Falls, Bush & Beach Adventure](#)

[Kenya Splendour](#)

THE FACTS

How to get there

- ◇ Fly from Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport or Johannesburg to Vilanculos
- ◇ Fly Johannesburg to Maputo (for White Pearl Resorts)

Recommended Properties

- ◇ White Pearl Resort 4*
- ◇ andBeyond Benguerra 5*
- ◇ Azura Benguerra Island 5*
- ◇ Santorini Mozambique 5*

Venture to the Bazaruto Archipelago or Ponta Mamoli and you will discover unspoilt, peaceful islands with small, intimate hotels perfect for escaping the hustle and bustle. There is an abundance of water and land activities to keep you entertained, tailor-made to your requirements. These include diving, snorkelling, kayaking, dhow safaris, private beach picnics, horse riding, cultural excursions, guided Island hopping, scenic helicopter flights, whale watching (seasonal), or football with the locals.



MALAWI


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Situated on the Great Rift Valley, Malawi is dominated by Lake Malawi, a magnificent body of water. It's teeming with life including over 400 species of cichlid fish, a lot of which are endemic to Malawi. Most of Lake Malawi's astounding underwater diversity is protected within the Lake Malawi National Park which is a World Heritage site, and also one of the first in the world set aside for the protection of freshwater fish.

Combine any of the below bush experiences with Lake Malawi for a memorable holiday:

[Off the Beaten Track Zambia](#)
[Kenya Millennial Safari](#)
[Tanzania Millennial Safari](#)

THE FACTS

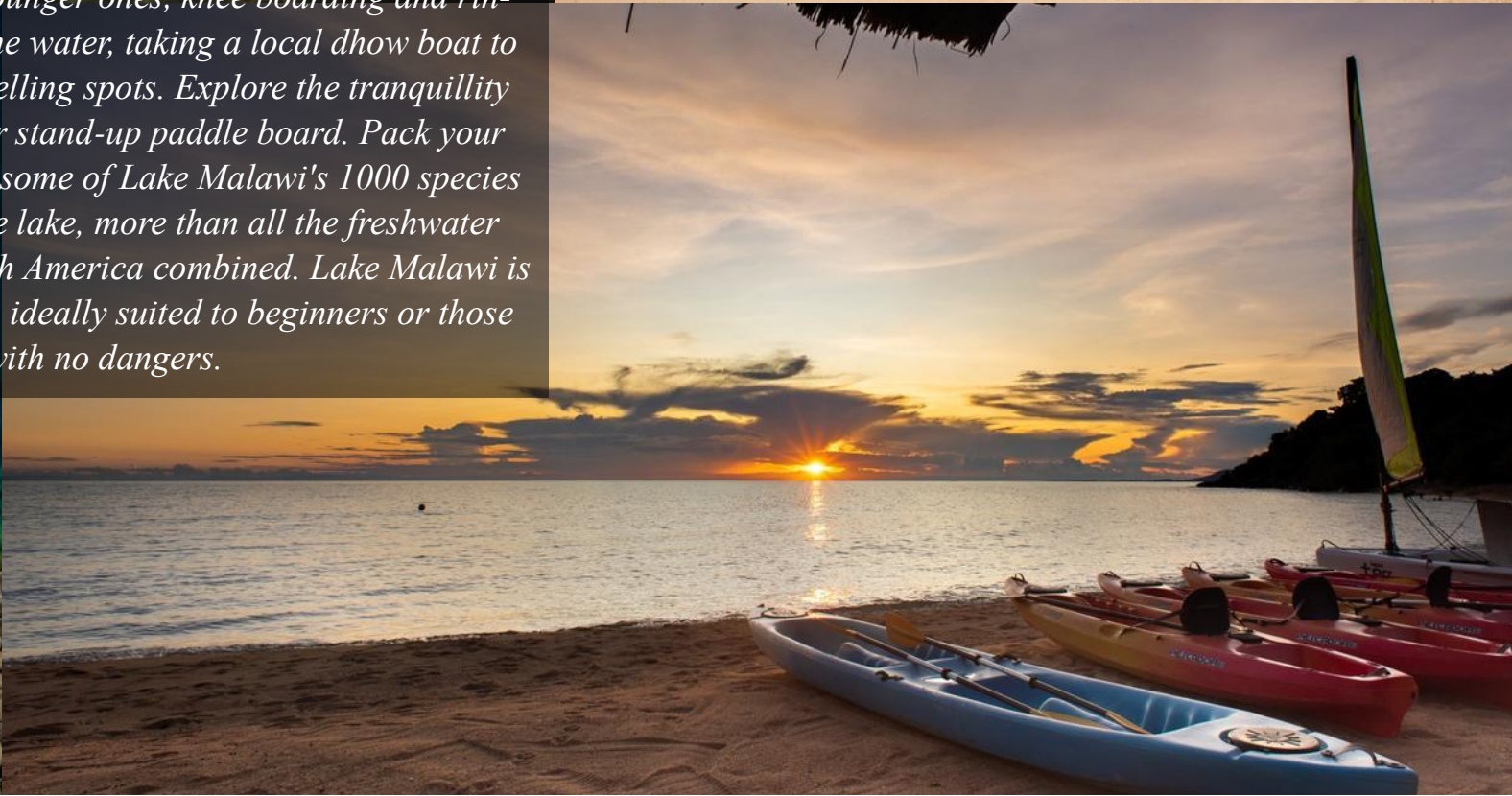
How to get there

- ◊ Fly Johannesburg to Lilongwe/Blantyre
- ◊ Fly Mfuwe International Airport to Lilongwe/Blantyre
- ◊ Fly from Nairobi to Lilongwe

Recommended Properties

- ◊ Mumbo Island 4*
- ◊ Pumulani Lodge 4*
- ◊ Kaya Mawa 5*
- ◊ The Mufasa (luxury yacht) 5*

For the adventurous, why not experience the stunning Lake Malawi by boat and try your hand at water skiing and wakeboarding, or for the younger ones, knee boarding and ringo. Enjoy the island from the water, taking a local dhow boat to visit some of the best snorkelling spots. Explore the tranquillity of Lake Malawi by kayak or stand-up paddle board. Pack your snorkelling gear and enjoy some of Lake Malawi's 1000 species of fish, many endemic to the lake, more than all the freshwater species in Europe and North America combined. Lake Malawi is a great place to scuba dive, ideally suited to beginners or those who prefer relaxed diving with no dangers.



MAURITIUS



Mauritius holidays are defined by the island's hospitable people, delicious cuisine, miles of sandy beaches, and array of water sports activities. Due to volcanic origin and generally sheltered by barriers of coral reefs forming natural, safe, crystal clear lagoons, Mauritius has long been a dream destination.

Explore the best of the bush and beach with these itineraries:

[Livingstone, Chobe & Delta Escape](#)

[Namibia: Scenic Flying Safari by Private Aircraft](#)

[Classic Kenya & Tanzania](#)

[Best of Adventure in Kenya](#)



THE FACTS

How to get there

- ◇ Fly from Johannesburg to Mauritius for any Southern Africa Safari
- ◇ Fly directly from Nairobi to Mauritius to connect from any East Africa Safari.

Recommended Properties

- ◇ Mauricia Beachcomber Resort 4*
- ◇ Victoria Beachcomber Resort & Spa 4*
- ◇ Only Le Saint Geran 5*
- ◇ Constance Prince Maurice 5*

Thrill-seeker, sun-chaser, or spa devotee? Whatever the interest, there is a range of experiences and activities, with endless attractions in and around the Islands. From snorkelling and diving expeditions to exhilarating island day-trips and indulgent yacht charters, explore Mauritius in style. On-resort, discover sports and activities for family and friends. Take off for the day on a private guided tour and experience the marvellous wonders of Jurassic Mauritius; witness life beyond the beaches and into the wilderness or play golf at one of the resorts.

