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T r a v e l G u i d e T o

Maki Cat





WELCOME TO MAKI CAT

Welcome to Madagascar and to your time aboard Maki Cat.

Charter life here is informal, flexible, and shaped by weather, tides, and guest interests. Plans are adapted daily by your skipper to ensure safe sailing and the best possible experience.

Expect barefoot comfort, simple logistics, and outstanding island access rather than rigid schedules.



ROUTE AT A GLANCE

Your typical cruising area includes the Nosy Be archipelago, with possible stops at:

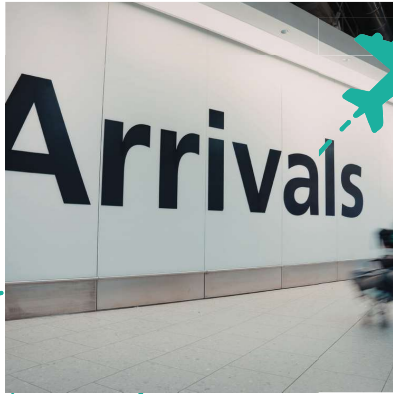
- Nosy Iranja
- Nosy Antsoa (Lemur Island)
- Nosy Tanikely (Marine Park)
- Nosy Komba
- Lokobe National Park
- Additional islands such as Verona or Baobab areas





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ARRIVALS



On arrival at Nosy Be Airport:

- After clearing immigration and collecting luggage, exit the terminal.
- You will be met outside the arrivals building by a tour guide holding a sign with:
 - Your name/ Maki Cat
- The guide will escort you to your vehicle and coordinate the transfer to the embarkation point.
- Final transfer to the yacht is usually by tender boat.

What to wear on arrival day

- Light clothing
- Shorts or trousers that can get wet
- Easy-to-remove shoes or sandals

BAR & DRINKS

Complimentary

- Bottled water (1.5 litre)
- Tea & coffee
- Juice at breakfast only

Charged separately

- All other soft drinks
- Alcoholic beverages
- Cocktails and spirits

Guests are welcome to bring their own alcohol.

- Corkage: None

EMERGENCY

Emergency Contacts & Medical

- Nearest hospital: Nosy Be
- For onboard issues: Inform the skipper or crew immediately
- Serious cases will be handled via local emergency services or medical evacuation if required





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INCLUDED VS EXCLUDED

Included

- Accommodation on board
- All meals
- Breakfast juices, tea, coffee (plunger with local Malagasy coffee)
- Swimming towels
- Use of snorkelling gear (mask, fins, snorkel)
- SUP and kayak (when not a dive or fishing charter)

Extras (paid onboard)

- Bar drinks
- Park and marine reserve fees
- Certain excursions
- Fishing beyond basic trawling



WATER SPORTS & EQUIPMENT

Sports & Water Equipment

Available at no extra charge (unless specified):

- Masks, fins & snorkels
- Stand-up paddleboard (SUP)
- Kayak

⚠ Not available during dive-only or dedicated fishing charters.

Fishing Onboard

- Trawling while underway: permitted
- Equipment provided:
 - o 2 x trawling rods
- If you wish to fish at anchor:
 - Bring your own casting rods and lures





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EXCURSIONS & ACTIVITIES

Common excursion options include:

- Nosy Iranja
- Nosy Antsoa (Lemur Island)
- Nosy Tanikely (Marine Park)
- Nosy Komba
- Verona
- Lokobe National Park

⚠ Excursion options may change if your route changes.

Park Fees

- Estimate €25 per person (combined)
- Individual park fees are subject to change

Payment

- Paid in cash

MONEY & TIPPING

Tipping Notes

- Tipping is appreciated but not compulsory
- MadagasCaT recommends between 12€ and 15€ per crew member per day on charter.
- Tips are normally given as a group envelope at the end of the charter

Final Tab & Payments

- Payment method: Cash only
- Accepted currencies:

o Euro

o Malagasy Ariary

⚠ Credit cards are not accepted onboard.



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POWER & WIFI

Power & Charging

- Power outlets available in each cabin
- Plug type: South African (SA) three-prong
- Bring adapters if you use non-SA plugs

Wi-Fi / Signal

- Mobile signal is intermittent and location dependent
- Wi-Fi may be available but is signal dependent
- Best treated as a bonus, not a guarantee

PACKING CHECKLIST

Essentials

- Passport & copies
- Cash (Euro + Ariary)
- Reef-safe sunblock ☀️ (most commonly forgotten)
- Insect repellent (not supplied)
- Hat & sunglasses
- Light rain jacket
- Swimwear & cover-ups

Nice to Have

- Dry bag
- Personal snorkel/mask (if fussy about fit)
- Fishing gear (if planning casting fishing)
- Small torch or headlamp
- Motion sickness tablets (just in case)





FINAL NOTES

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Life aboard Maki Cat is relaxed, flexible, and shaped by nature. Come prepared for simple comforts, beautiful anchorages, and days that unfold organically rather than by the clock.

If anything is unclear on arrival, ask your skipper or guide — they are your best local resource.

We wish you calm seas and an exceptional journey.



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