

- Mnemba is a true tropical **barefoot** paradise • Only **ten bandas** on an otherwise **uninhabited** island where the balmy ocean laps the sun-soaked shore • **Safe swimming** in temperate waters • Spectacular **coral reefs**, gentle sea breezes and pristine white beaches • **Swimming directly from the beach year round** • Renowned for its excellent cuisine • Only 20 minutes by boat from the historical **Spice Island** of Zanzibar • **Turtles** lay and hatch their eggs all year round • **PADI dive school** • **Speciality dives** (deep, night, navigation, drift and peak performance can be arranged at an additional cost) • Deep sea fishing (additional cost) • Mnemba Island and its surrounding reefs are a Marine Conservation Area, and a nominal levy on watersports goes to the local communities • Low risk malaria destination

Mnemba Island Lodge lies 4 1/2 kilometres/3 miles off the northeastern tip of Zanzibar Island, Tanzania. The Island is 1 1/2 kilometres in circumference and is surrounded by a tropical Indian Ocean coral reef. Mnemba Island forms part of an exquisite atoll, which has been declared a marine conservation area.

The Lodge transfers guests to and from Zanzibar International Airport or Stone Town. This transfer is approximately 1 1/2 hours by road, followed by a 15-20 minute transfer in open ski boats. As there are no jetties, departures and landings are directly to and from the beach and could involve a little wading.

Ten Zanzibari bandas, with direct access to the beach. Each banda is built of indigenous materials, mostly woven and thatched with palm leaves. The bandas have ensuite bathrooms with shower, double-basins, separate w.c., fresh water (obtained from a desalination plant), ceiling fans and a spacious outdoor veranda. Each banda also has a private beach sala with traditional Zanzibari sunbeds.

The dining area is adjacent to the sitting room/bar. There is a small library with a selection of books, games and magazines. Guest areas are all open-sided, cooled by sea breezes, informal and relaxed. Fresh fish and seafood is served at lunch and dinner. Weather permitting, dinner is always served on the beach.

Guests enjoy swimming, walking, snorkelling, windsurfing, kayaking, fly-fishing and scuba diving (if in possession of a valid diving certificate - maximum 2 dives per day). A variety of diving courses and deep-sea fishing is available at an additional charge. All scuba and snorkelling equipment is provided.

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| Number of Bandas             | 10   |
| Maximum Guests               | 20   |
| Children                     | Yes  |
| Triples                      | 1 (children 11 yrs & younger)                    |
| Twin Beds                    | All convertible to double                        |
| Air Conditioning             | No   |
| Overhead Fans                | Yes  |
| Mosquito Nets                | Yes  |
| Indoor Showers               | Yes  |
| Private w.c                  | Yes  |
| In Room Safe                 | Yes  |
| Telephone                    | Manager's office (intermittent mobile reception) |
| Hairdryers                   | Yes  |
| Laundry Included             | Yes  |
| Suitable for disabled guests | No   |
| Distance between Rooms       | 10-15m/33-50ft                                   |
| Check In                     | 12h00  |
| Check Out                    | 11h00  |
| Airstrip                     | No. Closest airport Zanzibar                     |
| Kosher Food                  | No   |
| Power                        | 220v AC (plug points in rooms)                   |
| Internet Access              | Yes (wireless)                                   |
| Beach/Private banda dinners  | Yes  |
| Childminding                 | Yes  |
| Credit Cards                 | Visa, MasterCard                                 |
| In-Room Massage              | Yes  |

**Weather:** it can be humid. Sea breezes bring cooler air and relief from the hot, humid weather.

**Rainfall:** The rainy season is in two monsoon seasons – in April/May and in November.

**Temperatures:** Average daytime temperatures are in the region of 26°C/79°F from June to October and about 28°C/82°F from December to February. Average water temperature from July to March is from 20°C/68°F to 25°C/77°F.

**Best time to travel:** The best months to visit Mnemba are from June to March.

**Malaria:** Mnemba is situated in a low- risk malaria area.

**Children:** Children under 12 are welcome at the lodge (a maximum of 2 children on the island at any one time). An extra bed can be arranged for a child 11 years and younger sharing its parents' banda. No more than 1 triple at any one time.

**Ratio of guests to staff:** 1 to 3

**Lodge closure:** Closed April and May.