

MNEMBA ISLAND LODGE

UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- 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

LOCATION

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.

ACCESS

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.

GUEST ACCOMMODATION

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.

GUEST AREAS

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.

ACTIVITIES

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.