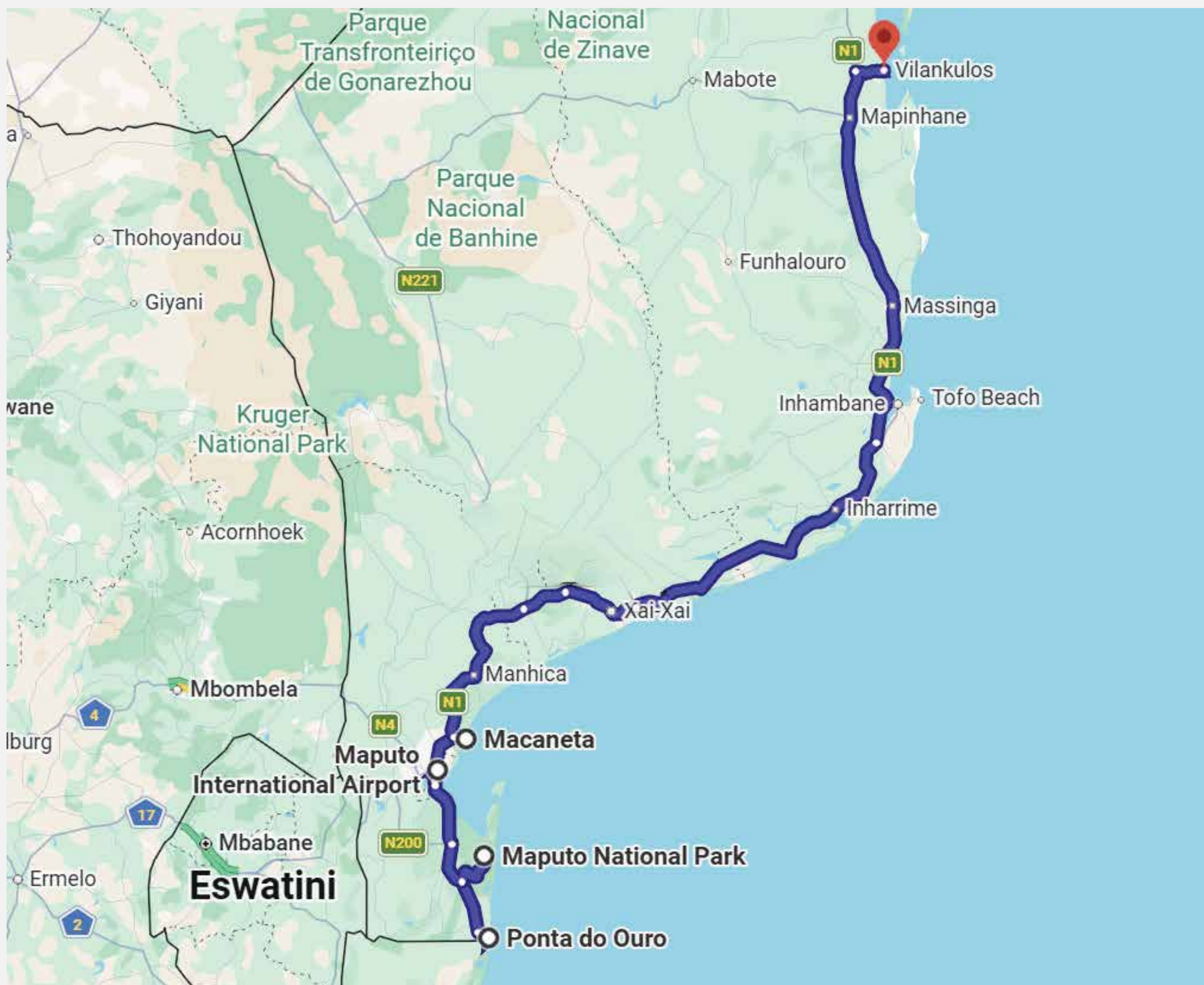




14 DAY MOZAMBIQUE COASTAL & SAFARI HIGHLIGHTS



MAPUTO - PONTA DO OURO - MAPUTO NATIONAL PARK -
MACANETA ISLAND - VILANCULOS

A journey from ocean cliffs and coastal forest to inland wilderness and the bright lagoons of the Bazaruto region. Gentle beaches, wildlife encounters and warm Mozambican hospitality make this a relaxed and truly memorable journey.

PONTA DO OURO



Ponta do Ouro is a relaxed coastal town at the southern tip of Mozambique, just a short distance from the South African border. Sandy tracks wind through forested dunes and the beach is broad, unspoilt and warm for much of the year. Colourful markets and small cafés add local character while the ocean breeze keeps the atmosphere easy and unhurried. It is a gentle introduction to Mozambique before the journey north begins.

Accommodation

Sky Island Resort (3 Nights)

Sky Island Resort sits on a high forested ridge above the town with wide ocean views and a peaceful cliff-top setting. Rooms feel light and natural, with verandas that open to the sea air. Dinners alternate between plated menus and relaxed platter evenings. The location offers easy access to the beach, the village below and all the activities available in the area.

Transfers

Day 1 - On arrival at Maputo Airport you are met and transferred by road to Ponta do Ouro for check-in at Sky Island Resort.

Activities

- Snorkelling - Explore warm clear water with bright reefs and colourful tropical fish.
- Quad Biking - Ride along sandy tracks and forest edges on a fun light adventure.
- Sand Boarding - Glide down soft coastal dunes with views of the sea and surrounding forest.
- Malongane Village Trip - Visit Malongane Village to experience local life and browse small markets.
- Day Nature Reserve Trip - Take a gentle guided trip through a nearby reserve to see local wildlife and scenery.
- Bush Walk - Join a relaxed guided walk that focuses on local plants, trees and smaller wildlife.
- Full Body Massage - Unwind with a soothing one-hour massage designed to release tension.



MAPUTO NATIONAL PARK

Maputo National Park, formerly known as the Maputo Special Reserve, protects a magnificent mosaic of coastal forest, wetlands, grassland and savannah along the southern Mozambican coast. The park is home to elephants, hippos, crocodiles, zebras, buffalo and an outstanding variety of birds, with over 300 species recorded. Gentle sandy tracks wind between habitats and the sense of solitude here is hard to find anywhere else so close to a capital city.



Accommodation

Ponta Membene Lodge (2 Nights)

Chalets are set among mature trees with indoor and outdoor showers, simple natural finishes and verandas that look directly onto the bush. The lodge has a warm and unhurried atmosphere with hearty meals and an easy connection to the park's game drive routes and the coast nearby.

Transfers

Day 4 - After breakfast you transfer from Ponta do Ouro into Maputo National Park to reach Ponta Membene Lodge.

Activities

Guided Game Drives

- Each day includes a guided game drive of about three hours through the park's varied landscapes. Your guide will search for elephants, hippos, zebras, crocodiles and a remarkable variety of birdlife while explaining the unique mix of coastal forest, wetland and open savannah. Every route is different and wildlife encounters here feel genuinely wild.

Guided Walks

- Optional guided walks take you into quieter parts of the park where you can observe animal tracks, learn about medicinal plants and local trees and enjoy the unhurried natural soundscape. Walking gives a perspective that no game drive can quite match.

MACANETA ISLAND

Macaneta is a slender peninsula about 33 kilometres north of Maputo, tucked between the warm Indian Ocean on one side and the broad channels of the Incomati River on the other. Long undeveloped beaches, indigenous coastal vegetation and a slow island rhythm make it an ideal place to decompress. The mangrove channels behind the peninsula are rich with birdlife and the ocean beach is broad and largely deserted. It is one of Mozambique's most peaceful and accessible coastal retreats.



Accommodation

Lugar do Mar (4 Nights)

Lugar do Mar is nestled between the natural trees and dunes of Macaneta, just one dune back from the ocean and with easy beach access throughout your stay. The lodge offers a choice of comfortable hotel rooms and self-catering chalets, all air-conditioned and well appointed. The restaurant blends Mozambican and Portuguese flavours using fresh, locally sourced ingredients, and the kitchen is known for its seafood. A swimming pool, poolside bar and sky bar with ocean views complete a property that suits a longer stay.

Transfers

Day 6 - You transfer by road from Ponta Membene to Macaneta Island and check in at Lugar do Mar.

Activities

Half Day Pansy Beach Excursion with Picnic Lunch

- Enjoy a relaxed half day at Pansy Beach where calm tide pools and soft sand create a peaceful and unhurried setting. A picnic lunch is included with light dishes prepared by the lodge. There is plenty of time for swimming, strolling along the shoreline and simply taking in the quiet beauty of this stretch of coast.

River Boat Trip for Birding

- Glide along the mangrove-lined channels that run behind Macaneta Island on a calm and slow-paced river boat trip. The waterways are home to herons, kingfishers, fish eagles and a variety of other wetland species. It offers a completely different perspective of the island and a wonderful alternative to a morning on the beach.



VILANCULOS

Vilanculos is the relaxed and unhurried gateway to the Bazaruto Archipelago. Low tides reveal bright sandbars and the water shifts through blues and greens over shallow coral reefs. The town has a friendly pace, colourful dhows line the harbour and the islands lie just a short boat ride offshore. After the forest and wildlife of the south, the open lagoon light and salt air of Vilanculos feel like a fitting and beautiful way to end the journey.



Accommodation

Bahia Mar Boutique Hotel (4 Nights)

Bahia Mar sits just back from the waterfront in Vilanculos with sea-view rooms that face the rising sun and look out across the wide bay. The hotel blends clean modern lines with calm tropical gardens and a genuinely welcoming atmosphere. Comfortable rooms are well appointed and the property provides easy access to the harbour and all the water-based activities the Bazaruto region has to offer. It makes an ideal final chapter.



Transfers

Day 10 - Transfer from Macaneta to Maputo Airport then fly to Vilanculos where you will be met and transferred to the hotel.

Day 14 - Transfer from Bahia Mar to Vilanculos Airport.

Activities

Full Day Bazaruto Boat Trip with Snorkelling

- Spend a full day exploring the turquoise waters of the Bazaruto region on a guided boat trip. You will stop at clear snorkelling sites where the reefs are filled with colourful tropical fish and a fresh lunch is served. There is time to relax, swim and take in the remarkable scenery of the islands and shallow lagoons.

Vilanculos Market Tour

- A guided visit to the local market where you can browse handmade crafts, spices and fresh produce. Your guide explains local customs and everyday rhythms while there is plenty of time to wander, take photographs and pick up a piece of Mozambique to take home.

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UNFORGETTABLE MEMORIES ARE MADE
WITH US IN MOZAMBIQUE.

