



Chez Maggie Hotel
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Excursions & Activities

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Traditional Sailing: Journeys of Exploration
Along Madagascar's West Coast

Scheduled Departures & Custom Charters April through January

“Nofy Be” ~ “Big Dream”



Traditional Sailing & Exploration



Congratulations to our friends Laetitia and Fred on the successful launch of their "Big Dream"!

The Nofy Be operates journeys of exploration along the diverse 1,000 mile west coast of Madagascar. Built in Belo sur Mer (40 miles south of Morondava), the 58-foot "botry" is a traditional wooden vessel which has been specially outfitted to host up to 10 passengers. It's also equipped with a motor to maintain a schedule.

The Nofy Be is based on Nosy Kely in Morondava (just across the road from the Chez Maggie Hotel) and operates full-board sailing adventures with diving and custom charter options. This is a truly a new and unique way to explore the 'Vezo' coast. Just right for families, team building, scientific research and film crews.

~ Pure Adventure ~

Visiting undiscovered and unexplored locations and islands, meeting local people, snorkeling, SCUBA diving, off shore surfing and whale watching.

All inclusive packages are available from the Chez Maggie Hotel. Please [contact](#) us for details.

Highlights of the Vezo Coast

- ✚ **Island and reef exploration**
- ✚ **Walking in vast baobab forests with a variety of lemurs & endemic birds**
- ✚ **Excellent birding in the estuaries and mangroves**
- ✚ **Sailing, Snorkeling, SCUBA Diving**
- ✚ **Whale Watching: July -October**
- ✚ **Off-Shore Surfing Adventures**
- ✚ **Sleep aboard and picturesque island & beach camping**
- ✚ **Protected areas on shore: Andranomena Special Reserve & Kirindy-Mitea National Park**
- ✚ **Wonderful meals onboard**





“Nofy Be” ~ “Big Dream”

- ✚ Traditional Malagasy Botry A wooden gaff-rigged schooner
- ✚ Length: 58’
- ✚ Width: 18’
- ✚ Berths: 6
- ✚ Outfitted with snorkeling & camping equipment
- ✚ SCUBA gear & dive master available
- ✚ Kitchen Facilities
- ✚ Simple toilet
- ✚ Safety & Communications: First aid supplies; Generator; fire extinguishers; life boat

This is the Vezo Coast!

The words ‘remote’ and ‘unexplored’ are often used these. In the case of the Mozambique Channel along the west coast of Madagascar they truly apply! From Mahajanga south to Anakao this seldom visited coast region is truly a wonderland.

Pristine waters for diving & snorkeling; remote islands to explore; vast beaches and mangroves; remote villages; huge baobab forests and a great variety of endemic flora and fauna.





Islands, Forests & Ports of Call May Include:

Islands: Nosy Ve, Andraimitaroka, Mahelohalo, Andravova, Angorahoka., Andriangory and several smaller islands off the coastal village of Belo sur Mer (including Andriangory)

Towns & Villages: Anakao, Toliara, Ifaty, Morombe, St Augustine’s Bay, Ankidranoka, Ampislava, Morondava.

Belo sur Mer: The picturesque village is home the Vezo boat builders where the craftsmen construct traditional ‘boutry’ the large masted cargo and passenger sailboats which ply the waters of the west coast. Here boats in all phases of completion are found under the coconut trees which dot the harbor.

Kirindy Mite National Park: Forest Exploration: A new and seldom visited national park where the western and southern ecosystems meet. An area of tropical dry forest and littoral spiny forest the Kirindy Mite National Park features many species of lemurs; 30 species of birds (many rare and endangered waterfowl) and three species of baobabs. This outstanding park encompasses seven off shore islands, coastal mangroves, dunes, lakes and beaches.

Manay: Along with visits to the nearby lakes of exploring the lakes near Ambondro and Sireve (22 species of waterfowl – 3 locally endemic!) with their extensive mangroves and dunes of the area.

Cost varies according to routing; length of program; services requested; and number of travelers. Please [contact us](#) for details, options and suggestions.

✚ **Domestic Air:** Antananarivo / Morondava / Antananarivo approximately: 280.00 Euro *

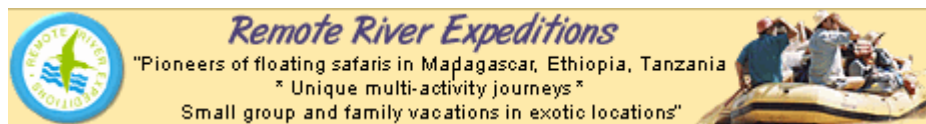
Morondava: Gateway to the wonders of the Menabe (Western) Region

Please contact the Chez Maggie Hotel a variety of options for quality excursions:

- ✚ [Tsingy de Bemaraha](#) A World Heritage Site
- ✚ [Chez Maggie Hotel](#) Morondava ~ A romantic hide-away in a secluded garden setting
- ✚ [Kirindy Forest](#) A Rich Western Dry Forest: Home of the fossa and the giant jumping rat
- ✚ [Masoala National Park](#) Exotic rainforest exploration, whale watching, sea kayaking
- ✚ [Tsiribihina River:](#) A relaxing calm water float, wildlife, birds, beautiful camps and side hikes
- ✚ [Further Afield:](#) [Andasibe \(Perinet\)](#) , [Manambolo River](#), [Masoala N P](#), [Ifaty N P](#)

The Great Red Island ~ Further Afield

Based in Morondava, [Remote River Expeditions](#) (RRE) are your specialists for custom itineraries and scheduled multi-activity tours. Since 1985 RRE has been offering affordable and comfortable small group, family and individual adventures throughout Madagascar. RRE specializes in quality programs for all interests: wildlife, unique calm water river safaris; birding, cultural, trekking, photography, honeymoon, or any special interests.



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