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Tsingy de Bemaraha ~ A World Heritage Site

Kirindy Forest & Avenue of the Baobabs

~ 3 to 6 Day Packages Available ~



Tsingy de Bemaraha

This is Madagascar's largest reserve (152,000 hectares.) and classified as one of the world wonders by UNESCO. The fascinating raised limestone plateau is decorated with a frail, chaotic razor-sharp collection of pinnacles, the "Tsingy".

The great variety of flora includes: aloes, orchids, numerous pachypodium and baobabs. The deciduous forest is home to over 50 species of birds; 7 species of lemurs (including the all-white Deckens sifaka) and the rare stump-tailed chameleon (*Brookesia perarmata*).

More Information:

http://whc.unesco.org/pg.cfm?cid=31&id_site=494

4 Day Program

Day 1: Morondava – Bekopaka. Early morning departure north for the town of Belo Tsiribihina. We cross the Tsiribihina River by ferryboat and stop for lunch in Belo Tsiribihina. Continuing north through the open lands and dry deciduous forest we arrive in Bekopaka on the banks of the Manambolo River. Overnight in Bekopaka. (*See accommodations options.*)

Day 2: After breakfast we drive to the entrance of the Grande Tsingy and spend the morning exploring the wonders of the **Grande Tsingy**. Afternoon optional visit to the **Petite Tsingy**. Overnight in Bekopaka.

Day 3: Early morning paddle on the Manambolo River before returning overland south **Kirindy Forest**. Late afternoon and evening walks in the forest. Overnight in rustic bungalows in the forest.

Day 4: Kirindy – Morondava. After an early morning walk in the forest, (especially good for birds), we return to Morondava with stops at the **Baobabs in Love** and the **Avenue of the Baobabs**.

Accommodation Options : **Hotel Olympe de Bemaraha :** Upper end tourist hotel, great location
Tanakoay Lodge : Medium standard tourist lodge, clean, friendly

Included: Transportation by 4X4 (driver & Fuel); meals on half board (continental breakfast & dinner) and lodging as outlined above; Tsingy & Kirindy Forest entry and local guide fees.

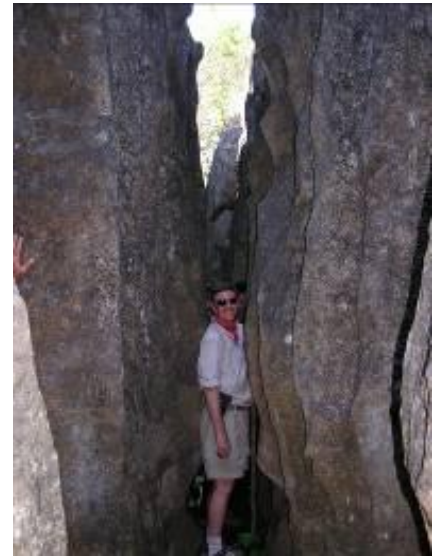
Excluded: International or domestic flights; insurance; all drinks; tips; items of a personal nature and anything not shown as included.

Please Note: Accommodations at the Kirindy are 'rustic' bungalows not all with en suite facilities. Camping is also an option.

Multi-Lingual naturalist guide: For the best experience we recommend including a naturalist guide from Morondava. (English, French, Japanese, German, Spanish, Russian, Portuguese...)

Prices are subject to availability and change. Single supplement charges apply.

Tsingy de Bemaraha



~ Chez Maggie Hotel ~

Morondava: is a wonderfully friendly, safe, and relaxed town. The Chez Maggie Hotel is located on Nosy Kely where the 'mora mora' ('slowly slowly') spirit is alive and well.

The **Chez Maggie Hotel** is a romantic hide-away in a comfortable garden setting. Located directly on the beach on the Mozambique Channel, the hotel features:

- 2-story chalets and large spacious bungalows
- air conditioning
- superb cuisine
- swimming pool
- full service bar
- Wondrous sunsets.

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~ Kirindy Forest ~



Kirindy Forest Reserve

The 25,000-acre Kirindy Forest has the greatest density and diversity of primates in the world. It is also the best western-reserve for seeing Madagascar's endemic dry forest species. The forest is a very rich reserve and home to the Fossa and Giant Jumping Rat.

Dominated by majestic baobab trees, (*Adansonia grandidieri*), the forest is home to the world's smallest known primate as well as dozens of amphibian and reptile species (and no poisonous snakes).

The Kirindy boasts more than 60 species of birds. Possible endemic sightings include: White-headed Vanga, Rufous Vanga, White-breasted Mesite, Coquerel's Coua, Crested Coua, Sickle-billed Vanga, Chabert's Vanga, Cuckoo Roller, Grey-headed Lovebird, Madagascar Nightjar, and Banded Kestrel.

Along with a stunning variety of unique flora the Kirindy Forest is home to 8 lemur species; a variety of tenrec species; the narrow-striped mongoose; giant jumping rat and fossa.

More Information:

<http://taniko.free.fr/parks/kirindy.htm>



Pre & Post Trip Options

If you have more time there are a variety of great pre & post trip options. We highly recommend spending a bit more time in Morondava at the end of the program at the [Chez Maggie Hotel](#), with its wonderfully relaxed setting and superb restaurant it's just to place to reflect on the journey and recharge the batteries before moving on.

We're also happy to assist with arrangements and services for all areas of Madagascar including:

- ◆ [Andasibe National Park](#) ~ Home of the Indri-Indri
- ◆ [Tsingy de Bemaraha](#) ~ A World Heritage Site
- ◆ [Belo sur Mer](#) ~ Sailing & Diving
- ◆ [Ifaty](#) ~ Spiny Forest & SCUBA
- ◆ [Masoala National Park](#) ~ Eastern rainforest
- ◆ [Berenty](#) ~ Lemurs, lemurs...
- ◆ [Isalo National Park](#) ~ Trekking

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