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~ Madagascar ~

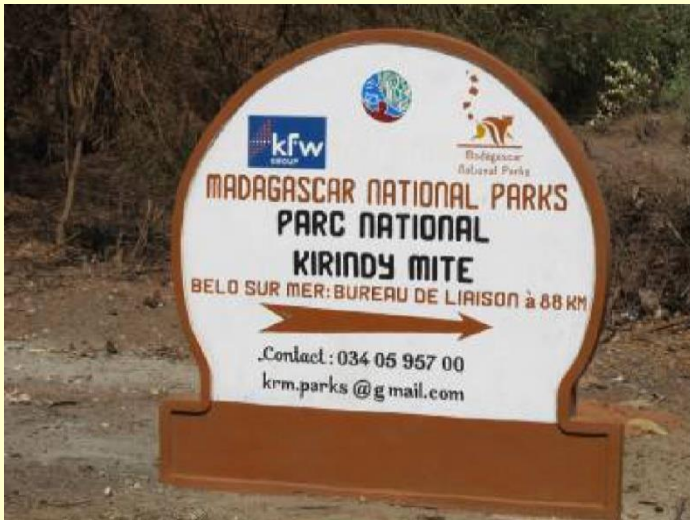


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Belo sur Mer & Kirindy Mite National Park

Seldom Visited ~ Truly Amazing ~ With Something for Everyone!



Belo sur Mer

Approximately 90 km south of **Morondava**, this picturesque village is home to the Vezo boat builders. Here craftsmen construct traditional 'botry' the large gaff rigged cargo and passenger sailboats which ply the waters of the west coast of Madagascar. Vessels in all phases of construction are found under the coconut trees which dot the harbor.

Belo sur Mer offers a wide variety of activities for all interests and energy levels. (See Below) Along with being the gateway to Kirindy Mite National Park, Belo is a friendly and relaxed village with beautiful white sandy beaches, excellent seafood and dramatic sunsets. Don't miss it!





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Belo Sur Mer, Madagascar - Madagascar's unique wildlife seems to have earned it a spot in our collective imagination, and there's no better or more romantic introduction to the island than Belo Sur Mer, a quiet fishing village on Madagascar's western coast. Peace and quiet are the order of the day in isolated Belo Sur Mer, so you'll have to plan day-trips to get out and explore the island's parks, but there's no better way to end the day than a long solitary stroll on one of Madagascar's gorgeous beaches and a dinner of fresh local seafood.

Kirindy Mite National Park



Where the West & South Ecosystems Meet

Activities & Options: Along with exploring [Kirindy Mite N.P.](#) there are many great options in and around Belo sur Mer. You can choose to base yourself at a comfortable lodge or camp on a beach or in the forest. Depending on your interests and according to how much time you have: day excursions; extended trekking & remote camping; focus on flora & fauna; snorkeling at offshore islands; whale watching (in season); Traditional sailing on the Mozambique Channel; deep sea fishing, fly fishing...

[Kirindy Mite](#) is a new and seldom visited national park which encompasses a wide variety of ecosystems: beaches; inland lakes; 7 offshore islands; spiny forest; Baobab forests; extensive coastal mangroves... With three species of baobabs; a wide variety of lemurs (including ringtails); fossa; birdlife (two species of flamingos) and the picturesque Lakes Ambondro & Lake Sirave complete the package.

Endemism Alert!

11 species of mammals, 10 of which are endemic; 23 species of reptiles, all endemic.
47 species of birds (33 of which are endemic)



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Accommodations & Food

Along with local Malagasy hotels and restaurants there are several tourist standard lodges located directly on the beach. Our recommendation: [Hotel Entremer](#)
Of course the sea food is as fresh as it gets. You may never want to leave!

Morondava

Most visitors start in Morondava and go overland or by boat to Belo sur Mer. We highly recommend the [Chez Maggie Hotel & Restaurant](#) a wonderfully relaxed setting with superb restaurant the Chez Maggie is an excellent 'home base' for exploring the western region.

Reaching Belo sur Mer

- ~ **Overland:** The road from Morondava (90 Km ~ 56 miles) to Belo sur Mer is usually open late-May through October.
- ~ **By Sea:** Travel by boat to and from Morondava (58Km ~ 36 Miles), for the most part, is possible throughout the year. Boat travel is subject to weather and sea conditions.
- ~ **Road & Sea Combo:** Experience both the interesting floral along road and beautiful coastline by sea.

Overland South: Morondava to Toliara

Belo sur Mer is also a popular stop en route further south to Toliara. The scenic coastal route to Toliara includes the option of stops in Andavadoaka and Salary Bay.



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