



# ISLAND ESCAPES

Dreaming of island life? From the beaches of the Maldives to the teeming waters of Mozambique, here are some five-star island idylls where we wouldn't mind getting marooned — just for a while



## HAVING A WHALE OF A TIME IN MOZAMBIQUE

*Anantara Bazaruto Island Resort*

The quartet of islands that adorn Mozambique's coastline are a vision of paradise and Bazaruto Island seamlessly blends with the surrounding, abundant natural beauty. Falling within the protective border of the archipelago, Anantara Bazaruto Island Resort offers extraordinary oceanic adventures in pristine, unspoilt waters. During Mozambique's whale-watching season, wildlife lovers can enjoy front row seats for the annual migration from the island resort. Every winter, pods of whales embark on their annual migration from Antarctica to Africa, one of the longest migrations in the world. They can be seen passing through the waters of Mozambique between June and December.

The whale-watching season offers an exciting opportunity to witness the majestic creatures during their epic journey, as well as a chance to explore the turquoise Indian Ocean waters, spot dolphins, humpback and southern right whales, and swim with sea turtles too.

Guests at Anantara Bazaruto Island Resort set off in the morning on their whale watching expedition on a 36ft Gulf Craft Trawler, with a choice of two trips available: a three-hour excursion or a half-day tour in search of whales and snorkelling amongst spectacular vibrant coral reefs and bountiful marine at Two Mile Reef. A half-day tour is followed by a picnic lunch at Pansy Island, with a tailored menu of barbeque delights, served by a personal waiter and chef.

The 'Journey of the Whales' experience at Anantara Bazaruto Island Resort is available from \$1,259 per night and includes accommodation for two people in a Beach Villa, a three-hour whale watching excursion, a picnic lunch at Pansy Island with a snorkelling experience, non-motorised water sports and much more.

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