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Beach pool villa at Anantara Bazaruto Island Resort, off the coast of Mozambique.

Thirty kilometres off the coast of Mozambique, the Bazaruto Archipelago is a cluster of six islands within a marine national park. Dugongs, humpback whales, dolphins, sharks and turtles call the islands home, making it popular with snorkellers and scuba divers. Resort brand Anantara has unveiled a makeover of its property on Bazaruto, the largest of the islands. All of its 22 beach villas, which offer direct access to the sand via a veranda, have been given a fresh new look with chic modern furniture, mood lighting and pops of bright African textiles. The palette of blue, grey and white is an ideal match for the Indian Ocean, and sunken baths and outdoor showers add to the appeal. In keeping with the feeling of luxe exclusivity, private plunge pools and decks have been added to seven of the beach villas. Golfinho, the resort's main restaurant, where guests enjoy breakfast and dinners that showcase local cuisine or venture to Portugal and the Mediterranean, has also had the designer treatment. The airy, plantation-style look includes cane chairs and an abundance of timber. Beach pool villas start at \$1560 a night.

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