



THE SANDS AT CHALE ISLAND

A gift of
nature

Coral seas abundant with fish life, coastal forests and mangrove swamps teeming with bird and insect life, snow white beaches offering safe warm bathing, and of course Kenya's world famous safari parks.



The
Island

Chale Island is a small romantic island situated 600 meters off the mainland. 10 km south of Diani, 1,2 km long and 0,8 km wide, with a general north/south orientation.

The Island is divided into two parts; resort and sacred forest or "kaya". The resort lies in 15 acres of indigenous ancient forest, with a stunning 10,000 square meter white sand bay which is protected by a vibrant coral reef.

With an explosion of colourful flora and fauna the island is truly magical and if that is not enough, also features a mystical inland tidal mangrove lake.





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The Beach

Kenya's beaches rank in the top ten worldwide and Chale Island's coral sand bay counts as one of the best that Kenya has to offer.

The secluded bay is covered with snow-white powder fine coral sand and due to the remoteness of the Island is the only beach in Kenya that can truly be called private.

Due to the lack of seaweed pile-ups, turtles frequently lay eggs in the bay adding to the charm of this magical Island.





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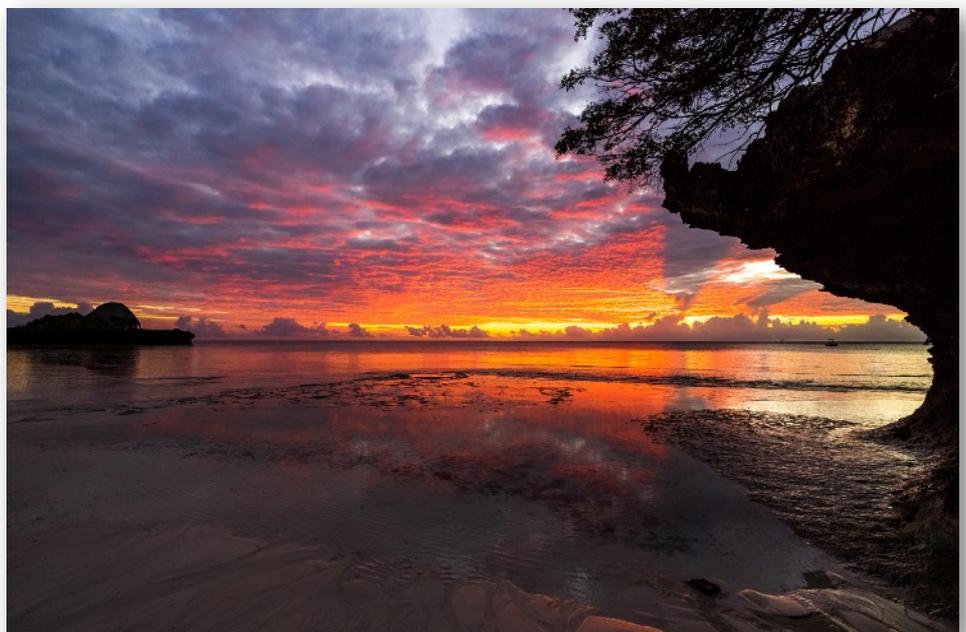
Welcome



Chale Island, a magical fusion of nature and comfort with elegance and romance.

A stunning white beach fringed by coral reefs and a tidal saltwater lake surrounded by a mangrove forest. A diverse mixture of indigenous and tropical flora that attracts a wide variety of fascinating insect and primate life.

All this combined with the loving care of our Kenyan staff will make your holiday intriguing, relaxing and warmly memorable.





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Structures

The Resort is a contemporary mix of Swahili structures, Italian stucco, Lamu furniture, objects of African art and varnished Mahogany.

Great care has been taken not only to preserve the natural environment of the island, but also to give a truly Kenyan feel by only using natural Kenyan products.





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Pools

There are three swimming pools on Chale Island.

Beside the reception is the main fresh water swimming pool, built with local stone and connected by a small waterfall to a sixteen seater whirlpool. Plentiful sun beds are scattered around the generous pool surround.

Located between the Standard Rooms is another swimming pool area with pool bar and sun beds. Enjoy the tranquility and relax with magnificent panorama views on the Indian Ocean.

On the other side of the Island by the SPA and fitness area is a salt-water swimming pool with steps leading directly into the sea at high tide offering a magical swim through the mangroves to the main jetty.





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The Hotel

The Sands at Chale Island offers six categories of accommodation to suit all tastes and demands, while always fulfilling the philosophy of “the buildings should be elegant but not luxurious, blending into the natural environment and reflecting the traditional architecture with a minimum four star standard”. All rooms are fully air-conditioned.

Spread out to offer the utmost in privacy and romance, even when at full capacity one has a tremendous feeling of peace and tranquillity.

The combination of white beach, tropical plants, laid back island flair and Kenyan hospitality is what dreams are made of.



28 Standard Rooms

All the standard rooms are sea facing, with direct access to the Galana Pool Bar that is nestled between the three structures. Spread before the rooms are generous sunbathing platforms on the cliffs offering stunning views of the Indian Ocean.

2 Penthouse Suites

Set well above the swaying treetops these suites offer breathtaking views of both ocean and Island.

Featuring a separate sitting room, a verandah with a stunning 270 degree view of the ocean, and an upstairs grotto with a Jacuzzi on the roof facing the sunset, the penthouse suites will give you the ultimate all round Island view.



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28 Bandas (swahili: small house)

Our Bandas offer a unique and truly coastal holiday.

All Bandas have high, palm thatch roofs with views either out to sea, over the beach, or panoramas encompassing lagoon, channel, mangroves and the setting sun over the Shimba hills. Sun beds set on private front lawns and large verandas with Swahili day beds give relaxing views.

Some Bandas have the addition of large doors that open from the bathroom directly into the private rear garden with an open air shower.



Overwater Suite

A first of it's kind in Kenya, the Water Suite is located on the northwest of the island with stunning views of Bird Island, Gazi bay and, in the distant sunset, the Shimba hills.

The water suite has a large bedroom with an en-suite bathroom, which looks out over the channel, and has a separate sitting room. It has a ladder down to the sea.





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Suite On The Rocks

Not only a honeymooners dream, everyone's dream! Situated on a separate islet connected to the main Island by a stone bridge, a thatched roof soars high above the circular construction, then plunges down in the middle allowing rainwater to fall directly into a mini garden in the center of the room. A circular stairway leads one around an intricately crafted wall garden to an upstairs lounge, while the front verandah overlooks a private Jacuzzi on the cliff face and a sunbathing deck where one can just chill out and relax. Extravagant opulence at its peak!





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Wine
&
Dine

A blend of traditional Kenyan cuisine with a healthy twist of Italian panache and a hint of the Orient ensure that each meal is an event to be looked forwards to and enjoyed. This, coupled to an extensive international beverage menu with a local taste of the exotic, and a well stocked wine cellar will complete your dream holiday. With a selection of bars and a restaurant to choose from, let us indulge you to the full.



Main Restaurant

With steps leading straight down to the center of the beach, the main restaurant is ideally situated to give the true Island feeling. A strong emphasis on seafood, the live grilling station and Pasta corner ensure that your meal cannot be any fresher. Traditional Kenyan cuisine, mixed with both Italian and Oriental dishes, will not leave you wanting in any aspect.

Chapateria

Enjoy our finest dining selection a la carte at Chapateria, an intimate corner next to the Main Restaurant. During day time our Chapateria serves a variety of snacks, salads, main courses and pizzas.



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Bars

Nestled between the Reception and the Restaurant is the Main Bar. Always open, our friendly staff are at hand to serve espressos, cold drinks, cocktails and a wide variety of wines and spirits.

The Galana pool bar is tucked between palm trees surrounded by the Galana pool and offers beers, soft drinks and cocktails.





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Activities

Unlike most other island destinations, Chale Island has something to offer everyone.

Normal island activities available include a magical SPA, a well equipped watersports center and a selection of boat excursions.

From Chale Island we can also offer you trips to Diani Beach Shopping Center and the famous Nomad Beach Bar, or for the more adventurous a wide range of safaris.



Diving

Based on the island with its own fleet of boats, “Diving The Crab” is a world-renowned PADI and SSI center.

Daily one or two tank dive excursions go to a selection of dive sites both to the north and south of the island. Shallow coral reefs dropping to depths of 30 meters abound with marine life and the added highlight of frequent Whale shark sightings from November to February make this a diver’s paradise.





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SPA & Fitness

The “Maisha Poa” (Swahili: good life) Spa and wellness center is built over the heart of the Island where the energies of the ancient mangroves, the tidal lake, the coral caves and the gentle breeze all cumulate to provide the perfect ambient in which to relax.



Nine open-air treatment rooms situated over the lake offer a wide range of treatments to pamper and re-energize you.

The fitness room is situated next to the Spa overlooking the saltwater pool. This open sided room is equipped with cardio machines and weights.





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Shopping

Two small but well stocked boutiques offer a wide selection of clothing, souvenirs, African art, jewellery, swimwear and toiletries.



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