

ZANZIBAR RETREAT HOTEL, MATEMWE, ZANZIBAR



Zanzibar Retreat Hotel - in short

Small picturesque hotel with 12 rooms, situated right on the beach

Built in a Swahili/colonial style

Peaceful place – free from music and entertainment

A lot of relaxing outdoor areas (by the pool, the beach, the bar area)

Excellent food in the popular sea view restaurant with a wide à la carte menu

The surroundings

The hotel is located in the small fishing village of Matemwe on Zanzibar's north eastern coast.

We have a good relationship with the village. Many of the hotel employees live in Matemwe, and local entrepreneurs supply goods and services.

We also cooperate with the village in supporting waste management.

The rooms

We have 12 rooms:

- 8 *Standard rooms* on the ground floor (of which 4 are on the poolside)
- 2 *Economy rooms* on the first floor with garden view
- 2 *Sea view rooms* on the first floor with balcony facing the sea

Two of the Standard rooms are connected with a shared bathroom. We offer them as a "Family unit".

There are air condition in all rooms and we offer free wifi.

The restaurant & bar

The restaurant and the bar is located at the seafront, overlooking the beach and the Indian Ocean. We offer a big variety of à la carte choices, an exciting mix of European style and Swahili culinary specialties. The half board alternative has a three course dinner menu.

The bar has a relaxing seating area.

We offer board games as well as beach games equipment.

Beach & pool

The beach is long, white and feels like powder.

The pool is 16 x 8 meters and has direct access from four of the rooms.

Both at the beach and by the pool there are plenty of sunbeds and parasols and in the shade of our screwed palms hammocks offer the perfect place to sleep or read.

Diving & snorkelling

We have a close cooperation with an established and trustworthy dive centre, Scubafish. They offer snorkelling/diving tours with a traditional wooden boat ("dhow") to the nearby Mnemba atoll, famous for the beautiful underwater world. Often dolphins are playing beside the swimmers.

Massage

We offer different kinds of massage services in a beach cottage, as well as manicure and pedicure.

Zanzibar activities

Some examples of popular activities/tours we can arrange:

Mnemba island - boat trip with snorkelling/diving

Nungwi - swim with turtles

Spice tour - visit a farm where spices grow

Jozani forest - meet the "Red colobus" monkeys, endemic to Zanzibar, walk in the mangrove forest

Stonetown - the old town with influences of African, Arab, Indian and European cultures

Kite-surfing - you find some centers at the beach

The reef - walk to the reef at low tide

The village - take a walk in Matemwe, the small fishing village, with a local guide

Local cooking classes - in our garden

Local development project - see local production of food and learn to cook, visit the village school

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The hotel, seen from the beach.



Outside the hotel.



Morning walks on the beach.



Our hammock area.



A regular room.



Fresh fish from the sea and salad from our own garden.



A popular activity - swim with turtles.



Heading to Mnemba island - for snorkelling/diving.