

CICRUIITS TSANGAN-TSAINA

CULTURAL TRAVEL

Duration: 4 days 3 nights

Departure: from Nosy be

Description of circuits

Number of pax: Customers + 1 Guide Accompagnateur + 1 Chauffeur

Vehicle type: spacious and air-conditioned car

Hosting:

- Bungalow in Mahamasina
- Hotel in Diego

Day 1: Nosy be - Ankify - Antsaravibe

Departure: 07:00 from the hotel to the port of Hell-City to Ankify (Grande Terre), in 40 minutes crossed.

From Ankify Continuation to the North crossing the typical tribal villages Antakarana on the one hand and a huge mahogany field that dominates the landscapes on the other hand, before joining the urban town of Ambilobe not to mention panoramic views and the ravinala forest. Passage on the Mahavavy river which makes the celebrity of the city of Ambilobe. Arrived at Ambilobe around 11am. After lunch continue towards Antsaravibe, where the mast stops. Before arriving at Ambatoharagnana. The transport of the mast is always on the back of man. A party will be

organized on the spot to mark that the event will be in some days. Traditional dance, singing and many activities especially for the Tsangan-tsaina will take place. Possibility in Bivouac

Day 2: Antsaravibe - Ambatoharagnana

Departure: 08am to Ambatoharagnana

Early in the morning, breakfast with the villagers, preparation then continuation for Ambatoharanana. Arrived at Ambatoharanana, installation and assistance to activities before the big day. At the same time it is the day when the mast arrives destination. A warm welcome from the inhabitants with all the participants. In the afternoon a descent to the level of the local population, direct contact with them through their customs and traditions, their way of life and especially the royal life. Dinner and overnight

Day 3: Ambatoharagnana - Ankarana

The erection of the Royal Mast called TSANGANTSAINY is only practiced on Fridays. Thus, this rite makes it possible to hoist the flag of the kingdom ANTAKARANA.

The MPANJAKA, in full uniform, surrounded by old counselors, on the sedan chair will make eight rounds of honor around the mast and in a silence of gold.

Rebika or sacred dances, of SAKALAVA origin, of warrior inspiration, are performed during any royal ceremony. At the end of the performance, the dancers come to kneel in front of the Mpanjaka, lowering their foreheads and presenting the rifle lying flat on their open hands.

Circumcision is mandatory for all ANTAKARANA males before the age of seven. The circumcision ceremony closes the great manifestation of TSANGANTSAINY. All Antakarana can be involved in this operation, whether they are noble or not.

Dozens of oxen will be killed during these events.

After these 3 cultural days, departure for Ankarana to convey the history of the Antakarana tribes

Day 4: Ankarana

Visit: Ankarana Special Reserve (Gray Tsingy - Loss of River - Lemurian)

35 minutes drive you arrive at Mahamasina, the main entrance of the park of Ankarana, after lunch on site, we start the tour of the park through the Tsingy Gris with its acute and spectacular formations; the loss of the river with its traces of fossilized animals, the 11 species of lemurs and the 92 species of birds that shelter its forests. In the late afternoon, visit the village of Mahamasina, dinner and overnight at the Mahamasina Hotel.

Day 5: Ankarana - Anivorano sacred lake

Departure: 07h 00 from Anivorano

This lake is behind the village of Anivorano near Ambilobe south of Antsiranana (Diégo-Suarez).

It is a very symbolic lake in these regions because it tells several facts.

It is said that a traveler who was dying of thirst asked the people of the village for water. A woman and her child nevertheless gave her water. The traveler ordered them to leave the village, which they did. Soon after, the village was engulfed by the waters and the inhabitants changed into crocodiles.

Continuation to Diego, lunch .After noon dinner and overnight at the hotel.

Day 6: Diego - Amber Mountain - Diego

Visit: National Park of Amber Mountain (Sacred waterfall - the station fox - the forest of the thousand trees).

Departure 7:30 Mahamasina taking the road to Diégo with a stop at the sapphire villages with a possibility of buying precious stones.

40 km south of Diego-Suarez there is Joffre Ville, the main entrance to the Montagne d'Ambre National Park. It rises on an altitude of 1470 meters at sea level and it is a forest rich in fauna and flora. Visit its crater lakes and its sacred waterfalls that contain the history of Antakarana royalty, Sanford lemur's fun in their fiefdom, the world's smallest chameleon the famous Brokesia, uroplatus the camouflage gecko, amphibians and endemic plants present in this northern primary forest.

A picnic is required on the camp reserved for the visitor inside this great forest, continuation to Diégo around 15h30 with a small tour of the city.

Day 7: Three Bays, Sugar Loaf and Ramena Beach

Visit: Sakalava Bay, Dune Bay and Pigeon Bay (French Mountain, Camp Miné and Ramena Beach)

Departure from the hotel at 08:30 to observe the island in the shape of sugar loaf, sacred place of the Antakarana and the baobabs of the French mountain in front, you will walk on beaches in the middle of sand dunes: the Sakalave bay favorite place for fans of windsurfing and kite surfing, the dune and pigeon bays with its deserted beaches of exceptional beauty, the mined Cape with the remains of military cannons and French fortifications.

Afternoon lunch at the Restaurant in Ramena with option free time for swimming and ballad on the beach.

Return to the hotel of Diego around 16:00

Day 8: Diego - Tsingy Rouge - Ankify - Nosy be

Visit: Grand Canyon in miniature.

Departure from the hotel at 6:00 am for 2:00 drive to the Tsingy Rouge through lush landscapes. Sedimentary formations composed of sandstone, marl, laterite and limestone with climate change and the deterioration of the environment and the infiltration of water from the bowels of the earth create the supernatural landscape unique in the world. just ask to be admired.

Picnic lunch on the road, arrived at Nosy Be around 17:00.

FORMALITIES RESERVED DURING THE CEREMONIES

The wearing of loincloth "Kitamby for men and Salovagna for women" is obligatory for all those who take part in ceremonies. Women must all braid and let go of their hair. Wearing hats and shoes are strictly forbidden too.

Service Included:

- ✓ Transfer from the hotel to the port
- ✓ Typical Bungalow
- ✓ Accommodation at the hotel Diego Suarez
- ✓ 4x4 (jeep)
- ✓ Breakfast
- ✓ Lunch time
- ✓ Guide
- ✓ Mineral water
- ✓ Entrance fee to the parks

NOSY BE PARADISE TOURS

Rue Raymond Poincaré

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Service Not Included:

- ✓ Diner
- ✓ Drinks
- ✓ Personal extras
- ✓ Tips for guides

Nb: interchangeable itinerary according to the client's preferred site