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As the holder of the most highly respected professional guiding qualifications in the world coupled with a Masters degree in Ecology and interests ranging from Botany, Bushcraft and Fly Fishing to Entomology and Recreational Flying, Ant is able to impart an incredible breadth and depth of knowledge to his guests.

For true nature and wilderness connoisseurs, Niassa Special Reserve is one of Africa's most understated destinations and a place that takes many visits to come anywhere near close to scratching the surface of this vast wilderness. Quite honestly, there are few places in Africa that can compare with being as wild or scenically beautiful as Niassa and when visiting certain parts of it, one needs to constantly pinch oneself to make sure you aren't in a Jurassic Park film set.

Gorongosa National Park is a spectacular 4,000 km2 (1,545 mi2) preserve located at the southern end of the Great East African Rift Valley. The ecosystem was severely stressed and wildlife numbers were down by at least 95% through the early 90s. However, with the help of the Carr Foundation and several other institutions, the park has made a massive rebound and is one of modern day Africa's greatest conservation success stories.









7 nights Luwire Wildlife Conservancy, Niassa Special Reserve and/or 3 nights Gorongosa National Park (optional extension)

Day I - 2 This epic adventure commences in Pemba from where we private charter into Luwire, Niassa Special Reserve. On arrival at Lugenda Airstrip we transfer to Monte Simba Fly Camp which will be our base for the night.

Day 2 - 3 Half day kayak/inflatable boat trip down the Lugenda River, arriving at our next campsite, located on a remote beach of the Lugenda. Explore the area in the afternoon on foot, then sundowner and dinner under the stars before a night drive.

Day 3 - 5 Depart camp on foot, exploring the Lugenda River and arriving at Lucinge Camp later in the morning for 2 nights, with a half/full day walk or exploring the Maranga Maranga or Masululu inselbergs.

Day 5 - 8 Depart camp, driving towards the main granite inselberg massif of Ngolonje and exploring the various pantanals and swathes of endless miombo woodland. 3 nights at Ngolonje exploring this incredibly beautiful section of the reserve.

Day 7 At additional cost, we may have the opportunity to take an afternoon scenic helicopter flight that ends with a night atop one of the very largest inselbergs in Niassa, an experience never to be forgotten.

Day 8 Option 1: After breakfast, charter back to Pemba in time to connect with Airlink to Johannesburg. Safari Ends

Option 2: Connect with our private charter flight to Gorongosa National Park for 3 nights at Muzimu Tented Camp.

 $\mathbf{Day~8}$ - 11 2 full days exploring Gorongosa National Park.

Day II After our morning activity, transfer to Chitengo Airstrip to meet with our private charter flight to Beira for an onward connection with scheduled flight back to Johannesburg.

