

# Company Profile



**Madagascar Classic Collection is a unique collection of experiential luxury lodges and camps in Madagascar, as well as a tour operator offering high-end tailor-made journeys throughout the island.**

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- RIVER CAMP -

## *Mandrare River Camp*

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Mandrare River Camp which opened to its first guests in 2007 is a luxury tented camp set on the banks of the Mandrare River. Our knowledgeable host/manager, the small size of the property and our remote location ensure an authentic wildlife and cultural experience for our guests.

Our seven semi-permanent tents are fully en-suite with a private terrace overlooking the river. Constant up-grades ensure that we are able to improve the product on an annual basis, the thatched river terrace opened in 2012 and a swimming pool to cool off in on warmer days will be installed for the 2015 summer season.

With two distinctive forest types, 5 species of lemur and countless birds and reptiles the wildlife experience at the camp shows the beauty of Madagascar's dry forest diversity. Mandrare River Camp is located in the heart of the Antandroy tribal area and we have fostered excellent relationships with the local communities to ensure that your guests are treated as 'Vahiny' (Welcome guests) not as tourists.





## Manafiafy Beach & Rainforest Lodge

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Manafiafy Beach & Rainforest Lodge was opened in 2010 offering wildlife and culture together with beautiful beaches and sea activities. The lodge is located two hours North East of Ft Dauphin in the village of Sainte Luce on a long private beach. With 4 spacious bungalows and a 2-room family bungalow the lodge offers beachfront luxury in a private, secluded bay. Each bungalow is nestled in the coastal forest, with a large private terrace, fully en-suite bathroom and panoramic glass windows for a magical view into the bay and forests.

As well as day and night walks in the Coastal Rainforest, the lodge offers boat activities such as whale watching, sport fishing and snorkelling. We have an excellent relationship with the local fishing community where lobster is the main export, so we are pleased to offer excellent Sushi & Sashimi and other fresh seafood at the lodge.

The forests around Manafiafy are home to numerous species of lemurs, amphibians and reptiles as well as excellent birding, especially in the huge mangrove and wetland eco-system which stretches over 40km.





## *Social & Environmental Responsibility*

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MCC focus on Sustainable Tourism, ensuring the smallest possible carbon footprint and supporting environmental and community programmes.

Manafiafy Lodge meets all of its electricity needs through 100% solar electricity, in Mandrare Camp all guest rooms are 100% solar and we have a small generator for pumping water. We also have tree planting projects and ensure that our environmental impact is always kept at an absolute minimum.

We are also proud of our social/community projects which guests are actively encouraged to visit, we have built schools and classrooms, provided electricity for Health Centres and Maternity clinics, as well as helping with educational supplies such as school satchels, pens and exercise books.

We believe that it is only by working with Madagascar's people that the benefits of their environment and the guests who visit it will be seen, thus ensuring the protection of the country's stunning wildlife and habitats.

## *Madagascar Classic Collection Company Ethos*

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MCC is a wholly British owned company based in Antananarivo Madagascar. Edward Tucker Brown, Managing Director, has worked in African tourism since 1999 and has lived in Madagascar since 2007.

Through our relationship with international tour operators we provide accommodation and ground services to a worldwide market. We are particularly proud that over 90% of our staff are Malagasy and we put great emphasis on training and encouraging our Malagasy employees to take more senior positions within our company rather than bringing in expatriate staff.

The MCC ethos is quality above all else. We ensure that through our staff, our vehicle fleet and office services we offer the highest quality tourism products in Madagascar.