

Planeta First

Solidarity ecotourism

Cultural tour in Madagascar

A week on Nosy Be getting to know Malagasy life: first words of Malagasy, Hell-Ville, cooking and dance, lemurs, ylang-ylang and a day out on the island of Nosy Komba.

Madagascar 5 days **From €550 per person**

The tour

This week on **Nosy Be** immerses you in Malagasy life, mixing cultural visits with time in nature. It starts with the essentials: local etiquette, the country's history and a few basic **Malagasy** phrases, so you can chat with people from the very first days.

You then explore the streets of **Hell-Ville**, head up **Mount Passot** for views across the island, learn to cook Malagasy dishes, hear the legend of the **sacred tree** and visit an **ylang-ylang** museum and distillery. There is a meeting with **lemurs** at a sanctuary, dance and traditional make-up sessions, a marine museum, a hike to a waterfall, and finally a day on the island of **Nosy Komba** with a picnic lunch.

It suits adults and families who want to get close to Madagascar's culture and people, in a warm and friendly atmosphere.

What makes it different

- Malagasy phrases from day one
- Cooking, dance and traditional make-up sessions
- A day and picnic on the island of Nosy Komba
- Lemurs at a sanctuary
- Views over Nosy Be from Mount Passot







Day by day

Monday: Hell-Ville and Mount Passot

A welcome meeting (house rules, health and safety), then a session on Malagasy etiquette, history and basic phrases. A guided tour of Hell-Ville, lunch at the accommodation and a visit to Mount Passot.

Tuesday: Cooking and the sacred tree

A hands-on Malagasy cooking class, lunch included, then a visit to the sacred tree and its legend.

Wednesday: Ylang-ylang and lemurs

The ylang-ylang museum and distillery, a meeting with Madagascar's lemurs, lunch at the accommodation, then dance and traditional make-up sessions.

Thursday: The sea and a waterfall

The Marine Museum and Madagascar's marine life, lunch at the accommodation, then a hike to a waterfall on Nosy Be.

Friday: Nosy Komba

A day on the island of Nosy Komba, with a picnic lunch surrounded by nature.

The programme may change depending on the weather and local conditions.

On site

Accommodation

Accommodation in a shared house on Nosy Be for the whole week.

Meals

Breakfast and dinner at the accommodation every day; lunch at the accommodation or while out (during the cooking class, and a picnic on Nosy Komba).

Arrival

Airport pick-up and transfer to the accommodation are included; the return transfer is not. The programme starts on Monday morning.

Departures

Departures every week, on Mondays

Included

- ✓ Airport welcome and transfer
- ✓ Accommodation in a shared house
- ✓ Meals
- ✓ All activities in the programme
- ✓ 24/7 support and supervision
- ✓ A donation to the local project

Not included

- × Flights
- × Travel and repatriation insurance
- × Return transfer

Ready to go?

The Freepackers team arranges your trip and answers your questions, with no commitment.

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Prices and dates are indicative as of 31 October 2026 and confirmed by the team when you enquire.