

# Nosy Be Island, Diana, Madagascar

Madagascar's Perfume Island — where black lemurs leap through primary rainforest, turquoise lagoons ring coral reefs, and the air itself smells of ylang-ylang. A tender port with big wildlife rewards for those who venture beyond the dock.

-  Tender port (no pier)
-  Typical call: 7-9 hrs
-  Euros & Malagasy Ariary (MGA)
-  French & Malagasy
-  Endemic wildlife

## 🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

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|------------|---------|-------------|
| Ship/Date: | Arrive: | All aboard: |
| Excursion: | Notes:  |             |

## GETTING ASHORE

**Docking:** Tender — ships anchor in the bay; 15-20 min tender to Hell-Ville pier

**Best For:** Wildlife (lemurs, chameleons), snorkeling, island hopping, ylang-ylang culture

**Walk to centre:** 5 min from tender pier to port gate; 15 min uphill to town (tuk-tuk recommended)

**Don't Miss:** Lokobe Nature Reserve or Nosy Komba for close-up black lemur encounters

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  \$5–\$15 per trip ·  **Rideshare**  not available

## TOP THINGS TO DO

- Lokobe Nature Reserve** — Nosy Be's last primary rainforest, reachable by taxi then traditional pirogue.
- Nosy Komba — Lemur Island** — A short boat ride from Hell-Ville, this volcanic island has semi-habituated black lemurs that climb onto your shoulders.
- Nosy Tanikely Marine Reserve** — A marine sanctuary island with vibrant coral gardens, reef fish, and sea turtles visible from the surface.
- Lemuria Land & SPPM Distillery** — A short tuk-tuk ride from the port, this eco-park lets you walk among lemurs, giant Aldabra tortoises, and chameleons...
- Andilana Beach Day** — The island's finest beach — a mile of white powder sand at the northern tip, framed by calm turquoise water.

## BEST WALKS

- Hell-Ville Waterfront & Bazar Be** 1-2 km · 30-45 min · Easy · Flat — From the tender pier, stroll along the waterfront, then cut uphill to Bazar Be — the bustling central market filled with heaps of...
- Sacred Banyan Tree of Mahatsinjo** Tuk-tuk ~15 min each way · ~1 hr total · Easy — A 200-year-old sacred banyan tree spreading over 5,000 square metres in the village of Ampombolava.

## WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

| Mon | High | Low | Rain |
|-----|------|-----|------|
| Apr | 85°  | 77° | 24d  |
| Jun | 81°  | 72° | 13d  |
| Aug | 81°  | 71° | 13d  |
| Sep | 82°  | 72° | 16d  |
| Oct | 83°  | 74° | 20d  |

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 5:53AM–5:40PM · Jun 6:07AM–5:27PM · Aug 6:01AM–5:41PM · Sep 5:41AM–5:42PM · Oct 5:21AM–5:44PM

## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring small-denomination euros. Euros are widely accepted by taxis, tuk-tuks, and tour operators. US dollars work but are less preferred. Credit cards are rarely accepted outside...
- Build in a 2-hour buffer. Madagascar moves at its own unhurried pace — 'slowly, slowly' is a way of life here. Traffic on the island's

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1** **Lemuria Land** See lemurs, chameleons, and a ylang-ylang distillery.
- 3** **Cascade de Nosy Be** Enjoy a refreshing natural waterfall.

- 2** **Mahatsingo Sacred Tree** Visit a giant, sacred banyan tree.
- P** **Cruise port / terminal**