

# SELECTED HOTELS & THEIR WEBSITES

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## STONE TOWN AREA

- 1) SERENA HOTEL\*\*\*\*: <http://www.serenahotels.com/zanzibar/inn/home.asp>
- 2) COFFEE HOUSE\*\*\*\*:

## ACTIVITIES IN ZANZIBAR

- **BIG GAME FISHING** - expansive fishing grounds ideal for game fishing
- **DIVING** – one of the best diving sites in the world are found in Zanzibar
- **SNORKELING** - clear waters very rich in unspoiled coral reefs
- **SAILING** – sailing for fun takes you back in time during the days of booming Persia – Zanzibar trade.....

Excursions Available Are Detailed Below:



### Spice tour

Zanzibar has earned its reputation over the centuries as the spice island. Four hour guided tour, which starts at Kibweni Palace through to Kidichi. Here are the Persian Baths built by Seyyid Said Sultan for his wife the Princess Shehrzard, one of the family member of the Shah of Persia. You will then proceed to Kizimbani spice plantations. Here you can see, touch and sometime taste a wide variety of spices, fruits, herbs and ornamental plants and flowers.



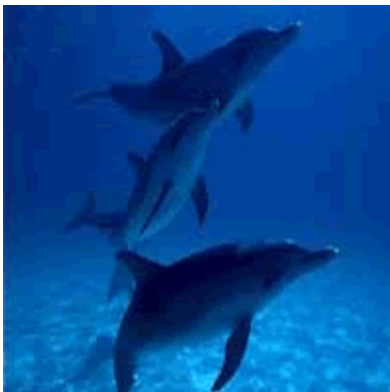
### Jozani forest tour

The Jozani forest reserve, lies between Chawaka bay and Uzi bay and it is the only remaining natural forest of Unguja and represents a very important refuge for the fauna of the island. The most interesting animals include the rare red Collobus monkey, two small antelope species (Zanzibar duiker and sunni) and the small Zanzibar leopard. A day out in the Jozani forest reserve is no doubt a well worth while and rewarding experience.



### Stone Town

It may not have a particularly romantic name, but Stone Town is the old city and cultural heart of Zanzibar, little changed in the last 200 years. It is a place of winding alleys, bustling bazaars, mosques and grand Arab houses whose original owners vied with each other over the extravagance of their dwellings. This one-upmanship is particularly reflected in the brass-studded, carved, wooden doors - there are more than 500 different examples of this handiwork. You can spend many idle hours and days just wandering through the fascinating labyrinth of narrow streets and alleyways.



### Dolphin Tour

Situated on the southern point of the island, Kizimkazi fishing village is home to several schools of bottle-nosed dolphins and Humpback dolphins, which can often be sighted following a short boat trip from the village. If you are lucky, you may be able to swim quite close to the dolphins, which can be a very rewarding experience. We are doing this trip in the afternoon to avoid the crowds of tourists in the morning, which in big numbers disturbing the dolphins. Kizimkazi is also the site of a 12th century mosque, the earliest evidence of Islam in East Africa, and is thus worth a visit for both natural and cultural reasons.



### Prison Island Boat Trip

It is a relaxing excursion that takes half-day to the this beautiful island from Stone Town. Although it was originally built as a prison it was never put into use. Later it was used as a quarantine of slaves for the whole of East Africa. The remnants of the built are still visible. The island offers a stunning view of Stone Town. There is very beautiful minor sandy beach where swimming in the crystal waters is marvelous. The coral reefs surrounding the island provide an opportunity for snorkeling. This is also a home of the giant tortoise, which is now under strict conservation. A short-guided tour around the island will provide the real picture.



### Safari Blue - "The best boat excursion in Zanzibar"

Safari Blue departs from the fishing village of Fumba in South West Zanzibar and we will take you to see the dolphins, sandbanks, islands and coral reefs of Menai Bay, a beautiful conservation area. Safari Blue is a full day trip and includes use of top quality snorkeling equipment with guides and instructors, ice cold sodas, mineral water and beers, a delicious Zanzibari seafood lunch with grilled fish and slipper lobster, gastronomic fruit tasting, coffee and Amarula liqueur. There is also an opportunity to sail in an "Ngalawa" - a traditional outrigger canoe-swim in a stunning mangrove lagoon and climb a huge and ancient baobab tree. We around the day off by returning to Fumba by traditional lanteen sail.



### North Coast - Nungwi

A full day excursion to the extreme north of the island via Marahubi, and Mvuleni where you can visit the Portuguese Ruins. There are a number of very interesting things to see and do including the traditional fishing village itself with resident speaking a peculiar Swahili dialect. Then the turtle aquarium with various species. A traditional boat yard and local market are amazing. At the end of the walk you can either relax on the sandy beaches or go swimming in the natural sea. Lunch and refreshments are arranged there to taste local delicacies or international food.