

BASE GUIDE

DREAM YACHT  CHARTER



THE INDIAN OCEAN | MADAGASCAR

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BASE ADDRESS

Locamarine Nosy Be

Port du Cratère

Andanpy, 207 Nosy Be

GPS POSITION: 13° 43 S – 48° 12 E

OPENING HOURS: 8am – 6pm

BASE MAP



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BASE CONTACTS

BASE MANAGER

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BASE FACILITIES

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electricity | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Luggage storage |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restaurant |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toilets | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bar |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Showers | <input type="checkbox"/> Supermarket / Grocery store |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laundry | <input type="checkbox"/> ATM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming pool | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wi-Fi | |

BASE INFORMATION

LICENSE

Sailing license required: Yes No

PAYMENT

The base can accept: Visa Mastercard Amex Cash

EMBARKATION TIME

Embarkation is 3pm.

YACHT BRIEFING

All briefings are conducted on the chartered yacht and will take 40-60 minutes, depending on yacht size and crew experience.

The team will give a detailed walk-through of your yacht's technical equipment, information about safe and accurate navigation, including the yacht's navigational instruments, as well as mooring, anchorage and itinerary help. The safety briefing introduces the safety equipment and your yacht's general inventory.

STOPOVERS

First and last night are free in the marina.

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DISEMBARKATION TIME

Disembarkation is 9am.

The team will inspect your yacht's equipment and a general visual check of its interior and exterior. A diver will check its hull, keel, rudder(s) propeller(s) and /or bow thruster. General inspection will take approximately one hour.

CAR PARK

Street parking is available and if you need reserved parking for your stay, please contact the base manager.

BAGGAGE

Please only take soft bags and not suitcases, as they would be too cumbersome onboard.

BASE AND EMERGENCY CONTACTS

- Base emergency telephone number: +261 34 85 535 62
- Marina emergency telephone number: +261 34 85 535 70
- Coastguard emergency telephone number: +261 32 11 258 27
- VHF base channel: 12
- VHF marina channel: 6
- VHF emergency channel: 16

HOW TO GET THERE?

ACCESS BY PLANE

Antananarivo Airport (TNR): You can fly via Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG) to Madagascar's main airport and get a connecting flight with [Air Madagascar](#) to Nosy Be Fascene Airport (NOS). It's a 30-minute taxi transfer to the marina. You can also fly via European cities, such as Paris and Rome, to Nosy Be Fascene Airport (NOS) with a stopover on the way, ahead of your vacation sailing Madagascar. Alternatively, you can fly via Réunion and Mayotte. Please check the schedule on the [airport website](#).

TRANSFERS FROM THE AIRPORT TO OUR BASE

If you need an organized transfer from the airport, please contact our base manager. Major car rental companies operate from the airport, please refer to the airport website for info, working hours and contacts. Taxis are regularly available in front of the airport buildings.

Information subject to change without notice.

PROVISIONING & RECOMMENDATIONS

BASE PROVISIONING SERVICE

This base provides a provisioning service: Yes No

LOCAL SUPERMARKET

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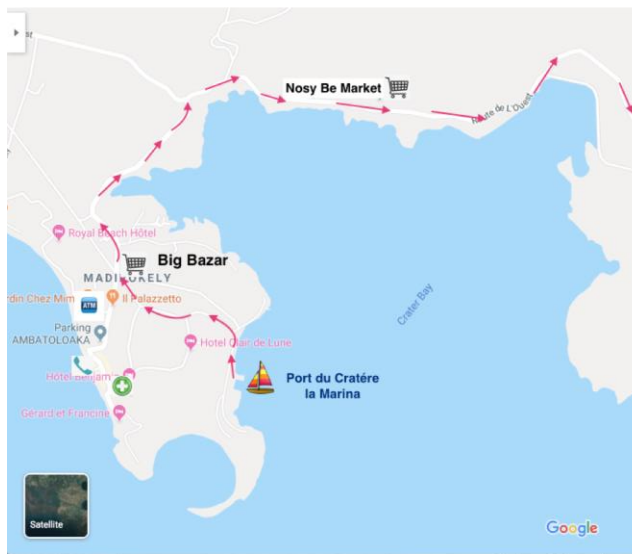


Leader Price

Centre Commercial Le Mall

Andoany, Nosy Be

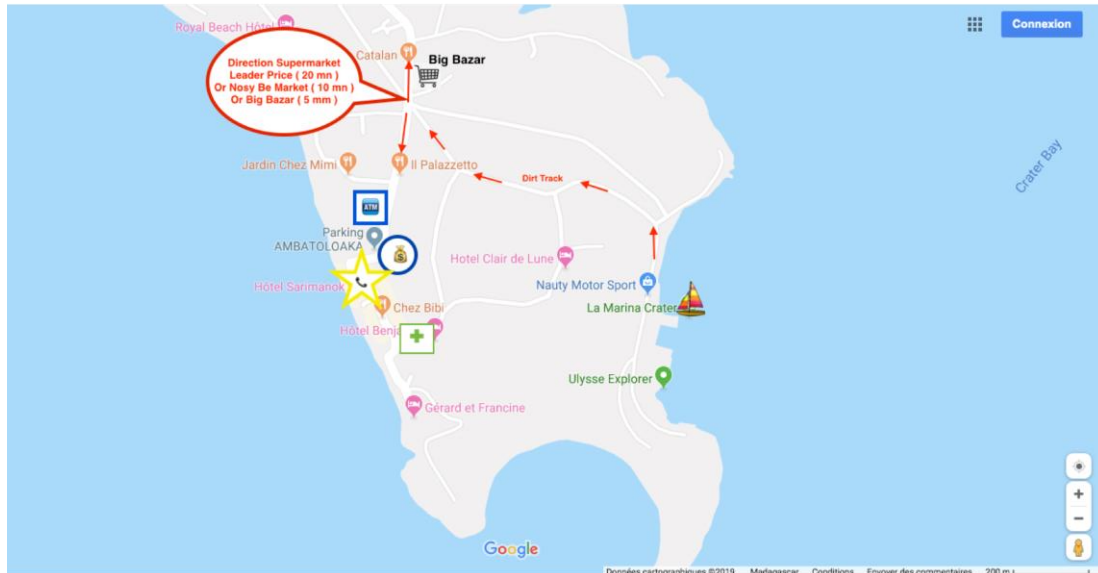
There are plenty of provisioning options in Madagascar and make sure you provision before arriving at the base so you don't have to make multiple journeys.



Day	Time
Monday - Saturday	7:30am – 7:30pm
Sunday	7:30am – 1pm

Only use Leader Price supermarket as it has the biggest supply of fresh products - it's around 30 minutes from the base and on the way from the airport. For fruits, you can buy from sellers on the side of the road. Make sure your taxi is big enough for provisions. The supermarket does not provide plastic bags and you are not allowed to take cardboard boxes on board, so you may want to bring your own shopping bags.

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We recommend that you return to our base to refill with water during your cruise as it is difficult to resupply without water cans and a dinghy on the other islands.

Opening hours may differ during public holidays and are subject to change without notice.

FUEL AND WATER

Your yacht will have full tanks of fuel (yacht & dinghy), water, one bottle of cooking gas and one spare bottle. Base staff will take care of refilling water and diesel tanks and for additional fee. You can refill with water at Hell Ville's harbor.

HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:

- [L'Heure Bleue](#)
- Madirokely Beach | Bp 372, Nosy Be
- [Hotel Sarimanok](#)
Bp 49 Villa Sophie | Beach, Ambatoloaka, Nosy Be
- [Royal Beach Hotel](#)
- Bp 58, Madirokely, Nosy Be

RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS:

- [Le Baobab Café](#)
- [L'Heure Bleue Restaurant](#)
- [Le Karibo](#)

AREA GUIDE

LOCAL AREA INTRODUCTION

Madagascar is known as “Treasure Island” due to its sheer diversity, Radama and Mitsio archipelagos, beautiful sea and geological curiosities. It’s also home to a myriad of flora, fauna and wildlife, such as lemurs, whale sharks and humpback whales.

Located in the Indian Ocean, off the coast of Africa, Madagascar is a showcase of influences from cultures all around the world, particularly, France. Its 3,000 miles of coastline offer unspoiled waters with great spots for scuba diving and snorkeling.

To sail in Madagascar, you will need a sailing license that is recognized by the local port authorities, or you can hire a skipper.

TOP THINGS TO DO IN MADAGASCAR:

- 1. Visit the Nosy Iranja turtle reserve:** Affectionately known as ‘Turtle Island’, this private remote island is home to a hawksbill turtle breeding reserve where visitors can witness the endangered turtles come ashore to lay eggs. Be greeted by the friendly lemurs before taking some time to enjoy scuba diving where the underwater sites are excellently preserved.
- 2. Sail to Nosy Kalakajoro:** Continue sailing the Radama archipelago with a visit to Nosy Kalakajoro, popular with sailors for its unspoiled beaches, luxurious vegetation and clear waters that are perfect for snorkeling and swimming.
- 3. Explore the village of Ampogorina:** The largest village in Nosy Komba, where you can shop for exotic fruits and vegetables, fresh fish, as well as local arts and crafts. Despite tourism growth, the island’s Malagasy way of life remains untouched in this village.
- 4. Visit Nosy Tanikely:** Go ashore and visit the island’s national park. Enjoy swimming and snorkeling with sea turtles and various species of colorful fish.
- 5. See the tortoises at Nosy Mamoko:** This small island haven is home to lemurs and giant tortoises that stroll slowly through the lush vegetation. Nosy Mamoko represents an important cultural heritage, because the king of the Sakalava sought refuge here during the times of civil war. For this reason, part of the island remains closed off to tourists.
- 6. Discover Baramahamay River:** This splendid river is surrounded by hills, lush mangroves, tiny beaches and fertile coconut trees. The waters offer reef and ambient scuba diving where you can see a range of colorful sea life. Visit the village of Marohariva, where locals are friendly, and enjoy trading freshly caught fish with the sailors who visit there.

CURRENCY: Malagasy Ariary

There is not a lot to buy locally except seafood from local fishermen and handicrafts. You only need \$100-200 per person for a week and in small bills as the locals will not have change.

VOLTAGE: 220V

DIALING CODE: +261

INTERNET

There is Wi-Fi at our base and Internet access via cafes and Wi-Fi hotspots, but you may need to pay. Cell phones can work depending on zones but don’t forget the roaming fees! At the supermarket, you can find an ATM and places to buy SIM cards.

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CUSTOMS CLEARANCE

US citizens need a passport valid beyond their departure date with at least one page free for visa stamps and a valid visa. You will need to show return flight tickets and that you have sufficient funds for your stay.

ENVIRONMENT

- Respect your surroundings and leave only footprints in the sand
- Only use the engine or genset when needed (fill up your tanks for the water maker at the docks when you can)
- Recycle your garbage in the correct containers at the marina
- Respect regulations around marine reserves and private islands where disembarking is not permitted

REGULATIONS

Gun fishing is prohibited in Nosy Tanikely Marine Reserve. In some marine park anchorages taking anything from the sea is strictly prohibited. Respect private island restrictions where disembarkation is often not permitted. In the villages, it's forbidden to give out money or any item for free to people or children, especially in small villages.

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SAILING CONDITIONS

SAILING AREA

The lush tropical island of Nosy Be, where our base is located, is the perfect starting point for an unforgettable yacht charter. Located just 5 miles off the northwestern coast of Madagascar, it's known as a premier beach destination with palm-fringed, white sand beaches, a relaxed ambience and endearing black lemurs. Ambondrona is possibly the island's finest beach, with sheltered conditions that ensure calm waters and safe swimming all year round.

Visit some of the island's national parks and nature reserves, such as Andasibe-Mantadia, or discover its cheeky lemur inhabitants. These ring-tailed monkeys are native to the island and will greet you as soon as you go ashore in Nosy Iranja.

For marine life, visit Nosy Kalakojoro where you can see leopard sharks, humpback whales (if you visit at the right time of year), manta rays and dolphins. With all these riches, it's no surprise that Madagascar has been referred to as the fourth continent and promises you a spectacular sailing experience.

If you are sailing, please note, you cannot sail between sunset and sunrise. Make sure you use charts on the Greenwich scale for longitude (not Paris scale). You cannot use navigation software on these boats as there is a 1km difference.

WEATHER

The best time to visit is between May and October when the climate is temperate and cooler, while the summer months from November to March are hot with variable rainfall and possible monsoons. Temperatures in Madagascar are tropical and warm year-round with midday temperatures averaging 85°F.

TEMPERATURE

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Climate in Madagascar:

- Summer high: The November high is around 90°F
- Winter low: The August low is 66°F

WIND SYSTEMS

From October to July, there is an easterly blowing varatraz wind in the mornings and the westerly Talo wind in the afternoons. From August to September, the varatraz is dominant throughout the day but is strongest during the afternoon when it can reach 45 knots. There are two tides each day, with a maximum range of around 14ft.

LOCAL FORECAST

You can find Madagascar weather forecasts on the [WindFinder](#) website.