Madagascar Highlands Trekking Tours - 11 Days

Offer ID: UAM-79

Length of Time: 11

Price from: Auf Anfrage €

Of course, you can also book separate horseback riding tours in the mountains or along the east coast.
Embark on an 11-day horseback riding tour in Madagascar's highlands, where you'll pass by mysterious volcanic landscapes and picturesque mountain lakes.
In the idyllic town of Ampefy, you'll witness Madagascar's vibrant culture.
Experience the beauty of Madagascar on horseback with our guided tours!

Travel Days

Day Description	Images
1. Day: Arrival in Antananarivo Arrival at the Antananarivo airport. From there, you will be taken to the Villa Sybille. After a short transfer (approximately 10 minutes), you will arrive at your welcoming and cozy accommodation for the first night.	

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2. Day: Discover the Land and its People Your riding tour starts in the **heart of the island**, where your horses will be ready for you. A knowledgeable driver will accompany you there after breakfast. On the way, you have the opportunity to visit a **Lemur Park** and admire the cute primates up close. After a **typical local lunch**, you will be taken to the ranch where you will meet your horses. You will spend the night at the ranch after a delicious dinner made from regional products.	

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Day 3: The first small horseback riding tour Today you will get to know your horse properly. On this easy tour, you will have plenty of opportunities to **build a friendship with your horse** and get accustomed to the terrain. After a short break at midday, you will return to the ranch and gather strength for the **adventurous experiences of the next few days** during a shared dinner.	

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Day 4: Exploring the Beautiful Landscapes of River Lily (5-6 hours of horseback riding) Start your day by riding along the Sakay River deeper into the central west of Madagascar. Enjoy lunch in **Babetville**, a town built by immigrant families from Réunion in the 1950s. In the late afternoon, witness a **picturesque sunset** and savor a traditional **campfire-cooked dinner**. Sleep under the stars of the Southern Hemisphere at a tent camp by the River Lily.	

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5. Day: The Mananasy Crater Lake and the Town of Soavinandriana **(about 5-6 hours of riding time)** On the fifth day, your destination is a small crater lake that you can reach via paths made of volcanic rock. Upon arriving at Lake Mananasy, **a picnic awaits you**. Next, you will ride down to the town of Soavinandriana on paths that can be quite steep. In the town, you will reach your accommodation. You will spend the night at the cozy and family-friendly Chaumière, which offers you **a unique view of Lake Itasy**. •	

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6. Day: From Ampefy to Manazary/Lake Amparihikely (about 5-6h riding time) Ride through rice fields and narrow paths within the plantations as you climb **a proud 1500m** on horseback today. This challenging ride is rewarded with an **impressive 360° panorama** that encompasses the entire area around Lake Itasy. Gallop along the dam and finally set up your camp in the east of Manazary. At the shore of Lake Amparihikely, **the small fishing boats gently sway in the waves** as you end the day of riding with a drink in a cozy circle around the campfire.	

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7. Day: Back to Civilization - Ampefy **(about 5-6 hours of riding time)** On the seventh day of your horseback riding tour, you will follow winding paths above Lake Itasy. Along the way, you will pass through **charming, small villages** with lovely houses and intricately decorated wooden balconies. You will ride through banana plantations and take advantage of the sandy trails for some short gallops. Next, you will reach a crater lake and eventually the **well-greened town of Ampefy**, where you will have plenty of time to wander around. You will spend the night at the cozy Belle Vue hotel.	

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Day 8: Rushing Waterfalls and Bubbling Geysers (about 5-6 hours of riding time) Embark on a journey through a unique volcanic landscape along the banks of the Lily River, until you reach its source. Here, you will have a breathtaking view of the **paradisiacal Lily Waterfalls**, cascading up to 25m deep. You will also have the opportunity to purchase some souvenirs made of pumice stone, crafted by the locals themselves. After a short break, ride across **black volcanic rock** and arrive in the late afternoon at the **bubbling geysers**. In the evening, enjoy a typical local dinner. Spend the night in a cozy tent camp.	

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9. Day: The Rice Chamber of Madagascar (approx. 4 hours riding time) Today's itinerary includes a ride to the picturesque Lake of Andranomena. Along the way, you will cross mountain foothills and take in the breathtaking views of Madagascar's rice chamber: **3000 hectares of irrigated rice fields** spread out before you. End the day once again at the geysers in the familiar camp.	

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Day 10: Back to Antanarivo (approx. 3 hours drive) Leaving behind the world of geysers, you embark on your journey to the final natural spectacle of your trip. Your ride ends at the mysterious gorge known as **La Marmite du Diable – the Devil's Cauldron.** The river Mazy has carved a round crater into the rocks with tremendous force, creating a fascinating landscape through **erosion.** After a leisurely lunch, you'll drive approximately 3 hours back to Antanarivo, passing through Tana, where you'll once again stay at Villa Sibylle for the night.	

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11. Day: Authentic and close to Madagascar's capital On the last day, you can design it according to your wishes. After a hearty breakfast, you have time to explore Madagascar's capital. Take a stroll through the streets of Antananarivo and witness the colorful and cheerful chaos of the city. Take your time to browse for souvenirs and taste the local specialties at the market before you begin your journey back home.	

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Key Information: During our **11-day horse riding tour**, you will be accompanied by an **English- or French-speaking guide**. You will stay in specially selected accommodations in **twin rooms**. For overnight stays in the countryside, we provide **modern tents** for you. **Breakfast** and **dinner** will be served either at the respective inn or provided by us, sometimes prepared in a traditional way over a crackling campfire. Lunch usually consists of a small **snack pack** or a little **picnic**. Unless stated otherwise in the program, we also provide **light meals** for you. The tour is suitable for **1 to 10 participants**, all of whom should have been riding confidently for **2 to 3 years**. Our **stallions and geldings** are **well-groomed and easy-going animals**.	

Facts & Figures

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