

Paragliding Trip In Madagascar - Special Paragliding Journey With Hartmut Gföllner

Offer ID: UAM-34

Length of Time: 14

Price from: 2590 €

Join Hartmut Pföllner on a paragliding adventure through various flying sites in Madagascar. Experience thrilling volcano flights in Ampefy, soar through thermals in the Tsaranoro area in the south, and end the trip with serene soaring flights along the Mozambique Channel. Book your Tag with us today and discover the beauty of Madagascar from above!

Travel Days

Day Description

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14-Day Flight Tour through Madagascar - General Description

We strive to adapt to flight conditions with a maximal degree of flexibility.

However, when traveling in a group, improvisation is not always possible, which is why an overview of the trip can be found below in the text. With a bus, a 4x4 vehicle including a driver, two local guides, and a local flight instructor, we will explore the island together – both from the ground and from the air.

We will visit impressive flight mountains, as well as landmarks and attractions. Depending on the weather, we will visit a Lemur Park, a botanical garden, take walks to the Lily waterfalls and geysers. This trip is also suitable for non-flying companions.

The trip is divided into three flight areas.

There are some long bus rides to cover the distances between the different flight spots.

1) Antananarivo / Ampefy



Day 1 - Arrival in Antananarivo

Our German tour guide, Klaus Konnerth, will pick us up at the airport and take us to our nearby hotel. Participants who book the flight we recommend will be picked up by our shuttle service.

If you book a different flight, you will need to arrange and pay for a taxi yourself. We will spend the night at a hotel near the airport.



Day 2 and 3 - Ampefy and Surroundings

The area around Lac Itasy invites you to embark on a journey of discovery. We have two days to explore from various volcanic cones. If the weather gods are on our side, we will set off for another thermal flight.

There is plenty to see in the area around the lake. Flying is always our top priority, but the area also offers a strikingly beautiful volcanic environment. It is little known, yet one of the most scenic regions in all of Madagascar.

Once again, overnight stay at the "Kavitaha" hotel.



Day 4 - Ampefy to Antsirabe

If the new road from Ampefy to Antsirabe is passable at that time, we will quickly pass through the untouched tourist areas on our way to Antsirabe.

There, we can visit this charming city and take a flight if time allows. If not, we will head east back to Antananarivo and then south to Antsirabe. As the most important industrial city in Madagascar, Antsirabe is also located in a landscape shaped by volcanic activity from ancient times, giving it its own unique charm.

The fertile soils of the region make it the "vegetable garden of Madagascar". We will stay at the Hotel "Chambres du Voyageur" during our time in Antsirabe. [Link to hotel]



Day 5 - Antsirabe - Ambositra - Ambalavao

Early in the morning, we pack up and head south, where we will enjoy rice fields, eucalyptus forests, and the magnificent landscapes of the Malagasy highlands. We make a stop in Fianarantsoa, where we will visit the country's most famous photographer, Pierrot Men.

Next, we continue to Ambalavao. Here, the landscape becomes even more impressive: huge granite formations surround us, and the silhouette of the Andringitra Mountains in the background is truly breathtaking.

In the evening, we embark on a sunset flight from the "lying woman" when conditions are optimal. This will give us the opportunity to admire the full splendor of this majestic area – a truly unique experience.

Overnight at the Betsileo Country Lodge.



Day 6 - Ambalavao – Andringitra Mountains

Welcome to the paradise of paragliders.

The towering mountains of Andringitra, the rocky cliffs, and the spectacular, unforgettable landscapes, wide valley floors without any obstacles, roads, or power lines make our paragliding hearts soar. And that's not all that makes this area the ultimate spot for paragliding in Madagascar: stable and easy-to-assess weather conditions, as well as the friendly locals who help us carry our equipment, make the experience even more heartwarming.

Depending on conditions, we will spend the rest of the day paragliding here.

Madagascar offers extraordinary opportunities for paragliders. The most beautiful and best of them are undoubtedly the Tsaranoro Valley and the Pic Chamäleon. In the early afternoon, we will hike around 30 minutes to the take-off point.

And once again, it's time to fly, fly, fly. The region reveals an even greater charm from the air than from the ground.



Days 7 and 8 - Tsaranoro and Andringitra Mountains

We hike early in the morning to Pic Chameleon and take flight into the new day.

A second flight in the afternoon is usually possible. Depending on the guests' interests, camps can also be organized on the summit of Pic Chameleon or near the take-off site. Otherwise, we will spend the two nights again at the "Tsarasoa Lodge".



Day 9 - Andringitra – Sarondrano

Embark on the final stage of the journey as we head south to the island of Madagascar, where the landscape becomes more barren and remote: savannas, valleys with mango trees, and rocks that every pilot dreams of. The towering Isalo mountain range, home to the country's most significant national park, comes into view.

Scarcely any villages, sapphire mines with an almost "wild west" atmosphere, and typical African landscapes surround us. However, at this time of year, the desert is green.

The views are almost limitless, with huge baobabs scattered here and there. Before reaching Toliara, the major city on the Mozambique Channel, we turn south and eventually arrive at the former pirate haven of Saint Augustin.

Located at a quiet bay at the mouth of the Onilahy River, with the channel behind and the rugged coastline in front, Saint Augustin is a picturesque spot. To conclude this journey, we



Days 10 and 11 - Sarondrano – Saint Augustin

Blue and turquoise as far as the eye can see: we are at the Canal of Mozambique, which separates Madagascar from the African continent by about 400 kilometers. A turquoise lagoon, blue sky, and the colorful outrigger canoes of the Vezo await us on the beach to take us to the dunes, where gentle soaring flights are already waiting for us.

Flights and/or excursions are on the agenda for two full days.

The lodge is beautiful, and every day a logistics plan is set up according to the meteorological conditions to allow unforgettable soaring flights. A great way to end a trip!

Accommodations at the "<u>Résidence Eden Lodge</u> ".



Day 12 - Saint Augustin – Tuléar – Antananarivo

Depending on the departure time, we need to arrive at the airport in Tuléar on time. If the flight is in the afternoon, the city can still be visited. The return flight to Antananarivo will be with Tsaradia.

Antananarivo and Surroundings

If the weather conditions allow, flights in the immediate vicinity of the capital Antananarivo are offered. Otherwise, city visits can be undertaken – depending on the interests of the participants.

Overnight stay at Villa Sibylle.



Day 13-Antananarivo and Surroundings

Today, you can plan your day according to your personal wishes.

Explore the city or take a trip to the surroundings of **Antananarivo**, where all kinds of fruits and vegetables are grown on large plantations. We highly recommend a visit to the **Lemurs Park**, where you can get up close to the quirky lemurs. In the evening, make sure to indulge in the culinary delights of the island. We are happy to advise you and provide you with appropriate addresses.



Day 14 - Return flight to Europe

In the afternoon or evening, we will take you to the airport. Most return flights are after midnight, so you will appreciate the opportunity for a "Dayuse" at the hotel to relax and prepare everything before your flight.



Facts & Figures

Travel Information

Day:

On Request

Price:

€ 2,590,– including accommodation in a double room at a Bed & Breakfast (excluding flight)

Guides:

Hartmut Gföllner and Klaus Konnerth

Number of Participants:

min. 8 people / max. 16 people

Single Room Supplement: €450

Travel Information:

Each participant will receive detailed travel and itinerary information via email after booking.

What to Bring:

Pilot's license + IPPI Card

Proof of insurance

Travel health insurance with repatriation coverage

Services

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Included in the base price:

Logistics and guidance from an experienced German-speaking tour guide and a local flight instructor

Minibus with driver throughout the tour (including diesel)

All overnight stays in specified hotels with breakfast All transfers, rides including taxes as per program

Not included in the base price:

Lunch and dinner

Sightseeing and excursions with additional local guides and optional leisure activities

National park fees (entrance fees in Isalo National Park)

Luggage porter (price per climb approximately €3)

External local guides (around €10 per person)

International flights and domestic flights (domestic flight approximately €100 - €250)