



TREE HOUSE DESCRIPTIONS

MOJA (1)

As you climb the stairs into Treehouse Moja the first thing that strikes you is the stunning vista – looking out towards the blue seas of Chole Bay, framed by mangroves, vines and the majestic baobab which dominates the sundeck. Lie back on the king-sized bed and ease into island life by watching the white-sailed dhows float past and the fish eagles and kites soar in the sky. After a day of enjoying excursions relax under the hot shower which is nestled in a creaking bamboo thicket.

MBILI (2)

Treehouse Mbili is the granddaddy of all the treehouses – not only is it one of the largest with two spacious floors both housing double beds but it is also constructed around a colossal baobab. From both floors guests can enjoy sumptuous sea breezes and the ever-changing panoramas out past the mangroves towards the Marimbani sandbank.

TATU (3)

Reached by walking through a foliage tunnel Treehouse Tatu perches on top of the rocks looking over a small private beach and at high tide guests can enjoy the sound of the sea lapping underneath the house. The treehouse is made up of two separate houses connected by a staircase – shaded under a Tamarind tree the main house has a king-sized bed and views over the mangrove to the sea, pass down the stairs onto a lower platform the second house is snuggled in a rock garden and has two single beds – perfect for children to study the shore life of the island.

NNE (4)

Situated on the northwest corner of Chole island, Treehouse Nne offers fantastic 360 degree outlook of Chole Bay and Mafia island. Designed around an impressive baobab and set over two levels, the treehouse has a king-sized double bed on the first floor and a single bed on the upper storey – a perfect place to relax and catch the afternoon breezes or watch the sunset and glimpse the fruit bats fly over to Mafia.

TANO (5)

Treehouse Tano is set in the midst of the fig-entwined ruins of what was once a large merchant house built during the 19th-century peak of Chole, when the bustling trading port flourished by the dealings between the Shirazi Sultanate of Kilwa, on the Tanzanian coast, and the Omani Sultanate of Zanzibar. The house is arranged over two storeys with a king-sized bed on the first floor and the single bed on the upper level, both of which have views towards the ocean over a sea of bougainvillia. When the figs are ripe the tree at Tano becomes a favourite haunt of the beautiful 'flying foxes' that roost on Chole.

SITA (6)

This 'ground house' is perfect for young families or anyone absolutely requiring a flushing toilet. Sita is very large, with multi-levels to create separate spaces: the throne-like built-in king-size bed is on the highest level, followed by two single beds on the next level. It also has a sunken, mosaic bath and shower under the same roof for convenience. Even though Sita offers complete privacy with a low makuti roof and strategically placed vegetation, the house is light, airy and open to the vast gardens of the Lodge. Guests can sit on the front porch and enjoy watching the monitor lizards, paradise flycatchers, fire finches and sunbirds go by.

SABA (7)

Saba, built around a flamboyant tree and surrounded by ruins, offers some of the best views over the channel to Mafia. Wake up from either the king-sized bed or the two single beds on the upper level to waves lapping at the frangipani lined beach and the 19th century jetty and watch the fishermen arrive with their early morning catch. Saba is spectacular for sunsets, watch it from under the shade of the sundeck which sweeps over the beach towards the mangroves.