

# BOM BOM PRÍNCIPE ISLAND

São Tomé and Príncipe, Príncipe Island



Picture a small islet hidden amongst tropical forests with its own paradisiacal beaches and you'll get some idea of what awaits you at Bom Bom Príncipe. With 19 comfortable rooms, you can opt for a pool view, garden view, sea view or step right off your veranda onto the beach.

## Location & Access

The resort is located at Príncipe Island, São Tomé and Príncipe

### BY AIR

From Portugal with TAP Portugal | [www.flytap.com](http://www.flytap.com) or STP Airways | [www.stpairways.st](http://www.stpairways.st)

From Accra, Ghana with TAP Portugal.

From Libreville, Gabon with Afrijet | [www.flyafrijet.aero](http://www.flyafrijet.aero)

From Luanda, Angola with TAAG | [www.taag.com](http://www.taag.com)

A domestic flight from São Tomé international airport operates daily to Príncipe Island.

In São Tomé main island, accommodation is provided at the boutique hotel Omali | [www.omalilodge.com](http://www.omalilodge.com)

Please ask us for further details.



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## São Tomé and Príncipe

Floating in the Gulf of Guinea, Africa's second-smallest nation, blends natural wonders with a gripping history. Once a vast network of plantations and a centre of global cocoa production, São Tomé and Príncipe has suffered an economic downturn since independence from Portugal in 1975. In the countryside, squatters inhabit once great mansions; in the capital, historic colonial buildings slowly decay on broken streets. Nevertheless, the country remains amazingly safe and welcoming to visitors, particularly ecotourists, for whom the advancing jungle is a delight.

This is particularly true on tidy and unspoiled Príncipe, an island of just 7000 people. A canopy of green broken by spires of primordial rock, Príncipe is a magnificent lost world, offering fantastic beaches, jungle exploration, snorkelling, fishing and birdwatching.

Príncipe is a magical land that time forgot. Come and explore its forests and coasts, its beaches and bays, and let the warmth of its people renew you.

## Travel Information

### Visa

Valid passport holders from USA, Canada, UE and CPLP countries do not need a tourist Visa when staying in the territory up to 15 days. Valid Schengen or USA Visa on your passport also entitles for the Visa waiving program. Any other nationalities must apply online for an electronic authorization at [www.smf.st/virtualvisa/](http://www.smf.st/virtualvisa/).

### Weather

The temperatures vary from 23° to 30° Celsius. The rainy season is between October and November and from April to May. During the remaining months of the year the weather is mostly humid and warm.

### Currency

Euros are widely accepted. Local currency is Dobras that can only be exchanged on arrival in the country

### Vaccination

Only if you have visited any other African country in the past 3 months, you must present on arrival a valid "International Vaccination Certificate" for Yellow Fever. No other vaccinations are required.

## Sustainability

Lying in perfect isolation some 130 miles off the West African coast, Príncipe's forests shelter an abundance of endemic birds and plants, reptiles and amphibians – little wonder the island is sometimes referred to as Africa's Galapagos.

But this is not a desert island: Príncipe has its people too, living in the colorful main town, Santo António, or scattered in pretty fishing villages along the coast. Our goal is to maintain and build harmony between the people and their island, and Bom Bom is a vital part of that goal, providing a model of sustainable, responsible tourism, with the people of Príncipe involved at its core.

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## Accommodation & Facilities

The Resort is the perfect spot to discover this magical island of Príncipe. The resort benefits from two beautiful beaches and nestles in between lush rainforest-covered hills. At Bom Bom Príncipe Island you will find 19 comfortable bungalows, each with en-suite bathroom, air conditioning, satellite TV, safe, mini bar and veranda.

Pool view, Garden view, Sea view and Beach front bungalows are available. Bom Bom Príncipe Island is the 1<sup>st</sup> hotel in Africa to be awarded with the “Biosphere Responsible Tourism” certification.

HOTEL FACILITIES				IN-ROOM FACILITIES			
NUMBER OF BUNGALOWS	19	CHILDREN	Welcome	EXTRA BEDS	Yes	OUTDOOR SHOWER	No
CATEGORY	****	ORGANIZED TOURS	Yes	FAN	Yes	IN-ROOM SAFE	Yes
ELECTRICITY	220 V	AIRPORT TRANSFER	Yes	AIR CON	Yes	MINI BAR	Yes
WIFI	Yes	MOBILE PHONE	Yes	COFFEE AND TEA STATION	Yes	TELEPHONE	Yes
SWIMMING POOL	Yes	PRIVATE DINNERS	Various locations	MOSQUITO NETS	Yes	HAIRDRYER	Yes
CHECK IN	12:00	LOCAL SHOP	Yes	BATHTUB	No	LAUNDRY INCLUDED	No
CHECK OUT	11:00	GYM	Yes	INDOOR SHOWER	Yes	DISABLED ACCESS	Yes
CREDIT CARDS	YES	SPA	Yes	VERANDA	Yes	TELEVISION	Yes

## Our Bungalows

**Pool View (4)** - these bungalows are located by the pool. They are ideal for families or couples traveling together, due to the existence of connecting rooms.

**Garden View (3)** - centrally located these bungalows give you privileged access to the entire resort.

**Sea View (5)** - located on the hills of Bom Bom, with a wonderful view to the sea, this location is ideal for those looking to feel immersed in the middle of nature.

**Beach Front (7)** - the ideal choice for anyone who wants to fall asleep to the sound of the waves. A few meters from the sea, implanted in the sand, these bungalows allow a perfect symbiosis.

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## Activities

Beyond Bom Bom's tranquil bounds, a world of remarkable discovery awaits. From rainforest hikes to wild, pristine beaches, from timeless fishing villages to friendly shack cafes, Príncipe yearns to be explored. A place like no other, Príncipe is a timeless island of hidden treasures and warm-hearted souls, it touches everyone who journeys here. Come and find yourself in Príncipe.

PRINCIPE EXPLORER	This is a great way of getting to know the island's culture and outstanding scenery in a single day. You'll also be able to observe the secrets of our organic farming and experience different aromas and tastes, as well as enjoying a marvellous traditional local meal.
PLANTATION TOUR	Learn all about the secrets of organic farming at the plantation house, Roça Paciência. Taste the different aromas and tastes of Príncipe Island's aromatic herbs and medicinal plants, visit the gardens and see how the products are transformed into delicious jams, tropical muesli, toiletries and beauty products.
TURTLE WATCHING	This trip consists in accompanying the monitoring of the sea turtles laying their eggs on the beaches of Príncipe Island, between November and March. You'll get to learn about sea turtles and the conservation of this threatened species. If you're lucky enough to watch a female laying her eggs or her young being hatched, it is certainly an unforgettable experience.
WHALE WATCHING	Watch whales and dolphins in their natural habitat. Príncipe island is a great place for spotting these beautiful species.
BIRD WATCHING	São Tomé and Príncipe has between 21 and 29 endemic species of birds. Take your binoculars and venture out to discover them. Their sounds and colours are unique and unforgettable.
BIOSPHERE TRAILS	Discover the cocoa plantations, walk along rivers, climb to Papagaio peak, 700 meters high formed from volcanic rock or just refresh yourself in the waterfalls. The unpredictable weather only adds to the mystery and ambience of this unique island.
COMMUNITY VISITS	Experience this great way to get a sense of the people and culture of Príncipe island. You will be able to interact with, talk to, and learn from people in a relaxed and genuine way.
SCUBA DIVING & SNORKELING	Enjoy the freedom and all the beauties of the underwater world of Príncipe island.
BOAT TRIPS	Enjoy a boat trip along the beaches of the northeast side of the island and discover the natural beauty of Príncipe from the perspective of the sea.