



## SEYCHELLES SAILING CRUISE - SUMMER ITINERARY

The Seychelles make for ideal sailing and cruising. Tropical seas, islands clad with palm trees, coral reefs, white beaches, wonderful cuisine, a warm welcome and some exotic wildlife. On this cruise we visit the main islands, but also many of the smaller & less visited islands. Curieuse Island, the island's vast mangrove forests and its giant tortoise farm, along with the historic ruins of this former leper colony. La Digue, a sleepy island community where ox-carts and bicycles still remain the most common mode of transportation throughout the island. La Digue is home to the endemic Seychelles Paradise Flycatcher, and is perhaps most famous for its massive granite boulder formations at Anse Source d'Argent. St. Pierre, an excellent site for snorkelling and diving, with the nooks and crannies of its granite boulders teeming with marine life. Seychelles is generally warm and sunny throughout the year and the sun's rays can be especially impactful onboard the vessel, due to the reflection from the sea - Be sure to bring plenty of sun-screen, a cap or hat and sunglasses. There are numerous opportunities to dive on most days of the itinerary, and we can also conduct introductory dives for novices and PADI Open Water certification courses. Contact us for dive rates and equipment rental fees. These cruises are full board - we serve a combination of International and authentic Creole cuisine. Please contact us for special dietary needs. • Bathroom and beach towels are provided. Bottled water, soft drinks, beer, wine and spirits are all available on board. Price list available on request.



### ITINERARY

#### Day 1

Embarkation at the Inter-Island Quay at 1030hrs for official welcome and briefing by the captain. Depart from Port Victoria at 1200hrs, sailing up and around the scenic coastline of Mahé's northern peninsula, past the beautiful bay of Beau Vallon, and along the dramatic backdrop of the northwestern coast of the island, with its opposing granite boulders, lush vegetation and striking blue water. In the evening, introduce yourself to Creole cuisine with a welcome barbecue onboard the



vessel.

#### Day 2

Sail to the beautiful Baie Ternay Marine Park and Nature Reserve on the western coast of Mahe, where calm, crystalclear waters provide for excellent snorkelling and diving during the day. An afternoon sail back to Beau Vallon Bay positions the vessel in one of the island's best places to watch the countless shades of pink and orange of a Seychelles sunset.

#### Day 3

In the morning disembark at Curieuse for a visit of this virtually uninhabited island. Experience the island's vast mangrove forests and its giant tortoise farm, along with the historic ruins of this former leper colony. After a barbecue lunch on the island, enjoy an array of water sports or simply relax and enjoy the island's beautiful beach and turquoise waters.

#### Day 4

Sail to Praslin, Seychelles' second-largest inhabited island, for disembarkation to the famous World Heritage Site, the Vallee de Mai Nature Reserve. This ancient forest is home to the curiously shaped double coconut, the coco de mer, as well as the Black Parrot, unique to Praslin. Explore the valley's eerie pathways beneath its canopy of massive palms, before returning onboard for afternoon opportunities to dive, snorkel or enjoy other water sports.

#### Day 5

A morning sail brings the vessel to La Digue, a sleepy island community where ox-carts and bicycles still remain the most common mode of transportation throughout the island. La Digue is home to the endemic Seychelles Paradise Flycatcher, and is

perhaps most famous for its massive granite boulder formations at Anse Source d'Argent, which is thought to be the most photographed beach on earth. Explore the entire island by bicycle, perhaps stopping by Union Estate, a sprawling network of traditional island activities, including a copra mill, vanilla plantation, and shipyard.

#### Day 6

In the morning, sail back towards Praslin for a visit to the tiny, picturesque granite outcrop of St. Pierre. St. Pierre is an excellent site for snorkelling and diving, with the nooks and crannies of its granite boulders teeming with marine life. In the afternoon sail to Anse Lazio, one of the most beautiful beaches in Praslin, and arguably, all of Seychelles a perfect place for swimming, snorkelling and other water sports.

#### Day 7

Sail towards Cousin island off the coast of Praslin, for a morning visit of this strictly protected nature reserve, famed for its sea bird colonies and also as a sanctuary for Seychelles' rare endemic land birds and other native species. In the afternoon the vessel begins its sail towards Mahe, anchoring overnight in the Ste Anne Marine National Park with its cluster of lush granite islands.

#### Day 8

Disembarkation at the Inter-Island Quay at 08.30hrs.





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### VESSEL TYPE:

### LENGTH:

### PASSENGER CAPACITY:

### BUILT/REFURBISHED:

cabins + 1 single bunk 3 double-bed cabins Single cabins Sea Bird and Sea Star offer 1-2 cabins with no single supplements for single passengers on most



departures.

The SY Sea Star is a 40-metre custom-built yacht with three masts and five Bermuda sails, with classic wood finishings across its 9 spacious guest cabins and common areas. The SY Sea Bird was redesigned in 2007 to begin cruising in Seychelles, is a two-masted 42-metre yacht with four Bermuda sails, sleek contours and modern interiors across its 9 en-suite guest cabins and common areas. The SY Sea Star is a 40-metre custom-built yacht with three masts and five Bermuda sails, with classic wood finishings across its 9 spacious guest cabins and common areas. Air-conditioned Bar/Lounge and Dining Salon TV, DVD, stereo, ice-machine, washing machine, dryer Multiple spacious sun decks Covered back deck lounge and seating area Fully air-conditioned cabins with private bathroom: 4 double-bed cabins + 1 single bed 4 double-bed cabins 1 "Master cabin" with double bed SY Sea Bird is a two-masted 42-metre yacht with four Bermuda sails, sleek contours and modern interiors across its 9 en-suite guest cabins and common areas. Air-conditioned Bar/Lounge and Dining Salon TV, DVD, stereo, ice-machine, washing machine, dryer Multiple spacious sun decks Covered back deck lounge and seating area Fully air-conditioned cabins with private bathroom: 6 double-bed



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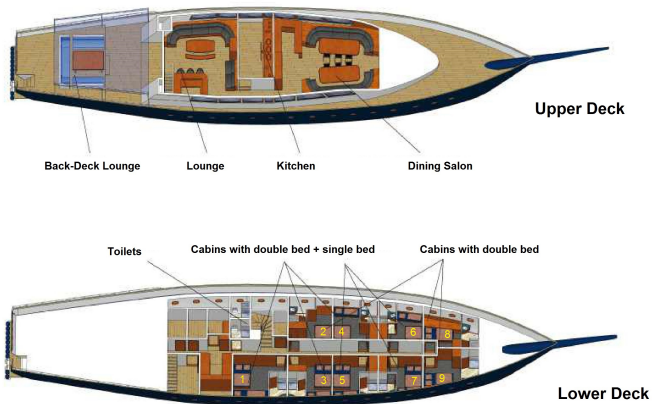
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Landing Fees 182 EUR pp



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