

Group Travel Cabo Verde

Carnival, Culture and Cuisine



DURATION: 17 DAYS (from/to Luxemburg)

DURATION: 18 DAYS (from/to Zurich)



DATE: 07.02.-23.02.2024

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PRICE: EUR 2'390.00 p.P.

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Early Bird Special - 5% reduction for bookings until 19. November 2023

Group Travel to São Vicente

No bai pa Cabo Verde! You travel in a small group (max. 8 participants) to the island of São Vicente. It is carnival, THE event of the year.

On various excursions centering around carnival, culture and cuisine, you will get to know the diverse island of São Vicente. You can look forward to the parade and highlights of the carnival, shopping tours in local markets, cooking classes of traditional dishes, dance workshops with local teachers, bar crawls to get to know the vibrant nightlife of Mindelo and personal get togethers with local artists - a colorful mix of culture, carnival and culinary highlights! There will also be plenty of time to enjoy the pleasant temperatures during your free time, relax at one of the beautiful sandy beaches or visit the neighbour island Santo Antão. You will live, eat and drink locally and come into contact with locals, allowing you an authentic travel experience.

Local Guide Alveno Soares



Alveno grew up in Mindelo and knows every corner of this city. Thanks to many years of experience as a guide and social worker, he has created unique, authentic and personal experiences for every customer. Besides Portuguese (mother tongue), Alveno speaks fluent English, Italian and French.

PROGRAM

Day 1, 07.02.24: Flight to São Vicente

Flight option from/to Luxembourg (direct)

Direct flight from Luxembourg with LUXAIR to São Vicente. Departure at 13:10. Arrival at 17:35. Transfer to the hotel and Check-in. Dinner in a local restaurant, get to know each other and talk about the upcoming days.

Flight option from/to Zurich (via Lisbon)

Flight with TAP Air Portugal via Lisbon. Departure at 06:10. Arrival Lisbon at 08:05. Departure in Lisbon at 09:20. Arrival on São Vicente at 12:40. Transfer to the hotel and Check-in. Dinner in a local restaurant, get to know each other and talk about the upcoming days.

Day 2, 08.02.24: City Tour incl. Quintal das Artes

Half day excursion incl. snacks (approx. 3 hours). With our local guide we explore the colourful city of Mindelo. We learn more about the history, tradition and the rich culture of art of Cabo Verde. One of our highlights is the visit of the fascinating "Backyard of Art", a multiused space of local artists and handicraft fabrics.

Day 3, 09.02.24: Drink like a local tour

Evening excursion incl. 2 drinks (approx. 3-4 hours): Experience "Mindelo by night". With our guide we will explore local bars in following live music. We will also get to sample the typical sugarcane-based spirits, Grogue and Ponche.

Day 4, 10.02.24: Free day

Today we will have a free day and the possibility to explore Mindelo by your own or go to the city beach „Laginha“ and enjoy a bath in the atlantic ocean.

Day 5, 11.02.24: Kizomba Workshop

Evening activity (approx. 2 hours). The Kizomba workshop will take place with our local dance instructor as well as local dancers. We will learn the basic steps. After the workshop we will go to the „Praça“ where every Sunday the people dance Kizomba.

Day 6, 12.02.24, Carnival Tour & Samba Tropical

Half-day excursion incl. snack (approx. 3-4 hours).

On this tour, we take a look behind the carnival scenes: We get to see live the preparations for the biggest event of the year. We will visit the Carnival Museum, a costume factory and an art gallery. All accompanied by the sounds of samba and tales of the history of Carnival from our local guide. Snack and drinks as well as a short samba dance class is included.

Samba Tropical is the largest Samba School in Mindelo. They are the only school that does not participate in the competition of the Samba Schools, but they have the honour of the opening act for the annual carnival with their own parade. An event not to be missed!

Day 7, 13.02.24: Competition of the Samba schools

We meet in the evening for the biggest event of the year: the competition of the Samba school. Those who want walk on the parade have this unique possibility (up on request)

Day 8-12, 14.-18.02.24: Free days & possibility to go to the neighbour island Santo Antão (see optional supplements below)

After an evening full of music, dance and joy we will have some free days. Either you have the possibility to enjoy them on São Vicente or to go to the neighbour island Santo Antão. o Ritmo is happy to help in organising any excursions and stays.

Day 13, 19.02.23: Local street art tour

Half-day excursion incl. lunch (approx. 3-4 hours): Cape Verde has a vibrant street art culture. We join our guide and wander through Mindelo, capturing the diverse murals in different neighborhoods of the city. We will also visit an art studio and have the opportunity to participate in a street art workshop (exklusiv, up on request).

Day 14, 20.02.23: Music Tour

Half day excursion incl. Snack (approx. 3-4 hours). With artists like Césaria Evora, Tito Paris, Ildo Lobo and many more, Cabo Verde has a rich selection of internationally known artists. On our group travel, music and rhythm are in the focus. We will visit a local guitar manufacturer.

Day 15, 21.02.24: Shop like a local, traditional cooking class & Afro dance workshop

Half-day excursion (approx. 4-5 hours). Accompanied by our guide, we will leisurely wander through Mindelo, exploring its diverse markets and enjoying the opportunity to purchase fresh fruits, vegetables, and local specialities. Following this, we will have the delightful experience of preparing a delicious lunch together with our guide.

In the evening we meet for our evening activity (approx. 1.5 hours): With our local Afro-Dance teacher we will learn the basic steps of this dance.

Day 16, 22.02.24: Boat tour & Barbecue at the beach.

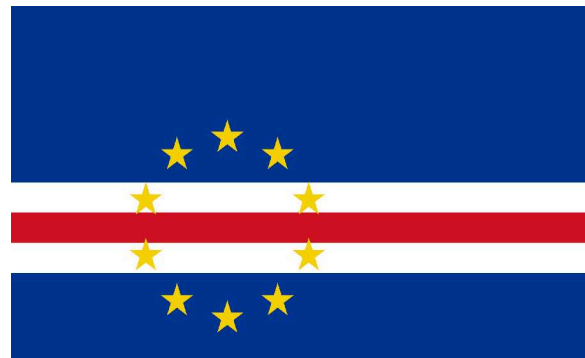
Full-day excursions (approx. 6-7 hours) incl. BBQ. With local fishermen we go out to sea and catch your fish. We will prepare it together and enjoy a delicious barbecue on the beach during sunset - this is our farewell dinner.

Day 17, 23.02.24: Transfer to the airport & departure
Option flight Luxemburg (direct)

Direct flight from São Vicente to Luxembourg. Departure at 07:15. Arrival at 15:20.

Option flight to Zurich (via Lisbon)

Flight from São Vicente to Lisbon. Departure at 13:30. Arrival in Lisbon at 18:30. Overnight in Lisbon at the airport hotel. 24.02.24 flight from Lisbon to Zurich. Departure at 08:50. Arrival in Zurich at 12:40 (Day 18, 24.02.24).



Details

Group Size

Max. 8 Participants*

*more than 8 participants on some excursions

Price for the Group Travel

EUR 2'390.00 in a double room (direct flight from/to Luxembourg with LUXAIR)

CHF 2'525.00 in a double room* (flights from/to Zurich via Lisbon WITH Tap Air Portugal)*

Surcharge to the Group Travel in a single room

EUR 430.00 per person

CHF 425.00 per Person

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Included in the price

- Flights with Luxair from/to Luxembourg (direct) or TAP Air Portugal from/to Zurich (via Lisbon)
- Local English-speaking tour guide

- Local accommodation incl. breakfast and tourist tax
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Excursions incl. lunch on full day excursions
- Snack on half day excursions
- Afro Dance Workshop
- Kizomba Workshop
- Farewell dinner
- Overnight in Lisbon (flights from/to Zurich)
- Tips in hotels and restaurants
- Detailed travel documentation
- Personal Travel consultation by o Ritmo
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Extras

- Surcharge on the flights if the calculated booking class is no longer available (after 19. November)
- Additional excursions or extension
- Nights/program 14.-18.02.24 (see optional supplements)
- Tips for local tour guide, guides, drivers
- Visa/registration for entry into the country (approx. EUR 38.00)
- Meals not mentioned
- Travel insurance

Included Accommodations

Residencial Laginha ***

07.-14.02.24

Double- or Single room incl. breakfast



Santa Cruz Boutique Hotel ***

18.-23.02.24

Double- or Single room incl. breakfast



Optional Supplements

Residencial Laginha ***

14.-18.02.24 (4 nights more)

Double- or Single room incl. breakfast

EUR 92.00 per person

CHF 88.00 per person

Luna Boutique Hotel ***

(instead of Residencial Laginha)

07.-14.02.24

Double- or Single room incl. breakfast

EUR 133.00 per person

CHF 127.00 per person

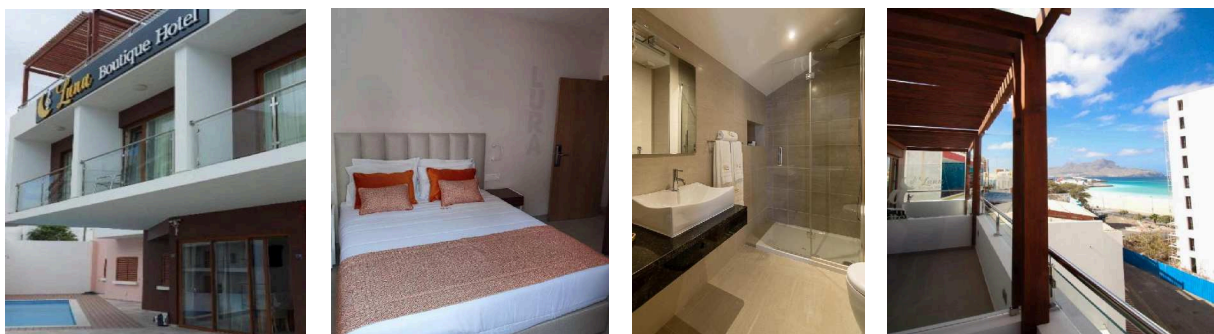
Luna Boutique Hotel ***

(instead of Residencial Laginha)

07.-18.02.24 Double- or Single room incl. breakfast

EUR 309.00 per person

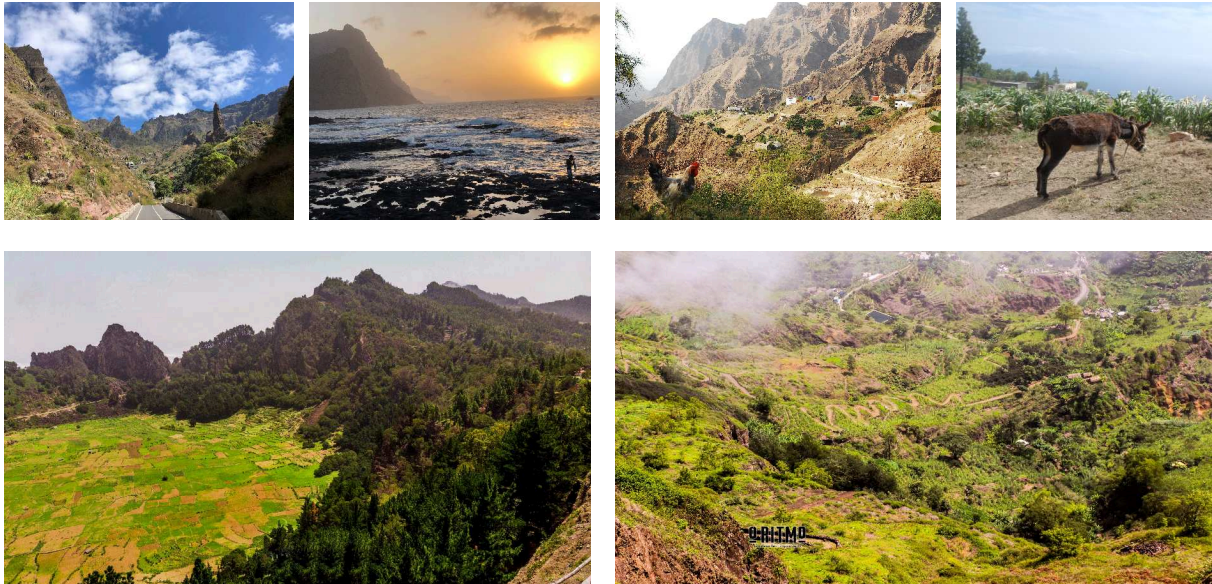
CHF 295.00 per person



Trip to Santo Antão

14.-18.02.24

Santo Antão is the neighbour island of São Vicente (Reachable with the ferry within 1 hour). It is know as the nature paradise of Cabo Verde. We are happy to help you with plan your trip to Santo Antão (on request).



Organization and booking o Ritmo Ltd. Switzerland



For devinitive bookings please contact o Ritmo ltd.:

contact@oritmo.ch

Nessecary for the booking: Passport copy (Passport must be valid at least 6 months after return travel date)

Possible payment methods

Bank transfer (bank details will be delieverd with the invoice)

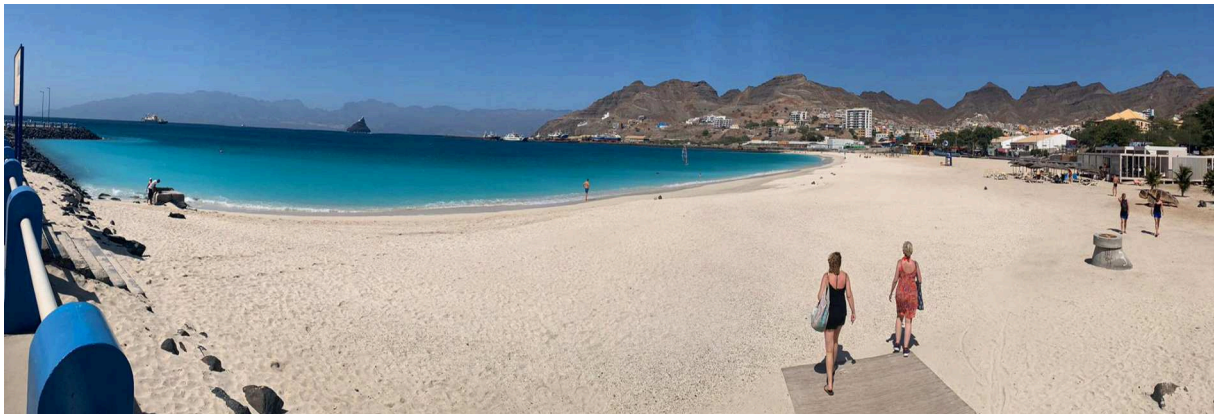
Paypal (supplement of 5%)

Pre-paid of 30% has to be done immediately

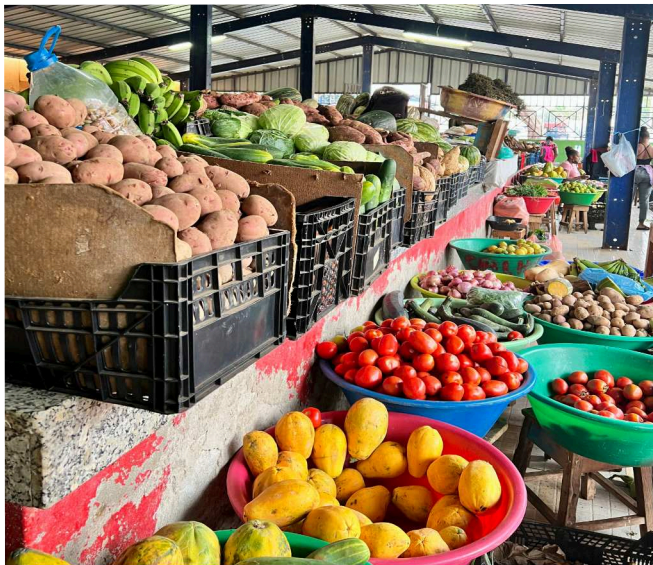
Rest payment until 3 weeks before departure

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