



north island



SEYCHELLES

an island of contrast

Some 30km from the main island of Mahé, Ile du Nord, or North Island, enjoys private isolation within the Inner Island group of the Seychelles. Luminous white beaches cosset a tropical interior of coconut palms and takamaka trees cradled between three granite outcrops, 110m to 180m in height, whose polished grey ramparts rise from the white sands and filigree reefs of the azure ocean.

North Island is a sanctuary where natural habitats, long neglected, have been rehabilitated so that endangered Seychelles fauna and flora could be reintroduced and given a place to grow and thrive. On this floating paradise, 11 guest villas have been built from local materials reaped from the rehabilitation process, where luxury and simplicity mingle to form a signature architectural style we call 'barefoot luxury'.

North Island is a place that unashamedly aims at providing the very best in privacy, location, accommodation, services, facilities and experience, yet has restored its environment to a place of verdant plenty – a Noah's Ark afloat in warm tropical waters in colours of blue and aquamarine. The true essence of North Island is a rare encounter that is in harmony with the environment – one that touches and inspires the lives of all who walk her beaches, dive her waters and contemplate her beauty.





the heart of north

The Piazza is the natural focal point of the Island, gathered around and beneath a large Indian almond tree. The architecture blends ovals and minimalist lines that lead the eye to the uninterrupted 360-degree views of beach, tree and the inner Island.



The furnishings symbolise lightness and escape and a wide deck leads seamlessly onto the beach and the endless horizon.

The complete openness of the lounge and bar area is transparent and minimalist, while inviting sun-bed loungers and cushions supply sumptuous comfort. The library and scattering of artefacts are part of an ongoing essay in the old trading history of this magical place.













our villas

Your sanctuary : Each of our 11 villas is a home for a couple or family, lovingly and individually handcrafted by Seychellois and African craftsmen from wood, local-hewn stone and glass.

This is your haven: a warm inviting space in which to enjoy a complete sense of ease and freedom. Should you wish, all 11 villas and the island as a whole can become your own private domain.









villa north island

Villa North Island is the essence of privacy and exclusion.

The sheer volume, scale and luxury of this villa are unimaginably decadent as it spreads out across multi-tiered levels, cascading down granitic boulders onto a private beach entry to the ocean.









dining on north

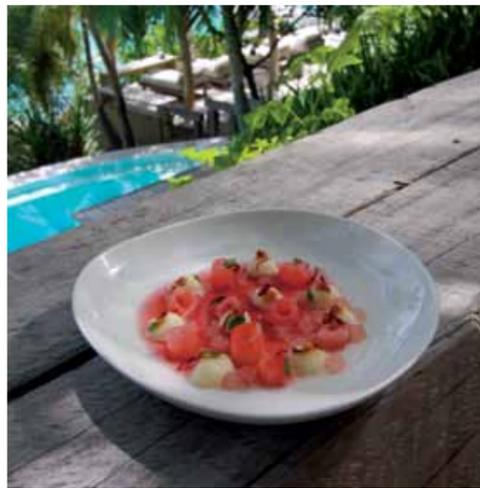
A melange of cultural influences is combined with the abundance on offer from the Indian Ocean and the island's organic richness to create North Island's taste. Balanced, delectable and attractive, each meal is a feast to stimulate the senses.

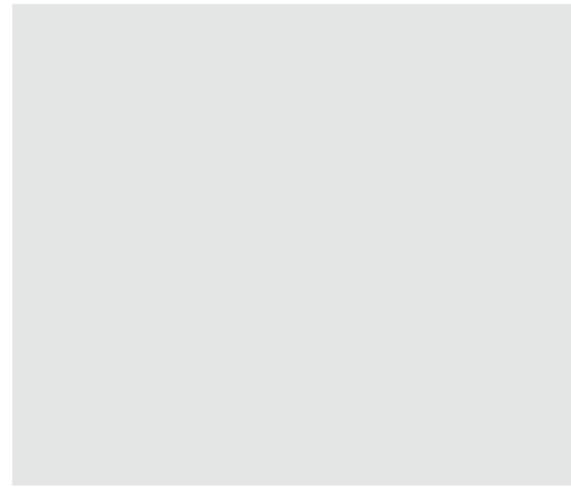
The now-famous 'no menu' concept presides over your culinary encounter, where our chef develops your own daily carte du jour based on your preferences and desires.

Your mouth-watering experience is perfectly rounded off by some of the world's great wines and champagnes from our cellar.

A choice of exotic, beautiful dining settings complement your meals, from the large dining area set against a backdrop of natural granite with superb views over the sea, to secluded beaches, the pool deck or the privacy of your villa.







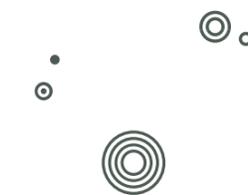


wellness on north

Exotic and rare, the Spa on North Island is a holistic journey of visual and textural contrasts, arousing the senses, rejuvenating the mind, body and soul.

For the more energetic, the gym provides state-of-the-art equipment.

Our Spa is a place of exquisite natural beauty and timeless relaxation.





north at play

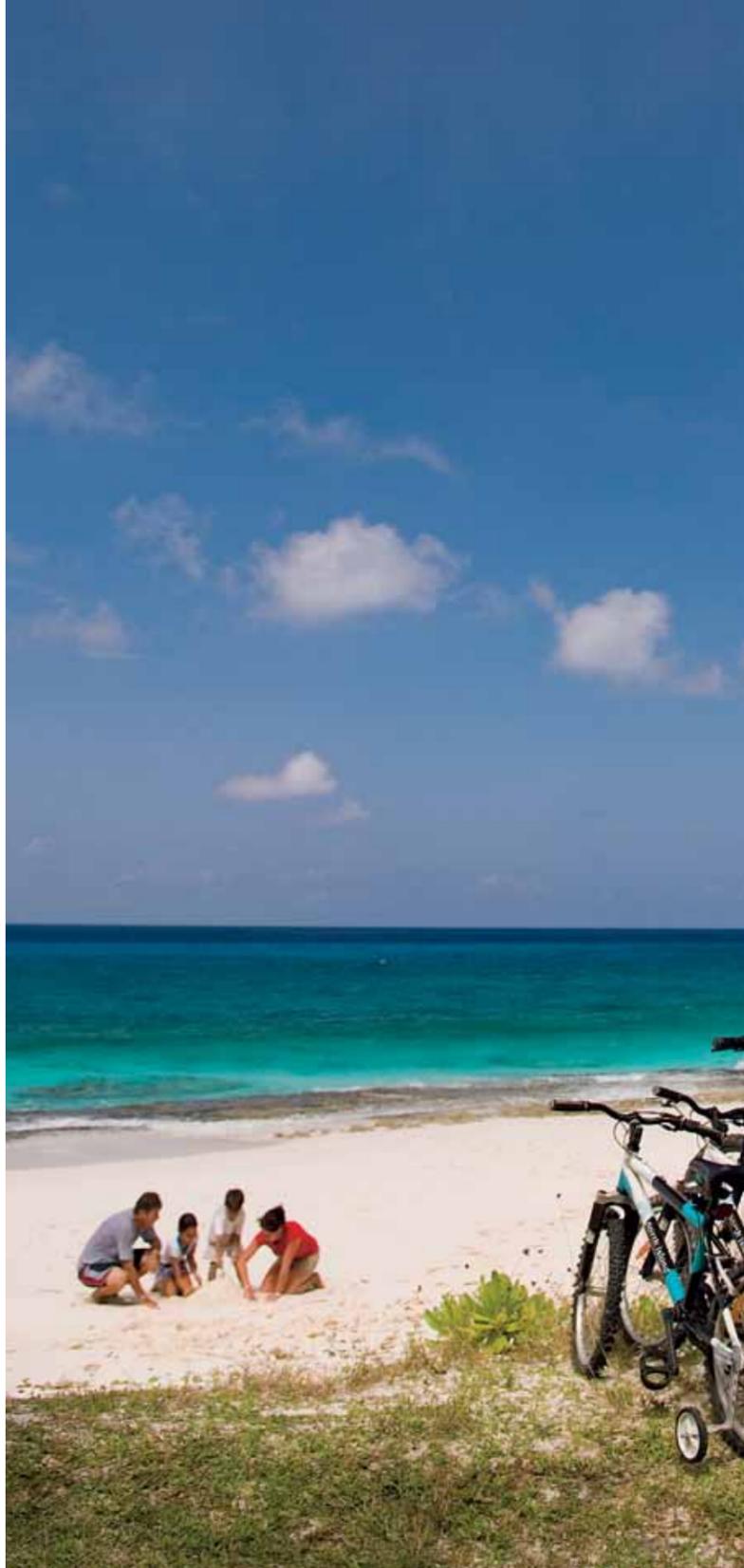
On land or in water, the choices on North Island are many and varied. Cool forest trails and mountain biking create an air of tropical exploration, snorkelling or diving in the warm seas reveal a world of marine wonder, sea kayaking or fishing expeditions thrill the active, while boating to other islands satisfies the adventurous.

An evening cruise complete with an Indian Ocean sunset is the perfect way to finish the day.











our beaches

Four idyllic beaches offer sanctuary all year round.

East Beach extends off the piazza and in front of the villas. As the sun sets, West Beach is washed in pastel colours and the Sunset Bar is the perfect place for a relaxing evening cocktail.

Honeymoon Cove is an idyllic hideaway and Petit Anse offers shelter and seclusion.



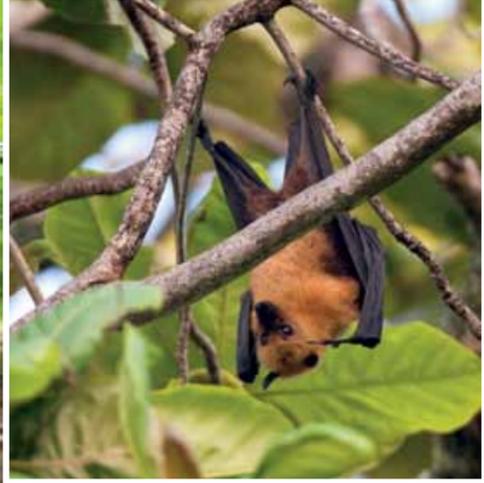
North Island is a fertile paradise – the perfect setting for our Noah's Ark conservation programme. Thanks to thousands of indigenous plant species grown in our nursery and then transplanted throughout the island, its habitat has been restored to become a place where fauna and flora endemic to the Seychelles can flourish. Alien rodents have been successfully eradicated and excitingly, species such as Seychelles blue pigeons and breeding populations of wedge-tailed shearwaters and white-tailed tropicbirds have returned of their own accord. Hawksbill and green turtles nest on our beaches once more.

The next phase has involved introducing more indigenous life. A founder population of 25 Seychelles white-eyes, of which a mere 400 remain on Earth, was introduced in 2007 and gratifyingly settled down to nest and produce the next generation in a place of safety and plenty. The population on the Island currently exceeds 60 birds, with North now responsible for a significant proportion of the world population of the species: a responsibility we have taken on with enthusiasm and pride. The introduction of the Seychelles black mud terrapin has been similarly successful.

Spending time with our Environmental Team will allow you to marvel at the full scope of what has been done in order to create a true Noah's Ark in the Indian Ocean.



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