

# **Dream Islands in the Indian Ocean**

Unforgettable Sailing Cruises through the Garden of Eden



8 days



November 2025 - Avril 2026



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# from 1.965,00€\* per person

For Charles Gordon it was the biblical Garden of Eden – for world explorers, it is paradise! The islands of this multicultural archipelago enchant all travellers with their unique nature, picturesque granite rock formations, and a fascinating underwater world. The routes of these cruises lead through the Inner Islands of the Seychelles, offering opportunities for snorkelling, stand-up paddling, kayaking, diving – and, of course, pure enjoyment.

S.Y. Sea Star and S.Y. Sea Bird – modern sailing yachts specially built for this purpose – are ideal for relaxed exploration of the inner Seychelles islands, discovering exclusive spots and idyllic bays. The predominantly Seychellois crew, the traditional Creole cuisine, and the laid-back atmosphere on board come together to create an authentic experience and an incomparable sailing cruise.



# **Travel Itinerary**

## Day 1 (Saturday ) | Embarkation, Mahé Island / Beau Vallon Bay

Embarkation takes place at 10:30 a.m. at the Inter-Island Quay in the port of Victoria on Mahé, the main island. During the welcome briefing by the captain, you will receive important information about the cruise. Around 12:00 noon, the ship sets sail, following the beautiful coastline and circumnavigating the northern part of Mahé. You'll pass the famous Beau Vallon Bay and the dramatic scenery of the northwest coast, with its impressive granite cliffs, lush vegetation, and strikingly blue waters. In the evening, enjoy a Creole-style BBQ on board to start immersing yourself in the local culinary culture. (L, AT, D)

# Day 2 (Sunday) | Mahé Island / Baie Ternay

Today you'll arrive at the fascinating Baie Ternay Marine Park on the western coast of Mahé. The calm, crystal-clear waters invite you to spend the day snorkelling and diving. In the afternoon, the ship returns to Beau Vallon Bay, anchoring at one of the best spots to enjoy a breathtaking Seychellois sunset, with hues ranging from orange to soft pink. (B, L, AT, D)

### Day 3 (Monday) | Cousin Island

From Mahé, the course is set for the nearby island of Cousin. This strictly protected nature reserve is renowned for its seabird colonies and is also home to rare land bird species endemic to the Seychelles, as well as other native wildlife. In the afternoon, the cruise continues to Praslin. (B, L, AT, D)



### Day 4 (Tuesday) | Praslin Island

Today you will explore the second-largest inhabited island of the Seychelles. On Praslin, you'll visit the renowned Vallée de Mai (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), where you'll marvel at the massive, uniquely shaped Coco de Mer palms and catch a glimpse of the elusive Black Parrot, found only on this island. Wander through the winding paths beneath towering palm canopies before returning to the ship. In the afternoon, you'll have time for snorkelling, diving, or other water sports. (B, L, AT, D)



## Day 5 (Wednesday) | La Digue Island

In the morning, you arrive at the "sleepy" island of La Digue, where ox carts and bicycles are the main means of transportation. La Digue is home to the endemic Paradise Flycatcher and is especially famous for the striking granite formations at Source d'Argent – one of the most photographed beaches in the world. The best way to explore the island is by bike, with a stop at Union Estate, where you'll get a glimpse into traditional island life: a coconut oil mill, a boatyard, and vanilla plantations. (B, L, AT, D)

### Day 6 (Thursday) | Curieuse & St. Pierre Islands

In the morning, you'll disembark to explore the almost uninhabited island of Curieuse. Discover vast mangrove forests, a giant tortoise breeding station, and the historic ruins of a former leper colony. Lunch is a BBQ served on the island. Afterwards, you'll have time for water sports or to simply relax and enjoy the stunning beach and turquoise waters. In the afternoon, the ship heads to tiny granite St. Pierre Island — a superb spot for snorkelling and diving. The ship will anchor off Anse Lazio (Praslin), considered one of the most beautiful beaches in the Seychelles. (B, L, AT, D)

## Day 7 (Friday) | Mahé Island / Sainte Anne Marine Park

During the day, the ship returns to Mahé. Overnight anchorage is in the Sainte Anne Marine Park, surrounded by a cluster of lush granite islands. (B, L, AT, D)

## Day 8 (Saturday) | Mahé Island, Disembarkation

Early in the morning, you sail into the port of Victoria. Disembarkation takes place at 8:30 a.m. at the Inter-Island Quay. (B)

 $B = Breakfast \mid L = Lunch \mid AT = Afternoon Tea/Coffee with Cake \mid D = Dinner Itinerary subject to change.$ 





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### **Dates**

8 days / 7 nights: year-round, Saturday to Saturday

# Prices (from/to Mahé port)

	Number of nights	Double cabin (double bed)	Cabin for three people (double bed + single bunk)	Double cabin for single use	Children aged 2-11.99 years Accommodated in their parents' cabin
02.05.2026-29.05.2026	7	2875	2595	4195	1395
30.05.2026-03.07.2026	7	1965	1835	2975	995
04.07.2026-06.11.2026	7	2875	2595	4195	1395

<sup>\*</sup>Flights not included

Early Bird Discount

10% discount for bookings made at least 120 days prior to departure. Guaranteed departures with no minimum number of participants

### **Additional Fees**

Conservation Fee (€200 per adult / €85 per child) and Government Sustainable Environment Levy (€5 per adult / night), payable on site.

# **Included in the Travel Price**

- √ 7 nights in the selected cabin category
- ✓ Full board (breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea/coffee with cake, dinner)
- ✓ Water, coffee, and tea (other beverages at extra cost, payable on board)
- ✓ Excursions and visits as per itinerary.
- ✓ Use of onboard equipment for snorkelling, kayaking, stand-up paddling, and bottom fishing
- ✓ Onboard language: English (crew also predominantly speaks French)

# **Not Included**

- Conservation Fee (approx. \$235 USD)
- Diving courses and equipment rental
- Beverages
- Tips and personal expenses
- Transfers from/to Mahé Airport –
  Anse Possession Mahé Airport
- International and domestic flights



\*Please note: The "Conservation Fee" and Government Sustainable Environment Levy include island landing and entrance fees for protected areas (such as the guided visit to Vallée de Mai), as well as national marine parks depending on the route. Bicycle rental and the entrance to Union Estate are not included, as they are optional during the La Digue island visit.

### **Cabins & Onboard Comfort**

S.Y. Sea Star and S.Y. Sea Bird each feature nine air-conditioned guest cabins (9–11 m<sup>2</sup>, cleaned daily):

- 4 double-bed cabins with an additional single bed (max. 3 persons)
- 5 double-bed cabins (max. 2 persons)

All cabins have a private bathroom, wardrobe, reading light, and power outlets (European plugs, 220V) for charging laptops, cameras, and other electronics.

There is space to relax on the two-level sun deck at the bow and in the shaded area at the stern. Wi-Fi is not available on board.

### **Crew & Culinary Experience**

A 9-member crew ensures guest comfort: captain, onboard engineer, chef, dive instructor, two deckhands, and three hostesses.

Meals are prepared using mainly fresh, local ingredients. Breakfast includes fresh fruit, eggs or pancakes, toast, juice, and tea/coffee. Lunch and dinner are served buffet-style, showcasing a culinary journey through the Seychelles, influenced by European, African, and Asian flavors.

Dinner may also be served as a 3-course meal (starter, main, dessert). Meals are enjoyed either in the air-conditioned indoor dining room, outdoors at the table on the aft deck, or as a picnic on the sun deck.

Friendly hostesses are happy to serve drinks from the onboard bar—whether it's an afternoon refreshment, a sunset aperitif, or a glass of wine with dinner. For a more relaxed experience, guests are also welcome to help themselves to the bar and fridge. All consumed drinks are recorded and added to the final bill.

#### Sailing

S.Y. Sea Star and S.Y. Sea Bird are equipped with modern, high-performance furling and reefing systems for setting and adjusting the large sails. Guests are warmly invited to assist the crew with sailing between the islands. Both vessels are also equipped with engines for additional propulsion.

### Water sports

Throughout the cruise, a variety of water sports activities are offered free of charge, including snorkelling, sea kayaking, bottom fishing, and stand-up paddling. Equipment is provided onboard.

#### **Island Exploration**

Each day of the cruise includes exciting opportunities to explore secluded bays, colourful marine parks, protected nature reserves, or uninhabited islands. You may encounter the rare Seychelles Magpie Robin and other endemic bird species, visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site Vallée de Mai, or meet one of the many giant tortoises—just a few of the unforgettable highlights during island visits.



### **Diving & Snorkelling**

Diving and snorkelling in the Seychelles reveals the very best of the Indian Ocean's underwater world. Unique granite rock formations, coral reefs, and shipwrecks are home to vibrant tropical fish, sea turtles, sharks, rays, and many other species. The cruise routes include access to some of the best dive sites in the region.

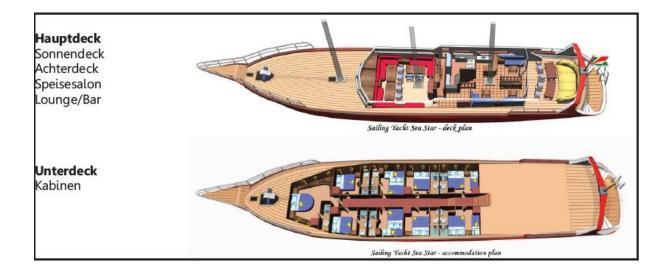
Each vessel has a PADI-certified dive instructor onboard, catering to both experienced and novice divers. Introductory dives and full PADI Open Water or Advanced Open Water certification courses are available (for an additional fee). All ships are equipped with:

- 2 dive compressors
- 18 air tanks
- Weight systems
- A selection of wetsuits (shorties)
- 8 complete sets of dive gear

#### S.Y. Sea Star

Facilities & Equipment

- Spacious decks and upper sun deck
- · Covered aft deck with dining table for meals outdoors
- 2 outdoor deck showers
- Air conditioning in all indoor areas (cabins, dining room, lounge/bar)
- Mineral water, soft drinks, beer, wine, and spirits available for purchase onboard
- Laundry service on request (extra charge)
- TV, DVD player, and stereo system in the main salon
- Let me know when you're ready to continue with S.Y. Sea Bird or the next section!

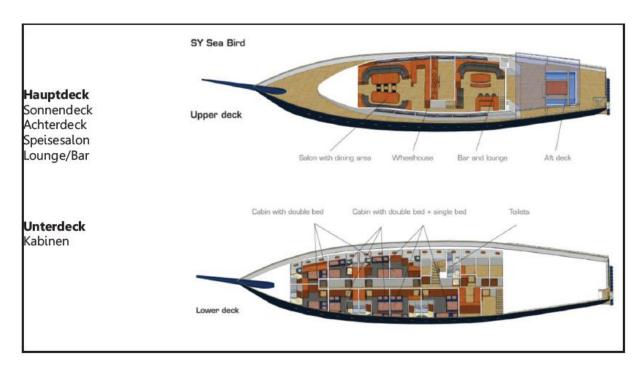




### S.Y. Sea Bird

### Facilities & Equipment

- Spacious decks and upper sun deck
- · Covered aft deck with dining table for outdoor meals
- 2 outdoor deck showers
- Air conditioning in all indoor areas (cabins, dining room, lounge/bar)
- Mineral water, soft drinks, beer, wine, and spirits available for purchase onboard
- Laundry service available upon request (extra charge)
- TV, DVD player, and stereo system in the main salon



#### **Useful Information and Travel Tips**

- Your safety and comfort are our top priorities. Therefore, in the case of exceptional weather conditions, the captain reserves the right to alter the planned itinerary.
- Please remember to bring coral reef-safe sunscreen, a hat, and sunglasses. The weather in the Seychelles is generally warm and sunny year-round. Due to ocean reflection, UV exposure on board is especially intense.
- Bring **suitable footwear** for time spent on board and for walks on the islands and beaches. On some island visits, embarkation and disembarkation take place in shallow water from a dinghy.
- There are plenty of opportunities for **diving** during the cruise. "Try dives" and **PADI Open Water certification courses** are available onboard.
- The cruises include full board, featuring a blend of international cuisine and authentic Creole dishes. Please inform us of any **special dietary requirements** at the time of booking. Last-minute requests may not be guaranteed.
- Mineral water, soft drinks, beer, wine, and a selection of spirits are available for purchase onboard.



# Entry Requirements for the Seychelles (as of 05/2025)

German and Luxembourgish citizens require a valid passport for the entire duration of their stay in the Seychelles. The passport must be in good condition and contain at least two blank pages. As of March 2025, all Covid-19-related entry restrictions have been lifted; however, please note that this may change depending on the pandemic situation.

Prior to travel, a digital travel authorization must be completed via the following link: <a href="https://seychelles.govtas.com/">https://seychelles.govtas.com/</a>. Alternatively, you may apply using the official Seychelles E-Border App, available for iOS (<a href="https://seychelles.govtas.com/">App Store link</a>) and Android (<a href="mailto:Google Play link">Google Play link</a>). Processing usually takes place within 24 hours.

For flight arrangements, our prices are generally based on special or tour operator rates offered by the airline(s) selected for the respective trip. We are happy to provide you with a custom flight offer to match your cruise dates.

No travel insurance is included in the package price. We strongly recommend taking out travel health insurance as well as trip cancellation insurance. Both policies should include Covid-19 coverage.

This trip is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility. Please inform us of any mobility limitations before booking, so we can assess whether your individual needs can be met.

This trip is organized in collaboration with other tour operators. This has no impact on the quality of services provided.

The general terms and conditions of **Bollig Tours** apply.

**Price:** Starting from **€1,965 per person** in a twin cabin.

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