

# **Dream Islands in the Indian Ocean**

**Unforgettable Sailing Cruises through the Garden of Eden** 



8 days



November 2025 - April 2026



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from 1 traveller

# from 1.825,00€\* 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 essential cruise information. Around 12:00 noon, the ship sets sail, following the scenic coastline and circumnavigating the northern part of Mahé. You'll pass the famous Beau Vallon Bay and the dramatic northwest coast with its impressive granite cliffs, lush greenery, and deep blue waters. In the evening, enjoy a Creole BBQ on board to kick off your adventure. (L, AT, D)

## Day 2 (Sunday) | Praslin Island

Today you'll explore Praslin, the second-largest inhabited island of the Seychelles. Visit the renowned Vallée de Mai (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), home to the legendary Coco de Mer and the rare Black Parrot found only on this island. Wander along the mystical forest trails beneath towering palm trees before returning to the ship. In the afternoon, enjoy time for snorkelling, diving, or other water-based activities. (B, L, AT, D)

### Day 3 (Monday) | La Digue Island

In the morning, you'll arrive at peaceful La Digue, where ox carts and bicycles are still the main modes of transport. The island is home to the endemic Paradise Flycatcher and is world-famous for the iconic granite formations of Source d'Argent – one of the most photographed beaches on the planet. Discover the island by bike and stop at Union Estate, where you'll be introduced to traditional island trades like coconut oil production, boatbuilding, and vanilla farming. (B, L, AT, D)







### Day 4 (Tuesday) | Grande Soeur & Petite Soeur Islands, Coco Island

Today you'll sail to the Sister Islands, Grande Soeur and Petite Soeur, where you can enjoy fantastic snorkelling and diving. These untouched tropical islets offer peaceful exploration. In the afternoon, arrive at Coco Island, one of the Seychelles' small granite jewels, and an excellent snorkelling spot with a kaleidoscope of tropical fish. (B, L, AT, D)



### Day 5 (Wednesday) | Booby Island & Aride Island

The morning is reserved for diving and water activities around Booby Island. After lunch, continue to Aride, one of the Seychelles' most important nature reserves, home to more bird species than any other island in the archipelago. You'll encounter five endemic species and the world's largest populations of three more (Lesser Noddy, Audubon's Shearwater, and Seychelles Warbler). A nature trail leads to a viewpoint with sweeping views over the region's largest frigatebird colony outside Aldabra. Aride is the only natural habitat of the Wright's Gardenia, and over 400 fish species have been recorded around its shores. (B, L, AT, D)

### Day 6 (Thursday) | Curieuse Island

Disembark in the morning to explore the almost uninhabited island of Curieuse. Experience the expansive mangrove forests and visit the giant tortoise breeding station, as well as the historic ruins of a former leper colony. Lunch will be a BBQ served on the island. Afterwards, enjoy free time for water sports or simply relax on the beach and swim in the turquoise sea. (B, L, AT, D)

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

In the morning, enjoy more water activities. In the afternoon, the ship returns to Mahé. Overnight anchorage will be in the Sainte Anne Marine Park, surrounded by lush granite islands. (B, L, AT, D)

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

Early in the morning, the ship sails 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
01.11.2025-02.01.2026	7	2875	2595	4195	1395
03.01.2026-30.01.2026	7	1825	1795	2895	995
31.01.2026-01.05.2026	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!

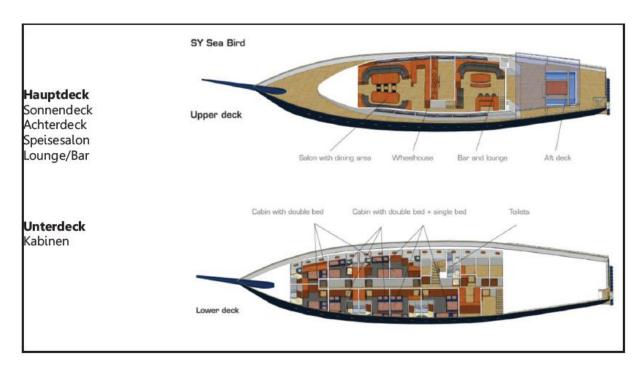




### S.Y. Sea Bird

### 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 €1,825 per person in a twin cabin.

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