



# Indian Ocean Islands

Scattered like emerald jewels across the deep blue sea, the Indian Ocean Islands are an idyllic setting for leisurely cruising. Enjoy the contrast between the beach paradise of Mauritius and the fabulous safari and wildlife in Kenya. Discover the natural thrills of Madagascar and the Seychelles which are renowned for their stunning beauty and laidback charm.

## Tropical sunshine



**Thompsons Preferred Cruise Lines sailing in this area: Costa Cruises.**

### Cruise Types:

14 night cruises departing from Port Louis in Mauritius, with alternative embarkation/disembarkation taking place in St Denis Reunion.

### Cruise Season:

Cruises operate from the middle of December to the end of February.

### Main Ports:

Port Louis in Mauritius or St Denis in Reunion

### Weather:

The region is tropical and temperatures are warm to hot.

### Mombasa

Kenya - A country of many faces and contrasts, which seems to typify Africa. The port city of Mombasa is Kenya's second largest town and offers some of the best sandy white beaches and coral reefs in Africa.

### Madagascar

The fourth-largest island in the world. Unusual and fascinating on account of its unspoilt beaches, varied landscape and the presence of lemurs and other unique species. Most of its plants and animals are not found on the African mainland or in any other part of the world.



### Mauritius

A riot of colours, unspoilt countryside and turquoise sea make this island a real paradise. There is also much to discover in the interior: volcanic craters, streams with thundering waterfalls, and prolific vegetation and wildlife.

### Reunion

This island does not conform to the classic tropical model of sandy white, palm-fringed beaches. Réunion is wild in character, and has the reputation of being a surfers' paradise.

### Seychelles

Luxuriant vegetation, crystal-clear seas and tall palm-trees fringing deserted white beaches make this archipelago the perfect place for a totally relaxing holiday.

