



# **EXPLORE**

# CAPE VERDE

14-days round trip to the islands of São Vicente, Santo Antão, Santiago & Fogo

#### **EXPLORE BY FEET**

On this Cape Verde trip will discover the most impressive routes in the archipelago by feet. All hikes are accompanied by local guides. You will visit the island of São Vicente, Santo Antão, Santiago and Fogo.

#### THE HIGHLIGHTS

- Overnight stay in the Chã das Caldeiras crater landscape
- Nationalpark Serra Malagueta on the island of Santiago
- Green valley on the island of Santo Antão
- Wine tasting on Fogo island
- Coastal hike on the island of São Vicente

### **DATES**

This individual trip can be booked on your desired date. The best time to hike in Cape Verde is from mid-October to June.

# SERVICES

Accommodation, meals according to the program, driver, luggage transport, English-speaking guides, flight tickets with Cabo Verde Airlines, ferry tickets, local assistance

#### **Program**

#### Day 1: (-/-/-)

International arrival in Mindelo on the island of Sao Vicente. Reception by the driver and transfer to the accommodation.

# 2 nights at a boutique hotel in Mindelo

### Day 2: (B/L/-)

Coastal hike from Mindelo to Salamansa (moderate, approx. 2-3 hours). Afterwards, an island tour by car with a visit to various scenic highlights, including swimming opportunities. (Day tour: approx. 7 hours)

#### Day 3: (B/L/-)

1-hour boat crossing to the neighboring island of Santo Antao. Hike from Cova Crater down to the Paúl Valley (moderate, approx. 3 hours). You visit a local grogue (sugar cane liquor) distillery, including tasting.

# 1 night in a guesthouse in Vila das Pombas

#### Day 4: (B/P/-)

Today's hike starts in Pinhão (moderate - demanding, approx. 4 hours) and leads through pretty villages that can only be reached on foot.

# 1 night in a hotel in Lombo Branco

#### Day 5: (B/P/D)

Today's hike goes along the coast from Ponta do Sol to Chã d'Igreja (challenging, approx. 6 hours). On the way you will pass the picturesque village of Fontainhas, which seems to float between the rocks.

# 1 night at a local guesthouse in Chā d'Igreja

# Day 6: (B/P/D)

From one valley to the next, past countless mango trees and through idyllic villages. A wonderful route on which you will rarely meet other tourists (challenging, approx. 5 hours).

#### 1 night at a hotel in Coculi

#### Day 7: (B/-/-)

Today you say goodbye to Santo Antão. From the port in Mindelo you will go to the airport for the flight with Cabo Verde Airlines from Mindelo to Praia (duration: 50 minutes). Up-on arrival at the capital of Cape Verde, our driver will take you to your accommodation.

# 1 night at a comfortable hotel in Praia

# Day 8: (F/-/A)

Short car transfer to the airport and domestic flight from Praia to Fogo (duration: 20 minutes).



#### PRICES & AVAILABILITY

Send us an email to inquire about price and availability. The price varies depending on the travel date.

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When you arrive on the volcanic island of Fogo, you drive up into the crater landscape of Chã das Caldeiras. The Pico Pequeno erupted here for the last time in 2014. It is impressive to see how the locals have learned to live with the whims of nature.

# 2 nights at a simple, local guesthouse in Chã das Caldeiras

#### Day 9: (B/L/D)

Today's volcano climb (challenging, requires sure-footedness) is one of the highlights of your Cape Verde trip. The challenging tour leads to the Pico Grande, from where you can enjoy a spectacular view of the crater. After a break, the descent is particularly fun when you can slide down through the ash. Lunch with wine tasting.

# Day 10: (B/P/D)

Today's contrasting hike leads through the green part of Fogo. The beautiful cloud forest is adorned with a wide variety of tropical plants and locally grown products.

# 1 night at a Eco-Lodge close to São Filipe

# Day 11: (B/-/-)

Short transfer to the airport and flight back to Praia (duration: 20 minutes). Up-on arrival in Praia transfer to the coast to your hotel in Tarrafal.

#### 2 nights at a hotel in Tarrafal

#### Day 12: (B/L/-)

Today you will hike in the national park of Serra Malagueta. On a clear day you can see the silhouettes of the neighboring islands of Maio and Fogo on the horizon. Pines, cypresses and eucalyptus can be admired in the forests.

#### Day 13: (B/-/-)

Enjoy your free day in Tarrafal.

#### Day 14: (B/L/-)

You drive to Calabaceira. On a pleasant trail (moderate, approximately 2 hours) that leads through a beautiful valley formerly used by slaves, you will hike through varied landscapes to the coast to Cidade Velha, the former capital of Cape Verde. In Praia, a day room is available until your flight departs late in the evening.

Notes: B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, P = Picnic, D = Dinner

Program changes are expressly reserved.