



## LEMURS OF MADAGASCAR

### *Discover Madagascar's endemic primates*

Madagascar's long geographic isolation has given rise to extraordinary biodiversity, with 90% of its fauna and flora found nowhere else on Earth. Home to over 300 recorded bird species, 60% of which are endemic, and 260 species of reptiles, including two-thirds of the world's chameleons, Madagascar is bursting with life. But it's the lemurs for which we are truly renowned. With over 100 species, from the tiny, nocturnal Mouse Lemur to the large Indri whose haunting calls echo through the forests, these primates are the island's most iconic inhabitants. Beyond their charm, lemurs play a vital role in maintaining Madagascar's ecosystems by dispersing seeds and supporting forest health.

### **MIAVANA'S CROWNED LEMURS**

Miavana is home to two groups of endangered Crowned Lemurs. They were translocated through the efforts of Time + Tide Foundation from the Bekaraoka forest (in close proximity to the village of Amparihirano) to Miavana. Their distinct appearance, social dynamics, and ecological importance make them a subject of significant interest to wildlife enthusiasts and travellers visiting Miavana. Guests staying with us have the opportunity to join a guided walk to witness them in their natural habitat as they forage for fruit in the canopy, leap through the tangle of branches, and socialise with one another.

### **LEMURS ON THE MAINLAND**

Guests looking to explore beyond Miavana can take short, scenic helicopter flights to Madagascar's mainland, where unique lemur encounters and wild landscapes await. Just across the turquoise waters lies the Daraina reserve, home to the critically endangered Golden Crowned Sifaka, found nowhere else in the world. Here, a nature walk with an experienced guide may also reveal sightings of Crowned Lemurs and the Ankarana Sportive Lemur. Anjahakely offers the rare chance to see Perrier's Sifaka — one of the world's few black lemur species — along with Crowned Lemurs, Ankarana Sportive, Milano Sportive, and Bamboo Lemurs. Ankarana is famed for its dramatic 'Tsingy' limestone formations, where guests can spot Crowned Lemurs, Ankarana Sportive Lemurs, and Sanford's Brown Lemurs along with the jagged spires.