



lazy days, laughter and lemonade...

bakwa Lodge is set along the beach of the opaline waters stretching from Port Sud-Est to Gravier, it lies secluded in a magnificent seascape, home to a rural backdrop, sloping gently to the unspoilt beach, undisturbed but for occasional footprints.

Just one & half hours from Mauritius by plane, Bakwa Lodge is located in Var Brulée, south-east of the island. The view over the lagoon, sets the scene for this unique guest house nestled between the gentle hills culminating at Montagne Cherie and the white beach stretching for kilometres to the distant fishing village of Gravier. We have room for only a few, providing a choice of simple understated luxury accommodation in a variety of rooms and suites.

Guests are invited to experience this beautiful, secluded natural world with access to one of the most popular wind and kite surfing sites. Discover the charms of the island whilst roaming the endless routes that crisscross the countryside & coastal paths.

Enjoy the Rodriguan experience of fine local cuisine, laid back atmosphere and authenticity of island life, join us for lazy days, laughter and lemonade

history

Bakwa lodge is the story of the transformation of an abandoned site into that of an ecological gem, when current shareholders discovered the abandoned construction site they immediately saw the potential of developing an ecological gem in this enchanting part of Rodrigues, known as Var Brulé.

The abandoned constructions were transformed into this charming lodge that blends comfortably into the vegetation, flanked by local vacoas trees emerging occasionally from savannah like plains.

ecology

As water is scarce in Rodrigues, Bakwa Lodge recuperates rain water, that is filtered and pumped to it's own treatment plant and transformed into drinking water. "Grey water" is used to water the garden set with plants that blend perfectly into the natural endemic environment. Few flowers ornate the garden that respect natural habitat, yet the garden is lush with filaos, "baume de Rodrigues", bakwa trees, frangipani...and other robust creepers.

Deliberately soft in garden lightning, night time will enable guests a bliss of southern skies and stars,....

Although all rooms are equipped with air conditioners and ceiling fans, we encourage all to choose to sleep with the caress of the ocean breeze through the louvre shutters.

accomodation

Rates as quoted are per person per night and include breakfast and a three course dinner. The villas are tastefully decorated with Rodrigan artifacts and remnants of broken pirogues, creating a unique atmosphere of understated and comfortable luxury.

The lodge comprises of 1 double room, 6 suites & a large beachfront villa for eight. Spacious, light filled interiors feature concrete floors, louver shutters and marine decks that create an island ambience.

All suites feature large beds with superior cotton linens, mini bar, en-suite bathrooms with ammenities, hairdyrer, tea & coffee making facilities, safe, ceiling fan, air conditioners and anti-mosquito device. All rooms are east facing and have spectacular sea views.

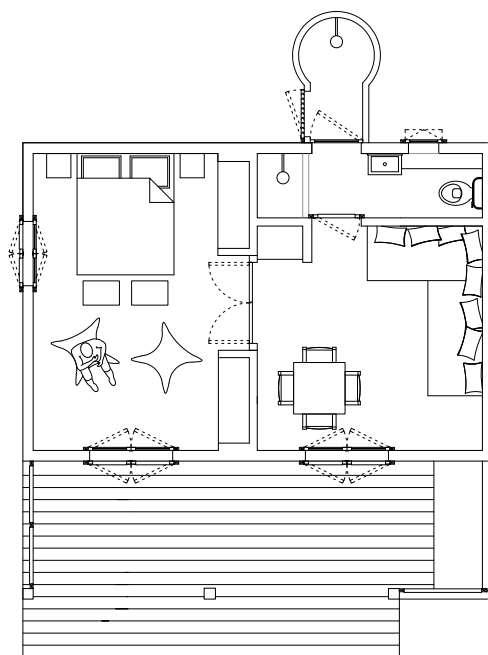
Daily housekeeping is provided and laundry service available on request. Beach towels, and cooler boxes are provided on demand for beachside living.

Maximum Occupancy Per room in existing bedding

4 Family Suites :	4 persons
2 Lagoon Suites:	3 persons
1 Villa	8 persons

4 family suites maximum occupancy 4 persons

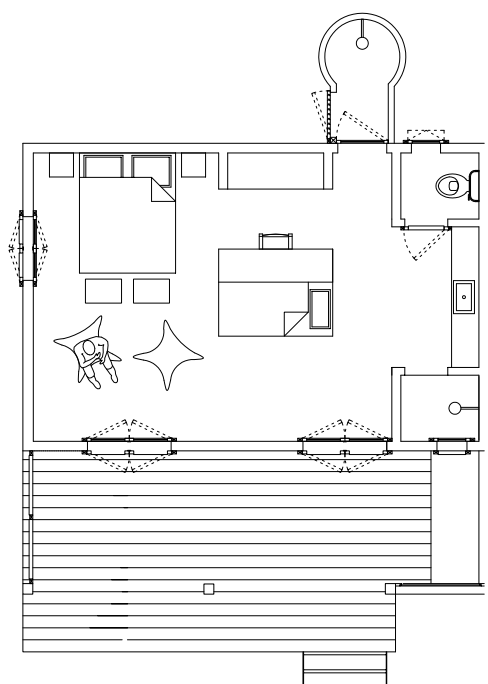
Family suite comprising of one room with 1 double bed, second room with 2 single beds and en-suite bathroom as well as secondary open air hot water shower. All rooms open out with double doors onto wooden deck and veranda housing a private bench bed.



room 35 m², verandah 23 m²

2 lagoon suites maximum occupancy 3 persons

Lagoon suites comprise of a large spacious room with 1 double bed and 1 single bed with open plan bathroom, as well as secondary open air hot water shower. All rooms open out with double doors onto wooden deck and veranda housing a private bench bed.

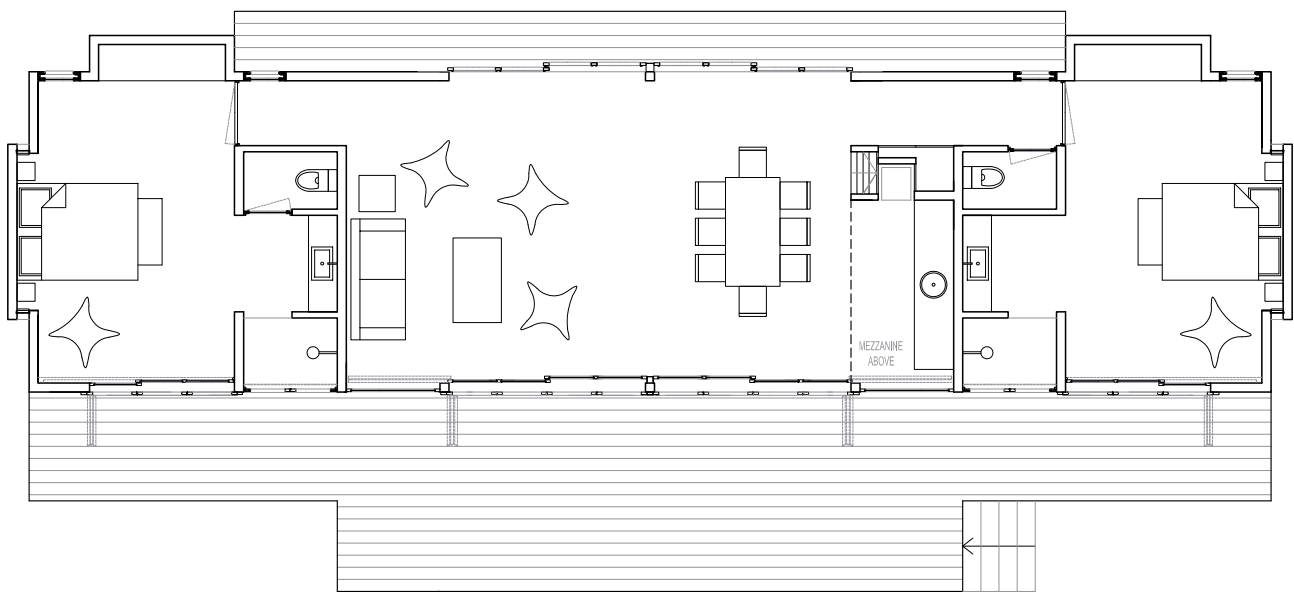


room 35 m², verandah 24 m²

1 villa maximum occupancy 8 persons

The villa includes 2 master bedrooms and 1 mezzanine with four single beds. The master bedrooms are extended with open plan bathrooms and sea view. Separating the master bedrooms is a large living area including a kitchenette providing cutlery, crockery, glasses, kettle, fridge and microwave for private meals and entertainment, though no cooking facilities as such. The entire villa opens up front & back house onto wooden decks with a magnificent view of the beach and sea.

floor level 103 m², mezzanine 12 m², front deck 51 m²



dining

The light and airy, beach-house styled restaurant and bar has a friendly and relaxed atmosphere, it's a perfect place for a romantic candle lit dinner or to chat with Lodge staff and other guests, to plan the day ahead or re-live a day spent exploring or relaxing on Rodrigues.

The local cuisine ensures the freshest produce from the island, the menu changes daily with the seasons, providing a constant source of delight to guests.

Rates at Bakwa Lodge includes a full breakfast and three course dinner.

breakfast is served from 07h30 to 10h00, feasting fresh fruit, honey & home made jam, fresh free range eggs and toast and a variation of crêpes, crumpets or speciality of the chef on different days. Cereals, freshly brewed coffee and tea is also proposed with fresh homemade lemonade.

dinner is served from 19h00 to 21h30 for last kitchen orders comprising of three courses with options for special requests. A combination of Rodriguan delicacies and European fares will captivate guests senses indulging in fresh local produce of fruit and vegetables, fish, octopus, free range chicken, delicious pork & crayfish, all delicately flavoured with local herbs and spices. The chef is happy to accommodate any specific dietary requirements, as a remote destination it's important to advise these before arrival. Simple meals and times can be arranged to accommodate young children as well as early and late arrivals.

lunch is available daily, offering typical Rodriguan dishes as well as "à la carte" propositions of salads, bruchettas and sandwiches, fish or lobster. Picnics can be made up for guests to take on walks or hikes.

activities and services

our beach directly accessible, extends for kilometers along the crystalline water towards Gravier, where guests can simply swim, snorkel, sunbathe or go for long walks to further creeks.

kite surfers & windsurfers have direct beach access to launch in front of the lodge and race along off-shore reefs or to islands in the lagoon, the best months for this activity are from June to October.

For those who are not experienced in this activity and require lessons, there are world renowned kitesurfing & windsurfing schools nearby, which is a two minute walk from the lodge either inland or along the beach..

bikes are available for hire.

added experiences can be organised by Bakwa Lodge with approved operators for pirogue fishing, scuba diving, zip lining, island trips and discoveries. The lagoon can be sailed with local fishermen, discovering the smaller islands or just having fun fishing and snorkeling.

hikes and walks, Rodrigues is an island that can be discovered on foot, coastal or inland. Paths are well indicated with a variety of distances and difficulties and the locals are warm welcoming people happy to guide you on the right trails & welcome you to experience island life.

massages are offered by an approved therapist in guests suites at a supplement.

babysitting services can be arranged during the day and evenings at a supplement. Cots are offered on request.

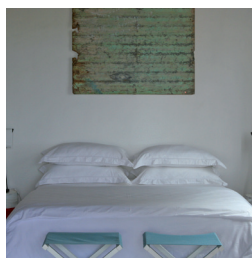
the lounge hosts a book-exchange library, augmented and plundered by guests over time.

island airport transfers can be arranged for a fee.

check in and check out, rooms are available on arrival as from 14h00 and must be vacated on departure before 12h00.

Bakwa lodge is simple, comfortable, understated, luxury contemporary island living. It's logo has been derived from the typical Vacoas trees locally named "bakwa", dotting the island. Rodrigues is famous for its tangy lemons known as "Ti Limon" which has inspired our slogan:

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