

Prepared for Blue Safari Fishing

# BLUE SAFARI FLY FISHING SEYCHELLES

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## Alphonse Group

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The Alphonse Group is considered one of the most pristine, untouched Eden's of the world, making it a nature lover's paradise. The magnificent island threesome comprising of Alphonse, St Francois and Bijoutier lies in the heart of the Indian Ocean as part of the Seychelles Outer Islands.

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### *At a Glance*

- Located 400km [250miles] southwest of Mahé in the Seychelles.
- Situated 7° south of the equator.
- Miles of unblemished shorelines, lagoons and sea flats.
- Pristine & private - only 22 Beach Bungalows, 5 Beach Villas & 2 four-bedroom Beach Retreats.
- Scheduled flights depart and return to Mahé each Saturday and selected Wednesdays.
- Maximum of 12 anglers on the flats
- Similar time zone to Europe, African and Middle East.

### **Highlights**

- Paradise in the Outer Islands
- The best bone fishing in the Indian Ocean
- Best milkfish destination on the planet
- The ideal destination for anglers travelling with non-fishing partners or families
- Abundance of ocean and land activities
- World-renowned destination for scuba diving and fly fishing
- 5-star accommodation
- Easy beach access, with the ocean only meters away
- Impeccable service, cuisine, activities and experiences

### **Activities**

*Activities included in the rate:*

#### *Unguided:*

- Use of sea kayaks
- Stand-up paddle boards
- Surf boards
- Tennis court
- Gym
- Bicycles.

#### *Guided (Once a week):*

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- Bicycle tour
- House reef snorkel
- Alphonse Island kayak
- Beach cleans
- Alphonse flats expedition
- Flats lunch
- Yoga

### *Guided (Daily):*

- Farm tour (scheduled on request)
- Giant tortoise feeding with the Island Conservation Society
- Turtle patrols with the Island Conservation Society.
- Conservation talks: Several evenings a week, focussing on ongoing conservation projects around the Alphonse Group.

### *At additional charge:*

- All boat - based snorkelling excursions, including Alphonse Snorkel, Outer Reef snorkel, manta experience and sailfish snorkel
- Island excursions to Bijoutier Island and St Francois Island Nature Hike
- All SCUBA diving, including PADI courses
- Blue water fishing & fly fishing
- Blue Safari and half / full day charters on A'Mani
- Any signature meal set ups including Bijoutier Island picnics, cooking classes and beach picnics.
- All spa treatments
- Alphonse Tribes programme for children aged 0 - 12.

## Alphonse & St Francois Atoll Fishing

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The Alphonse Group is one of the most famed saltwater fly fishing destinations in the Indian Ocean and one of the most prolific bonefish fisheries in the world. St Francois is approximately seven miles long and four miles wide, consisting of firm white sand bottoms interlaced with channels and cuts. The maximum number of anglers allowed to fish on St Francois is limited to 12 per day.

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### *Flats Fly Fishing*

The uniqueness that sets St Francois apart from many other saltwater destinations is the ability to wade over 10 000 acres of hard white sand flats in search of the various species on offer.

Bonefish wades will involve fishing to cruising or tailing fish as they forage for crustaceans. Whether you're after tailing singles and doubles or shoals, our guides have the ability to make it happen. St Francois is rumoured to have the densest population of bonefish recorded worldwide. The largest bonefish caught to date was a whopping nine and a half pounds! The average catch returns over the last three years are 12 to 15 bonefish per person per day and depending on the angler's skill, often many, many more! It is not uncommon for good anglers to land 20 to 40 fish in a day's succession.

In addition to the abundant bonefish flats, the lagoon envelopes coral finger flats and coral heads allowing anglers to catch several of the now 60 species targeted on fly, including three species of triggerfish, seven species of trevally, milkfish, barracuda, sailfish, dogtooth tuna, yellowfin tuna and a plethora of other flats and offshore species. Sight fishing for giant trevally is one of the most exhilarating forms of fly fishing one will ever experience!

At certain times of the year, milkfish feed on plankton near the surface and can be enticed to eat flies. Alphonse is where the "milkfish on fly" dream began and these speedy, high flying fish, which have been caught up to 40 pounds, entertain our guests every season. Alphonse accounts for more than 90% of the worlds milkfish caught and released on an annual basis

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### *Itinerary*

#### **DAY 1**

The group meets an hour before the scheduled departure time at the Mahé domestic terminal. After the one-hour flight to Alphonse, guests will be met by the Blue Safari team and taken for refreshments and an orientation. Once settled guests will make their way to the fishing centre for a briefing and tackle setup. Guests are most welcome to fish unguided for the remainder of the afternoon.

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### **DAY 2 - 6**

Breakfast at 06h00, teams to be ready to leave at the fishing centre at 07h00. The mothership (St Francois) will depart the Candoc at 07h00 with all fishing guests to arrive at St Francois Atoll for fishing to commence at 08H00. Packed lunches for the days fishing are made at breakfast according to your desires. At 16h00 your team will head back to the mothership for an hour transfer back to Alphonse.

### **DAY 7**

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### **DAY 8**

The plan for your departure morning will be confirmed with you at dinner the evening before departure day. The Charter flight will depart Alphonse at the indicated time and arrive back on Mahe an hour later.

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### *Bluewater Fishing*

The unspoilt waters of Alphonse and St Francois Atoll are home to an incredible variety of pelagic fish species, making it a great destination for offshore fishing. The structure and sheer drop-offs are ideal for attracting a variety of species that can be caught on fly as well as conventional trawling methods. Fish such as sailfish, wahoo, dogtooth tuna and yellowfin tuna can be targeted on any given day. Anglers can choose to either spend a half or full day targeting some of these hard fighting fish on our three offshore vessels

We practice a strict “no conventional/spin fishing” on or close to the islands, flats and reef to preserve the resident species that use the shallow reef as an access point onto the flats and surrounding areas. Pelagic fish are caught for consumption and guests are invited to bring their catch back to shore and liaise with our chefs to prepare it fresh for dinner.

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### *Vessels and Guides*

#### **Flats Skiffs**

Skiffs range between 16 to 18 ft in length and have single tiller arm engines. These skiffs will be skippered by our experienced, world class and professional Alphonse Fishing Co. Guides. Their passion and dedication is infectious and rest assured they will go the extra mile in search of your fish of a lifetime. Angling teams will be split up into groups of two anglers per skiff and guide.

#### **Blue Water Vessels**

- **A'mani** - A refitted 54 ft motor catamaran caters to full or half day fishing and or leisure trips. This boat is perfect for a day out with the whole family, ask for a chef to join you onboard for the full experience. Perfectly suited for fishing, scuba diving and snorkelling A'mani can do it all. She is extremely comfortable, stable and has spacious aft game deck rigged with outriggers and a fighting chair.
- **Suli** - A 30 ft mono-hull, powered by twin 300 hp Yamaha four stroke outboard engines. She is rigged with the latest Furuno technology for sounding and navigation, coupled to radar and VHF radio type communications. The layout of this boat makes her extremely versatile for all kinds of fishing. She is fitted with outriggers and has a cabin, which shelters guests from the elements.
- **Y-Knot** - A 30 ft centre console walk around sportfisher, powered by twin 250 hp Yamaha four stroke outboard engines. She is rigged with touch screen Raymarine navigation, communications and radar electronics. Her bow seating and removable table is perfect for serving lunch. The layout of this vessel makes her extremely versatile and perfectly suited for popping, trolling and fly fishing.

#### *Our Guides:*

- Are professional, passionate and extremely experienced with all facets of fly fishing in these remote saltwater destinations.
- Are fluent in English [some speak French and Creole].
- Carry waterproof VHF radios and are in constant communication with each other as well as the base.
- Are qualified skippers, with STCW qualifications and have impeccable boat handling skills.
- Have first aid experience.
- Have pioneered many of the techniques in catching the various species that call Seychelles home eg: milkfish & triggerfish.

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### *Seasons*

The fishing season on Alphonse:

- 10 pre-sold fly-fishing packages available from September to May
  - 2 onsite rods sold daily available from September to May
  - 6 pre-sold fly-fishing packages available from May to September
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### *Wading*

The hard white sand, turtlegrass or coral flats of the Seychelles make for easy wading, separating it from other destinations in the world. As most of the fishing will be done whilst wading, good protective footwear is essential. Standard diver's neoprene booties with a reinforced rubber sole are not appropriate. A more protective flats wading boots must be worn. There are a number of purpose made boots on the market, which are excellent. See suggested brands in tackle and gear check list at the end of this document.

## Seychelles Species

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### *Bonefish (Albula vulpes)*

Alphonse has an extremely healthy population of bonefish that frequent the flats and has, without a doubt, the largest bonefish population in the Seychelles with huge numbers between four to six pounds with the odd fish reaching eight pounds. On falling tides it is often the case that huge shoals of bonefish can be targeted when leaving the flats in what has been described as a continuous river of bonefish.

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### *Moustache Triggerfish (Balistoides viridescens)*

A colourful and energetic feeder that tails when feeding in the shallows, both up on the flats and on the reef edges. Known as a giant, titan or moustache triggerfish, it is the largest of the three species that can be caught at Alphonse. The Alphonse Guides were the first to develop the flies and techniques to deceive these fish, as well as to introduce triggerfish as a much sought-after trophy for flats angler. These finnickier feeders are found in abundance on the Alphonse Group and catches are made regularly.

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### *Indo-Pacific Permit (Trachinotus blochii)*

Also known as pompano, it is a member of the Carangid family and a relative of the Atlantic permit. Alphonse has good populations of permit and tends to have these fish spread out over the entire fishery. The Alphonse Guides have near-perfected the art of catching these fish, considered the Holy Grail of saltwater flyfishing!

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### *Yellowmargin Triggerfish (Pseudobalistes flavimarginatus)*

Triggerfish are opportunists, feeding mainly on small crustaceans, which makes them perfect targets on a fly. Alphonse offers great opportunities when it comes to targeting yellowmargin triggerfish. These colourful characters, that grow in excess of 15 lbs, have extended anal and dorsal fins that work in conjunction with each other but in different directions, giving them incredible acceleration.

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### *Milkfish (Chanos chanos)*

A finicky algae feeder and a ferocious aerobic fighter reaching lengths in excess of 180 cm and weights over 50 lbs. The Alphonse guides were the first to develop the flies and techniques to catch this sought-after trophy. The first milkfish ever caught on fly was at Alphonse and it is still the best destination in the world for this species, with more caught on these atolls than all the world's destinations put together.

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### *Giant Trevally (Caranx ignobilis)*

A super predator that is found at all our destinations in good numbers with specimens as large as 120 lbs. Alphonse has less GT's than that of Astove and Cosmoledo, yet Alphonse giant trevally numbers are consistent with an average catch stat of approximately 400 per season, or ten per week.

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### *Bluefin Trevally (Caranx melampygus)*

Bluefin trevally are distributed throughout the tropical waters of the world with populations varying according to fishing pressure. Areas like Alphonse, that have shallow lagoons, support healthy populations of juveniles, which contribute immensely to the overall population. The typical size of fish would be from 18 cm to 80 cm, with an 80 cm specimen being a trophy.

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### *Indo - Pacific Sailfish (Istiophorus platypterus)*

The sailfish is the fastest fish in the ocean and named after its large dorsal fin, which extends most of the length of its body. These acrobatic fighters can be found within a mile, or 5 minutes from Alphonse's mooring. Alphonse has a large population of sailfish and is very well equipped with the correct game boats and bluewater teams to tease and target these fish.

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### *Dogtooth Tuna (Gymnosarda unicolor)*

Dogtooth tuna are a resident-pelagic fish that are found along the drop-offs surrounding Alphonse. They patrol continental shelf drop-offs and frequent depths between 50 and 150 ft, which are found relatively close to shore around the atoll. These fish can be targeted by dredging with a heavy sink tip fly line and a Mega Clouser.

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### *Barracuda (Sphyraena barracuda)*

These fearsome looking creatures are extremely fast and jump when hooked. Larger barracuda, which grow to over 240 cm, are more or less solitary in their habits and hunt alone when on the flats. Although all of our destinations have great numbers of barracuda, the largest specimens are caught at Alphonse due to the incredible population of bonefish that they feed on.

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### *Wahoo (Acanthocybium solandri)*

The Seychelles waters are known for their incredible numbers of wahoo due to the rich currents that flow close to the atolls. Reaching speeds of up to 80 kilometres per hour, the wahoo is the third fastest fish in the sea. The wahoo that frequent the Alphonse waters range between 10 to 50lbs. At certain times of the year they migrate to follow shoals of baitfish, so some times of the year can be better than others.

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### *Yellowfin Tuna (Thunnus albacares)*

Yellowfin Tuna migrate through out the Seychelles year-round following bait and particular ocean currents. As a result the tuna caught around Alphonse fluctuates, with the majority of catches being seen at the start and end of the season. When actively targeted offshore yellowfin tuna can be caught in good numbers surrounding Alphonse and St Francois.

## Tackle & Gear Checklist

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### Rod & Reel Loan

Fly fishing outfits consisting of Thomas and Thomas fly rods and Shilton reels, loaded with 300 yards of Cortland braided backing can be loaned at no charge. It's important that angler's pre book the rod hire to insure that we have sufficient stock. Anglers can either purchase fly lines in the shop or bring fly lines from home to accompany their respective hire rods. All rod breakages are for your account and will be billed at US\$150 per rod.

### Tackle & Gear

Alphonse has a fully stocked tackle and gear shop with an extensive collection of fly lines, flies and various other items for sale, should you need extra, run out, or would like to take something home with you. We also stock Yeti coolers and flasks, Alphonse shirts and caps, and Thomas & Thomas rods for purchase.

### Recommended Bonefish & Permit Outfit

- 2 x 9-foot 8 or 9-weight fly rod [1 x Spare]
- 1 x High quality large arbor saltwater series reel, with a strong smooth drag to match the fly rod. Load the reel with two to three hundred meters of 50lbs braid.
- 1 x High quality weight forward tropical floating line, suitable for warm water conditions.

### Recommended Triggerfish & Milkfish Outfit

- 1 x 9-foot 10-weight fly rod
- 1 x High quality large arbor saltwater series reel, with a strong smooth drag to match the fly rod. Load the reel with three hundred meters of 50lbs braid.
- 1 x High quality weight forward tropical floating line, suitable for warm water conditions.

### Recommended Giant Trevally, Bluefin Travelly, Barracuda & Bluewater

- 2 x 9-foot 12-weight fly rod [1 x Spare]
- 1 x High quality large arbor saltwater series reel, with a strong smooth drag to match the fly rod. The reel should be loaded with three hundred meters of 80lbs braid.
- 1 x High quality heavy weight forward tropical floating line, suitable for warm water conditions.
- 1 x 750 grain sinking line for dredging

### Terminal Tackle

- 1 x 15 lb fluorocarbon tippet material
- 1 x 20 lb fluorocarbon tippet material
- 1 x 25 lb fluorocarbon tippet material
- 1 x 100 lbs Shilton mono leader

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- 1 x 130 lbs Shilton mono leader

### Flies

It's critical all anglers carry a complete selection of flies tied the correct way with the correct materials and on the correct hooks. We recommend the following fly selection, which will cover all your fishing. A full selection of flies can be purchased on Alphonse.

### BoneFish

- 4 x Gotchas #6
- 4 x Golden Knight #6
- 4 x Pillow Talk # 6
- 4 x Fleeing Crab Cream/Tan #8

### Permit & Triggerfish

- 2 x Kraken crabs or Curly tails #2
- 4 x Spawning Shrimp #2
- 12 x Alphlexo Crab [White, Tan and Olive] #2
- 2 x Fishient Crab #2
- 4 x Bedhead Shrimps #2

### Milkfish

- 4 x Milkydream Chartreuse #2
- 4 x Milkydream Olive Rams Wool #2

### Giant Trevally, Bluefin Trevally & Barracuda

- 2 x GT Brush Fly [Tan] #5/0 SC15-2H
- 4 x GT Brush Fly [Black] #5/0 SC15-2H
- 2 x Flaming Lamborghini's #6/0 SL12S
- 4 x GT Bucktail Deceivers # 8/0 SL12S
- 4 x GT Barrel Popper #8/0 SL125

### Bluewater & Billfish

- 2 x Pink, White & Purple Cam Seglar Sailfish Tube Tandem #8/0 x 2.

## Alphonse Island Lodge



### *Property Overview*

An hour's flight from Mahé, you will land on a discreet haven covered in coconut palms and tropical flora. With miles of unblemished shorelines, lagoons, and sea flats, Alphonse Island truly is paradise in the Outer Islands.

Alphonse Island offers the best of both worlds: remote enough to soothe your soul, but with a variety of luxury facilities to make your stay comfortable and extremely enjoyable. With everything you need on one island and more, you can do as much (or as little!) as you like.

Surrounded by the azure waters of the Indian Ocean, you will find a retreat with white sandy beaches, stylish accommodation, luxurious experiences, and a range of exotic animals and endemic plant life. Overlooking picture-postcard-perfect beaches, fringed by palm trees and with not another soul in sight, each of Alphonse Island Lodges' accommodation options is wonderfully unique and completely immersed in the natural surroundings of the Outer Islands.

The combination of organic harvest from our own farm perfectly complements the bounty that the Indian Ocean offers daily. With no two meals ever presented the same, dining at Alphonse Island will not only stimulate your senses, but it will leave no doubt as to where you are finding yourself at that very moment.

## **Alphonse Island Lodge**

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### *Beach Bungalow*

The 22 Beach Bungalows are set amongst lush tropical plantations just metres from the beach. Located on the eastern shoreline of the island, the air-conditioned Beach Bungalows are decorated in a unique style that emphasises the raw and natural beauty of the island. With a layout that keeps guests' relaxation foremost in mind, the Beach Bungalows are ideally situated to make the most of the beautiful surroundings.

Each Beach Bungalow has its own verandah, overlooking the turquoise waters of the Indian Ocean. Perfect for watching the sunrise with a cup of coffee or watching the sunset with a cocktail in hand.

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### *Beach Villa*

The five one-bedroom Beach Villas are chic, stylish and contemporary. Nestled amongst tropical vegetation and just steps away from the white sandy beach, the villas are extremely spacious and private, with a large lounge area and bathroom, all decorated in a palette of colours that complement the natural surroundings: hues of blues, soft greens, and natural shades.

The villas offer a tranquil interior and exterior landscape in a glorious island setting. An outdoor shower and infinity pool combine with deep, palm-leaf style thatched roofs to create a carefully crafted local creole approach to laidback luxury.

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### *Four Bedroom Beach Retreat*

The beach Retreats, referred to as the Manta Retreat and the Marlin Retreat each have four bedrooms for the ultimate stay in privacy and seclusion. The spectacular retreats are ideal for multi-generational families, and friends. Each accommodation can sleep up to eight adults and four children.

Offering spectacular panoramic ocean and garden views, each Beach Retreat is 600 square metres in size with four generously appointed double bedrooms, all with luxurious island-style ensuite bathrooms. A large, light-filled open-plan living and dining area includes a kitchen and leads to a sun deck and private plunge pool. A private chef can be arranged upon request to create bespoke menus for dining at the retreat. Both retreats include their own golf buggy as well as bicycles for all residents.

## **Alphonse Island Experiences**

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Alphonse Island needs to be experienced to be believed... quiet picnics on secluded beaches, sunset cruises with loved ones, mesmerising encounters with captivating marine life, and blissful pampering treatments; all in picture-perfect surroundings that enhance every sensation.

The geographical isolation of Alphonse Island creates an atmosphere of undisturbed solitude where guests forget about the outside world and immerse themselves in all the natural wonders and unique experiences that the island has to offer. An action-packed holiday, a romantic sojourn, or an idyllic beach break, Alphonse Island offers both exhilarating and relaxing experiences.

Many of our activities are scheduled according to the best conditions during your stay. Some activities may only be possible once a week due to tides & will be scheduled by our activity team accordingly. Please always let us know if you have a particular interest in any when visiting Alphonse Island so we can do our best to accommodate it.

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### *Blue Safari Experience*

Venture beyond the reef and explore the open ocean on a Blue Safari. Join our team for a trip to our offshore waters in search of a variety of amazing wildlife. You never know quite what to expect on our Blue Safari and your guide will be prepared for anything. Armed with snorkel gear you have the option to watch on board our vessel or to jump in the water to cool off and possibly swim with dolphins, cetaceans, and pelagic marine life.

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### *Manta Experience*

Enjoy a magical experience snorkelling with manta rays. This conservation - focussed experience allows you to not only observe but also have close encounters with these graceful giants. We've combined a leisurely snorkelling experience with an exciting encounter, all in the name of science. All trips are important data collection opportunities for the Seychelles Manta Ray Project; the on-site marine biologist will take ID photos of the Mantas whilst you are enjoying the encounter. Once back these will let us know which individuals were present, allowing researchers to track their movements and habitat use around the islands.

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### *Sailfish Snorkel*

Board one of Blue Safari's custom-built vessels and head out to deeper waters off the reef, in search of sailfish. These stream-lined predators rarely venture close to shore which means that encounters with the species will take place in the shimmering deep blue waters that surround our island destinations. Once out in the blue, our team will deploy hookless teasers behind the boat to lure the sailfish up from the depths. With the first sight of their silvery-grey or blue bodies, it's time to jump in for a wild experience of swimming with them. Sailfish are usually found in small groups which means snorkelers are likely to be surrounded by a swirling group of these magnificent creatures.

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### *Flats Lunch*

Once a week, at low tide, guests are ferried to one of St. François Atoll's stunning white sandbanks, surrounded by vibrant marine life and turquoise waters. With toes in the water and a cold drink in hand, guests enjoy freshly grilled cuisine and lively company, making the Flats Lunch one of our signature experiences. As the tide comes in, it leaves no trace behind, erasing footprints and refreshing the sandy canvas.

During our Explorer Season (May to September), we may relocate the Flats Lunch closer to Alphonse for added shelter, ensuring that sand stays out of your cocktail glass.

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### *Scuba Diving*

Alphonse Island is renowned as the top diving destination in the Seychelles, featuring over 30 dive sites that cater to divers of all skill levels. With a stunning variety of both shallow and deep dives, it's perfect for both beginners and experienced divers alike. The sheer abundance of marine life here is unparalleled, with regular encounters with stingrays, turtles, moray eels, barracuda, sharks, tuna, grouper, snapper, trevally, and many more, making it an essential dive destination. Additionally, Alphonse offers both NITROX and regular oxygen, enhancing the diving experience for all adventurers.

Our 5-Star PADI dive centre offers a variety of courses, run by friendly, experienced, world class instructors. There is no limit to the courses on offer, which include specialty scuba courses.

Courses on offer include:

- PADI Bubblemaker (Kids)
- PADI Discover Scuba Diving [DSD] [one-hour theory, a pool session, and a shallow dive to 12 m]
- PADI Scuba Diver
- PADI Open Water

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- PADI Advanced Open Water
- PADI Rescue Course
- PADI Basic Freediver
- PADI Freediver
- PADI Dive Master

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### *Snorkelling*

#### *Alphonse Snorkel*

Jump into the calm Alphonse lagoon and drift with an incoming tide over a vibrant array of shallow coral heads covered with fish of all shapes and sizes. Drift the channel spotting turtles, stingrays, big fish and abundant marine life. An amazing snorkel that is perfect for both beginner and advanced snorkellers.

#### *Outer Reef*

Sites on the outer reefs of Alphonse, Bijoutier, and St. Francois are filled with stunning marine life and impressive drop-offs which offer a great chance to see larger fish species and pelagic marine life such as turtles, eagle rays, sharks, and huge schools of reef fish. Shallower reef tops offer comfortable conditions and more adventurous snorkelers can swim off into the deep.

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#### *Guided House Reef Snorkel*

Embark on an educational journey through one of the most vibrant and pristine marine environments in the world. With expert guidance, you'll gain a deeper understanding of the underwater ecosystem and create lasting memories of your time exploring the beautiful house reef. Whether you're a novice or an experienced snorkeler, this guided adventure offers a perfect blend of discovery, safety, and environmental awareness.

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#### *Night Snorkel*

This activity offers an adventure that deepens your appreciation for the marine world. The unique opportunity to observe nocturnal marine life in their natural habitat offers an unforgettable experience that daytime snorkelling cannot match. For those seeking to explore beyond the ordinary and witness the ocean in a different light, a night snorkel on Alphonse Island is an absolute must.

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### *Freediving Lessons*

#### *Free Diving*

Free diving is one of the fastest-growing sports in the water. Train with our PADI instructors and obtain your own freediving licence. From there you can get even more enjoyment out of your snorkels as you can spend more time seeing what's hidden beneath, up close and more colourful than ever before.

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### *St Francois Island Nature Hike*

St Francois Island lies a 40-minute boat ride away from Alphonse. This is a nature walk on the uninhabited island that will guide guests through the mangroves where birds roost high in the tree tops and others wade across the vast white sand flats. The wildlife on this untouched island such as mangrove crabs and nursing baby Sicklefin lemon sharks are amazing and the lagoon behind the island is a suspected nursery site for sharks and rays. Manta rays, pelagic fish, and dolphins are often viewed on the crossing from Alphonse.

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### *Bijoutier Island Visit*

Stroll the deserted beaches and swim in crystal clear calm water on Bijoutier Island. This is a hotspot for turtle nesting. Guides will explain the life cycle of the beautiful turtles from hatching to laying their eggs. Our visits to Bijoutier Island are combined with a boat - based snorkel between Bijoutier and Alphonse Islands.

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### *Kayak & SUP*

#### *Guided Kayak*

Kayaks are a perfect and non-intrusive way to get up close to turtles and rays around the flats and allow guests to enjoy Alphonse from a new perspective. A guided tour by nature experts who will point out seabirds and many other marine animals.

#### *Self-guided Island kayak*

For something more private and personal kayaks are readily available for guests' use. This way guests get to appreciate the untouched exquisiteness of Alphonse Island solely at their own pace. A picnic basket can be organised for guests to carry along, enabling them to choose a spot for a secluded meal.

#### *Stand-up Paddle Boarding*

Stand-up paddleboarding at Alphonse Island offers the perfect blend of adventure, relaxation, and natural beauty. Whether exploring the calm lagoons, participating in a guided tour, or enjoying a sunset paddle, guests are sure to have a memorable experience. The activity's alignment with the island's conservation efforts ensures that paddleboarding remains a sustainable and eco-friendly way to enjoy the breathtaking surroundings of Alphonse Island.

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### *Surfing*

Alphonse Island offers a unique and exhilarating surfing experience, with uncrowded waves and pristine, turquoise waters. Surfers can ride gentle swells in the warm Indian Ocean, surrounded by stunning natural beauty and abundant marine life. Whether you're a seasoned surfer or a beginner looking to catch your first wave, Alphonse offers ideal conditions for all skill levels. The island's remote location ensures a truly exclusive experience, making each session on the waves as peaceful as it is thrilling.

The surfing breaks are located at a considerable distance from the island's beaches. Access to these waves is available exclusively through the guidance of an instructor, via boat transport to ensure safety. This aspect reinforces the island's remote charm, creating a serene atmosphere for each surf session that combines tranquility with excitement.

### *Alphonse Cycle Tour*

A guided tour across Alphonse stopping at major landscapes and seascapes for guests to familiarize themselves with the forest trails and most secret spots on the island. During the tour guests will be informed about the early settlers of Alphonse and the changes from indigenous forest to coconut plantation. Learn about birdlife, fish, and plants as you see every corner of the island with our knowledgeable guides. This tour ends at the Smoothie Cafe on the Alphonse Farm for an introduction to the farm and freshly blended smoothies straight from our garden.

### *Farm Tour*

Our farm experience begins with a guided walk led by our knowledgeable team, who'll immerse you in the world of sustainable farming. You'll learn about our diverse range of crops and the thoughtful methods we employ, ensuring harmony with nature across our 4.8-hectare land. Although we utilize only 0.3 hectares for planting, we yield an impressive 4.0 tonnes of produce per month, with twice-weekly harvests year-round. Not only does this mean that everything served is fresh but more importantly it allows us to reduce the amount of carbon emissions by relinquishing cargo flights.

On the tour, discover our variety with 10 fruits and 34 different vegetable species cultivated using water-efficient drip irrigation powered in part by harvested rainwater. We upcycle kitchen waste, plant cuttings, and cardboard to create 1.5 tonnes of rich compost weekly, fuelling our crops sustainably. Along winding garden paths and peaceful seating spots, our guides will also share insights into the specific care needed for each species. To complete your experience, savor a refreshing smoothie made with a medley of farm-grown fruits and a touch of wild honey from our very own bees.

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### *Cooking Class*

Roll up your sleeves and dive into a truly immersive cooking experience. Prepare a variety of dishes, using fresh, high-quality ingredients taken straight from our very own farm. Work with a range of ingredients and cooking methods under the expert guidance of our Chef, ensuring a new experience in Creole-inspired cuisine to take back home to your own kitchen.

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### *Yoga*

Blue Safari invites you to join in scheduled yoga sessions where you can ease out the stresses of modern life and relax your body and your mind. Take a moment to focus inwardly and reflect on the beauty of the tiny paradise that is your temporary home. Our yoga sessions are created to clear the mind and set your spirit free to enjoy your holiday to its fullest. Sessions in addition to the weekly schedule can be arranged subject to availability and surcharge.

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### *Spa Therapies*

Azure Spa is our in-house wellness facility. The Spa typically offers a range of services, including massages, facials, body treatments, and wellness consultations. The treatments might often incorporate local ingredients and traditional methods, aligning with the natural and serene environment of the island.

The spa's design purposely reflects the overall aesthetic of Alphonse Island Lodge, featuring natural materials, calming colors, and an open-air layout that takes advantage of the island's warm climate and scenic views.

For guests preferring a more secluded set-up for their treatment, in-room service can be organised on request.

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### *Sundowners at the Beach Bar*

As the sun sets, guests can enjoy complimentary sundowners, watching the sky transform into a canvas of golden and pink hues, creating an idyllic end to the day. It's the perfect opportunity to relax, socialize, and soak in the serene atmosphere with a refreshing drink in hand.

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### *Sundowner Cruise*

Set sail into the Alphonse Lagoon on one of our luxury boats to salute the setting sun with a cocktail or beer from the bar. Share stories from your week and bask in the stillness of the departing day.

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### *ICS Activities*

#### **Giant Tortoise Feeding**

Engage in an unforgettable experience by participating in the Giant Tortoise Feeding activity. This interactive encounter offers a rare opportunity to get up close and personal with these magnificent creatures while learning about their dietary habits and ecological importance. Up Close Interaction: Guests can hand-feed giant tortoises, offering them a variety of their favourite foods under the guidance of knowledgeable staff.

#### **Turtle Patrols**

Daily turtle patrols with the ICS team focus on monitoring the nesting success of sea turtles in the outer islands. These ancient mariners have been navigating the oceans for millions of years, but today they face numerous threats from human activities and environmental changes.

Nest Monitoring and Protection: Join a conservation ranger on their year-round patrols locating turtle tracks and identifying nesting success of the two species of Endangered turtle that lay their eggs on Alphonse. This is part of a nation-wide study looking at the populations of Sea Turtles in Seychelles, help contribute to the longest running database in the outer islands and potentially even help hatchlings find their way to the ocean.

Tagging: If you are lucky enough to encounter a female nesting on a turtle patrol you can assist the conservation ranger in deploying a flipper tag- or recording the tag present if she is a known regular. This helps monitor the nesting site fidelity and frequency over time, crucial for conservation management.

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### *Beach Cleans*

We invite all guests to join our beach clean-up initiative during their stay. It's a fantastic way to give back to the environment, meet like-minded individuals, and enjoy a rewarding experience in paradise.

Participation not only enhances your stay but also contributes to a greater cause, leaving a positive impact on the island and the world. By participating in the beach clean-up initiative, you are helping to protect the environment and ensuring that our slice of paradise remains unspoiled for years to come. The beach clean-up initiative is designed to be family-friendly, with activities suitable for all ages.

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### *Guided Fly Fishing on Alphonse Flats*

Based directly on Alphonse Island, the Alphonse Guides are equipped to explore the outer shores right outside your doorstep. Guests get to experience unlimited site fishing like no other from the comfort of the Island. Experience either a full or half day with one of the experienced Guides. On Alphonse guests get to boast about their bonefish species amongst friends at dinner!

\*\*Due to high demand and limited availability, pre-booking is essential.

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### *Guided Fly Fishing on St Francois Flats*

The Alphonse Group is one of the most famed saltwater flyfishing destinations in the Indian Ocean and one of the most prolific bonefish fisheries in the world. St Francois is approximately seven miles long and four miles wide, consisting of white sand bottoms interlaced with channels and cuts. Try your hand on a full or half day of fly fishing with our experienced Alphonse Fishing Co. Guides wading over 10,000 acres of hard white sand flats in search of the various species the Alphonse Group has on offer.

\*\*Due to high demand and limited availability, pre-booking is essential.

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### *Bluewater Fishing*

Experience offshore fishing like never before. The unspoilt waters of Alphonse, Bijoutier, and St Francois Atolls are home to a vast variety of blue water species. The structure and sheer drop-offs are idyllic for species such as sailfish, wahoo, dogtooth tuna, yellowfin tuna, and dorado. On each given day there is an opportunity to fight the reel and target these species for either a full or half day.

\*\*Due to high demand and limited availability, pre-booking is essential.

## Alphonse Conservation

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Conservation is something held very close to the hearts of everyone on Alphonse Island. Alphonse is committed to protecting the unique fauna and flora of the area with ongoing research, rehabilitation and monitoring programs, focusing especially on nesting sea turtles, giant tortoises, sensitive marine habitats and forest rehabilitation. This dedication to conservation has at all times been at the centre of the mission to create an exclusive island that is intimately connected to the natural environment.

Established on Alphonse in 2007, the Island Conservation Society (ICS) work in partnership with Blue Safari conducting fieldwork and researching key components of the remote atoll ecosystems. The ICS team offers activities on the island such as Turtle Patrols, Giant Tortoise feeding, and bird-watching which guests are encouraged to join. Conservation is at the heart of Blue Safari and through the collaborative nature of project implementation on Alphonse some real conservation success stories have shed light on the importance of the ecology of the outer islands and the need to protect it into the future.

Blue Safari Seychelles provides support through its membership on the board of the Alphonse Foundation and hotel guests contribute essential funding to the continuation of the conservation through a conservation levy. ICS provides a weekly presentation that provides progress updates and discussion of environmental topics. Books, souvenirs, and T-shirts can be purchased from the ICS office or the Alphonse Boutique, with the proceeds providing further support to the conservation efforts.

### Alphonse conservation success in numbers:

- 480 Manta Rays identified through the Seychelles Manta Ray Project
- 50 underwater acoustic receivers detect signals from: 75 tagged Giant Trevally, 15 Milkfish, 25 Sharks and 20 Manta Rays to monitor movement patterns and spatial ecology
- 2 Important Shark and Ray Areas (ISRAs) designated
- 100+ nesting Wedgetailed Shearwaters saved through habitat restoration, site protection and predator removal
- Over 1200 Giant Trevally PIT tagged to monitor recapture rates, population dynamics and sustainability of the fly-fishery
- A new fish species discovered and published
- 212 Sea Turtles recorded nesting in the Alphonse Group
- Over 17.6tonnes of plastic debris removed from the beaches

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### *Sustainability*

#### **Hotel**

- We try to eliminate plastic as much as possible throughout the resort; we do not sell drinks in plastic bottles, all tap water is drinkable with aluminium flasks provided and any disposables are compostable.
- All in room amenities are organic, not tested on animals and in refillable containers.
- We have 2200 solar panels which since their installation in 2018 has saved over 270,000L of diesel from being burnt every year- saving 694.2tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>from being released per annum.
- All cleaning products are environmentally friendly.

#### **Nutrition**

- Our menus champion our on-site farm which produces 75% of all fresh produce consumed on the island.
- All fish served are line-caught by BSS staff using sustainable methods. We focus primarily on fast-growing, pelagic species such as Tuna and Wahoo and deeper water species (+60m), thus not impacting the surrounding coral reefs.
- In 2023 African Honey Bees were re-introduced to Alphonse; instrumental in pollinating the farm and now producing our own island honey.
- We do not serve any crustaceans, shellfish with the exception of farmed prawns from Coetivy Island or octopus/squid for sustainability reasons.

#### **Water**

- All freshwater on the island is desalinated groundwater running on solar power.
- We capture rainwater with a storage capacity of over 85,000L across the island. Our laundry and main swimming pool is fully rainwater and we are increasing our Rain Water Holding capacity over the next 12 months.

#### **Waste**

- All waste is separated and either shipped off the island for recycling or incinerated on-site. No waste is buried on the islands.
- Food and green waste is composted in the farm, producing around 600kg of compost every 2 weeks.

#### **Environment**

- All activities such as fly-fishing, snorkelling, diving and nature walks are in the presence of a professional guide and follow strict codes of conduct.
- Only fly-fishing allowed inside the lagoons and reef flats of the atolls, all fish caught on fly is strictly catch and release.

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- We implement turtle-friendly lighting and keep beach crest vegetation in-tact to limit light disturbance to nesting turtles.
- All sunscreen sold on-site is reef friendly by Stream2Sea and we request guests to bring only reef - safe brands with them where possible.

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### Essentials & Amenities

#### All Rooms

- Air - conditioned
- Electronic Safe
- Ceiling Fan
- Mini bar
- Beverage Station with Nespresso Machine
- Landline Telephone
- Beach Towels
- Laundry Service
- Shaver Outlet
- Hair Dryer
- Outdoor Shower
- Bathtub
- Private Bicycles
- Sun Loungers
- Wi-Fi

#### Beach Bungalow

- Mosquito Net [On request]
- Day Bed

#### Beach Villa

- Mosquito Net [On request]

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### Beach Retreat

- Indoor Bathtub in Master Bedrooms only
- Fully Equipped Kitchen
- Mosquito Nets in Master Bedrooms only
- Golf Buggy per Retreat

### **Access Document**

- [Blue Safari Seychelles access map](#)

### **Getting there**

- The Seychelles is a four-and-a-half-hour flight from Dubai, Abu Dhabi, and Doha which will serve as a connecting hub for regular international flights from Europe, the United States, Africa and Asia.
- There are easy connections across to East Africa via Nairobi, and South Africa via Johannesburg.
- Alphonse Island is an hour flight from main land Mahe
- The Alphonse Island reservations team will assist with all return flight reservations between Mahé and Astove at the time of booking.
- Flight times are subject to change. Please makes sure you confirm your correct flight times with our reservations team.

### **Weather**

Seychelles is Typically hot and somewhat humid with midday temperature hovering at Seychelles is typically hot and somewhat humid with midday temperatures hovering at  $\pm 35^{\circ}$  Celsius [ $\pm 90^{\circ}$  Fahrenheit]. Evenings are also invariably warm with the exception of the first and last few weeks of the season, when there may be a strong, cooling breeze.

### **Daylight Hours**

Due to its proximity to the equator, there is no real twilight in the Seychelles. The sun rises quickly at around 06h15 and sets with equal swiftness at about 18h30. This varies by only minutes throughout the year, giving nearly a full 12 hours of daylight for 365 days a year.

### **Conservation Donations & Environmental Levy**

#### **Conservation Donation**

There is a mandatory conservation donation of \$30per person, per night. This will be included in your confirmation invoice and is settled prior to arrival or on check out. Donations are complimentary for children 0 - 17 years. This goes to the Alphonse Foundation and funds the conservation centre on the island and our long-term projects, if you would like to contribute further to our special projects that is welcomed and can be settled on check-out.

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### **Environmental Levy**

Please take note that the Seychelles Government has introduced a Tourism Environmental Sustainability Levy which will come into effect from the 01 August 2023. Establishments will charge and collect this levy from the visitors upon guests check-out. For more information, please refer to Seychelles Tourism Sustainability Levy. This levy is applicable for all guests over 13 years old.

### **Accident Medevac Insurance**

All guests are required to obtain "From Scene of Accident Medevac Insurance". Details must be submitted prior to arrival on the Island.

### **Indemnities**

All guests are required to sign an indemnity form once on location. Divers booked on courses must complete the Medical Statement prior to diving, this is provided prior to arrival in case you need to arrange medical clearance for diving from your physician.

### **Passports & Visas - Entry into Seychelles**

#### **Passports & Visas**

No visa is required for a holiday. - This applies to all foreign passport holders.

#### **Entry Into Seychelles**

Every visitor who intends to travel by air or sea to the Seychelles must have an approved, valid Travel Authorization or Disembarkation Information Form. Applications can only be made up to 29 days prior to your arrival date in Seychelles. There are different requirements for travel to the Seychelles for citizens, permit holders and visitors. Please pay attention to the required documents that apply to you and / or your group. A yellow fever vaccination is needed if you are traveling to Seychelles from a yellow fever endemic region. If you are transiting through an airport of a yellow fever endemic region for less than 12 hours you do not need yellow fever vaccination. You will need this vaccination certificate to apply for your Travel Authorisation. Get in touch with our team if you are unsure of which countries fall within the yellow fever endemic region. Please note that all travellers must have a valid credit / debit card available to pay the fee. (€10 per application and you get your clearance within 9 hours).

For more information and to apply, please refer to the [SEYCHELLES IMMIGRATION WEBSITE.](#)

Before you apply, ensure you have all of your mandatory documents ready:

- Valid passport
- Selfie or passport-type photo
- Contact information
- Details of your arrival flight into Seychelles

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- Details of your visit in Seychelles
- Details of accommodation for every night of your stay in Seychelles
- Details of your departure flight from Seychelles
- Travel insurance with medical cover for CV 19
- Yellow Fever Vaccination (if you have visited a yellow fever endemic region prior to arrival in Seychelles)

### Suggested Fishing Packing List

Although a minimal amount of clothing is required when fishing the flats, it is important to follow the recommended list.

- 3 x UV proof flats shirt [soft natural colours – as bright colours alert fish!]
- 1 x UV proof zip-off pants [soft natural colours]
- 1 x UV proof short pants [soft natural colours]
- 1 x Rain jacket [must be lightweight]
- 1 x Sungloves
- 1 x Cycling / lycra shorts for wearing under your flats shorts to prevent chafing
- 1 x Flats wading boot, with thick soles and good ankle support [Please refrain from using neoprene booties. They do not offer adequate protection!]
- 1 x Gravel guards
- 1 x Waterproof fly box to prevent your flies from rusting.
- 2 x Polarized sunglasses [Costa Del Mar's 580 amber and green mirror lenses]
- 1 x Sunscreen [SPF 30+]
- 1 x Lip block
- 2 x Buffs
- 1 x Hat / cap
- 1 x Stripping gloves
- 1 x Waterproof backpack
- 1 x Headlamp or torch
- 1 x Soft tissue for drying & cleaning lenses
- 1 x Pliers for removing hooks and squashing barbs

Our Fly shop offers a range of clothing suited for fishing these waters

### Suggested Leisure Packing List

- Loose Fitting Clothing
- 1 x UV Proof shirt for waterbased activities

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- 1 x Polarized sunglasses
- 1 x Sunscreen [SPF 30+]
- 1 x Lip Block
- 1 x Hat/Cap
- 1 x Headlamp/torch
- 1 x Lightweight rain jacket
- 1 x Camera
- 2 x Swimming costumes
- 1 x Dry Bag [optional for activities]

### Flights & Luggage

- Guests are expected to arrive in Mahé the day before their trip as any delay on the day of departure will certainly cause the trip to be missed.
- The domestic flights leave from the domestic terminal at Mahé Airport.
- Please always confirm flight times, as flights are subject to change.
- Check in starts 1 hour before your scheduled departure time and closes 30 minutes prior to take off.
- Please see weight limit restrictions in bold below
- On request, the Alphonse Team in Mahé will assist you with the storage of excess luggage while you are on Alphonse Island.
- It's as important for return flight to be booked a minimum of 4 hours after arriving back in Mahé as any delays may cause guests to miss their international flights.
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**Check-in luggage is strictly limited to 15 kg [33 pounds] per person, and 5 kg [11 pounds] carry-on luggage.**

### Health & Safety

Our clinic is well-equipped to handle basic requirements and emergencies situations with adequate medical facilities, a doctor on site, and a nurse covering in the doctor's absence. The clinic operates 24/7 with an on-call schedule.

#### *Malaria*

The Seychelles and Alphonse Island are Malaria Free area's.

#### *Sun Protection*

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Due to the close proximity to the equator, the sun in the Seychelles is exceptionally strong, with the white sand increasing its effect. It is not advisable to lie in direct sunlight. A strong sunbathing lotion or sun block is recommended, as is wearing a hat, protecting your head from direct sunlight. For water sports, [such as snorkelling], a T-shirt [rash vest] is recommended.

### *Water*

There is a desalination plant on Alphonse Island and water from the faucet is safe to drink. Mineral water is only stocked when specifically requested prior to arrival.

### *Dangers to watch out while wading:*

**Stingrays:** Some atolls host large numbers of stingrays on the flats. Most species have a venomous, barbed spine near the base of their tails that they can use for defence. These spines can inflict a nasty wound, should an unwary wader inadvertently stand on a stingray. These often sedentary or slow moving fish are easy to see and avoid, and to date no anglers have had any problems with these docile creatures.

**Stonefish:** Found mainly in the shallows on the coral edges of reef flats, stone-fish are not only lethally toxic but are also very well camouflaged and will not move unless touched. A stonefish has 13 strong hollow spines through which it injects its venom and these will pass through a thin rubber sole with ease. For this reason all wading should be done wearing thick-soled wading boots.

**Cone Shells:** Fish-eating cones live in crevices among the coral or half covered by sand awaiting their prey which they attack by shooting out a dart that injects a paralysing venom. The venom from certain species can be fatal, however proper footwear will ensure your safety.

**Sharks:** Frequently encountered whilst wading in Seychelles, sharks are inquisitive and may pause for an instant and give you the once over, but if you remain calm and quietly stand your ground, these magnificent creatures will not bother you.

## **Electricity, Mobile Phones & WiFi**

### *Electricity*

To conserve the environment Alphonse Island is 'off the grid, and completely reliant on solar power. Through solar power the Island has 24-hour electrical current [240 volt, 50 cycles AC] with British plug points. European electrical current adapter [3-point, square-pin] is necessary.

### *Cellular/ Mobile Phones/ Internet*

•There is no mobile signal / connectivity on the island.

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- Each Bungalow, Villa and Retreat has a landline phone service, operated via satellite as well as Wi-Fi.
- There is free Wi-Fi in the bar and lounge area.

### **Children**

- Children of all ages are welcome at Alphonse Island.
- Children one to 23 months stay complimentary.
- Fun and educational activities for children in a stimulating environment.
- Special menus with nourishing and appropriate options for developing palates.
- Child minders are available [at an additional charge].

### **Gratuities**

Tipping is never mandatory. The below serve as a guideline based on average tips given. Tips are to be left at reception upon departure for equal distribution. Any gratuities will be appreciated by the staff and we thank you for your generosity.

- General Hotel Staff: ± US\$300 per person per week or US\$50 per day as a guideline.
- Fly Fishing Guides: ± US\$700 per angler per week or US\$110 per day guideline, which is given to the fishing manager at the end of the week. The Guides work on a rotational basis so your tip will be divided equally.
- Diving Staff: ± US\$25 per dive, divided up by the dive team and skippers.
- Activity Centre Team: ± US\$15 per day for the activity team if you have joined any activities.

### **Payable Services At Mahe International Airport**

- Salon de Vallée de Mai Departure Lounge – for the comfort convenience of clients awaiting air connections upon departure. This service is complimentary to business class travellers.
- Meals in Mahé will be for your own expense.
- The Payanke Lounge is available for all travellers at Mahe Airport and can be booked by our team at additional cost.

## Documents & Links

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### PDF Documents

[Fly Fishing Package 2025 Rates](#)

[Leisure Package 2025 Rates](#)

[Alphonse Island 2025 Experiences](#)

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### PDF Documents

[Season Comparison](#)

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### PDF Documents

[Azure Spa](#)

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## Alphonse Terms & Conditions

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### Cancellation Policies

- A 10% fee shall be levied if cancellation is made more than 180 days prior to arrival.
- A 10% fee shall be levied if the reservation is moved to an alternative date within the same season.
- If a booking moved to an alternative year, the 10% fee and the applicable rate increase will apply. Bookings may only be moved more than 181 days prior to arrival.
- A fee of 50% shall be levied if cancellation is between 180 and 90 days prior to arrival.
- A fee of 100% shall be levied if cancellation is 90 days or less prior to arrival.
- All cancellations and provisional bookings must be confirmed in writing.
- Bank fees associated with refunds are for the guests' account.

### Payment Terms

- Reservations will be held for 2 weeks.
- We require a 50% deposit to confirm the booking.
- Final payment to be made 3 months prior to arrival.

### Tariffs

- Inclusive of VAT in US Dollars
- Subject to availability

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- All tariffs are subject to change, without prior notice, however rates quoted for confirmed bookings will be honoured.

### **Indemnity & Insurance**

- All activities require the client to sign an indemnity once on location.
- All clients are required to submit “From Scene of Accident Medevac Insurance” prior to arrival.
- It is highly recommended that guests take out travel insurance that covers part or full cancellation of a trip due to flight delays, health, weather or force majeure.

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