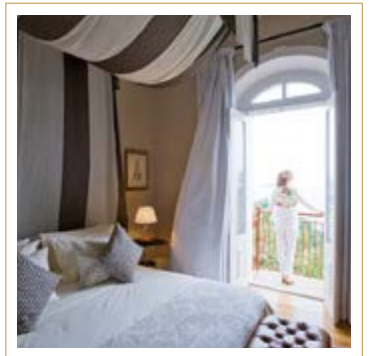


# BELO MONTE

— PLANTATION HOTEL – PRAIA BANANA —

— PRÍNCIPE —

SÃO TOMÉ & PRÍNCIPE



EXPERIENCE THE UNIQUE FEATURES OF PRÍNCIPE IN  
STYLISH LUXURY

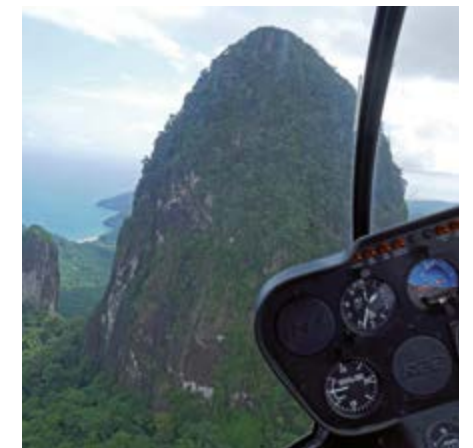




## About Príncipe

- Tropical paradise Príncipe is situated off the coast of West Central Africa in the Gulf of Guinea and forms part of the twin island state of São Tomé & Príncipe, Africa's second smallest country and one of the world's last hidden gems.
- This safe and unspoilt island with its small, charming population has a rich history and breathtakingly beautiful surroundings to share with the discerning traveller.
- Príncipe was created through volcanic activity some 31 million years ago, and hosts tropical rainforests covering the basaltic peaks and slopes of the island, cascading down to some of the most idyllic beaches in the world.
- Because of the high number of endemic plant and animal species – species that exist nowhere else in the world – the islands are also known as 'Africa's Galapagos'. Príncipe and its surrounding islets are a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve.
- The islands were uninhabited until the 15th century. After colonisation by the Portuguese they became important producers of sugar cane, coffee and cacao.
- Príncipe's culture today is a melting pot of influences from diverse countries, which gives it its unique and authentic character in language, culture, gastronomy and traditions.

To fully experience Príncipe's unique features, Belo Monte offers a variety of excursions by foot, car, quad, boat, kayak, snorkel, scuba dive and helicopter.







## About Belo Monte

- Belo Monte was founded in 1922 as a small coffee and cacao plantation (roça), but is now an elegant heritage hotel, renovated and furnished in classical Portuguese style.
- The hotel is only a walk away from five of the most idyllic beaches in the world, among which the beautiful 'Praia Banana', aptly named for its shape, which formed the backdrop for the world famous 1991 Bacardi Rum commercial.
- Belo Monte is well-known for its friendly and authentic hospitality. Our management and staff aim to create a unique and unforgettable experience of the hotel and the island for each of our guests.
- Belo Monte has an on-site museum celebrating the natural and cultural history of the islands – the perfect starting point for excursions.
- We operate according to the concept of 'tourism pays for conservation': profits of the hotel directly support nature conservation and education projects on the island.

## About the accommodation

- The stately Manor House offers **three beautifully appointed, individual suites**, a guest lounge with terrace and a private boardroom with library and conference facilities. All boast magnificent views over the forest and bay.
- The former hospital at the end of the courtyard has been transformed into **four spacious luxury suites** with verandas overlooking the lush gardens and forest. Two of them also have a connecting veranda with ocean view.
- The building opposite the manor house hosts **two luxury suites** with separate living room and small private garden with terrace.
- **Six 'plantation rooms'** – historically the home of the people working on the roça – are now comfortable rooms with a wooden terrace bordering the forest. They can be used as individual rooms or as family rooms with connecting doors.
- Nested in the forest with wonderful views over the ocean are **two private stand-alone villas**. They have a large lounge and outside patio with dining table and deck chairs. Each villa has two bedrooms, one with a double bed and one with two single beds, and two bathrooms with outside and inside showers and an inside bath. Ideal for families or a group of friends.







### FACILITIES

- Several beaches, including the world famous 'Praia Banana', are in walking distance from the hotel
- Free Praia Banana shuttle service
- Free airport shuttle service
- Tropical swimming pool with natural stone waterfall
- Museum focusing on Príncipe's unique features: natural and cultural history, biodiversity and conservation efforts
- Auditorium/Cinema (40 seats)
- Library/board room with conference facilities
- Lounge with tea terrace (private dining and bar service)
- Restaurant, bar and terraces in main building
- Bar and restaurant service at the swimming pool and at Praia Banana
- Room service
- Free internet access

### IN ROOM AMENITIES

- Air conditioning
- Coffee and tea-making facilities
- Hair dryer
- Bathrobes
- WiFi

### ACTIVITIES

Belo Monte offers numerous excursions and expeditions to explore the unique nature and culture of Príncipe:

- Guided tours by 4x4 vehicle or quad bike
- Boat tours
- Helicopter tours – check if available during your stay
- A variety of hikes – guided and non-guided
- Snorkelling
- Kayaking
- Scuba diving
- Bird watching
- Sustainable fishing    best from May to October
- Whale watching        from July to October
- Turtle watching         from October to April







## HOW TO GET TO PRÍNCIPE

Various international airlines fly to the main island São Tomé. STP Airways provides flights between the islands São Tomé and Príncipe. Private charters can fly directly to Príncipe. Guests of Belo Monte can profit from the hotel plane flying in the region that provides charter services between the islands and regional capitals like Libreville, Douala, Luanda and Accra. For more info: **belomonte@africas-eden.com**



## AFRICA'S EDEN

Belo Monte forms part of Africa's Eden, an organisation that aims to give travellers the opportunity to experience pristine nature in unique, unexplored destinations and invests profits generated through tourism in nature conservation and education projects in the area. **www.africas-eden.com**



## FOREVER PRÍNCIPE !

Forever Príncipe! conservation alliance is part of the Conservation Tourism Program on Príncipe developed by Africa's Eden. Its headquarters and field lab are based in Belo Monte. Researchers regularly give presentations for guests. **www.forever-principe.com**



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