



## SAUVAGE Trek

**A FIVE-DAY TREK**

**Ranking difficult**



*Sauvage* means ‘unspoiled’ or ‘wild’. The **SAUVAGE** trek will lead you through an area where the influence of mankind is minimal and tourists are hardly ever seen. It is a five-day challenging jungle trek with nights in four different villages.

### Summary

The five-day **SAUVAGE** trek is for the experienced hiker, in good health. If you do not mind living in a basic and remote setting for a few days, you will visit places where few have gone before, and where you are likely to see lemurs, chameleons and other animals endemic to Madagascar. You will experience the virgin rainforest in all its splendour, towering trees, impenetrable thicket, babbling brooks and waterfalls. But first, after arriving in Fetraomby village by boat, you can stretch your legs and visit the ‘*pierre bizarre*’ (weird stone). Women having difficulty to get pregnant go here to pray. To visit this sacred place a short ceremony to honour the ancestors is required.

Next day you will head for the Andriantantely forest. That will take you through mainly man-made landscape – rice fields, plantations, villages, crossing small streams. But at the end of the day you will be submerged in the unspoiled rainforest where the Indri-indri reigns. In addition, you will see the bees after which the forest of Andriantantely was named (tantely meaning both ‘bee’ and ‘honey’) and other species of lemurs, chameleons and much more. The last day will bring a four-hour hike through stunning primary forest, to enjoy the breath taking vegetation and wildlife one last time. The journey will take you to the banks of the Ivohitra river, where a bamboo raft will be waiting to carry you back to the asphalt jungle.



**Activities and sights:**

- Walking in the jungle
- Fauna and flora
- Visiting different villages
- Music and dance
- Explanations of the use of trees and plants
- Visiting a sacred place, including traditional ceremony
- Picnic near the waterfall and swimming in the lake
- Return from the jungle on a bamboo raft

**Included:**

- All transport (including boats and rafts)
- English or French-speaking guide during the entire trek
- Local guide during the hikes in the jungle
- Local porters to carry your luggage and the food for the picnic
- All meals during the trip
- Accommodation all nights
- Performances by local dance and music groups
- Traditional ceremonies and entrance fees
- A comprehensive description of the trek

**Excluded:**

- Your stay at Centre Lambahoany, if applicable
- Entry fees for any other events
- Change of transport or stay if those planned are available (Reason: the guides and other locals have made preparations and thus got expenses, also if things are cancelled at the last moment)
- Drinks, other purchases, tips

