



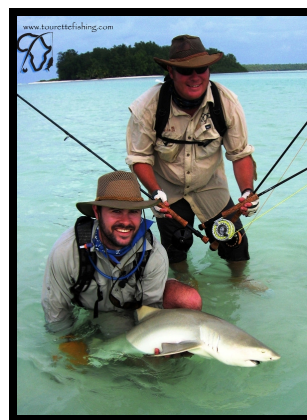
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St Joseph's Atoll - Seychelles



Destination: St Joseph's Atoll - Seychelles
Season: Nov - April
Duration: 8 nights - 6 full days fishing
Accommodation: Luxury 46ft Catamaran
Numbers: 6 plus 1

Introduction

If you take any activity and push it to the wildest edge, you create magic. Sport fishing in Africa is definitely one such activity. Your need to fish wild and remote waters, to create your own magic, may well be what drives you.

At Tourette Fishing we understand this urge is far more than fleeting. It is an intrinsic need that motivates all you do. You don't just want to fish, you NEED to fish.

With your limited time, we understand you want to fish the best waters at the optimum time of year with the best guides in the industry. Rest assured we have scouted the finest, wildest and most productive African fisheries for your enjoyment.

So, when next you get the urge to get out and go tight, let us assist in pushing you to the wildest edge of African sport fishing. It is on this edge that you can create your own magic. Come on, try fight it in Africa!

The Seychelles

The Seychelles archipelago lies between 4 and 10 degrees south of the equator. Just over one hundred islands make up this archipelago and can be assigned to one of two distinct groups; These groups being the inner and outer Islands.

The Inner Islands comprise of roughly 40 granite Islands. Mahe is the principle island in the group. The remaining seventy plus islands belong to the Outer Islands which extent in a SW direction towards the east coast of Africa



St Josephs

St Josephs forms part of the Amirantes Island group which are situated around 260km SW of Mahe. The atoll is approximately 7km by 4km and consists of a string of small islands linked by large sand flats and turtle grass patches. The Atoll's lagoon is home to good populations of sting rays and turtles. There is a large colony of frigate birds on the islands as well as populations of herons, crested turns and plovers.

Fishing at St Josephs

Flats

From November to April each year Tourette Fishing CC guides exclusive groups of adventurous fly fisherman to this unique flats fishing destination - St Jo's ranks as one of the finest flats fishing destinations in the world, with bone fish and Indo Pacific Pompano (permit) being the main target. Most bones run between 4 and 6 pounds, with trophy fish on these flats considered fish above 7 lb's. It is possible to land upwards of 20 fish per day, with experienced anglers reaching 30+ bones per day. The Indo Pacific Permit (or African Pompano) is considered the holy grail of fly fishing, and trips to St Josephs are planned with targeting these fish in mind. Pompano are arguable the finest fighting fish pound for pound, combined with their finicky nature and the pristine environments one sight fishes for them in, makes them a world class target in this, a world class fishery.

Fly fisherman have the opportunity to target blue fin king fish, and at times giant trevally, on the flats as well as barracuda and both black tip and lemon sharks.

Blue Water:

The blue water fishing around St Josephs is world class, with species such as Wahoo, Tuna, GT's, Dog Tooth Tuna and Sailfish amongst a host of other pelagic and reef species making a showing.

TF guides are familiar with all productive reefs and drop off's in close proximity to the flats. All guides are experts at handling teasing tackle and targeting blue water species on fly.



The Average Day

Each evening your guides will decide on where and when to fish the following day, taking into account angler competence, species you wish to target, weather and tides.

Breakfast is served at around 06h30 each morning. Those fishing the flats will take a packed lunch with them onto the flats; those who choose to fish blue water will be served a cooked lunch on the mother ship. After breakfast you will be shuttled on the tender boat to a predetermined area of the atoll.

A typical fishing day involves wading the productive flats in search of bone fish. At low tide we will move to the edge and wait for the cold pushing water and the feeding permit these waters bring. At high tide we will often move to specific areas to look for patrolling trevally and barracuda.

Lunch is enjoyed in the shade on near by islands or on the mother ship. We plan to return to the mother ship at sunset each evening. All times are flexible and will be adapted to suite your group. Half day flats and half day blue water fishing is also a great option.

Travel Requirements

Passports

Passport with at least 6 months validity are required for all visitors to the Seychelles

Visas

No Visa's are required for visits less than 40 days

Time

GMT+4

Currency:

Seychelles Rupee, SR (approximately SR15 : USD1 at time of print). Dollars, Euros and ZAR are accepted widely. Travels cheques and Visa cards are accepted at most establishments on Mahe.

Language:

Creole, French and English

The Mother Ship

Tourette Fishing uses 8 berth liveaboard catamarans for all St Josephs trips. These well appointed liveboards sleep 8 anglers in 4 rooms. All meals are prepared on the mother ship. Trips are limited to 6 or 7 anglers with 2 (guided) or 1 (hosted) professional TF guides per group respectively. All liveboards are serviced by two inflatable zodiacs which are used to shuttle anglers to and from the flats each day, and for blue water fishing.

Tenders

We will have 2 tenders for each liveaboard Catamaran for our St. Josephs Trips.



Deposits

A 30% deposit is required to secure your place with the balance to be paid 8 weeks prior to departure.

Cost

The price is USD 3350.00 per person. (ex Mahé)

Includes:

- Transfers between Airport and Harbor
- 8 nights accommodation on liveboard basis with three meals daily
- Waters and soft drinks
- 6 full days fishing
- TF professional Guide/s
- Island fees

Excludes:

- Return flight to Mahe
- Tackle and terminal tackle
- Gratuities for boat crew and guides
- Airport Taxes
- Drinks

Terms and Conditions:

Tourette Fishing terms and conditions apply, please request a copy if you did not receive them. It is compulsory for clients to take out comprehensive medical/travel insurance prior to travel.