



Kirsty Price, 31, a marketing director, and Rory Dorman, 36, a wealth manager, spent 15 nights on a three-stop honeymoon on the East African coast

WHY WE WENT

We wanted a mix of adventure, luxury and pampering. We'd heard good things about Mozambique's isolated, pristine beaches, but we also fancied a horseback safari – we were told Botswana's Okavango Delta is the best place for it. Sindabezi Island on the Zambezi River seemed like the ideal place to start our adventure.

VACATION VIBE

An African island getaway with lots of R&R on white beaches, plus plenty of African wildlife.

THE HIGHLIGHTS

The daily horseback treks in the Okavango Delta were unforgettable – we galloped with giraffes, antelope, zebras and wildebeest. But Vamizi Island was the best place to wind down. We went diving, explored coral reefs and encountered everything from sharks to manta rays. One day we swam with dolphins in the ocean and watched the sunset from the boat, then returned to our villa for fresh lobster.

DECOR DETAILS

We kicked off our honeymoon with two nights at the lodge on Sindabezi Island, and our open-air room – complete with a giant bed, freestanding bath and sensational views – was an incredible start. Our tent at African Horseback Safaris' Macatoo Camp was a palace built on stilts above the

water-covered plains, and one night was spent in a luxury treehouse, with the elephants below us and nothing but the sky above. But the view from our villa on Vamizi Island was spectacular: we looked out on to a three-mile beach, and being at least 180 metres from anyone else meant we had total privacy.

Taking a horseback safari in Macatoo Camp

THE MEAL WE'LL NEVER FORGET

While at Vamizi Island, we took a canoe trip that saw us floating through mangroves to discover a delicious beach picnic waiting for us.

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Scott Dunn (scottdunn.com) offers two nights at Sindabezi, Victoria Falls; four nights at African Horseback Safari in Botswana's Okavango Delta; and six nights at Vamizi Island Lodge, Mozambique, on an all-inclusive basis, from €7,400 per person, including flights, transfers, taxes and an overnight stay in Johannesburg. →

