# SWIMMING WITH WHALE SHARKS

**DESTINATION: MAFIA ISLAND DURATION: 1/2 HRS** 









### (i) "SWIM WITH GIANTS: WHALE SHARK ADVENTURES IN MAFIA ISLAND"

Swimming with whale sharks in Mafia Island offers an awe-inspiring and unforgettable experience in one of the world's most stunning marine environments. These gentle giants, the largest fish in the ocean, glide gracefully through the crystal-clear waters, providing an extraordinary opportunity to witness their sheer size and beauty up close. The clear visibility around Mafia Island enhances the experience, allowing you to marvel at the intricate patterns on their skin as they feed in the nutrient-rich waters. This encounter, typically available from October to March, combines adventure with a sense of serenity, offering a rare chance to interact with these majestic creatures in their natural habitat.



**GUIDED TOURS** 



**FAMILY-FRIENDLY EXPERIENCE** 



MARINE CONSERVATION



MARINE BIODIVERSITY



**CRYSTAL-CLEAR WATERS** 



**SNORKELING ADVENTURE** 



**ECO-FRIENDLY TOURS** 

(i) TIPS



# (i) INCLUSIONS

None

# (i) EXCLUSIONS

Personal Expenses Tips/Gratitudes for the Guides

Book with Reputable Operators

Wear Reef-Safe Sunscreen

Listen carefully to safety briefings and instructions provided by your guide

Do not attempt to touch or ride whale sharks

Capture the moment with a waterproof camera or GoPro

#### ALFAZULU OVERVIEW SCORE



**QUALITY OF EXPERIENCE** 

SAFETY AND RELIABILITY

**VALUE FOR MONEY** 

**CUSTOMER REVIEWS AND FEEDBACK ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL** 

**RESPONSBILITY** 

## (i) DID YOU KNOW?

- Whale sharks, despite their massive size of up to 40 feet, are known for their gentle and non-aggressive nature, making them a safe and awe-inspiring encounter for swimmers.
- Whale sharks are filter feeders, meaning they feed by swimming with their mouths open and filtering tiny plankton and small fish from the water, which is why they are often seen near nutrient-rich areas like Mafia Island.
- Mafia Island hosts whale sharks during their migration season from October to March, offering one of the best opportunities in the world to swim with these magnificent creatures in their natural habitat



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