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• Kilwa Kisiwani is an island and a natural historic site. It was originally owned by the Swahili people in the 11-14 century. It was linked with Great Zimbabwe in trading gold, ivory, iron, and slaves. People came as far away as India and China for trading by sailing in the Kaskazi (north) wind and went back by the "Kusini" (south) wind. There is a Portuguese fort built in Kilwa called the "Gereza" Kilwa fort built in the 16th century. The Great Mosque of Kilwa was said to be the largest mosque in Southern Sub-Saharan Africa based in the 11-12th century. It was built by Sultan Al-Hassan bin Sulaiman Ibrahim. The Palace of Husuni Kubwa or the Great Palace was also built by Al-Hassan bin Sulaiman in the 14th century overlooking a beautiful view of the ocean. It had up to a hundred rooms! The Sultan even built a private graveyard for his family's deaths. In Kilwa Kisiwani there used to be up to 99 mosques, but each family used to own their own mosque and only went to the Great Mosque on Friday (prayer day). Families built wells up 16 meters deep! One of the world's most famous travelers, Ibn Battuta, came to Kilwa for trading. Kilwa eventually became the most powerful Swahili settlement along with the East African settlement. Kilwa was controlled by many countries who were involved in the trading: The Portuguese, The Omani, Germans, and British.

INTRODUCTION

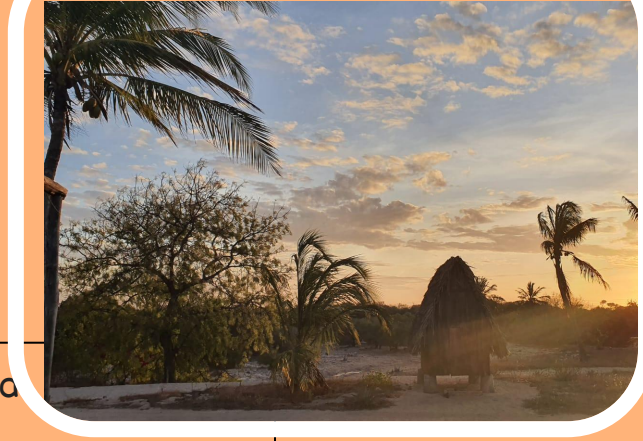
Let's introduce you to Kilwa Kisiwani an island full of history, trading and success beautiful sites from beaches to forest with astonishing ruins from centuries ago along with cultures and religions that still stand today. So let's take a trip to Kilwa Kisiwani.



SERVICE

The service was great at Kilwa Dreams. We were greeted with food and refreshments and a quick Tour of the resort,

The dinner we had was mouthwatering and every bite tasted like heaven. Breakfast was appetizing and healthy. We were given a wonderful camping place which gave a direct view to the sea. We could go on morning walk on the beach and moon walks as well, a fire place was set for us on the beach at night and we could roast marshmallows. We could go swimming in the afternoon or in the morning. It was a spacious resort and peaceful at night and you could hear the waves crashing and in the morning birds singing. The staff made the stay calm, relaxing, and comfortable. The resort was secure and had a guard dog. Overall we thoroughly enjoyed our stay.



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