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A NOTE FROM THE CEO



This message shares exciting news about a partnership between Safarilink and Nomad Africa – a collaboration that promises to be a remarkable opportunity to showcase our unique destinations and provide an enriching experience for our valued customers.

The content Nomad Africa features will be focused on Safarilink's destinations, presenting captivating stories, insider tips, and breath-taking visuals that truly capture the essence of each location. This will undoubtedly serve as a valuable resource for our customers, inspiring them to explore new horizons and make unforgettable memories.

This partnership signifies a significant step forward for Safarilink, aligning our brand with a prestigious publication like Nomad Africa. It offers us a platform to strengthen our presence in the industry, reach a wider audience, and elevate the perception of our brand as a trusted provider of exceptional travel experiences.

I am confident that this partnership with Nomad Africa will open new avenues for growth, increase brand awareness, and inspire countless travelers to embark on incredible journeys with Safarilink.

Thank you once again for your unyielding support.

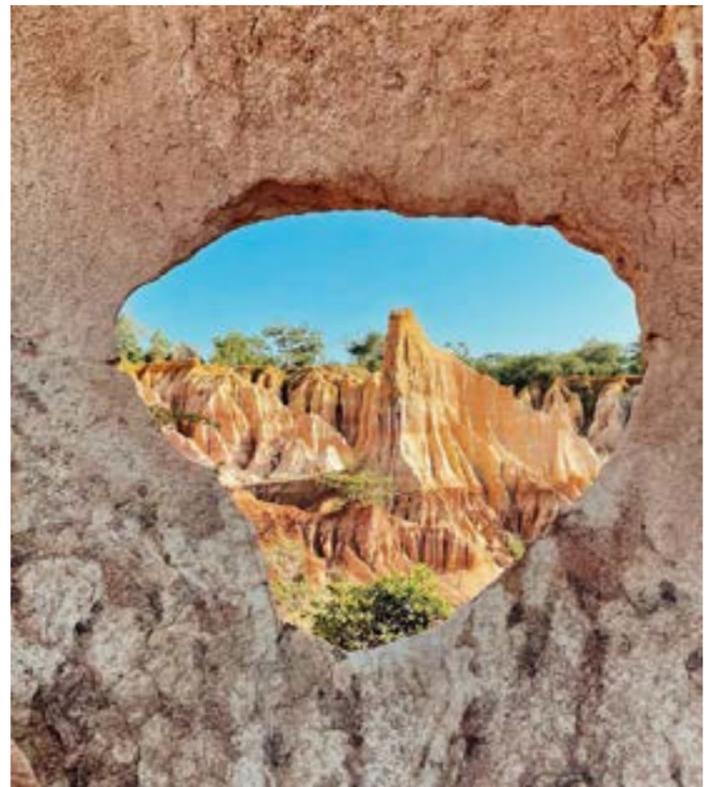
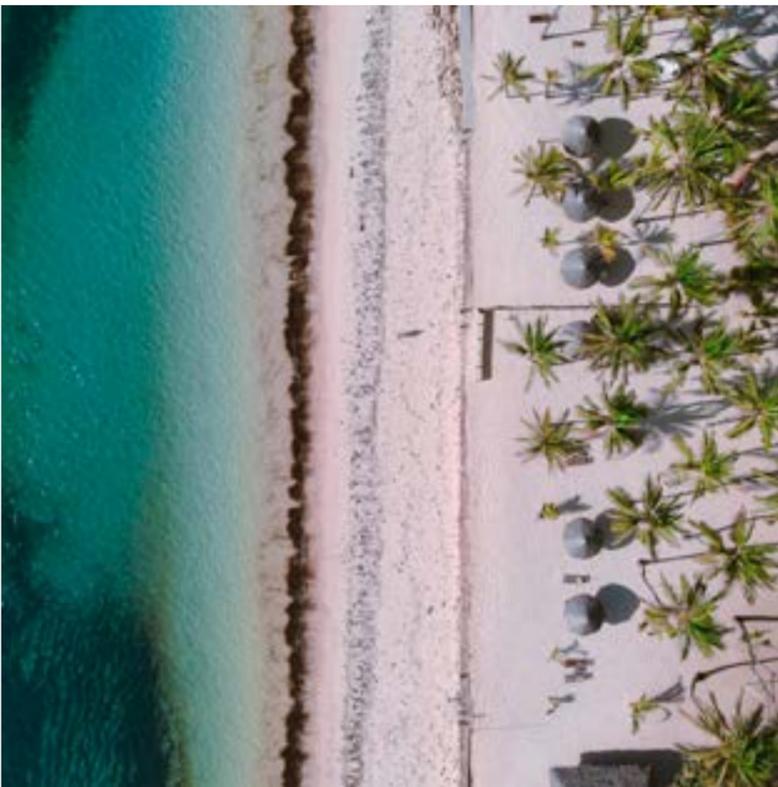
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Chief Executive Officer, Safarilink

WHY MALINDI?

Malindi is a popular tourist attraction destination, located 120 km Northeast of the town of Mombasa. It is the largest urban town in Kilifi County and was established in the 14th century as a sanctuary for Vasco da Gama, a Portuguese explorer who came in 1498.

Malindi's blend of history, culture, natural beauty, and conservation efforts make it a captivating destination in Kenya. You have the chance to explore marine life, delve into history, support the area's conservation efforts or savour international and Swahili cuisine. Malindi promises an enriching and diverse experience for travellers.



GETTING TO MALINDI

By Air

Safarilink Flights run daily from Nairobi at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport and Wilson Airport to Malindi Airport.

By Train

Should you choose to take the train from Nairobi, the SGR Madaraka Express is a 5-hour ride to Mombasa in the North Coast. From here, the train provides shuttles that take about 2 hours on the road from the Mombasa SGR terminal.

By Road

For a longer road trip, getting to Malindi from Nairobi would be roughly a 9-hour drive, along the Nairobi-Mombasa highway. However, it might take longer by bus which would make the trip about 10 hours long. Traffic by the Mariakani weighbridge should also be accounted for.



THINGS TO DO



VISIT THE MALINDI MARINE NATIONAL PARK

Discover the underwater beauty of Malindi Marine National Park through snorkelling or scuba diving. This marine park is known for its colourful coral reefs and diverse marine life.

CHECK OUT THE VASCO DA GAMA PILLAR

Visit the Vasco da Gama Pillar, a historical monument erected in 1498 by the famous Portuguese explorer. It's a symbol of Malindi's rich maritime history.



EXPLORE MALINDI OLD TOWN

Explore Malindi's charming Old Town, characterised by Swahili architecture, narrow streets, and historic buildings. Don't miss the Jamia Mosque and the House of Columns.





WANDER INTO ARABUKO SOKOKE FOREST

Take a nature walk or go birdwatching in the Arabuko Sokoke Forest, home to various bird species, elephants, and unique plant life.

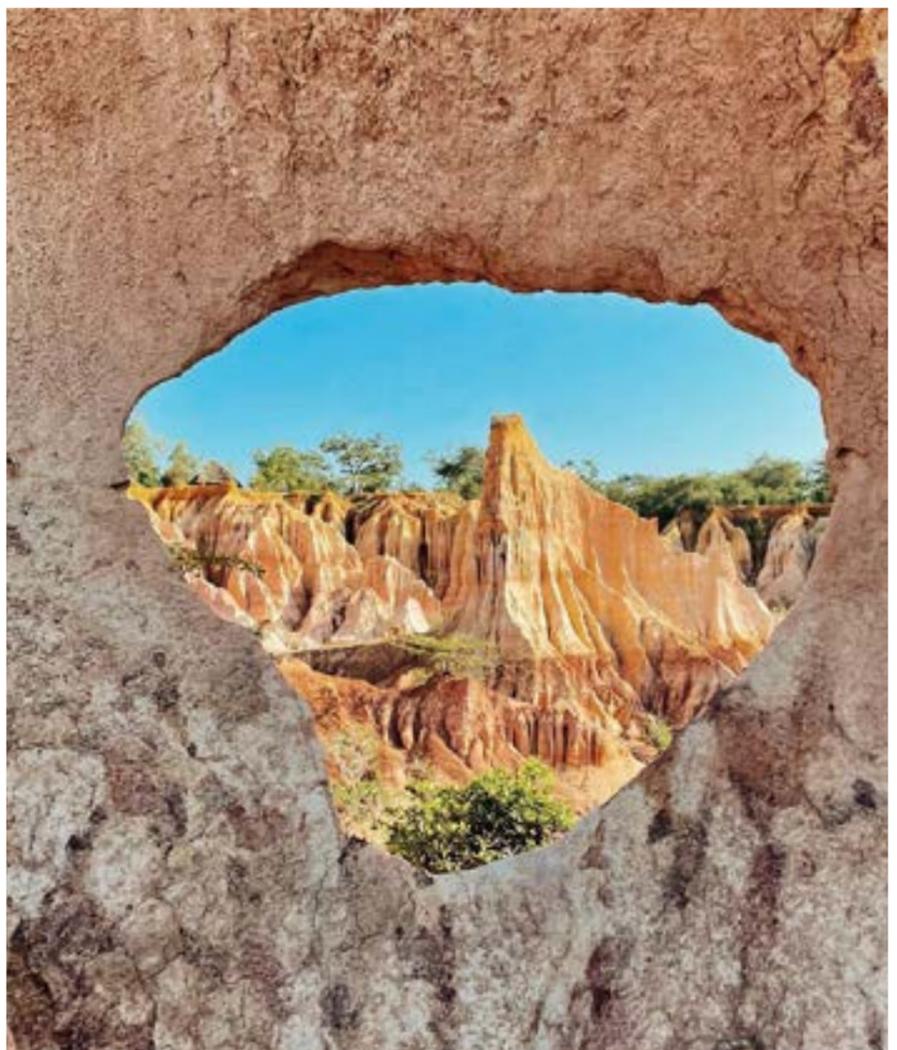


GO GOLFING

Play a round of golf at the Malindi Golf and Country Club, a scenic course located along the Indian Ocean.

MARAFI HELLS KITCHEN FOR SUNSET

Embark on a Marafa Hells Kitchen sunset experience. The activity begins at 4:00 pm with a pick-up from Watamu, offering drinks and snacks during the drive. Arrive at Hells Kitchen for a guided walk to a prime sunset spot. Explore the rugged beauty of Marafa Hells Kitchen in the tranquil glow of the setting sun—a captivating experience that's both accessible and meaningful.



CONSERVATION WORK

PROGRESS WELFARE ASSOCIATION OF MALINDI (PWAM)

Recently launched (2023) under the ‘Go Blue and Green Campaign’, the Progress Welfare Association of Malindi has teamed up with conservationists to launch a program aimed at educating young environmental volunteers in the importance of environmental conservation. Started in June, PWAM has organised clean-ups in Malindi town on the first weekend of every month. Implemented under the Nyumba Kumi model, and working with the Malindi Municipality, these clean-ups serve to raise awareness in the community on the importance of maintaining a clean environment.

MALINDI MARINE CONSERVATION SOCIETY (MMCS)

MMCS is dedicated to the protection and conservation of Malindi’s marine environment. They conduct research, organise beach cleanups, and raise awareness about marine conservation issues. MMCS also operates a sea turtle conservation program, monitoring and protecting turtle nesting sites along the coastline.

ARABUKO SOKOKE FOREST CONSERVATION GROUP

This community-based organisation is committed to preserving the Arabuko Sokoke Forest, one of the last remaining coastal forests in East Africa. They engage in tree planting, forest patrols, and educational programs to raise awareness about the importance of forest conservation.



SHOPPING IN MALINDI

MALINDI SHOPPING CENTER

This bustling shopping centre is a one-stop destination for all your shopping needs. You'll find a range of shops selling clothing, accessories, souvenirs, electronics, and more. It's a great place to browse and pick up gifts or mementoes.

MALINDI HANDICRAFT COOPERATIVE

If you're looking for authentic handmade crafts and souvenirs, visit the Malindi Handicraft Cooperative. Here, local artisans showcase their skills, offering a wide array of products such as traditional carvings, beadwork, textiles, and paintings.

LAMU ROAD CRAFTS MARKET

Lamu Road is one of the busiest streets in Malindi and hosts this vibrant market which is a treasure trove of Swahili and coastal crafts. You can find beaded jewellery, wood carvings, colourful textiles, and other unique items. Don't forget to haggle for the best prices.



MALINDI FISH MARKET

For a unique shopping experience, visit the Malindi Fish Market. It's not only a place to buy fresh seafood but also an opportunity to immerse yourself in the local culture. You can watch fishermen at work and even purchase some of the day's catch to cook later.

SABAKI SHOPPING COMPLEX

This shopping centre is located close to the Barbar restaurant. On the right section of the complex is an Italian supermarket where one can buy anything Italian. Just like the Malindi Shopping Centre, expect a variety of small souvenir shops and stalls selling a wide range of trinkets, curios, and beachwear.





WHERE TO EAT

THE OLD MAN AND THE SEA

Dine on fresh seafood at The Old Man and the Sea, known for its seafood platters and oceanfront seating.

OSTERIA DEL CHIANTI

Enjoy Italian cuisine at Osteria del Chianti, which offers a wide selection of pastas, pizzas, and wines.

CORAL ROCK CAFE

Coral Rock Cafe serves a mix of international and Swahili dishes in a relaxed, beachfront setting.

BABY MARROW

This vegetarian-friendly restaurant offers healthy options, including fresh salads and vegetarian dishes.

KAREN BLIXEN COFFEE GARDEN

Experience a touch of Danish history at the Karen Blixen Coffee Garden, where you can enjoy coffee and delicious pastries in a lush garden setting.

GELATERIA OASIS

Located on Silver Sands Road in Bamba, Oasis is known for its delicious servings of ice cream and gelato. If you are visiting Malindi with your family, your children will especially love their delightful flavours.

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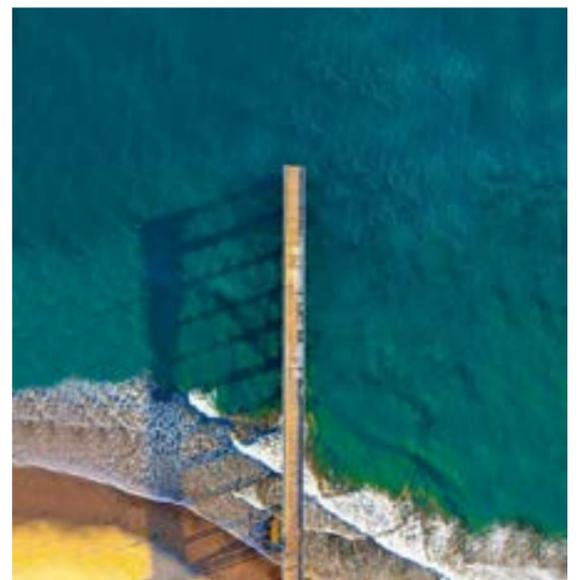


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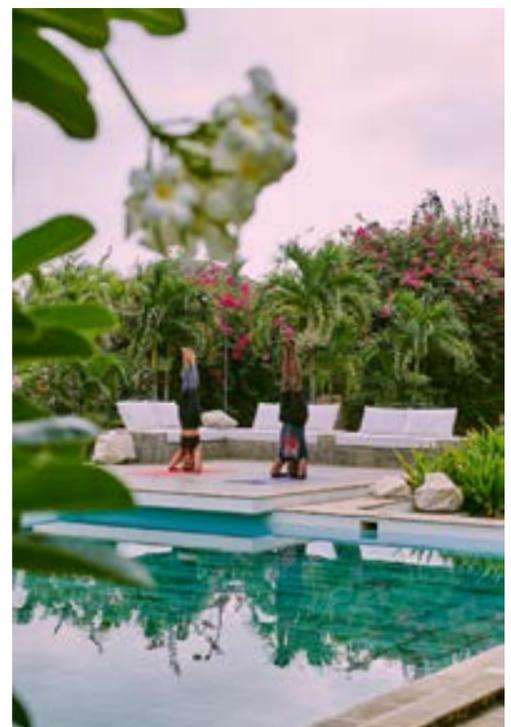
As with most of Kenya's coastal towns, Malindi experiences fair weather with two distinct seasons: the dry season from June to October and the wet season from November to December. January and February are usually the hotter seasons but the air remains humid while March to May experiences rainy weather.

Overall, temperatures typically range from 25°C to 30°C throughout the year, making it a great year-round destination.



EVENTS

Malindi usually hosts weekly dinner parties and beach parties at various restaurants and lounge bars in the region. Some of these restaurants include Baby Marrow, Karen Blixen Coffee Garden and the newly reopened Rosada Beach Restaurant.



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Nomad Africa is a premier travel company committed to a more respectful, conscious, and uplifting way of travel. Blending luxury and adventure, we specialize in crafting unique journeys that provide unmatched access to East Africa.

Led by a passionate group of intrepid female explorers on a mission to find unique hidden gems and create lasting impact through travel, our team shares a common vision of showcasing the wonders of East Africa, providing customers with exceptional service, personalized attention, and a passion for travel that is unparalleled.

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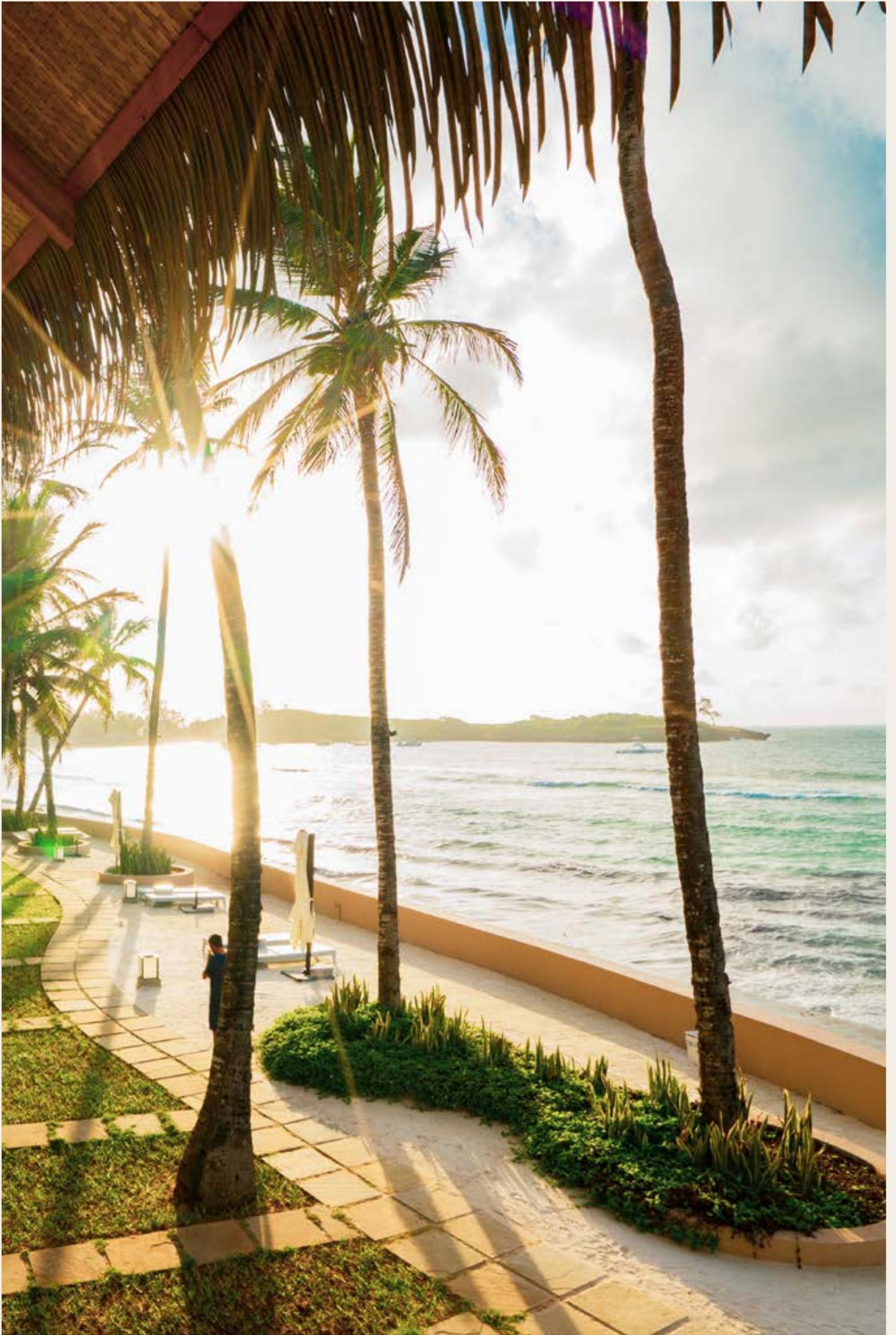


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