# EXPERIENCE OUR ISLAND owe

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Get to know Seychelles through the eyes of those that live here as we open the doors to our ocean-front Takamaka Home



We're excited to invite you to the other side, for you to see our distillery and the beautiful island we call home. We're a small family-run business who like to do things a little differently, so our immersion holidays are equally different in the way we suggest you get to know us and our brand.

So we welcome you to come to the Seychelles to stay at our Takamaka Home – a beachfront house built on land that's been in our family for generations.





## We believe in a different type of immersion...

Many people in the industry share amazing memories from immersion trips, but as we got serious about how and what we would love to share with people who visit us, it became clear that we wanted to provide a different kind of immersion.

The Takamaka Home is exactly that – it's Richard and Bernard's old family home, built by their grandparents more than half a century ago. The brothers' childhood is filled with memories shared with all their cousins relaxing and playing at this very house. The one-of-a-kind property sits right on the Au Cap ocean-front and is built into towering granite rocks, effectively harboring its own private beach. On arrival, we're setting you to island time, free from busy schedules. In fact, we'd love to spend just one day with you, showing you the distillery at La Plaine St André, and one evening where we join you at the house to cook you a typical Kreol dinner on the beach. But other than that – you're on your own.

We invite you to stay with us for up to a week and use that time to get to know our island and our way of life. Explore hidden beaches, mountain treks, local roadside takeaways and fresh produce markets. Our team of locals will share their insights to help you create extraordinary memories of discovering the Seychelles. Even if that discovery



only extends to relaxing on a beach for a week.

All of the details are covered in the next few pages, but don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.





Located a short walk from the distillery, the Takamaka Home is built into the surrounding nature that includes towering granite rocks which both guard its entrance and form part of its structure. It has four double bedrooms, two bathrooms, a separate self-catering one bedroom studio, a fully equipped kitchen, both indoor and outdoor dining and lounge areas and best of all – an ocean-facing garden with sandy beaches in front of the best waters to swim in on the East Cost of Mahé.

Please remember – the house is self catering and is stocked with some staples plus obviously rum, but the fruit & veg stall as well as a small shop are within walking distance

## The time you have...

As mentioned, we'd love to spend a day showing you first hand where our sugar cane comes from and then head back to the distillery to talk about - and taste some rum. That evening, we'll also host a Kreole cookout on the beach at the Takamaka Home.

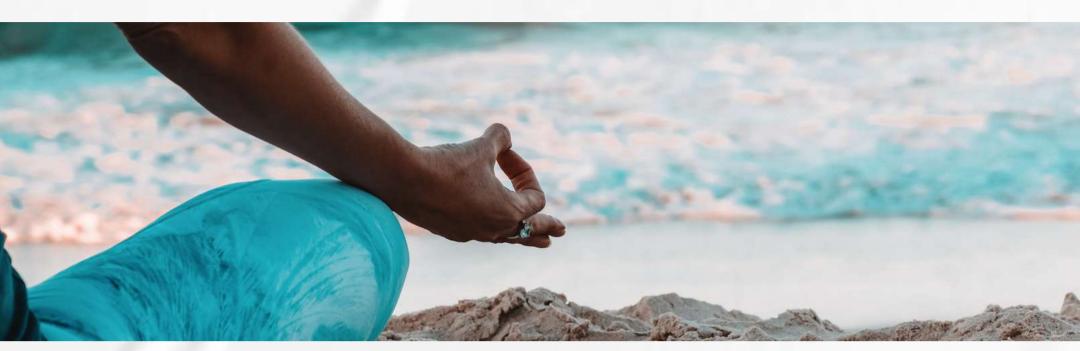
But then there are six more days for you to fill and depending on whether you want an activity-packed adventure, or you're after a more Zen-like pace, there's plenty of options to choose from. Most of our team members are born and bred on these islands and would love to play tour guide and share the wonders of this paradise on the other side of the world.

Here are just some of the activities we can help arrange:



#### YOGA | MEDITATION

Are sun salutations on the cards? Want to re-align your Chakras? We'll book a yoga instructor to come guide you at the house



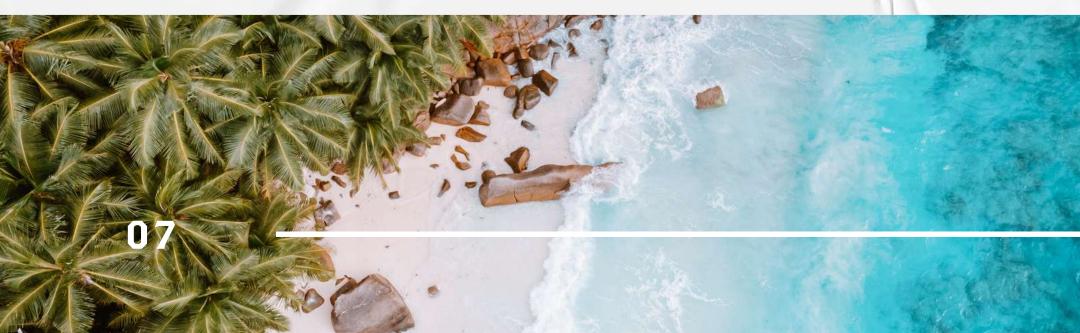
#### **JUNGLE HIKE**

Everything from flip flop-level 90 minute strolls to serious mountain climbs, we can point you in the direction or be your guide through the duff



#### **BEACHES**

Depending on the season, some beaches are better than others. We'll help you find those picture-perfect postcard scenes



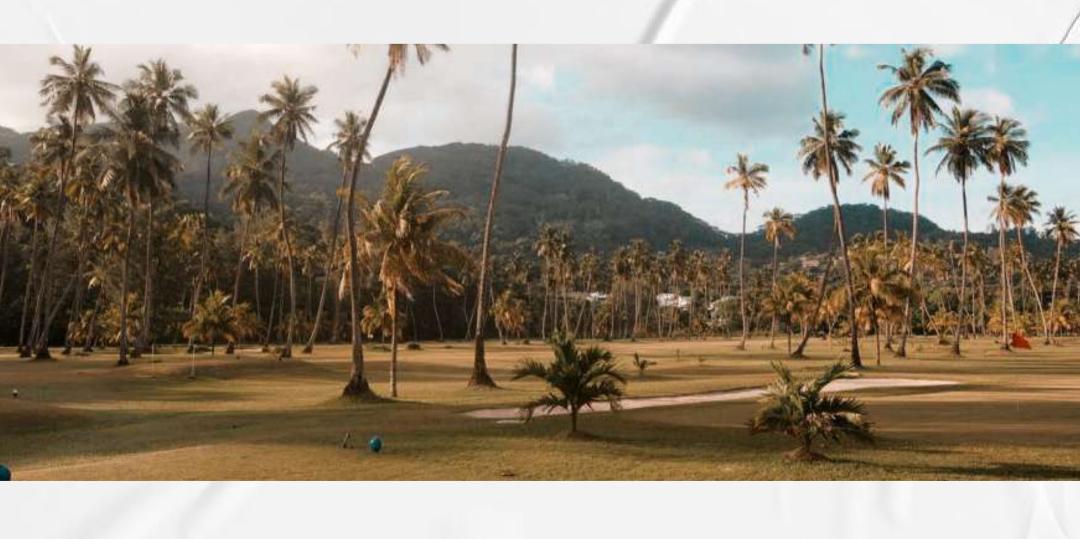
#### **SUP | ON THE WATER**

### The house comes with some water sport kit to keep you afloat



#### GOLF

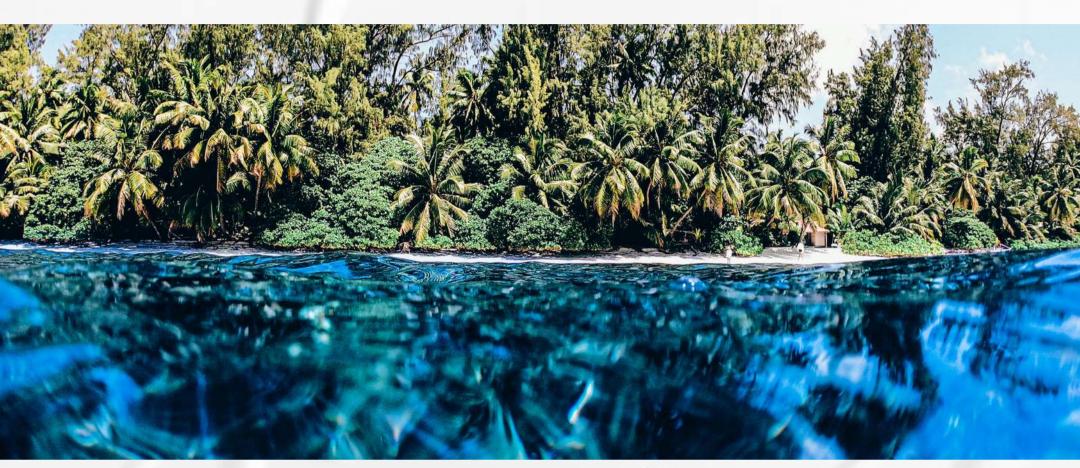
A few minutes down the road is Mahé's nine-hole golf course, perfect for a relaxing morning. Chances are one of the team will tee off with you if you ask!



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#### **ISLAND HOPPING**

Visit one of our 100 islands by boat or plane, perhaps discovering Praslin's Vallée de Mai biking through La Digue\*\*



#### FISHING

Shared or private, inshore or offshore, there are plenty of options to choose from\*\*



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#### **HOUSE SPECS**

- Sleeps ten adults
- Four double bedrooms (double beds), including one with adjacent kid's room (a baby cot is available)
- Two bathrooms with shower
- Kitchen with oven, microwave and stovetop
- Indoor dining area and lounge
- Outdoor covered dining area and lounge
- Outdoor BBQ
- Equipped with bedsheets, bath towels, beach towels and basic toiletries
- Washing machine, hairdryer
- WiFi (but island-speed)









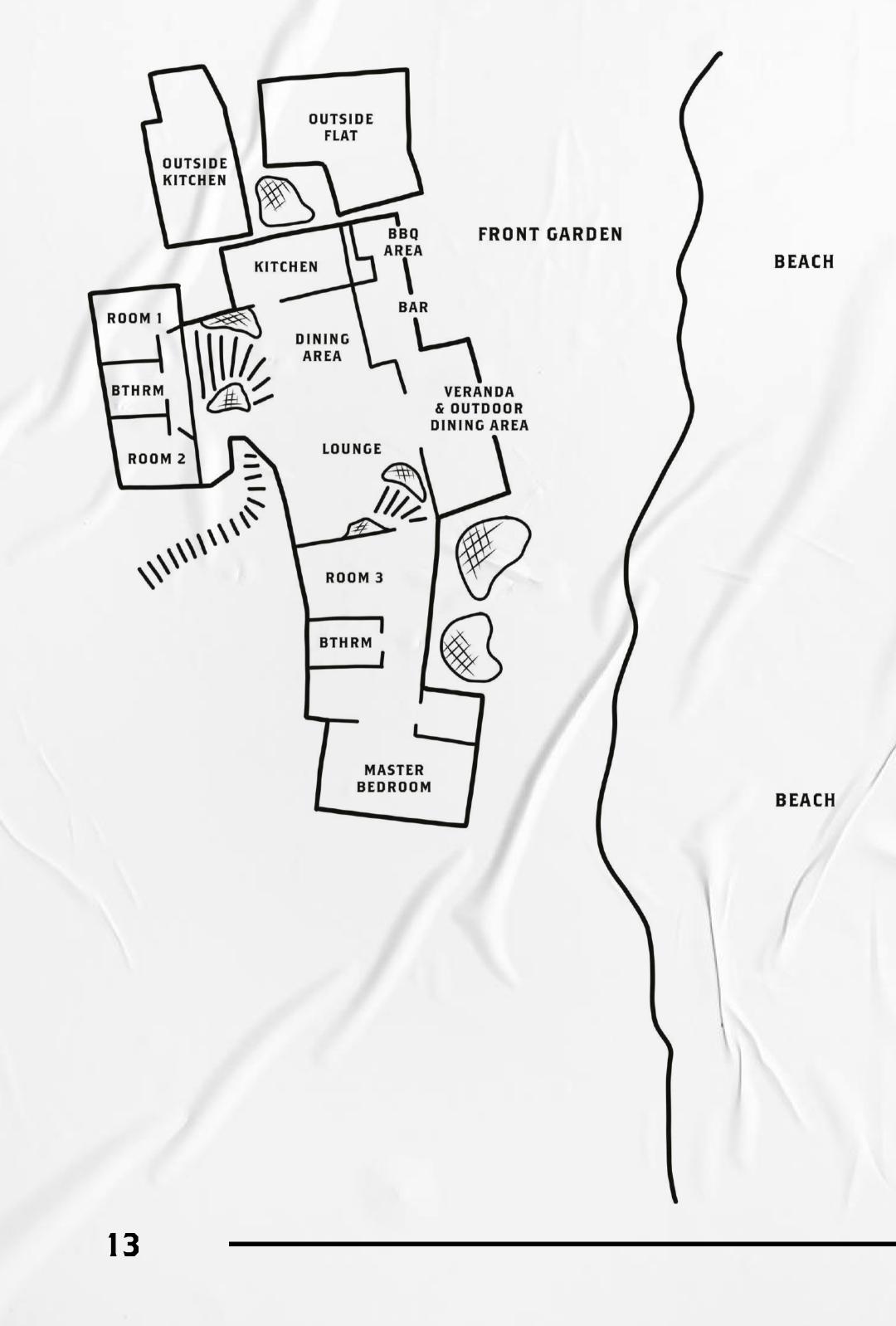








#### **HOUSE PLAN**



#### WHAT TO BRING

- Sunscreen lots of it
- Mosquito spray mainly for hiking
- Hiking / walking gear strongly recommended if you wish to venture into the jungle
- Swim shoes these are great for paddle boarding and exploring beaches
- No smart clothes we honestly haven't worn a pair of closed shoes in years





#### ARRIVING

- We'll arrange the airport transfer, just give us the heads up on numbers and luggage volume
- Generally, it takes about 20 minutes by car from the airport
- All beaches in the Seychelles are public, so you can go left or right out the back of the house and explore for miles

### While you're here...

We believe the best times are shared with friends and family, so while we are not big enough to cover their airfare, we wanted to let you know the house is yours for the week to share with your near ones. This means that if you want to invite partners, children, friends or other family – go for it! They will all be invited to spend the day with us at La Plaine St André\* and we will cater for you all with our Kreol cookout too.

\*Rum tasting is available for over 18s only

\*\*some activities you may need to pay for
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looking to do and we can try and sort for

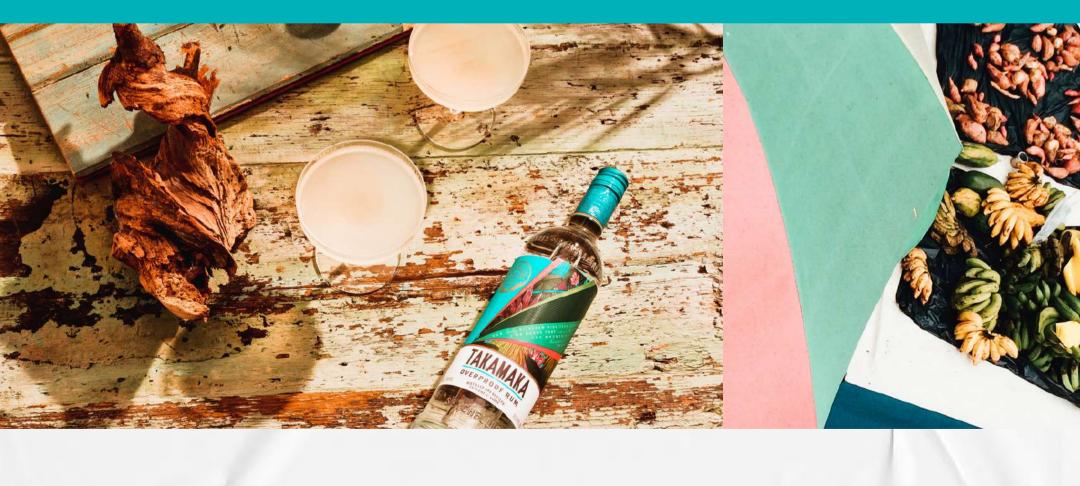
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Generally, the separate flat is not available as our team members use it when they are here but please mention to us if you are running out of space and we can find out.

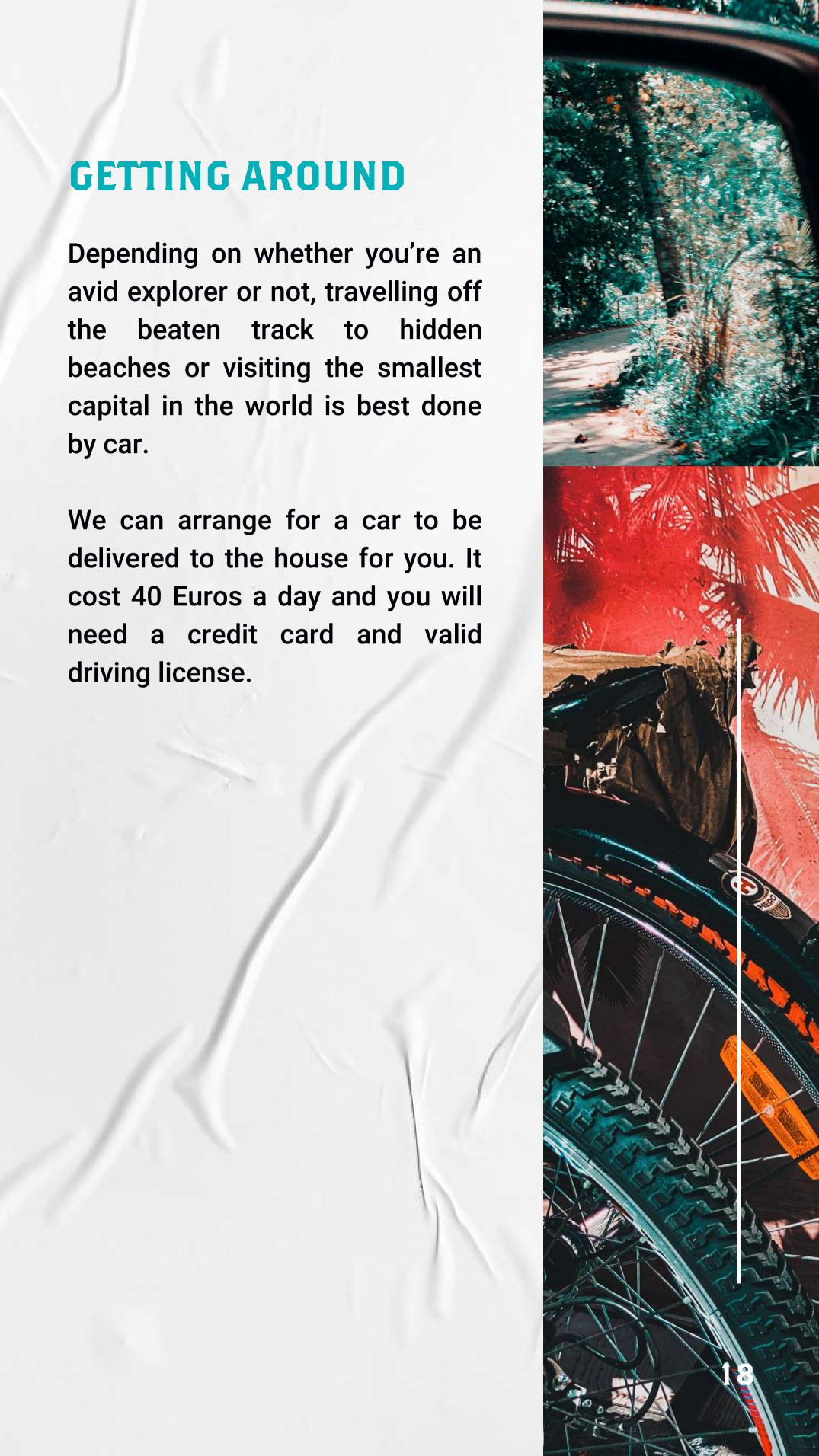
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#### WHAT TO EAT

As we mentioned, the house is self-catering. We will stock it with some essentials as well as island specialties before you arrive and there is a small corner store just a short walk away. We do however recommend placing a food order with a local online supplier prior to your arrival. The supplier has a great range of locally grown fruits and vegetables, and plenty of other staple foods too. We will also share some vegan recipes inspired by some of our local produce. And as you probably guessed, the house comes fully stocked on Takamaka rum!



Depending on whether you're an hidden beaten track to



## Important FAQ for current travel restrictions

Firstly, the rules for both inbound and outbound travel are constantly changing. You will be responsible to ensure that you and any of your guests meet all the upto-date requirements. We are here to help and guide you but I'm afraid we can't cover the costs of for example PCR tests, or be held responsible for any sudden changes.

 Before you fly out from your home country, you will need to complete an online form to receive your official Travel Authorization Form. Please follow the instructions on this link:

https://seychelles.govtas.com

- Most airlines and countries will require a PCR test before you fly home. We can take you down to the test center which is about 10 minutes from the house, but please allow 2 hours for the process itself.
- You'll need to bring:

• A copy of you flight details

• Original or copy of your passport

• The cost is 1,500 SCR paid in cash when you receive the PCR test results

With the current challenges we unfortunately can't be responsible for changes in government rules around travel and while will do our best to accommodate any last minute surprises, we want to be straight-forward in letting you know that we aren't liable for any such changes.

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