



## *Boipeba Island*



Boipeba Island is one of the islands of the Tinharé archipelago, in the county of Cairu, in the south of the state of Bahia.

The Island of Boipeba is one of Brazil's best kept secrets. Located south of Bahia's capital city of Salvador, Boipeba, with its difficult access, has successfully eliminated weekend tourists, preserving its abundant natural beauty and fragile mangrove ecosystem, along with its local cultural identity.

Boipeba is home to a dense Atlantic rainforest, and with its salt marshes, sand dunes, extensive mangroves, and paradisiacal coconut-palmed beaches and reefs, it is a world of ecological diversity.

Fishing is the predominant economic activity of the island. Fish, shrimp, lobster, clams, and a wide variety of crab are all found off Boipeba's coast.

Tourism, as an economic activity, is a recent development. There are about 30 small guest houses operating at the moment.

Tropical fruits are the island's main agricultural crop. Coconut, denude (the red fruit of the dendê palm), as well as mangoes, cashew and mangaba (a small native pear-tasting fruit), are grown.

No cars are permitted on the island - all transport is on foot or by tractor. This helps to protect the environment and to promote ecologically minded tourism. People get from one farm or village to another by boat or by using the local trails. Electrical energy is 220 volts, and is brought to the island by underground cables.

From Salvador you can get to the island by plane, or from Morro de São Paulo you can get a speed boat or a Jeep.



**Suggested package**  
**3 nights in Pousada Mangabeira with breakfast**  
**RT transfer Salvador/ Boipeba/Salvador**

*Mangabeiras Pousada*

This 48.000m<sup>2</sup> (12 acres) property is surrounded by Atlantic rain forest, with various forms of local flora: dendezeiros, coconut palms, cashew trees, bromeliads, biribas, ferns, orchids, and of course, mangabeiras. There are also plenty of small fauna, such as: armadillos, ant eaters, and lizards, as well as a plentiful amount of birds like sabias, humming birds, bem-te-vis, unha de gato, amongst others. Because of this bio-diversity, 20% of the property was registered by IBAMA as an ecological reserve in 2006

The bungalows of the Pousada Mangabeiras were custom built to better display the natural beauty of our beaches. In harmony with our surroundings, the property mixes comfort with rustic local culture. With only 9 apartments, our guests enjoy exclusivity and privacy.

Decorated with local crafts, the ample accommodations offer king size beds, air conditioning, small fridge, flat screen TV with DVD, electronic safe, telephone, zero light curtains, as well as solar heated water, and a charming veranda with hammock where you soak in all the beauty that makes Boipeba so special.



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