







While discovering our beautiful island, get involved in helping Madagascar with MfM!



Madagascar, whilst famous for its astonishing flora and fauna, is a country in crisis. After decades of economic disarray levels of income, healthcare and education are amongst the lowest in the world whilst population growth is putting enormous pressure on precious rainforest. In response to this social and environmental disaster, Money for Madagascar, since 1986, wanted to fund local solutions and enable the Malagasy people to take charge of their own destiny. We need your support to help us continue empowering Malagasy people to protect their own environment and improve their communities. Please come to visit our sites, where you can appreciate living in primary forest or laughing with lovely kids in our centres.

Children's Centres in and around the capital - protecting & enabling vulnerable children

CENTRE	DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES FOR TOURISTS
AKANY AVOKO Ambohidratrimo (near Ivato Airport. 15km from Tana) 	Home of more than a hundred destitute children. The kids are offered the chance to live in a loving, secure environment whilst receiving nutritious food and a great education. 	Visit for (1-3) hours from 9 to 12 when you can appreciate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the eco-friendly system developed as the centre aims for self-sufficiency in electricity, water, food, and fuel • children studying in the classrooms • young people attending vocational training • young people cooking lunch together Akany Avoko Ambohidratrimo can offer lunches and lodging. Three guest houses can accommodate up to 15 people and a dormitory for groups up to 40 people. To book lunch, contact Mme Olivia one day in advance.
AKANY AVOKO Faravohitra Located in central Tana near the palace and museum. 	Home of around fifty young girls. Rescued destitution the girls are offered the chance to live in a loving, secure environment whilst receiving nutritious food and a great education. 	Visit for one (1) hour from 9:30 to 10:30 or 2.30 to 3:30 when you can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • tour the centre and learn about its vital work to help vulnerable girls. • meet young people and see their activities - hairdressing, baking, craft production, school lessons. • experience a traditional song / dance. Traditional songs and dancing may be performed by the girls depending on the time / day of the visit. Basketry, embroidery and other items made by the girls during their training may be purchased as souvenirs.

<p>CENTRE FIAVANANA Sœurs du Bon Pasteur Mahamasina, Central Tana</p> 	<p>Madagascar's underfunded education system is barely able to provide a basic primary education to pupils in mainstream schooling.</p> <p>For over a decade, MfM has sponsored the salaries of teachers at this day centre. Here 150 homeless and vulnerable children from the poor parts of Tana are given a hand up to help them rejoin society. They receive catch-up classes, medical care, social work support and hot meals. Teenaged girls also receive vocational training to help them to find employment.</p>	<p>Visit for one and a half hour between 9 and 11 when you can appreciate children studying in class</p> 
<p>FJKM/SAFFIFAA Behoririka, Andavamamba, Central Tana</p> 	<p>Decades of political and economic crisis have left millions of children living beneath the poverty line. SAFFIFA Andavamamba Centre feeds around 400 street kids with nutritious lunch every Wednesday and gives support to their parents to get off the streets and into work and shelter.</p> <p>SAFFIFA Behoririka Centre hosts 90 girls and provides them with healthcare, nutrition, education, vocational training (sewing, catering, embroidery) enabling them to develop their own business activities when they leave the centre</p>	<p>Visit for one hour and a half between 13.00 and 15.00 and share your lunch time with cheerful children.</p> <p>Visit for two hours between 8 and 11 or 14.30 to 16.00 when you can meet young girls during their vocational training session</p>  <p>You can also arrange to come and visit for a day and take part in girls' training yourself and share your skills and ideas (e.g. knitting, sewing).</p>
<p>AKANY HASINA Ambohidrabiby (2 hours drive out of Tana)</p> 	<p>Ambohidrabiby is one of the 12 sacred hills of Imerina, which have great historical significance for Merina people in Madagascar. MfM supports a cultural centre where around 60 children from surrounding villages are improving their English and learning and performing traditional dance and music.</p> 	 <p>Located at 25km from Tanà, 1 hour away from Tanà. Visit for one hour from 8:30 to 9:30 and come and see:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • traditional dance performed by children under the sound of melodious Malagasy "valiha" and drums. • Watch or help with student's English classes

Protecting and restoring forests and improving livelihoods


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<p>Forest restoration in Torotorofotsy Wetland– Andasibe, Moramanga Association Mitsinjo</p> 	<p>Association Mitsinjo is one of stakeholders contributing to preserving the 4th Ramsar site of Torotorofontsy in Madagascar. Its intervention focuses on the restoration of natural corridors in 293 ha degraded forest, which used to be habitat of endemic and threatened species, while improving farmers' livelihoods.</p> 	<p>The protected area managed by Association Mitsinjo is located next to the National Park of Andasibe, 140km (2 ½ hours drive) from Antananarivo. There you will be able to see lemurs and endemic fauna and flora including beautiful orchids and also local handicrafts made by a local women's association.</p> <p>Allow for a 3-hour visit: The site of Torotorofotsy is 7km from Andasibe village and can be reached by car or bike. After a short walk in the mountain, you will be able to see forest restoration activities led by farmers including work in the tree nursery, tree planting and forest maintenance.</p> <p>You can combine the trip with a circuit in the Mitsinjo forest to discover endemic species like the Indri Indri lemur or Parson's chameleons, etc. (10eur for short circuit, 15eur for full circuit). Association Mitsinjo can also offer rooms at Tsierena Guest House where you can taste delicious food made by M. Alain's great cook!</p>

Thinking of bringing a donation?

The people we work with live so far below the bread line (or perhaps I should say 'rice line') that almost anything would be very welcome! Here are some ideas of gifts that would be greatly appreciated at our projects:

Any school supplies eg white boards & whiteboard pens; craft or sewing materials inc embroidery threads; first aid including medicines like children's vitamins / paracetamol syrup (like Calpol) / E45 or Sudacrem as many children have problems with their skin when they first arrive at a centre ; baby clothes & children's clothes; puzzles, jigsaws and games with minimal language content; any balls especially a football / basket ball and pump; balloons; picture books and educational posters; music and language-learning CDs; or even an unneeded laptop (please supply a 2 French pin adaptor)!

Inspiring Education in remote rural schools

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<p>Education For Life Programme Supporting more than 30 schools across 6 regions. Visits can be arranged to the most accessible schools in the following regions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analamanga (Tana outskirts) • Itasy • Antsirabe 	<p>In Madagascar children dream of the chance to get an education. But for most the obstacles are too great. Remote rural schools lack everything from classrooms, water and toilets, to teachers and books. The children themselves are often too hungry or sick to study and the parents can barely afford the fees.</p> <p>MfM aims to bring hope and prosperity to Madagascar's forgotten children through an integrated programme, working with communities to provide: classrooms, water, toilets, books, teacher-training, environmental education, kitchen gardens, school canteens and solar power.</p> <div data-bbox="510 734 1227 957">  </div>	<p>You can choose your destination with the local partners. There are 34 schools integrated in this "Education for Life" programme.</p> <p>During a 2-hour visit in each school, you will see main activities including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet students and teachers. Find out about how they are striving to improve their educational opportunities. • See the students studying / playing/ singing. • Visit the school kitchen garden / school canteen. • You would be welcome to bring donations of school supplies / teaching resources like posters or balls for sport. <div data-bbox="1261 742 1998 952">  </div>

Make a donation!

Our work depends on the support of individuals like you. Your donation will really make a difference to some of the most vulnerable people on earth. Please give them the chance to build a better future for themselves and ensure that Madagascar's unique environment is preserved for generations to come.



£15

Can pay for a street child's education for one month

To arrange to visit our projects please email admin@moneyformadagascar.org or our tour guide Ony Rakotoarivelo ony@moneyformadagascar.org