

AZURA QUILALEA PRIVATE ISLAND FISHING



The Quirimbas Archipelago is an area which is quite undiscovered when it comes to fishing. Not many people have had the opportunity to experience the wild waters of the area. It is teeming with marine life and the fishing is world class. Many of our guests return again and again to repeat their excellent fishing experiences while staying with us.

The area around Azura Quilalea Private Island is very famous for its abundant Giant Trevally (GT's). They are most plentiful during the months of October through to April. When fishing for GT's, our guests target them mainly on big poppers and stick baits and its truly amazing watching them hit a lure on the surface. GT's are extremely tough fighters and have won many a battle against the angler!



Sailfish and Wahoo tend to be more of a winter species with them arriving with the cooler water from June through to September. There are normally large schools of this species around Quilalea Island, and we target with trolling gear. It is not uncommon to have a double or triple hook-up of sailfish when they are here! We target them on the lighter trolling gear which is great fun for our guests.

Yellowfin Tuna, Dogtooth Tuna and King Mackerel can be targeted year round with the larger King Mackerel being around the island in the winter months and the 'doggies' in the summer months.



Equipment wise, at Azura Quilalea, we are fully kitted for all the above species with top end rods and reels. We have two boats that we use for fishing activities; a 31ft mono hull which is the perfect boat to target GT's with as it has extensive deck space, allowing up to 4 anglers to cast at the same time. Our other boat is a 23ft Novacraft which is fitted with outriggers, making her the perfect boat for trolling.

With regards to fly fishing, we don't have any equipment for this on the island unfortunately but guests are very welcome to bring their own. Fly fishing can be enjoyed on both sides of the island. At the area for fly fishing, there are large tidal flats which can be fished on either side of the pushing tide. Target species here would be small kingfish, queenfish, garfish, the odd bone fish, titan trigger fish and the elusive parrotfish. In addition, there is a drop off on the other side of the island where kingfish, queenfish, triggers, snapper, barracuda and more can be targeted. Flies that work well here are: Clousers – Black, chartuese or pink/ any crab or shrimp imitation flies/ any popper.

Fishing (Local Azura Guide):

Half Day - Cost: \$450 per boat including equipment (up to 4 hours from departure)

Hourly Rate - Cost: \$150 per person including equipment (Plus Fuel Cost)

KINDLY NOTE: All activities are subject to weather and tidal conditions as well as boat and guide availability. All activity prices exclude 17% Mozambican Sales Tax.