PRIVATE ISLANDS INC.



PRIVATE ISLAND RENTAL · NORTH-EASTERN PALAWAN, PHILIPPINES

BANWA PRIVATE ISLAND

SIX BEACHFRONT VILLAS · SEVEN HECTARES · SLEEPS FORTY-SIX · PRIVACY 75 VILLA STAY — 90 WHOLE ISLAND

THE ISLAND

A Garden Island in a Marine Reserve

Banwa Private Island is a rare intersection of extreme luxury and environmental stewardship. Where many resorts claim exclusivity, Banwa delivers it — the island often operates as a single-group destination. It is entirely self-sufficient, with its own organic farm, its own honey production and state-of-the-art water filtration: the highest level of service, without the environmental footprint of a typical mega-resort.

The island itself is just seven hectares — a garden island inside a marine protected area in the Sulu Sea, scaled to the small numbers it hosts: six beachfront villas, a restaurant that cooks from the island's own gardens, and a team of Island Hosts who quickly learn how you like things done. Book a single villa, or charter the whole island and have it entirely to yourselves.

SEVEN
HECTARES OF GARDEN ISLAND

SIX
BEACHFRONT VILLAS

80
STAFF, FOR AT MOST 22 VILLA GUESTS







THE VILLAS

Six Beachfront Villas

Six contemporary beachfront villas range from one to four bedrooms — floor-to-ceiling glass, sleek organic lines, and expansive terraces and gardens that open straight onto the sand. Every villa has its own private infinity pool and hot tub, filled with spring water.

South One and North One are one-bedroom villas for two to three guests; South Two and North Two sleep four to six across two bedrooms; and the North East Principal Villa is a one-bedroom villa set in its own gardens. The four-bedroom South West Villa is the most prestigious on the island — eight to twelve guests on expansive decks, in the most secluded position. Behind the villas, twelve Axis Garden Rooms sleep a further 12 to 24, bringing the island to 46 guests in total.









THE BANWA LIFE

Days Written Around You

DINING

Latitude restaurant serves bespoke menus built around ingredients from the island's own organic gardens — and every meal, with non-alcoholic beverages, is included. The Island Hosts set private beach dinners under the palms, down to the last lantern.

ON THE WATER

The marine reserve is the playground: snorkelling over the house reefs, kayaking and paddleboarding the lagoon, all included. Aboard the resort's yacht, specialised excursions run to deep-sea fishing and diving at Tubbataha Reef — included for whole-island charters, premium extras on villa stays.

WELLNESS & PLAY

A spa pavilion with a massage suite, a professional-grade gym and a Pilates and yoga studio. A floodlit Laykold tennis court and a short-game golf course, designed for fun and practice. And after dark, guided nocturnal walks in search of the island's native Tabon birds.

THE REGION

North-Eastern Palawan

Palawan is the Philippines' last ecological frontier — a long, mountainous island province between the South China Sea and the Sulu Sea, and a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve in its entirety. Banwa sits off its north-eastern coast, inside a marine protected area in the Sulu Sea — part of the Coral Triangle, the richest marine region on Earth.

The nearest mainland is Roxas, a fishing and farming town some four miles across the water — close enough for supplies and staff, far enough that nothing of it reaches the island. Beyond Roxas, the coast runs north to El Nido and south to Puerto Princesa, the provincial capital.

Far out in the Sulu Sea lies Tubbataha Reefs Natural Park — a UNESCO World Heritage Site of two atolls and almost 100,000 hectares, with more than 360 coral species and some 700 species of fish. Banwa's yacht runs specialised diving excursions there: the same protected water, at its most pristine.



GETTING THERE

Manila to the Island

1 — ARRIVE FROM MANILA

Seaplane 2 hrs · helicopter 2 hrs 15

A private seaplane flight of about two hours from Manila lands directly at the island; by helicopter, the same crossing takes about two hours fifteen minutes. Either way, you step off onto Banwa itself.

2 — OTHER GATEWAYS

Cebu, El Nido — or jet + helicopter

Routings also run via Cebu or El Nido. Or fly by private jet to San Vicente or Puerto Princesa, and hop over by helicopter to the island's heli-lawn — approaches are by air or by sea only; there is no road to a place like this.

3 — BY LAND & SEA

SUV + speedboat, 90 min–2½ hrs

From San Vicente or Puerto Princesa, an SUV and speedboat combination takes between ninety minutes and two and a half hours — and can be booked with your reservation.

PLEASE NOTE

Every routing is private

There is no scheduled service to Banwa, and no public access: the island team coordinates seaplanes, helicopters, jets and boats around your arrival, from whichever gateway suits you best.





CLIMATE & SEASONS

Tropical, Warm All Year

DRY · DEC–FEB	Highs 86–88°F (30–31°C)	Lows 76°F (24°C)	Sea 81–83°F (27–28°C)	The driest, clearest weeks of the year
DRY · MAR–APR	Highs 89–90°F (32°C)	Lows 77°F (25°C)	Sea 82–84°F (28–29°C)	The hottest weeks of the year
WET · MAY–AUG	Highs 87–89°F (31°C)	Lows 77–79°F (26°C)	Sea 84–86°F (29–30°C)	The warmest water; afternoon showers
WET · SEP–NOV	Highs 87°F (31°C)	Lows 77°F (25°C)	Sea 83–84°F (29°C)	Rains ease toward the dry season

Figures are regional climate normals for Puerto Princesa (WeatherSpark), Palawan's reference station; Banwa lies a few miles offshore in the same waters. Across the year the air runs 86–90°F and the Sulu Sea 81–86°F — warm water in every month.



BANWA PRIVATE ISLAND

Sulu Sea, North-Eastern Palawan, Philippines · 10.30°N, 119.39°E

DISTANCES – STRAIGHT LINE

Roxas	4 mi
San Vicente Airport	17 mi
Puerto Princesa Intl (PPS)	58 mi
El Nido Airport (ENI)	62 mi
Manila — Ninoy Aquino Intl (MNL)	311 mi

CLIMATE

Year-round high	86–90°F / 30–32°C
Coolest low (Jan–Feb)	76°F / 24°C
Sea temperature	81–86°F year-round

ACCESS

Private seaplane from Manila in about 2 hrs, or helicopter in 2 hrs 15 — direct to the island

Private jet to San Vicente or Puerto Princesa, then a helicopter hop to the heli-lawn

SUV + speedboat from San Vicente or Puerto Princesa, 90 min–2½ hrs, booked with your reservation

Straight-line distances, approximate.
Island coordinates: the listing's own map position (CMS pin).
Climate: Puerto Princesa regional normals (WeatherSpark).

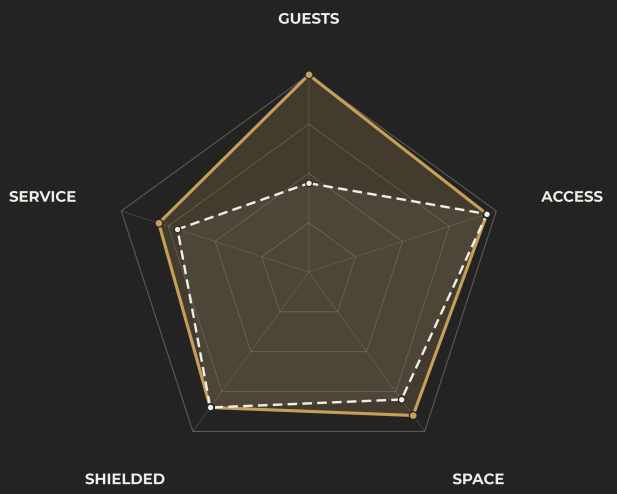
THE PRIVATE BRIEFING

75 PRIVATE BUT CONNECTED

VILLA STAY · PRIVACY INDEX / 100

90 TOTAL SECLUSION

WHOLE ISLAND · PRIVACY INDEX / 100



Gold fill — whole-island charter. Dashed outline — villa stay.

	VILLA	WHOLE
WHO ELSE IS THERE	9 / 20	20 / 20

Villa — up to five other villa parties share the island, but the villas face different directions.
Whole island — one group only: the entire island and its staff become your private residence.

WHO CAN GET IN	19 / 20	19 / 20

Villa — arrivals are by private seaplane, helicopter or boat charter only; no public access.
Whole island — the same private charter arrivals, now carrying a single party.

SPACE TO DISAPPEAR	16 / 20	18 / 20

Villa — seven hectares for at most 22 villa guests, with a private pool and terrace at every villa.
Whole island — all seven hectares, six villas and twelve garden rooms for one group of up to 46.

OUT OF SIGHT, SOUND & TRAFFIC	17 / 20	17 / 20

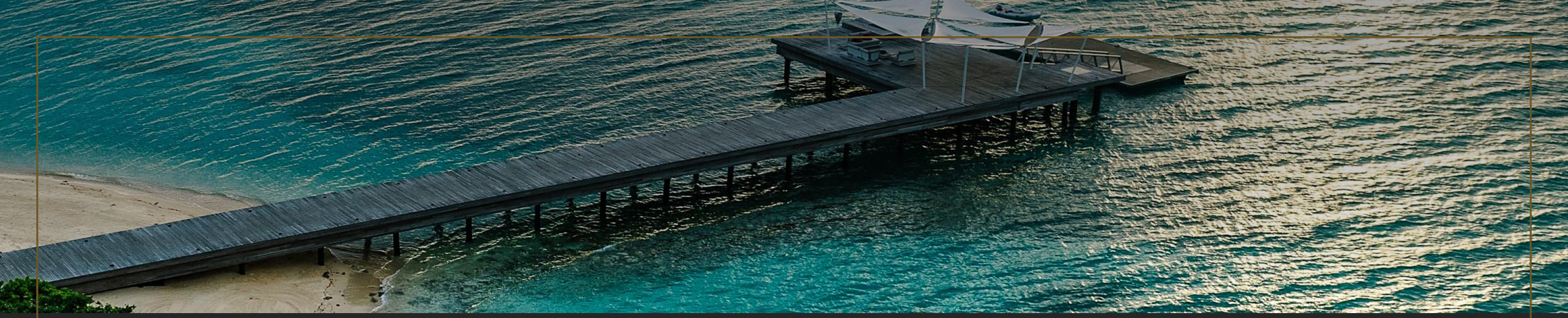
Villa — a marine protected area in the Sulu Sea; reserve water around, no passing traffic.
Whole island — the same remote reserve setting, shared with no other guests.

INVISIBLE SERVICE	14 / 20	16 / 20

Villa — around 80 staff for 22 guests; Island Hosts are attentive and present, not invisible.
Whole island — the full team of around 80 works to one party's rhythm alone.

Current pricing is always on the listing

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