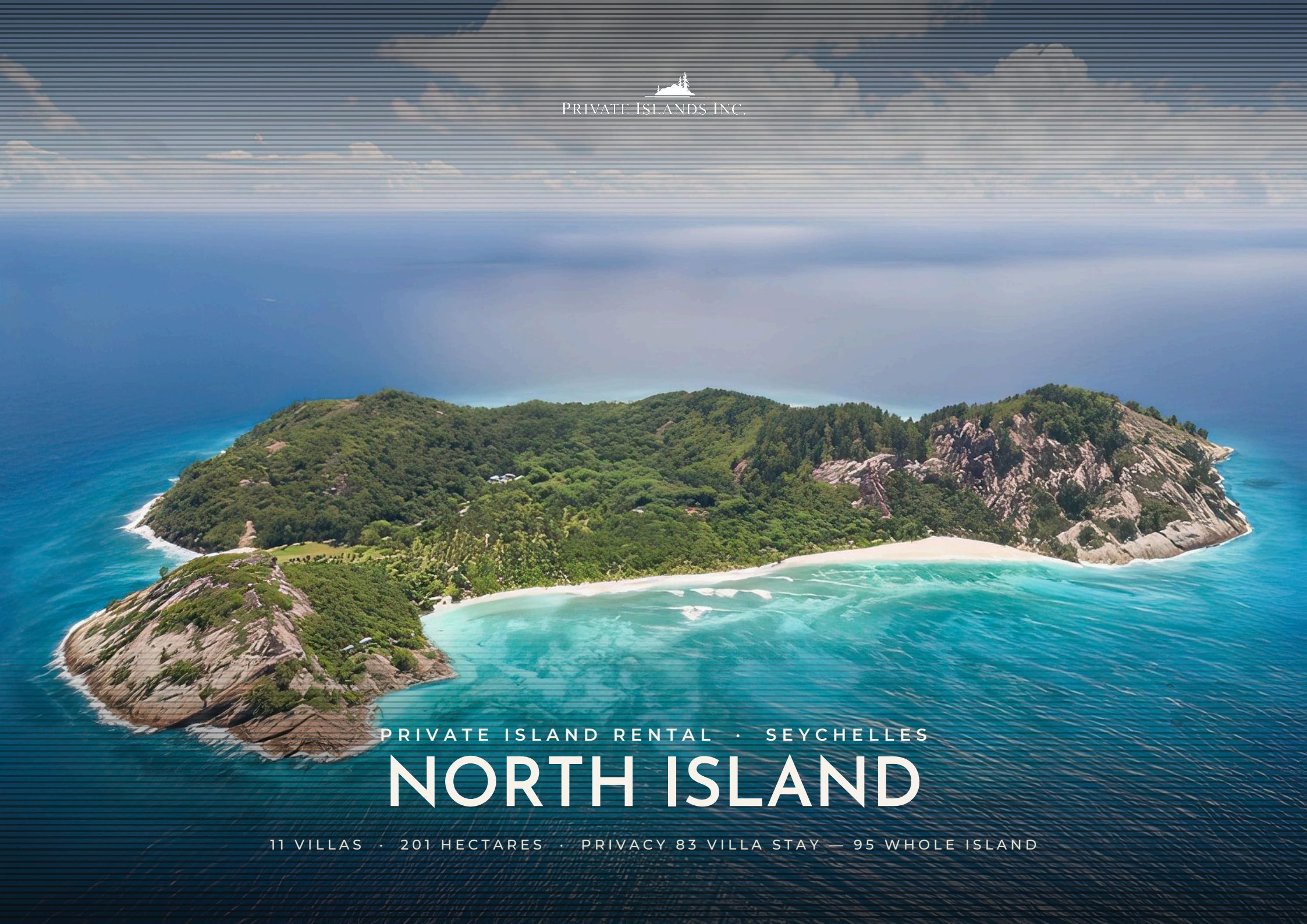

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NORTH ISLAND
11 VILLAS · 201 HECTARES · PRIVACY 83 VILLA STAY — 95 WHOLE ISLAND

THE ISLAND

The Island That Came Back

North Island — Île du Nord — is a granite island in the inner Seychelles. Plantation farmers worked it for vanilla, spices and copra after 1826; abandoned in 1976, it was left to feral animals and alien plants. In 1997 it was bought with a single purpose: to give the island back to the species that belonged there.

The restoration — the island's Noah's Ark Project — funds itself through an eleven-villa lodge built by hand from the island's own materials and opened in 2003: the pioneer of barefoot luxury.

11

HANDCRAFTED VILLAS ON THE ISLAND

201

HECTARES — 496 ACRES OF SANCTUARY

400+

TURTLE NESTS RECORDED A YEAR, AND RISING





STAY

Eleven Villas

Eleven villas, all handcrafted from reclaimed takamaka, sustainably sourced rosewood and ylang-ylang — materials harvested from the island itself. Ten Beachfront Villas stand on East Beach; the eleventh, Villa North, sits alone beside the granite incline of the Grand Paloss peak.

THE VILLAS

Beachfront Villas · ten	450 m² · up to four guests
Villa North	750 m² · up to four guests
Exclusively Yours	all 11 villas · the whole island

Every villa has its own plunge pool and a study that converts for children. The Beachfront Villas add an open bathroom with outdoor showers and a sunken bathtub; Villa North spreads over elevated terraces, with a secluded sala and firepit.









LIFE ON THE ISLAND

Your Menu, Your Venue, Your Time

DINING

The Piazza, on East Beach, is the island's heart — a relaxed restaurant serving a unique menu of Creole-inspired dishes with a European twist. On West Beach, the Sunset Bar pours cocktails over light bites and stone-baked pizzas from a wood-fired oven. Beyond both, dining goes anywhere: a picnic on Honeymoon Beach, champagne by a bonfire at The Cross on Spa Hill, or dinner in your own villa.

WELLNESS

La Vie Spa rests on Spa Hill, high above the Indian Ocean, working with all-natural, locally sourced ingredients and a curated treatment menu. Yoga happens anywhere, at any time; the Executive Chef builds personalised dietary plans; and five kilometres of island trails are there to walk or cycle at dawn.

THE WATER

Snorkel from the shore with the marine guides, or dive — there are more than twenty dive sites, with more around neighbouring Silhouette Island. Fish from the shore, or head out for bottom, deep-sea and fly fishing. At day's end the boat North Way runs a sunset cruise, and kayaks and paddleboards wait on the beach.

THE REGION

The Noah’s Ark Project

North Island is one of the granitic inner islands of Seychelles — ancient granite peaks rising from a shallow plateau, ringed by younger coral islands. It lies roughly 30 kilometres north of Mahé, with Silhouette Island its nearest large neighbour, and the surrounding sea is both the island's moat and its larder.

The Noah's Ark Project is the patient work of returning an ecosystem. Feral animals were cleared by 2003 and black rats eradicated in 2005 — the largest hilly tropical island to manage it — while 40 hectares of forest have been replanted with 13,000 native trees. Hawksbill and green turtles now nest in record numbers, over 400 nests a year; some 170 Aldabra tortoises roam the island, Brutus among them at perhaps 200 years old; and the Seychelles white-eye, reintroduced in 2007, now numbers over a hundred. Guests can join the Environment Team for a day — turtle-nest searches, tree planting, an infant tortoise adopted and released.



GETTING THERE

North From Mahé

FLY IN

SEYCHELLES INTL (SEZ)

Every journey starts on Mahé. Seychelles International Airport is the country's gateway, receiving the long-haul flights; Victoria, the capital, stands just north of it on the east coast. From Mahé, North Island lies across the channel to the north.

15 MINUTES

BY HELICOPTER

The fast way in: a private helicopter charter — a third-party service, arranged for you — covers Mahé to North Island in about fifteen minutes and lands on the island itself.

45–60 MINUTES

BY BOAT OR YACHT

Or come by sea. Boat and yacht transfers take forty-five minutes to an hour, weather and sea conditions allowing, crossing the channel past Silhouette Island to the island.

No fares are published for either transfer — both are arranged through the island's reservations team when you book, and confirmed with your stay.





CLIMATE

Two Monsoons, One Summer

SEASON	HIGHS	LOWS	SEA	
CALM · MAR–MAY	86–88°F / 30–31°C	79°F / 26°C	84–85°F / 29°C	The still weeks between the monsoons — April is the hottest month, and the sea its warmest
SE TRADES · JUN–SEP	83–84°F / 28–29°C	77–78°F / 25–26°C	79–81°F / 26–27°C	The southeast trades: the driest, breeziest season — July nights are the coolest of the year
CALM · OCT–NOV	85°F / 29°C	77–78°F / 25–26°C	82–83°F / 28°C	The trades fall away and the seas calm; the rains build slowly toward December
NW MONSOON · DEC–FEB	85–86°F / 29–30°C	77–78°F / 25–26°C	83–84°F / 28–29°C	The northwest monsoon: the wettest weeks of the year — warm rain between long bright spells

THE SHORT VERSION

Figures are the Seychelles climate normals for Mahé (WeatherSpark). North Island lies in the same pattern, some 30 kilometres offshore: daytime air runs 83–88°F across the year and the sea 79–85°F — the seasons here turn on wind and rain, not on temperature.



NORTH ISLAND

Inner Islands, Seychelles · 4.39°S, 55.24°E

DISTANCES – STRAIGHT LINE

Silhouette Island	7 mi
Victoria, Mahé	21 mi
Seychelles Int'l Airport (SEZ)	27 mi
Praslin Airport (PRI)	31 mi

CLIMATE

Year-round high	83–88°F / 28–31°C
Coolest nights (Jul–Aug)	77°F / 25°C
Sea temperature	79–85°F year-round

ACCESS

Fly into Seychelles International (SEZ) on Mahé — from there a 15-minute private helicopter charter lands on the island itself.

Or come by sea: boat and yacht transfers from Mahé take 45 minutes to an hour, depending on weather and sea conditions.

Both transfers are arranged through the island's reservations team when you book; no fares are published.

Straight-line distances, approximate.
Island coordinates: the listing's own map position (CMS pin).
Airport coordinates: published aerodrome references (Wikipedia infoboxes, checked Nov 2026).
Climate: Mahé regional normals (WeatherSpark).

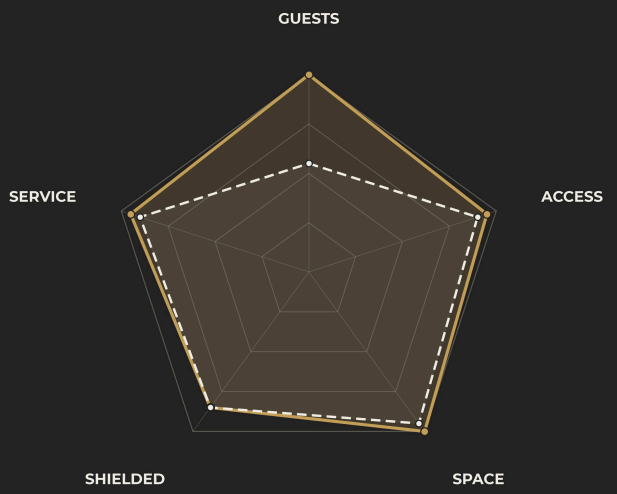
THE PRIVATE BRIEFING

83 HIGHLY PRIVATE

VILLA STAY · PRIVACY INDEX / 100

95 TOTAL SECLUSION

WHOLE ISLAND · PRIVACY INDEX / 100



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

	VILLA	WHOLE
WHO ELSE IS THERE	11 / 20	20 / 20

Villa stay — at most ten other villas share the island; eleven villas cap the company.
Whole island — one group only: all eleven villas, every beach and the whole sanctuary given over to your party.

WHO CAN GET IN	18 / 20	19 / 20

Villa stay — arrival is by the island's own arrangement only, boat or helicopter from Mahé; no public access, no day visiting.
Whole island — the same single controlled entry, run for your group alone.

SPACE TO DISAPPEAR	19 / 20	20 / 20

Villa stay — 201 hectares for eleven villas, roughly eighteen hectares apiece, each villa in its own gardens in restored forest.
Whole island — the full 201 hectares, for a single party.

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

Villa stay — some 30 kilometres from Mahé, distant inner-island neighbours; boats pass, none call.
Whole island — a buyout changes who is ashore, not the outlook: the same open horizon and distant neighbours.

INVISIBLE SERVICE	18 / 20	19 / 20

Villa stay — dining anywhere, at any time, planned with the Executive Chef and spa team.
Whole island — the island's entire team, dedicated to one group alone.

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