

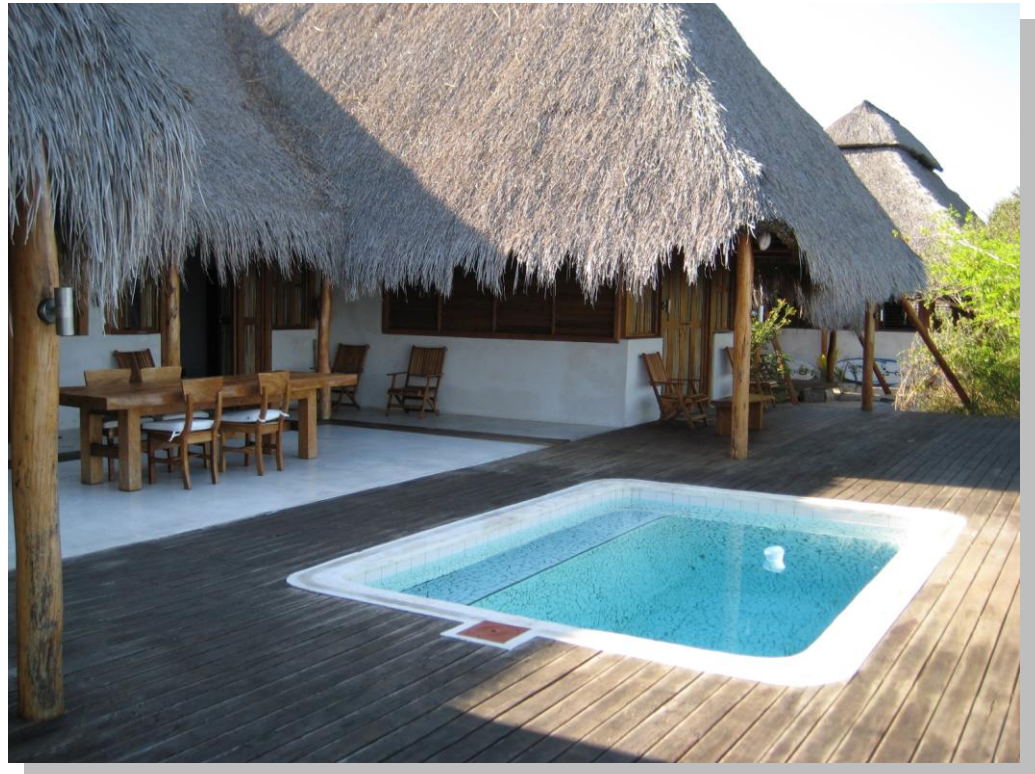
## Rio Azul, Mozambique

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Towards the end of 2011, the WHEELS team had the privilege of visiting Rio Azul, a luxury beach resort located on the banks of the Govuro River in Mozambique.

Overlooking the estuary, it is situated about 2 kilometres from the river mouth, about 80 kilometres north of Vilanculos as the crow flies. The mangrove estuary system covers an area of around fifty square kilometers and the waterways of the main and sub rivers extend for more than a hundred kilometers.



Rio Azul offers visitors a chance to view the abundant birdlife in this mangrove region as well as beautiful, unspoilt beaches to be explored in this paradise setting. Beach activities include kayaking, bird watching, boating adventures and snorkeling. The lodge also offers plenty of fishing opportunity.

The main area of the lodge consists of a lounge, dining room, bar area with a big wooden deck and a plunge pool. Accommodation consists of six thatched luxury chalets and two luxury villas. Whether you are staying in the villas or chalets, the daily rate includes all meals, unlimited use of estuary boat, use of sea kayaks, tea and coffee and snorkelling on request. Just the view alone makes it worth every penny spent!

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