



Security Advisory

!! Golden Rule !!

Never resist to an attack – Save your life not your money - Don't try to be hero!

Pemba or Mozambique in general is not an exceptionally dangerous place. However, the country remains one of the poorest nations in the world. As a potentially wealthy foreigner you are a tempting target for small-crime. By being alert and respecting the common precautions you can reduce the risk of being victim of an unpleasant incident to a minimum.

BEING OUT IN PEMBA

- Avoid walking alone or in isolated areas. Select well lit and well populated areas to walk;
- Avoid walking alone (especially after dark) in isolated places especially along the beach and in the city Centre.
- When walking be conscious of what is happening around you in the street but show confidence and act as someone who knows the town;
- Avoid carrying large sums of cash on your person;
- Dress discreetly and do not exhibit mobile phones, watches, jewelry (even imitation) or any tempting object;
- Try to avoid gatherings of a lot of people;
- Be wary about people hanging around hotels offering different types of services. Ignore beggars and street children
- Avoid driving alone at dark hours. Avoid the outskirts of the town and request assistance if you are not familiar with the area. Keep your doors locked and windows up;
- Bags, purses, wallets, laptops are easily snatched even inside vehicles;
- Always drive defensively and park your vehicle in guarded places;
- For your own security do not stop at accident scenes;

ENJOYING TOURIST DESTINATIONS

- If you go by car plan carefully your trip ahead, seek advice about the roads you travel and inform your colleagues about your itinerary;
- Never travel during dark hours.
- Check if all vehicle-documents are in order, make sure your vehicle is in good mechanical condition, fully equipped (including a first aid kit) and with the fuel tank filled. Note that road-assistance in the provinces is hardly available.
- Communication constitutes a vital part of your security. Check for cell phone coverage in the area you are traveling to, keep it fully charged and arrange a satellite phone if needed;
- In the hotels / resorts give only the needed information to the concierge and keep your valuables in a safe;
- Do not walk alone along the beach and do not jog in isolated areas;
- Again, for your own security do not stop at accident scenes;