

*Rio Azul October 2008, no.1*

## OCTOBER SPECIALS!

From R1190 per person per night sharing – accommodation, all meals, use of estuary boat per room and use of sea kayaks.

Valid until 31/10/2008

### **Our Fishing champions for September:**

Off-shore:

[Daryl Milne](#)

On-shore

[Raymond Kirkland](#)

## Up Up and Away

Hi to all our loyal friends that have visited us over the past 10 months, and to those of you who hopefully will be visiting us shortly. The lodge has run like clockwork since final completion in February this year after we recovered from the effects of cyclone Flavio that hit the archipelago in February 2007. The overwhelmingly positive response that we have received from our visitors is certainly

credit to our excellent management team and staff.

We like to believe that we offer some of the best fishing in the world with outstanding guides to ensure that you catch the fish you came for.

ESA magazine has in the past two months (August/September) published excellent articles on our resort and the outstanding fishing on offer.

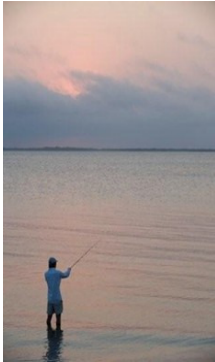
HOWEVER... if fishing is not for you we offer a variety of alternative attractions:

[Kayaking](#)  
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## Fishing Paradise

*THE GT'S  
ARE WILD  
AGAIN SO  
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YOUR  
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THIS IS NOT  
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FAINTHEARTED*



Rio Azul is the ultimate specialist fishing lodge and the awesome team of Craig, Brandon and Chris have hardly failed to put clients into good fish time after time. Local knowledge is of course everything.

Current news is that after the change of season during July, August, the big GT's are active and we have had some very good fish caught offshore and at the point. During the last week of August when the GT's started biting, we landed 3 nice fish but got smoked countless times on drop shot, jigs and plugs.

An expensive reminder of the most important law of GT fishing "DON'T TAKE A KNIFE TO A GUN FIGHT".

Maximum strength tackle is the only way to avoid disappointment. Rod, reel, line, leader, knots, split rings and hooks must be over spec to make sure you have the best chance to land the beast when it comes. It may only come once in your fishing lifetime.

The clients off-shore GT winner is **Daryl Milne** with a + 30kg BUS and the on-shore winner is **Raymond Kirkland**

with a 20kg model from the point, both fish were safely returned (we now know what Raymond thinks of our shirts).

Some nice 3kg plus grunter have been caught lately from the island and the estuary has also produced good snapper on drop-shot.

The sailfish have been around and you can check us out loosing a sailie on fly on Supersport on the Wildfly series.

*Watch Craig on Inside Angling every second Monday, Supersport 1 at 18h00.*

*Below: Daryl Milne (left), Raymond Kirkland (right).*





*Quietly waiting on the shores of Mozambique, Rio Azul is the perfect haven for the person that expects a little more from life*

## Fishing cont.

As you know the [marlin season](#) is coming and believe me the big fish are around these parts. We tend to concentrate on other forms of angling but it may be of interest to know that in December last year John van der Bijl's 11 year old son, Tristan, caught and released a small Black marlin. John lost two others the

same day and one of the fish was upwards of 800 pounds (or so Brandon says). The marlin rush is awesome but you won't know till you try.

We are keen to see what our guests can produce with [shore-based night fishing](#) from the island, so next time you come please ask us to arrange an overnight trip for you.

***Weather permitting we continue to guarantee satisfaction.***



## General:

The birding is good and particularly the kingfishers are around in abundance. We have been doing regular nature walks around the area for our more active guests.



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