



Driving to Paz do Pai Lodge

Although there are various border entry points to Mozambique, this note refers to the Lebombo border post at Komatipoort. There are four possible routes leading to the main road N1. Two via Maputo. Expect possible road works before Maputo. Maputo is about 85 km from the border.

Route 1

Continue straight on the EN4 towards Maputo and turn left at the traffic lights by the Checkers shopping centre in Matola, You will pass two toll gates. - Moamba Plaza toll gate about 38 km from the border and you need to have Mt 135 toll fees- Matola about 75 km from the border and you need to have Mt 35 toll fees - After the Matola toll gate, turn left when you see the Xai Xai / Maputo harbour road sign - At the traffic lights turn left again and continue straight through about four traffic circles - The first portion of the trip, up to the sports stadium on your left, is quite challenging but rewarding, GOOD LUCK!!!

Route 2

After crossing the border, drive towards Maputo- Pass the Moamba toll gate - Drive straight until you cross the Matola river, Immediately turn right - yes off the road!- Cross the EN4 below the bridge- Follow the road and traffic- Very rough and confusing for about 10 km- Then for the surprise - a new road that will take you straight to EN1 at Maraquene.

Route 3 - the ring road. [Download the Ring Road Map here](#)

Route 4

One via Moamba (Don't trust your GPS!) - From the border you continue straight on the main road - EN4- You will pass the Moamba toll gate and after 2 km you should turn left and drive 6 km to the Moamba town- When you get into town (by the cell phone tower on the left), turn right and keep on the tar road - Continue through the town (don't turn off), until the road splits after 5 km - DON'T take the left fork, going to the bridge! Continue straight - The dirt road will start immediately and you need to continue for about 106 km (road is well maintained, but challenging when it rains) - This is a very scenic road, but here's a few tips - Make sure you have sufficient drinks and eats as there are no shops - Due to the remoteness, do not stop unless it is absolutely necessary- Don't drive it at night - Don't exceed 80 km per hour- Mind the cattle and stay on the main road, until you get to the railway line then onto tar - Continue straight for 14 km to Xinavane town - watch for the speed bumps! - You will pass the Tongaat Hulett sugar mill on your left and you will eventually join the main road - EN1- Turn left on the main road and continue for 317 km, towards Lindela town - Just after St Antonio's on the left, in Lindela, the road forks.- Take the right fork - be careful for a very bad juncture from the left- From this point on turn off your GPS (don't use GPS, it may take you onto a very difficult route) - Continue for 24 km - you will see all the lodge boards pointing to the right - Turn right into a dirt road (well maintained) and STOP immediately at the local 'bar' to get a cold drink, to adjust your tyre pressure to 1.8 and phone Osvaldo to inform him that you are nearly there! You holiday starts now! - Continue for 16 km and turn left at the Paz do Pai Lodge road sign - Continue by following the Paz do Pai Lodge road signs - Don't under estimate the first dune - Adhere to the recommendations on the road sign board (tyre pressure) - Approach it with some speed - If you get stuck, don't dig yourself in - Reverse and re-approach - Welcome at Paz do Pai Lodge and enjoy your stay

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