

KOMODO EXTENDED

KOMODO – BALI (10 NIGHTS)

DAY 1 LABUAN BAJO, FLORES

A domestic flight from the island of Bali or Jakarta brings you to the harbor town of Labuan Bajo on the island of Flores. You are greeted at the airport by our staff and transferred to your hotel (on day before departure) or to the harbor where Adelaar is anchored (on the day of departure). As soon as everyone is aboard, we depart the harbor, with destination Sebayur, where we will do 1-2 check dives. We move to Kalong to anchor for the night. At sunset, the skies are filled with fruit bats taking flight to the mainland for their nightly feed.

DAY 2 CENTRAL KOMODO NATIONAL PARK - PADAR ISLAND

Today we enter Komodo National Park, which is located in the region known as Wallacea, denoting the overlapping of Australian and Asian bio-geographical areas. This overlap ensures an interesting mix of bird species. Our dives will be around Padar Island, which is in the center of the park. Just before sunset, we go ashore and hike across a beautiful crescent bay, for a spectacular sunset. Alternately, for those who prefer to be underwater, a night dive is planned. (2 - 3 dives)

DAY 3 SOUTH NATIONAL PARK - NUSA KODE

We depart early morning from Padar and travel south to Nusa Kode. There are three dives and a night dive planned for this area, one of which will be the famous 'macro temple' of Cannibal Rock, a photographer's dream come true. With the towering cliff walls surrounding all sides, the landscape in this remote area is breathtaking. The resident dragon population likes to sun themselves on the beach from time to time. Catch a glimpse of them from the safety of Adelaar's main deck. (1 day dives, 1 night dive)

DAY 4 SOUTH KOMODO NATIONAL PARK - SOUTH RINCA

An early morning departure is planned, as we head to Manta Alley at the extreme southern end of Komodo Island. This area typically has much cooler temperatures, and nutrient-rich waters, perfect for Mantas! Once safely back aboard, we travel north for an afternoon dive along the coast of Komodo. A night dive is planned just outside Komodo Bay. (3 day dives, 1 night dive)

DAY 5 KOMODO NATIONAL PARK - KOMODO ISLAND

Dragons! We go ashore at 7:00 AM for a ranger guided hike into the interior of Komodo Island, to look for Komodo dragons. This UNESCO World Heritage site is the only natural habitat of these giant monitor lizards.

The area was designated as one of the New 7 Wonders of Nature in 2011. A late morning dive is planned at nearby Pink Beach. After lunch we travel to Manta Point to with the hope to dive with Mantas! We move to a quiet bay and prepare for our night dive. (3 dives)

DAY 6- 7 CENTRAL KOMODO NATIONAL PARK

We enter the central park area, also known as 'current city'. This area of the park is subjected to the strong tidal currents that run through the Lintah Strait, bringing with them, plenty of marine life. These currents make for lots of action and exhilarating drift dives. Mantas are often seen in these parts. We spend the next two days diving the central park dive sites. (3 day dives, 1 night dive)

DAY 8 NORTH KOMODO NATIONAL PARK

We spend the day diving around the northern boundary of the park off the uninhabited islands of Gili Lawa Laut and Gili Lawa Darat. In late afternoon we say goodbye to Komodo National Park and start our westward journey back towards Bali. We stop for the night in Banta Island, just outside the park boundary, and prepare for our last night dive. (3 day dives, 1 night dive)

DAY 9 SANGEANG VOLCANO, SUMBAWA

A very early morning departure, with destination Sangeang, a volcano whose most recent eruption was in 2014. Upon our sunrise approach, Sangeang rises majestically from the sea, emitting the occasional puff of smoke. The black sandy bottom of this site makes for spectacular diving. In places, a steady stream of gaseous sulfur, bubbles up from the sand making its way towards the surface. Swimming through, you have the feeling of being in an underwater jacuzzi! Tonight we sail through the night towards Moyo Island. (3 day dives)

DAY 10 MOYO

We arrive at Moyo Island early this morning, for our final two dives along the fringing reef, near the main village. A shore excursion takes you through the local village along a winding path towards a waterfall. Those daring enough can grab the rope, swing out over the falls and drop into the pool below! We sail through the night towards Bali. (2 day dives)

DAY 11 SERANGAN, BALI

Arrival in Serangan Harbor, Bali will be sometime after 9:00 AM.
(Itinerary may vary depending on weather and sea conditions)