

Itinerary

Triton Bay-Raja Ampat (Kaimana to Sorong) 11D/10N

The cruise from Kaimana to Sorong takes us first to Triton Bay where we go exploring and diving for a few days. Triton Bay is a pristine, wild place where liveaboards can anchor off deserted white sand beaches and where divers are being hypnotized by great shoals of fish plying a primeval sea. It is still rarely visited and it's very colorful hard and soft coral reefs are full of fish and invertebrates. Whale sharks are being spotted there, too. The journey continues to Momon with its waterfall and dives at Sanggala Bay, then we go on to isolated Pisang Island for a day of diving and finally we dive at the famous sites of the Daram and Balbulol Islands which are located near Misool Island in Raja Ampat. The cruise ends in Sorong.

We meet our guests in Kaimana, a town of 25.000 with an airport and the administrative capitol of Kaimana regency which includes Triton Bay. In Kaimana we obtain the marine park tickets for Triton Bay. The fee is currently 500.000 IDR per person for foreign citizens and is payable in Indonesian Rupiah cash only. The fee might change without notice. We ask guests to let us buy their marine park ticket in advance and pay for it when they check in on board. Buying the ticket can be a time consuming affair and may delay the ship's departure. Please send us a copy of the guests' passport for the marine park ticket and the port clearance paperwork

Inclusions: A bed in a double or twin cabin, full board accommodation, fresh towels and linen, typically 3 dives a day plus a night dive twice a week, limited or no diving on departure and arrival days as well when making longer passages, free nitrox on all dives, tanks and weights, land excursions as offered, self-service of drinking water, coffee and tea, government taxes, port clearance fees.

Exclusions: Flights, transport and accommodation before and after the cruise, excess luggage fees, national and marine park entry fees, diving courses (limited to Nitrox Diver and only on request), rental diving gear (please ask for price list), dive insurance (mandatory), alcoholic beverages and canned soft drinks (offered at reasonable prices on board), tips for dive guides and crew (5-20% of cruise rate recommended). All payments on board in cash please. We prefer Indonesian Rupiah but will also accept USD and Euro in new and clean banknotes.

TRAVEL TO GAYA BARU INDAH

Indonesia's traffic system is often less than ideal especially in remote areas such as West Papua. Delays and cancellations happen all the time. We find Garuda Indonesia to be the most reliable domestic airline. Other airlines may offer cheaper rates but they often cancel on very short notice and allow less baggage. However at the time of writing this information only WING AIR offers flights to and from Kaimana. These flights run from or to Sorong in West Papua 6 or 7 days a week with 1 daily flight only. We advise to schedule flights for arrival in Kaimana one or several days before the start of the cruise.

Transfer in KAIMANA

On the day of the ship's departure we will pick up our guests from their hotel in Kaimana or from Kaimana Airport if they decide to fly in on departure day (not recommended). Please inform us about the hotel or the incoming flight schedule if applicable. We ask guests to be ready for pick up at the hotel lobby at 8:00 This pick up is free of charge.

Transfer in SORONG

The ship will arrive in Sorong harbor at 14:00 on arrival day. Disembarkation will begin right away and we will organize your transfer to a hotel in Sorong or to Sorong Airport if applicable. The transfer is free of charge.

Make sure to carry the following when you check in on board

- Passport
- Diver certification card (Advanced or higher, Nitrox)
- Proof of mandatory dive insurance (DAN or similar)
- Relevant covid19 travel documents depending on regulations at the time of travel

Some places we will visit during this cruise

Day 1: Check in on board in Kaimana harbor, move into your cabin, do some paperwork, arrange and check your dive gear, we depart from Kaimana harbor to Triton Bay, enjoy the beautiful scenery of the West Papua shoreline

Day 2-6: Triton Bay: (see ancient rock art near Namatote Island, visit waterfalls and small islands, dive at: Namatote Wall, Sagin Island, 3 Rocks, Saruenus Island, Little Komodo, Christmas Rock, Batu Jeruk, Walker's Reef, Bo'Rainbow, Flasher Beach ...)

Day 7: Momon (visit waterfall, dive in Sanggala Bay ...)

Day 8: Pisang Islands (dive at: The Dome, T-Bone Reef)

Day 9: Daram Islands in the Misool group/Raja Ampat (dive at: Andiamo, The Candy Store, Andy's Ultimate ...),

Day 10: Balbulol Islands in the Misool group (dive at: The plateau, No Contest ...), Passage to Sorong

Day 11: We reach Sorong harbor at 14:00

A typical diving day on GAYA BARU INDAH (Note that dives are reduced to 1 or 2 per day when the ship makes long passages)

- 6:00 Wake up call, coffee, tea, snack
- 6:30 Dive briefing
- 7:00 1. dive
- 9:00 Breakfast

- 10:30 Dive briefing
- 11:00 2. dive
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:30 Dive briefing
- 15:00 3. dive
- 17:00 Snacks
- 19:00 Dinner
- On 3 days we offer a night dive at 19:00 and have a later dinner

Please note that all itineraries and dive sites are subject to various unpredictable changes, including weather changes and changes in local and national government approval. We will make every effort to select the best available sites on all cruises.

All time information is based on a 24 hour clock.

Divers should obey a 24hrs no-flight time between the last dive of the cruise and boarding an aircraft.

Plan your continuing voyage accordingly.