# BANDA SEA RAJA AMPAT

Ambon-Banda Sea-Sorong

12 DAYS 11 NIGHTS WITH TIARE CRUISE



# INTRODUCTION

#### **BANDA SEA**

The Banda Islands are a group of ten small volcanic islands in the Banda Sea, Until the mid-19th century the Banda Islands were the world's only source of the spices nutmeg and mace, produced from the nutmeg tree. Spices used as flavorings, medicines and preserving agents that were at the time highly valued in European markets. Back then, the price for a handful of nutmeg equals to the price of a handful of gold. Its popularity attracted the Europeans to conquer the region first settled by the Portuguese then the Dutch with the intervention of the British.

Fort Belgica was first built by the Portuguese to fight the Bandanese's opposition towards the nutmeg trading monopoly. It now stands as a silent witness of the history.

The remoteness of the islands in the wide open Banda Sea with less human intervention reefs have been allowed to grow healthily. As a result Banda Sea is packed with schools of fish, big pelagic, turtles and macros that made Banda Sea a popular diving destination especially for the Hammerhead Sharks.

#### RAJA AMPAT

Raja Ampat holds 540 types of Hard Coral. That's 75% of the total number of Hard Coral species in the world! Over 1000 species of coral fish and 700 mollusks can also be found here. The highlights of Raja Ampat includes, diving in the beautiful coral garden of Melissa's Garden, diving with giant mantas & reef sharsk, the wobegong, snorkeling in the jelly fish lake, hiking to the love lagoon.



### SAMPLE <u>ITINER</u>ARY

AMBON-BANDA SEA-RAJA AMPAT-SORONG 12D.11N

#### Day 1: Embarkation

Check in and check dive at Laha

#### Day 2:

1st dive Pintu Kota 2nd Dive - Hukurila 3rd Dive - Batu Lompa Crossing 13 hours to Suanggi

#### Day 3:

1st dive Suanggi I 2nd dive Suanggi II 3rd dive Batu Kapal Visit Banda Neira Mandarin Dive Overnight at Banda Neira

#### Day 4:

1st Dive Pohon Miring 2nd Dive Hatta Wall 3rd Dive Karang Hatta Crossing 11 hours to Koon

#### Day 5:

1st - 3rd dive Too many dive Crossing to Pulau Pisang (11 hours)

#### Day 6:

1st dive - Tanjung Lampu 2nd dive - Channel 3rd dive - Pinnacle Crossing to Misool 10 hours







#### Day 7

1st dive Karang Bayangan 2nd dive Boo Window 3rd dive Tank Rock Night Dive at Barracuda Rock Overnight at Wayil Batan

#### Day 8

1st dive Four King 2nd dive Nudi Rock 3rd dive Farondi Cave Visit Farondi Cave and Lagoon Crossing to Piaynemo for 12 hours

#### Day 9

1st dive My Reef 2nd dive Melissa Garden 3rd dive Channel Visit Piaynemo Lagoon & Trekking Night Dive Gam Slope

#### Day 10

1st dive Mayhem
2nd dive Manta Ridge
3rd dive Arborek
Visit Arborek Village
Night dive at Arborek Village
Overnight at Yenbuba

#### Day 11

1st Dive Cape Kri 2nd Dive Blue Magic

Day 12 Disembarkation in Sorong





# TIPS MUST KNOW BEFORE YOU BOARD TIARE CRUISE

## City of Embarkation/Disembarkation: Ambon/Sorong

#### Port of Embarkation/Disembarkation: Pelabuhan Ambon/Pelabuhan Sorong

#### Flights: To Ambon:

Direct flights from Jakarta (CGK) with Garuda, Batik/Lion Air. From Bali, the flight via Jakarta.

#### Out Of Sorong:

To **Jakarta:** Direct flight with Garuda Indonesia, to **Denpasar** via Makassar or Jakart with Garuda

**Check In Time:** The latest 12 Am on embarkation day.

Check Out Time: 09:00 Am

Arriving 1 day prior to cruise is recommended. In the case your flight is delayed or your luggage is missing, this will allow you time to make other arrangements.

#### Travel light

A few light clothes and shorts would do you good. You will be on the sea and beaches with a lot of sun. Do not forget to bring your sun glasses, eco friendly sun blocks, flip flops and of course a camera to capture moments.

Visa For Non-Indonesian Citizen Indonesia gives a 30 day Visa On Arrival (VOA). Please check with the representative of Indonesian Embassy in your country if you are eligible for this. Make sure your passport is still valid for at least 6 months before entering Indonesia.

Best Time To Visit: Oct-Nov

THIS ITINERARY IS SUBJECT TO WEATHER & SEA CONDITION

# TIARE CRUISE LUXURY LIVEABOARD



Also available for charter.

#### **Charter Benefits:**

- The whole boat dedicated to you & your group
- Flexible lenght of cruise
- Destination created as per your desire