

Manado (Bitung to Bitung) 20+ dives recommended Advanced Open water or equivalent

Day 1 Meet and greet and onboard for a check dive in the Lembeh Straits

Day 2 (Bunaken): Potential Dive Sites include Lekuan Wall Expected Species: Barracudas, Napoleon wrasses, turtles, reef sharks, colorful reef fish Fukui Point Expected Species: Giant clams, pygmy seahorses, eagle rays, schools of fusiliers Sachiko's Point: located on the north-east side of Bunaken Island, it is a shining example of Bunaken's world-class walls. Tanjung Kopi (Manado Tua) Mandolin Reef (Bunaken Island) Fukui Point (Bunaken Island): a popular dive site in Bunaken national park. Celah Celah (Bunaken Island): located very close to the Bunaken island beach, it is a perfect spot for a night dive. Lekuan I, II and III (Bunaken Island) Muka Kampung (Bunaken Island)

Day 3 (Ruang, Taguladang): Potential Dive sites include Ruang Reef Expected Species: Hawksbill turtles, manta rays, reef sharks, schools of jacks Tagulandang Island Expected Species: Coral gardens, nudibranchs, frogfish, pygmy seahorses The black sand and coral blocks play as an intriguing background, with hard corals, sea sponges, sea fans, and black corals in yellow and brown dominating the scenery. Among the marine life found in Ruang are barracudas, reef sharks, dogtooth tuna, groupers, Napoleon wrasse, snappers, butterflyfish, and bannerfish. Pygmy seahorses hide among the Muricella gorgonians, while macro enthusiasts are expected to spot rhinopias, frogfish, and nudibranchs around the coral reefs. Big fish like dolphins and sharks also often saunter the region, especially in the deeper water.

Day 4 (Mahengetang, Sangihe): Potential Dive sites Include Mahengetang Island Banua Wuhu is one of the most unique diving locations in the world. Situated in Mehengetand in Indonesia, divers have the chance to safely experience a dive in one of the only active underwater volcanoes in the world.

Mahengetang is located between Siau and Sangihe Islands and rises up 400 meters above the sea bed. Surrounded by colourful humphead parrotfish and gigantic sea sponges, you'll notice an expanse of large rocks nearby that are covered in sulphur and give off small bursts of volcanic gases.

These small but very hot bubbles quickly make their way to the surface, which really adds to the excitement of diving in a volcano, even though it hasn't erupted since 1968.

You'll also have the chance to spot schools of neon fusiliers and black tipped reef sharks. Sangihe

Another large volcano comprises the southern end of Sangihe island. A huge variety of marine life awaits with chances of seeing bigger visitors such as hammerheads, rays, reef sharks and dolphins. The northwest of Sangihe has a dive site called Lost City named after a village that was submerged by an earthquake in 1963. Expected Species: Macro critters like flamboyant cuttlefish, mimic octopuses, hairy frogfish

Day 5 (Siau):

Potential Dive Sites ...

Siau Island

The Karangetang volcano can be seen glowing from the crater at night, it is one of Indonesia's most active. Diving around the island is good with Eddy Point being one of the more impressive sites. Black laval rock drops to over 60 meters and slight rumbles can often be heard from the volcano. Impressive marine life can be found here and at Batu Lehi which offers a wall dive and beach hot spring

Mahengetang Island

Walls covered in gorgonian fans, hammerhead sharks, eagle rays, schools of tuna

Mahoro Island

Vibrant coral reefs, napoleon wrasses, whitetip reef sharks, turtles

Day 6 (Biaro):

The first in the island chain, recognised by a sheer 200 meter cliff on the southern side is Biaro. A large flooded caldera which is open to the sea on the western side provides a beautiful sheltered spot.

Dive sites around the island include Lamango which makes a great shallow night dive,

The Labyrinth where volcanic lava flows make up the stunning topography, Sweetlip City which is a 20 meter deep reef with an abundance of Sweetlips, Bomb and Zaccharias Rocks which are submerged pinnacles to the north of the island with stunning coral cover and Kalokoki, a gently sloping reef with colourful soft corals. Biaro

Coral-covered slopes, pygmy seahorses, nudibranchs, ribbon eels Mahaduga Island

Seagrass beds, ghost pipefish, frogfish, juvenile fish

Day 7 (Lembeh): Lembeh Strait Critters galore - frogfish, nudibranchs, mimic octopuses, rhinopias, hairy frogfish Nudi Falls Nudibranchs, seahorses, ribbon eels, skeleton shrimp

Day 8.

Sadly it's time to say goodbye and we will arrange your transfer to either the airport or ashore accommodation The last dive will complete on the penultimate day of the trip at around 12 pm. Divers are recommended to wait for 24 hours after their last dive completes before flying.

Please note that the itineraries are examples and indicative.

We reserve the right to change the itinerary or specific agreed services, if force majeure, unforeseen or unavoidable circumstances, weather, diver ability etc. require us to do so.

Similarly, the order of dives etc. may chance depending on circumstances