



Papua New Guinea
Tigak Sea Kayaker

PIONEER EXPEDITIONS



Itinerary

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9 Days • 8 Nights

Port Moresby – Nusa Island Retrat – Kabotteron Island – Nago Island – Nusaum – Nusakelo – Lamalangit – Tsoilik

HIGHLIGHTS

- 🌿 Sea Kayak some of the most pristine and remote waters on earth
- 🌿 Visit remote and untouched villages
- 🌿 Snorkel abundant reef eco systems
- 🌿 Feast on delicious seafood freshly caught every day

TOUR ESSENTIALS

Tour Style	Sea Kayak Adventure
Tour Start	Port Moresby
Tour End	Port Moresby
Accommodation	Hotel, Local Village, Camp, Bungalow
Included Meals	7 Breakfasts, 7 lunches, 7 Dinners
Difficulty Level	Medium

There are few places on earth left to explore, however Papua New Guinea in many respects is an adventurers final frontier.

On this 9 day sea kayaking expedition in the the Tigak area of North West New Ireland – we can explore the remote islands and communities, snorkel in pristine waters and feel the true remoteness of one of the most fascinating nations on earth.

Overview

With its hundreds of islands and thousands of kilometers of coastline, to this day Papua New Guinea has so many destinations ripe for exploration.

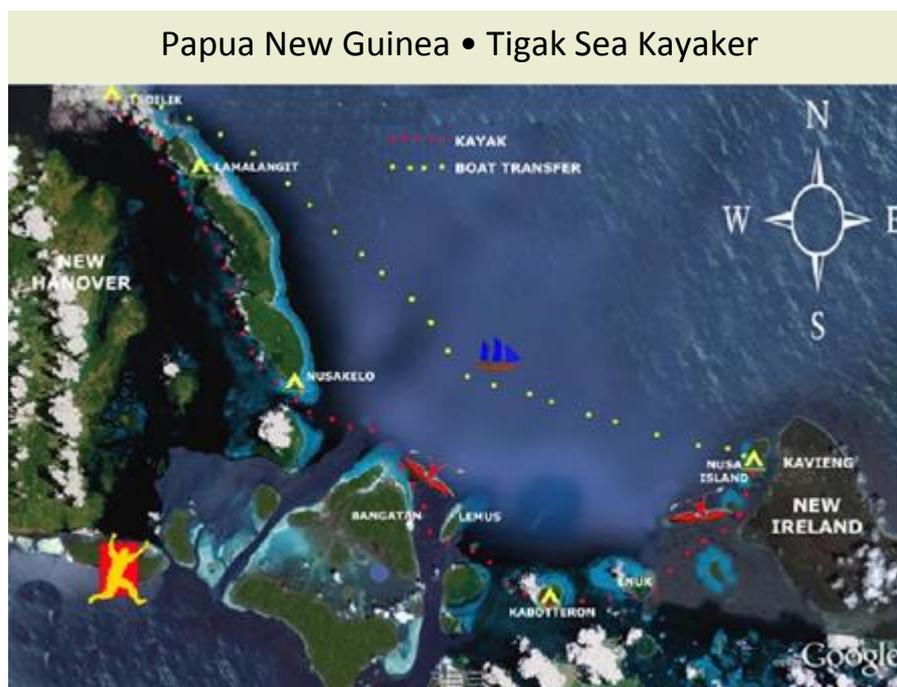
One such place is the Tigak area of north west New Ireland. 1.5 hours flight from Port Moresby, The Tigak area is famous for its surf and SCUBA Diving. A long chain of islands stretches out from New Ireland and skirts the east coast of New Hanover. These islands are surrounded by pristine clear water and untouched coral reefs, home to a plethora of sea life.

Inhabiting these islands are small villages that live off the sea. Some live on islands as small as a football fields while others live on large islands that produce fruit and vegetable.

This sea kayaking expedition will explore this area, paddling from one small island to the next. We will visit people that have rarely seen outsiders, snorkel beautiful reefs and sample delicious sea food.

This 9 day expedition is for those that want to explore new areas, meet new people and discover the wonders that Papua New Guinea has to offer.

Itinerary



DAY 1: ARRIVAL PORT MORESBY

Arrive in Port Moresby and transfer to hotel. Free time to relax.

Overnight Hotel



DAY 2: FLY PORT MORESBY - KAVIENG (B,L,D)

You will be met at the airport by one of our team members and taken to the Nusa Island Retreat. This afternoon you will meet with your local Guide. We will check out our kayaks and go for a short practice paddle around Nusa Island. That night we will have our expedition briefing.

Overnight in Retreat.

DAY 3: NUSA ISLAND RETREAT - KABOTTERON ISLAND (B,L,D)

Today we start paddling. But before we start our Guide will go through some safety issues. After breakfast, we set out for our first destination, Kabotteron Island approximately 2 hrs from the Retreat. On the way we will stop at Nago Island (30 minutes away). Nago is a turtle nesting site so the chances of seeing turtles is very good. We will do some snorkelling there, before we head off for Eruk Island. Eruk is a beautiful island, split by a narrow channel. Here we will have lunch and explore the island, escorted by one of the local villages. From Eruk we head for Kabotteron and its southern tip. There we will set up camp and depending on the time of day, snorkel the reef just down from the village.

Overnight local village

DAY 4: KABOTTERON - NUSAKELO (B,L,D)

After breakfast we will start NW towards Bangatang towards Nusaum. We will stop at Nusaum for a snorkel of the excellent reef. From there we head another 30 minutes to the southern tip of Lemus Island. Here we will have the chance to snorkel one of the best beach reefs in the region. After some morning tea we will head off to our days final destination. From Lemus, we will paddle on the outer reef towards Nusakelo. Depending on the tide, we may be able to cross into the inner reef along the coast of Bangatang. Finally, we will reach Nusakelo, a small village on the southern tip of the Tsoi group of islands. This is a great place to rest under some enormous trees and explore the rocky coast. After lunch, we can hop into the support boat and head back towards Patio Island and Nup for a snorkel in some of the best reefs in the world.

Overnight in tents overlooking the bay.

DAY 5: NUSAKELO - LAMALANGIT (B,L,D)

Today we paddle from Nusan Kelo to Lamalangit. This will be a relatively easy day, with a gentle paddle along the coast of the Tsoi group. We will have great views of the coast of New Hanover. We will arrive in Lamalangit to a traditional greeting. In the afternoon, we may have a chance to take a traditional outrigger canoe into the channel with a local guide showing us some of the more interesting aspects of living in such a remote community.

Overnight local village

DAY 6: LAMALANGIT - TSOILIK (B,L,D)

Today we track the west coast of the Tsoi group of islands. Just south of Mansava Village is a great snorkelling reef, which if the tide is right, we will explore. From there we will paddle to Tsoilik and a superb guest house area on the far north tip of the island with views over New Hanover and beyond. We will have a Village presentation that night. We will also have the chance to explore Tsoiliks lagoon and Bird Island where birds from all over the region come to nest.

Overnight in very nice Bungalows.



DAY 7: TSOILIK - NUSA ISLAND RETREAT (B,L,D)

Today we transfer back to Nusa Island Retreat. If we leave early enough we will be back there by lunch. For those who wish to surf, there should be time in the afternoon.

Overnight in Retreat

DAY 8: NUSA ISLAND RETREAT - PORT MORESBY (B)

After breakfast we will transfer to the mainland for our flight back to Port Moresby. There we will rest and celebrate our trip again.

Overnight Hotel

DAY 9: FLY HOME

Expedition Ends.

What our clients have said

"I've paddled a few tropical places - off the coast of Panama, through the Yasawa Islands in Fiji, around Hinchinbrook Island in Queensland and in Palawan in the Philippines. But in New Ireland, I had some of the most beautiful sea kayaking I've ever experienced."

-L. Southerden



Important Information

INCLUDED

- 🌿 All meals as described (B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner)
- 🌿 Kayak use with all safety gear including vest, paddle, decks etc
- 🌿 Accommodation throughout trip including 2 nights at Holiday Inn Port Moresby and 2 nights at Nusa Island Retreat
- 🌿 All kayaking permits, National Park and Conservation Fees are included
- 🌿 Support boat throughout
- 🌿 Radio contact between Kayakers, Support Boat and Kavieng
- 🌿 All domestic flights
- 🌿 National park fees
- 🌿 Professional guide throughout expedition
- 🌿 Local tours
- 🌿 Airport transfers
- 🌿 Ranger and local guide fees
- 🌿 Cultural displays
- 🌿 Snorkel and Flippers

NOT INCLUDED

- Airport taxes
- Visa to PNG
- Personal expenses
- Beverages
- Extra meals not mentioned in inclusions such as the eco-lodge
- Tips to guides and other staff (optional)



Additional Information

ACTIVITY DURATION	This expedition is considered moderate as there are no long walks and our paddling days of 4 hours are broken up by lunch and swims
SEASON	This expedition is open between March and December.
BEST TIME TO GO	
GROUP SIZE	2 – 10 PAX. If there are 4 or more of you, you can tell us when you want to go.
ACCOMADATION	Accommodation will vary from comfortable eco lodges to tents on the beach. While temperatures can be high (mid 30's), crystal clear water and pristine coral reefs will be more than enough to keep you cool.
EXPEDITION SCHEDULE	Tailormade departures (inimum 4 pax)
DIFFICULTY LEVEL	Our grades have been designated based on our perception of the degree of physical activity your are likely to require to enjoy the adventure. These are only a guideline. This itinerary has a 'medium' level (2-5 hours per day). This means that you will need an average level of fitness.

