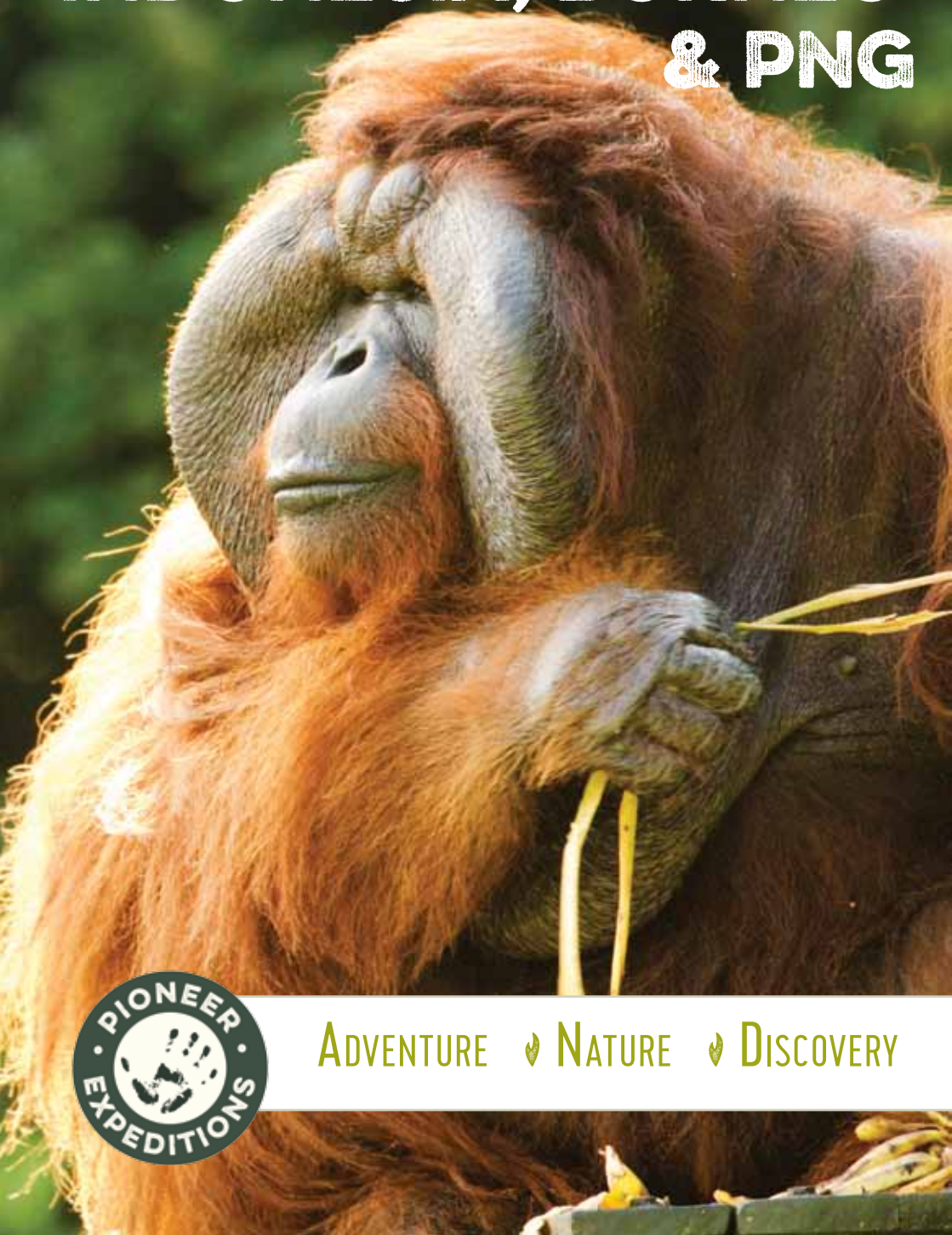


# INDONESIA, BORNEO & PNG



ADVENTURE ♡ NATURE ♡ DISCOVERY

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Key - When to go.....

😊 : Great

🙂 : Good

😐 : Ok

# INDONESIA

🌴 Indonesia is the largest archipelago in the world with over 17,500 beautiful islands and therefore has more coastline than any other country. Indonesia has a total population of more than 215 million people from over 200 ethnic groups.

🌴 Indonesia is blessed with a spectacular, diverse landscape; there are fertile rice lands on Java and Bali, luxuriant rainforests in Sumatra, Kalimantan and Sulawesi, savannah grass-lands in the Nusa Tenggara islands and snow capped peaks topping West Papua.

🌴 Wildlife in Indonesia ranges from the prehistoric giant Komodo dragon to the endangered orangutan; from the Java rhino to the Sulawesi Anoa dwarf buffalos, and throughout this diverse archipelago are exquisite plumed birds such as the bird of paradise and the king cockatoo.

🌴 With such diverse culture, wildlife and landscapes, Indonesia is perfect for anyone looking for an adventure experience of a lifetime.



# BORNEO

🌴 Rugged Borneo is the 3rd largest island in the world; known for its beaches and its ancient biodiverse rainforest. Still wild and mysterious, Borneo is one of those places that's become synonymous with adventure travel and wildlife.

🌴 Borneo is divided into four political regions; Kalimantan (Indonesian), Sarawak & Sabah (Malaysian) and Brunei (a sovereign state). Borneo has two distinct populations. Inland people, called Dayaks, the legendary head-hunters, who are mainly tribal hunter-gatherers; and the more dominant Malay speaking coastal peoples who developed sea trade, advanced farming, and fishing; and are predominantly Muslim.

🌴 Home to spectacular wildlife including the Bornean orangutan, the Borneo pygmy elephant, the proboscis monkey and a huge variety of stunning tropical birds.

🌴 Conquer the peak of the majestic Mt. Kinabalu (4,095m); explore the wildlife corridor of the Kinabatangan river and Danum valley; visit the legendary Iban tribe's people in Sarawak.



# PAPUA NEW GUINEA

🌊 Lying just south of the equator, 160km north of Australia, Papua New Guinea is part of a great arc of mountains stretching from Asia, through Indonesia and into the South Pacific. PNG has more than 600 islands and 800 indigenous languages and is made up of 4 regions with 20 provinces.

🌊 Papua New Guinea is full of magnificent natural scenery. Spend time trekking remote jungle tracks, cruising the mighty Sepik river, surfing the waves of New Ireland, kayaking on the Tigak sea, birdwatching in the Highlands, or diving amongst the coral reef coastline.

🌊 PNG's diverse cultural heritage is unparalleled. Some say it's the inhabitants that make Papua New Guinea truly unique. Many of the hundreds of languages spoken here are kept alive by a just a few dozen people. Each ethnic group has its own proud artistic traditions, with deft handicrafts, entrancing dance performances and bracing music.

🌊 Papua New Guinea in many respects is an adventurer's final frontier. Travelling in PNG can be challenging, it can feel like you're stepping into the great unknown. This is a genuine once in a lifetime experience that should not be missed.





Pioneer Expeditions strives to make the remote accessible, the challenging achievable, and the tailor-made affordable.

## Who we are

- ✎ We are authentic, off the beaten track adventure specialists. Providing carefully selected and inspiring destinations for discerning travellers. Tailor-made trips are our speciality.
- ✎ Established in 2006, Pioneer began from a background of organising major international expeditions. We are able to utilise our extensive network of like minded partners to create bespoke adventures all over the world.
- ✎ We want to enable people to experience travel in an original and interesting way, to become 'Pioneers' themselves.

## Our aim

- ✎ We are a well established company that strives to create exceptional experiences for all of our clients.
- ✎ We like to listen, create and share.
- ✎ We want you to return from a Pioneer trip feeling inspired by the environments, communities and wildlife you have encountered.



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## How we work

- 🦅 We spend time constantly researching and improving our trips. We have fostered excellent relationships with our local contacts and work with them to ensure the very best experience for our clients.
- 🦅 Pioneer specialises in leading small groups and tailor-made trips which allows us to access remote areas in unique and original ways.
- 🦅 We work hard to ensure our adventures maintain social and environmental responsibilities. We contribute towards improving the lives of local people; conserving and replenishing the natural environment and preserving the cultural heritage of our destinations. These practices allow our clients to get closer to the local culture, which we believe contributes to a more meaningful experience.

## Why choose Pioneer ?

**P**ersonalised experience; we will work with you to create a tailor made itinerary so you see the world your way, on your time, at your level of activity, within your budget.

**I**nspired & **O**riginal adventures borne of our expedition background.

**N**ature; get up close and personal to our wonderful natural world in some of the most remote parts of the globe.

**E**xtraordinary **E**xpertise; enjoy the right sort of leadership from local guides with unparalleled local knowledge.

**R**esponsible; know that you are treating the local people and their environment with fairness and respect.

# RAINFOREST ADVENTURE

ASIA / INDONESIA / BORNEO - TANJUNG PUTING



## Orangutan Odyssey in Southern Borneo

We will travel to the Tanjung Puting National Park. As well as the orangutan, the park is home to a host of rare and unusual creatures including the proboscis monkey. We explore this forest by boat and on foot.

## Highlights

- ✓ Search for wild orangutans and visit the famous camp leakey research station
- ✓ Stunning wildlife
- ✓ Experience one of the oldest rainforest in the world
- ✓ Stay in klotoks in the heart of the forest

## When to go



## Perfect for...

- ✓ Tailor-made and private groups
- ✓ Scheduled small groups
- ✓ Couples
- ✓ Families
- ✓ Solo travellers



# BORNEO WILDLIFE

ASIA / MALAYSIA



## Wildlife Discovery - Sabah

On this action packed trip, spend time at turtle islands, orangutan sanctuaries and pristine rainforests. You will experience some of the best jungle wildlife that Borneo has to offer before heading to the beach where you can relax, snorkel and dive.

## Highlights

- ✔ Visit an Orangutan orphanage
- ✔ Stay at a turtle hatchery in the Selingan Marine National Park
- ✔ Explore the Kinabatangan river
- ✔ Possible sightings of pygmy elephants and a myriad of other wildlife

## When to go



## Perfect for...

- ✔ Tailor-made and private groups
- ✔ Scheduled small groups
- ✔ Couples
- ✔ Families

# BORNEO EXPLORER

ASIA / MALAYSIA



## Wildlife and Culture

From Bako National Park in Sarawak to Danum Valley in Sabah, you will experience Borneo's rainforest, fantastic wildlife as well as the famous Iban people. Along the way you will enjoy a stunning trip along the wildlife corridor of the Kinabatangan river & a visit to a leading orangutan rehabilitation centre.

## Highlights

- ♥ Visit Sarawak and Sabah
- ♥ Explore pristine rainforests including the oldest rainforest on the planet!
- ♥ Release turtles at Selingan island
- ♥ Visit remote villages & dine with the local tribes people
- ♥ Visit an Orangutan orphanage

## When to go



## Perfect for...

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- ✓ Families

# SUMATRA ORANGUTANS AND ELEPHANTS

ASIA / INDONESIA



## Sumatran Rainforest and Wildlife

This is a 7 day wildlife odyssey in the heart of the Sumatran rainforest. Spend time at an elephant sanctuary in Tangkahan before heading to Bukwit Lawang, where you will have a chance to visit an orangutan sanctuary as well as enjoy a spot of jungle camping.

## Highlights

- Visit the incredible rainforest of Gunung Leuser
- See orangutans
- Observe tropical plants and see wild animals
- Visit Lake Toba

## When to go



## Perfect for...

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- ✓ Families

# SULAWESI WILDLIFE DISCOVERY

ASIA / INDONESIA



## Wildlife Discovery

Bird watching and trekking adventure discovering the marvelous national parks dotted across the island. Discover the spectacular landscapes of Sulawesi along with the array of wildlife and birds you will find on your adventure.

## Highlights

- 🦋 Birdwatching at Lore Lindu national park
- 🦋 Trek through the Sulawesi forest
- 🦋 See the black macaque at Tangkoko reserve
- 🦋 Many endemic birds + animals.

## When to go



## Perfect for...

- ✓ Tailor-made and private groups
- ✓ Couples



# TIGAK SEA KAYAKING

AUSTRALASIA / PAPUA NEW GUINEA



## Tigak Sea Kayaker

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

On this 5 day sea kayaking expedition in the Tigak area of North West New Ireland, we explore the remote islands and communities and snorkel in pristine waters.

## 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

## When to go



## Perfect for...

- ✓ Tailor-made and private groups
- ✓ Couples
- ✓ Solo travellers

# KOMODO KAYAKER

ASIA / INDONESIA / KOMODO ISLANDS



## Journey among deserted islands and dragons

A unique expedition to a truly fascinating location - the Komodo National Park. Paddle sea kayaks to some of the most remote beaches on earth, drifting over coral reefs, staying on beaches on uninhabited islands and visiting islands inhabited by mythical dragons!

### When to go



### Highlights

- Visit Rinca Island to see the komodo dragons
- Snorkel magnificent reefs
- Some of the best snorkelling on the planet
- One of the best eco-expeditions - stay in eco lodges and safari tents

### Perfect for...

- Tailor-made and private groups
- Scheduled small groups
- Couples
- Families
- Solo travellers

# MOUNT RINJANI SUMMIT

ASIA / INDONESIA



## Summit the Rinjani Volcano

A stunning trek to the top of the Rinjani Volcano. One of the best short adventures on the planet - offering the adventurous scenic waterfalls, rainforests, wildlife, hot springs, caves, hiking, pristine lakes, interesting culture and a volcano all in one week.

## Highlights

- Watch the ever-changing scenery as you ascend and descend Mount Rinjani
- Relax in natural hot springs
- Swim and snorkel - Gili islands
- Lombok sightseeing - Local Sasak tribes and visiting the waterfall

## When to go



## Perfect for...

- ✓ Tailor-made and private groups
- ✓ Scheduled small groups
- ✓ Couples
- ✓ Solo travellers

# THE KOKODA TRAIL

AUSTRALASIA / PAPUA NEW GUINEA



## "The Great Pilgrimage" Papua New Guinea

This trip takes place in PNG along one of Australia's most important WWII battle sites! Walking the trail involves 50 hours of hiking over 90km of sharp ridges, steep valleys and fast rivers, magnificent mountain landscapes and passing through local villages.

### Highlights

- 🔥 Amazing terrain and river crossings
- 🔥 Pristine rainforests
- 🔥 Undertake something that will push your body and spirit to new levels
- 🔥 Understand what Australian soldiers endured during WWII

### When to go



### Perfect for...

- ✓ Scheduled small groups
- ✓ Couples
- ✓ Solo travellers



# ESSENTIAL JAVA AND BALI

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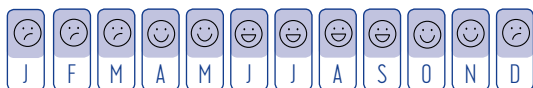
## Explore this Magnificent region

This is an unique journey which combines the wonders of Java with the exotic beaches of Bali. This discovery tour takes you to some of the best sites that Java has to offer including the Borobudur Temple, one of the greatest of all ancient architectural monuments.

## Highlights

- Visit Bogor - the city of flowers
- Visit the world famous temple of Borobudur
- Explore the smoking crater of Mt. Bromo
- Enjoy the beautiful beaches & temples of Bali

## When to go



## Perfect for...

- ✓ Tailor-made and private groups
- ✓ Couples
- ✓ Solo travellers

# FAMILY MULTI-ADVENTURE

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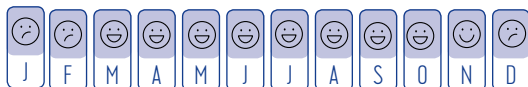
## Mountain and Jungles

This expedition gives you the opportunity to trek through Borneo's dense tropical rainforests, through remote villages en-route to the spectacular Mount Kinabalu. You'll get the opportunity to camp, raft and cycle in this beautiful region as well as enjoy the wildlife that Borneo is famous for.

## Highlights

- ✓ Sunrise on the summit of Mount Kinabalu
- ✓ Meet the Dusun people in jungle villages
- ✓ Relax on the Kinabatangan river
- ✓ Something for the whole family!

## When to go



## Perfect for...

- ✓ Tailor-made and private groups
- ✓ Couples
- ✓ Families with older children

# FLORES AND KOMODO DISCOVERY

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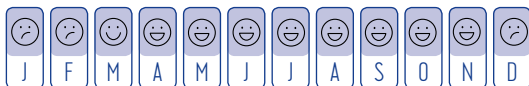
## An island adventure by boat, 4wd and on foot

A diverse trip offering magnificent panoramic scenery, beautiful villages & volcanic lakes. On the island of Flores, you will trek to a volcano and visit a natural hotspring as well as travel through the archipelago by sailing boat with plenty of snorkelling opportunities.

## Highlights

- Visit Flores's stunning Lake Kelimutu
- Experience the traditional villages of Flores
- Explore the Komodo archipelago by liveaboard boat
- Chance to see Komodo Dragons

## When to go



## Perfect for...

- ✓ Tailor-made and private groups
- ✓ Couples
- ✓ Families

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