

Indonesia Luxury Komodo Explorer



Itinerary 9 Days

Indonesia • Komodo Islands – Group size 8-10

Departure Dates 21 Mar, 06 Jul, 13 Oct





This is no, sit by the pool drinking mojitos holiday (though there is time for that). This is an active journey and for us to appreciate everything the incredible World Heritage Komodo National Park has to offer, we have to move.

Needless to say, there will be copious amounts of snorkelling. And for those who want to go further, there is access to SCUBA diving as well.

Activities include hiking on Rinca and Padar, sea kayaking the blue waters of the Komodo Islands, snorkelling Pink Beach and other secret reefs and swimming with manta ray.

All of this will be done via your own private boat, which will give us access to every part of the park.



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Itinerary

DAY 1: ARRIVAL BALI

Upon your arrival in Bali, you will be met at the airport by your driver and transferred to your hotel for your overnight accommodation. Depending on the time of your arrival you will have free time to relax before an evening meeting with a representative who will provide you with your domestic e-tickets and information required for the following day. Overnight at Hotel.

Overnight Hotel



DAY 2: BALI TO LABUAN BAJO- KOMODO NP

Today you will fly from Bali to Labuan Bajo, the gateway to the Komodo National Park. We will transfer you down to the harbour, where you will board your Private Boat for lunch and the 1.5-hour journey to Menjaga Bay, home for the next 5 days. This slow cruise will give you a chance to unwind and take in just a taste of what this special place has to offer.

Upon arrival at Menjaga, you will receive a welcome drink and be shown to your room. The rest of the afternoon is free for you to explore the resort, slow down and maybe take a sunset drink at the pier from 5 pm onwards.







Overnight:











Activities: Kayaking



DAY 3: Rinca Island - Menjaga

We will start slowly this morning, easing into our week of adventure. After breakfast we will meet with our team, who will outline the days activities. Today we see Dragons! Why not get straight into business?

We will hop aboard our private boat and head toward Rinca Island. Along the way, we can do a spot of snorkelling and possibly visit Warloka, a small village with a collection of unusually large stone artifacts dating back thousands of years, further back than what we thought was possible. From there we will explore Rinca Island, taking a 1-2 hour walk, observing the Komodo Dragon in its natural habitat.

From Rinca Island we will visit the small village of Rinca itself, seeing how these people live with the dragon.

The sun will soon be setting, so we will head off to Kaaba Island to watch the daily migration of thousands of Fruit Bats from the island. Dinner will be served on board our boat before heading back to Menjaga for the evening. (B,L,D)



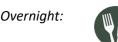
DAY 4: Padar Island – Komodo National Park - Menjaga

Today we will explore deep into the Komodo National Park. First on the list is Padar Island, with its superb views of three idyllic bays. From Padar, we will set off around the rarely-visited southern part of the island, before heading north toward Komodo Island itself.

It is not the dragons we have come to visit today, but Pink Beach. This beautiful stretch of pink sand is formed by the plethora of red coral found off the coast. The snorkelling here is superb.

We'll return to Menjaga in the late afternoon, just in time for sundowners and dinner. (B,L)









Distance: **1Hour**





DAY 5: Manta Alley

What an incredible day we have planned today, one of our favourites.

First it's off to Manta Alley where we will have the chance to swim with 4m-5m manta rays. They appear here each day to be cleaned. Some days there is a lone ray, sometimes there's a dozen or more!

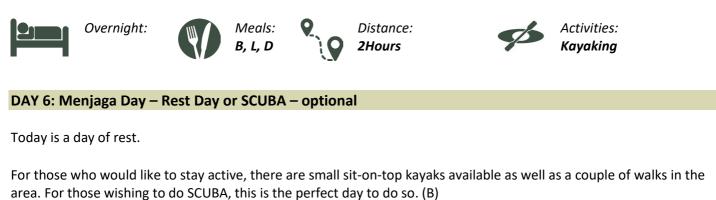
After lunch, we will head to Pungu Island. First, we will visit Atlas Pearls, who harvest pearls in these waters. They will show us how the pearl is harvested, fascinating work. From Atlas, for those wishing to do so, we can take the sea kayaks for a paddle to our evening accommodation, a secluded alcove beach on the west side of the island.



We will have our safari-style tents set up and our dinner area prepared. This is an amazing place to sit back and relax. And guess what? There is a small reef only metres from the beach.

For those wishing not to stay overnight, we will transport you back to Menjaga Bay after dinner. (B,L,D)

Overnight in Safari style tents.







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DAY 7: Labuan bajo

Today we will head back toward Labuan Bajo. On the way we will stop off at Kelor Island for a short hike to the top of the hill providing us with superb views of the islands we have explored for the last few days.

From there, we will continue to Labuan Bajo jetty, where we will be picked up and taken to the Sudamala Resort. For those wishing for a massage this can be done at the resort.

For sundowners, we will head to the Aliya Resort for drinks before heading to dinner in the home of our local manager Ibu Fitri. This will give you an insight into how people live in the area and a taste of authentic home cooking.



. We bid Labuan Bajo and the Komodo Islands farewell and fly back to Bali for our last night on the "Island of the Gods". Tonight we will dine for the last time as a group at a local restaurant.



DAY 9: Trip End – farewell!

Your amazing adventure comes to an end and you are free to continue your travel plans or return home. (B)

Important Information

LUDED
 2 nights luxury accommodation in Bali twin share 5 nights luxury accommodation in Menjaga Bay twin share 1-night luxury accommodation Labuan Bajo 1 night Safari style camping (optional) All domestic flights Kayak use with all safety gear including vest, paddle etc Snorkel and mask use National park fees Professional guide throughout the journey Labuan Bajo Town Tour Ranger and local guide fees All meals on expedition (8 Breakfasts, 5



Lunches and 3 Dinners)

 Airport transfers to and from accommodation in Bali and Labuan Bajo

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