

Bali - Komodo - Bali 11D/10N

The signature Bali – Komodo – Bali cruise is the best way to explore Komodo National Park and its surroundings without the hassle of domestic flights.

Dive all the famous (and more secret) Komodo sites and the best spots of Sumbawa. Sail between two oceans above mantas, dolphins and sharks.

(The course of the fixed departure itineraries may be altered for comfort and safety of all passengers aboard, diving is planned around weather, sea conditions and capabilities of each diver.)

Day 1

You will meet at the wooden jetty in front of the Dolphin Lodge in Serangan Harbor at 08:00AM and set off along the coastline of Bali, cruising overnight to Satonda Island. Spend the day relaxing on deck and wait for the magnificent sunset over the majestic Mount Agung.

Day 2

Arise at your leisure for coffee on deck while your breakfast is being cooked-to-order. Once you arrive in Satonda you will head for 2 dives here, along a sloping reef.

The white sandy bottom with bountiful coral outcroppings offers plenty of interesting things to see.

Satonda - an old volcanic island, is famous for its saltwater lake that filled the crater after the violent eruption of Mt Tambora, on Sumbawa, in 1814.

Day 3

Rise early today for a glimpse of the sunrise as you arrive in Gili Lawa Laut, North Komodo. The park is located in the Wallacea region, denoting the overlapping of Australian and Asian bio-geographical areas.

This overlapping indicates an interesting mix of bird species!

There is a splendid assortment of dive sites just outside this picturesque bay.

Typically, in the north you have larger schools of fish, good visibility and some current.

You might want to take the opportunity between dives to hike to the top of the hill to catch a glimpse of a magnificent panorama of the entire Komodo Archipelago just on the other side.

You anchor in a quiet bay for the night.

Day 4

A very early morning, as you head ashore by 07:00 AM to meet your ranger for a guided hike into the interior of Komodo Island, to seek out the prehistoric dragons Komodo is so well known for.

This area is recognized as a World Heritage Site and also newly designated as a 'new 7 wonder of the world'.

Once back aboard, you are served lunch outside to enjoy the beautiful view as you head to the south of Komodo.

You will make a stop along the coast for diving, then continue on to Lehok Sera for a dusk dive to search for those shy and elusive mandarin fish.

You anchor for the night in a picturesque bay.

Day 5

You make your way to Langkoi weather permitting, on Komodo's south coast.

You are on a mission to seek out manta rays today!

You will attempt to fit in 2 dives here where these magnificent animals gracefully feed in these nutrient rich waters.

After which, you move to Nusa Kode.

With the towering cliff walls surrounding all sides, the landscape in this remote area is breath taking.

Get ready for your first macro dive of the trip here!

After some excellent diving, you will have a shore excursion of sorts to get up close to the resident dragon population here.

There will also be a night dive, and then dinner to finish off the day.

Day 6

Mornings and evenings in Nusa Kode are a time where you can spot dragons wandering along the beach foraging for food.

Monkeys, deer and lots of birds are also known to make an appearance.

If sea conditions are good, you'll be able to dive the 'macro temple' of Cannibal Rock - a must dive for muck diving enthusiasts.

During lunch you journey up back north for diving in Padar, where temperatures start to get warmer and visibility gets a bit better.

Day 7

You leave Padar and enter an area known as 'current city' for your diving day.

Despite the intimidating name, you are often guaranteed better visibility and larger schools of fish here! In the late afternoon, your vessel will move up north to Rinca or Wainilu.

At Wainilu, opt for a short walk up a small hill for a nice view of Rinca and the surrounding islands.

You anchor for the night in and there is a chance to do a night dive in Wainilu.

Day 8

You spend the morning around the northern most boundary of the Park off the uninhabited islands of Gili Lawa Laut and Gili Lawa Darat to dive the best sites that you saved for last!

In late afternoon you leave the Park area and make your way to Banta Island where you anchor for the night.

A night dive is planned here.

Day 9

You arrive in the volcanic island of Sangeang for some amazing diving on the flanks of this active volcano. Black sand with yellow areas (sulfur deposits).

In places, gaseous sulfur seeps from the grounds, creating an underwater Jacuzzi with a warm sea floor.

As you depart, the crew will put up all the sails for a brief photo opportunity and gives us a glimpse of The Adelaar in full glory.

You sail through the night for Moyo Island.

Day 10

You arrive Moyo Island early this morning for 2 dives on the fringing reef.

There is a shore excursion to the village to see the traditional houses on stilts.

You visit a local school, and then take a walk through a road lined with 'living fences' to visit a nearby waterfall.

The local guide points out teak & cashew trees as you pass through herds of goats and water buffalo.

While you are gone, the crew will have washed and dried all your dive gear.

This means once back aboard, you can sit back, relax, and enjoy a gourmet lunch as you head back, bound for Bali.

Day 11

You arrive in Serangan Harbour, Bali approximately around 09:00 AM and say goodbye to your Captain and crew.

Transfers can be arranged to take you to your next destination.

Please ensure your onward travels are planned to anticipate delays during cruising - Flights out should only be scheduled after 18:00 PM.