ADELAAR

Beyond Komodo and Whale Sharks

Maumere to Bali | Palue, Komodo National Park, Banta, Sangeang and Moyo



As a UNESCO World Heritage site, Komodo National Park offers not only encounters with the famous Komodo dragons but also a dive into an extraordinary underwater world.

On every cruise passing by Sumbawa, a stop is included at Teluk Saleh for diving or snorkelling with whale sharks, which gather near the traditional fishing platforms known as bagans.

Manta Alley is arguably one of the world's best sites to observe the gentle giants.

The extraordinarily healthy and unique reefs of South Rinca shelter an abundance of weird and wonderful critters, a photographer's dream.

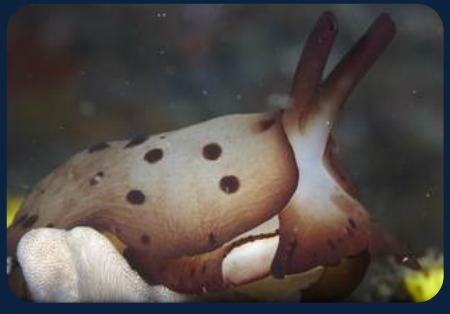
The seamounts and drift dives around Gili Lawa are amongst the signature dive sites of Komodo.

Beyond the park, the steep walls of the volcanic island of Palue are covered in soft corals and gorgonians, with a chance of a pygmy seahorse.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
10 nights	Maumere	Bali	Certified divers







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Maumere

After boarding Adelaar in Maumere in the North of Flores, you will enjoy your first day on board whilst cruising along the Flores coast into the sunset.

DAY 2

Palue

2 day dives

The steep walls of the volcanic Island Palue to the North of Central Flores are covered in soft corals and gorgonians - with a bit of luck we might even spot a pygmy seahorse or some of the rare nudibranchs found on these reefs.

DAY 3

Tatawa Komodo National Park

3 day dives, 1 dusk dive

The constant current feeding the corals around the Tatawa islands make sure that the surrounding reefs are as colorful as tropical reefs can get.
The dusk dive gives us a rare chance to observe the beautiful mandarin fish's mating rituals.



DAY 4

Central Komodo National Park

2 day dives, 1 night dive

In the morning we visit the island of Rinca to spot some of the terrestrial wildlife found in the park - with the Komodo dragons as highlights.
After the walk, we'll dive some of the action-packed sites of the central section of the park - stunning coral reefs bathed in a dazzling explosion of colorful fish life, that will make any diver beg for more of the same.



DAY 5

Gili Lawa North Komodo National Park

3 day dives, 1 night dive

The seamounts and drift dives around the Gili Lawa islands in the northernmost part of the park are deservedly amongst the signature dive sites of the Komodo archipelago - a real diver's dream.
In the evening, the effort of climbing up to the viewpoint will be rewarded with a glorious sunset over the whole national park.

DAY 6

South Rinca Komodo National Park

3 day dives, 1 night dive

Extraordinarily healthy and unique reefs that shelter an abundance of weird and wonderful critters make this part of the Komodo national park a photographer's dream.

DAY 7

South Komodo National Park

3 day dives, 1 night dive

Today is dedicated to manta rays: we check out "Manta Alley", arguably one of the world's best sites to observe the gentle giants.



DAY 8

Banta

3 day dives, 1 night dive

Hard coral formations on Banta's white sandy substrate dominate the underwater landscape that provides the setting for today's underwater adventure.
They are the home of a multitude of fish, turtles, sea snakes, reef sharks and the occasional eagle and manta rays.

DAY 9

Sangeang

3 day dives

The critters inhabiting the colorful reefs of Sangeang's rich black sandy slopes are waiting to be discovered.
After a day of underwater marvels, we will put up the sails and head further west.

DAY 10

Moyo

2 day dives

Clear, warm water with lots of fish await you on the last day of diving on the seamounts off the island of Moyo.
An optional village visit with a stroll to a nearby waterfall is also possible.

DAY 11

Bali

After a last delicious breakfast it is time to say goodbye and disembark - until the next time.







GOOD TO KNOW

On land and on the way

Water sports

For non-divers, as well as snorkelling, the boat has stand-up paddle boards and a two-person kayak. Not every area is suitable, and the cruise manager finds the right times and places.

Small groups

Adelaar takes a maximum of 8 guests, with a Western cruise manager who is also a PADI dive instructor, a divemaster and a crew of ten.

Check in

Our team collects you from the airport or your hotel and takes you to the harbour where Adelaar is anchored. On the day before departure you can be taken to a hotel.

Check out

After breakfast on the last day you disembark, with an airport or hotel transfer. Please arrange your flight with the no-fly rule in mind.

Itinerary

All routes are examples, and the final plan depends on the weather, the sea conditions and any permissions.

INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Double or twin stateroom with private bathroom, bath towels and deck towels
- Fully crewed vessel, with all meals
- Coffee, tea, juices, soft drinks, drinking water and snacks
- The diving package described in the itinerary, with 12 litre tanks, weight belt and weights
- Land excursions described in the itinerary
- Transfers between the harbour and the nearest airport
- Stand-up paddle boards, a two-person kayak and a wakeboard
- Starlink Wi-Fi, up to 1 GB per guest
- Sensatia Botanicals toiletries

NOT INCLUDED

- International and domestic flights, visas and transit hotels
- Port and park fees, prepaid
- Fuel surcharge, prepaid
- Whale shark excursion in Teluk Saleh
- Nitrox and 15 litre tanks
- Dive and snorkel gear rental, a private dive guide and dive courses
- Compulsory dive insurance, and travel insurance is suggested
- Laundry and satellite phone use
- Crew tips, which are customary

BEFORE YOU GO

What to bring

ESSENTIALS

- Dive certification card and logbook
- Completed diver medical questionnaire
- Details of your dive and travel insurance
- Dive computer and surface marker buoy
- Torch for night dives

AND ALSO

- Reef-safe sunscreen
- Swimwear, hat and sunglasses
- Light clothing and sandals
- Personal medication and toiletries
- Passport

WORTH KNOWING

Key notes

Good to know

The itinerary may vary depending on weather and sea conditions

Good to know

All extra charges must be prepaid, and the fees are subject to change

Good to know

Proof of dive certification and enough diving experience for the programme is required, and divers sign a liability waiver