

Komodo Leisure Cruise

8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS CRUISE

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Introduction

This is a sample itinerary for 7 nights / 8 days non-diving cruise around Komodo Islands. We can adjust this itinerary for shorter or longer cruises.

Itineraries and dive sites choice in Komodo is highly dependent on tides and meteorological conditions. Many dives have to be performed at a particular moment of the tide, and the South of Komodo may be difficult to access if the winds are too strong. The waters are also colder with limited visibility, so the guests may prefer to stay in the North.

For these reasons, the itinerary displayed here is not a fixed itinerary but an example of the multiple ways this cruise can be done.

We will depart from the harbour of Labuan Bajo around noon time and return to the exact location on the late night of the day before last.





Destination - Komodo

Komodo National Park is situated between the Islands of Sumbawa & Flores in central Indonesia.

The park counts almost 1000 islands, with the largest being Komodo, Rinca & Padar islands. This area is part of the Wallacea Region of Indonesia, identified by WWF as a priority conservation area.

This part of Indonesia is an amazing place for underwater & Land wildlife lovers with world-class diving and is home to the legendary Komodo Dragons.





Highlights

- 1) Snorkeling on the most famous dive sites of Komodo (Tatawa Besar, Siaba Kecil, Cannibal Rock, etc.)
- 2) Drift snorkelling through the channel at Gili Lawa
- 3) Trekking to Gili Darat, UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Komodo National Park
- 4) Snorkeling with Manta rays on Makassar Reef
- 5) Visit the famous Padar Island
- 6) Komodo Dragons in the wild
- 7) Visit to the famous Pink Beach
- 8) Dragon walk on Rinca Ranger Station (komodo dragons)
- 9) Observation of flying foxes on Flying Fox island
- 10) Paddleboarding and kayaking in the lagoons
- 11) Beach parties and hangouts
- 12) BBQ onboard



Daily Routine

Below is the approximate daily routine, which can change due to weather conditions, activities, and group requests.

8 am - Breakfast

10 am - First activity of the day

1 pm - Lunch

2 pm - Chillout time

4 pm - Snack

4 pm - Second activity of the day

8 pm - Dinner and free time



Day 1 | Embarcation

Following a short flight to Labuan Bajo (Flores), you will arrive at the airport, where we will be waiting to pick you up and take you to the harbor.

Our crew will welcome you aboard Calico Jack. After refreshments and a short tour and explanation about the ship, your safety on board, and the plan for the day, we set off in the direction of Sebayur Kecil.

We spend the afternoon snorkeling and kayaking in a lovely spot and enjoy cocktails at sunset.



Day 2 | Beach Activities

That morning we set sail to Tatawa Besar and Siaba Kecil to enjoy some great snorkeling amongst gorgeous coral gardens home to large schools of fish and turtles... and if we are lucky, we may even meet the Manta rays during our adventure.

In the afternoon, we explore some of the islands and pristine beaches in the area.

We will have plenty of time for kayaking and paddle boarding.



Day 3 | Trekking to the Viewpoint

Early morning, we sail north to Gili Lawa to snorkel through a narrow channel that will whisk us into a coral garden covered with some of Komodo's most beautiful hard and soft corals.

This area has fantastic fish life and is a great location to experience a close encounter with Manta Rays.

In the afternoon, we will kayak and paddleboard to some of the Park's most spectacular beaches.

In the afternoon, we will hike to the top of Gili Darat to enjoy a bird's-eye view over the UNESCO World Heritage Site that is the Komodo National Park.



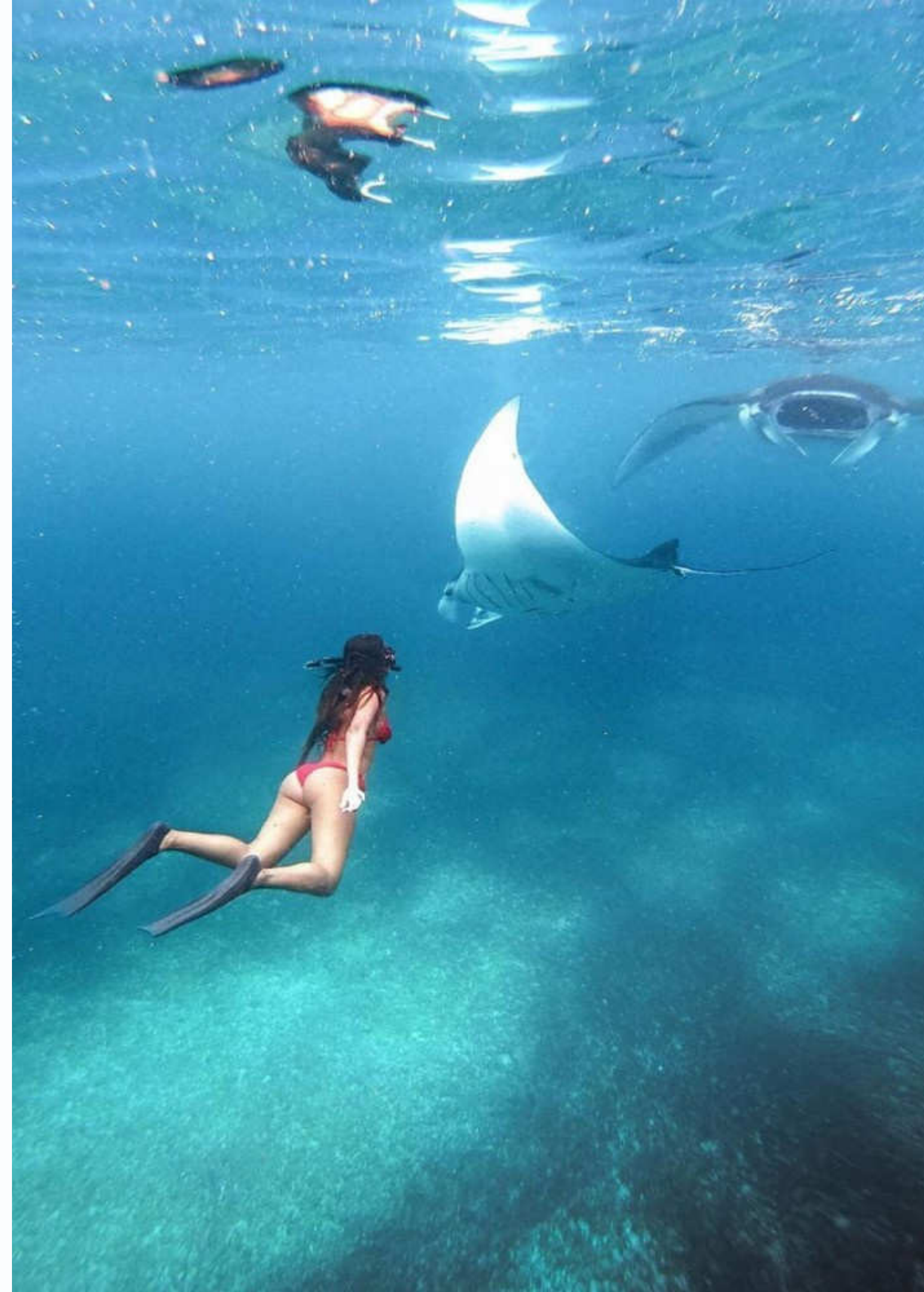
Day 4 | Snorkelling with Manta Rays

That morning we make our way to Makassar Reef, a famous Manta cleaning station where we can snorkel amongst a large number of Manta Rays.

After lunch, we will make short navigation south to Pink beach.

This beach has been colored by fragments of red corals that have washed ashore. Here we will enjoy a relaxed afternoon snorkeling, kayaking, and chilling on the beach.

We will spend a delightful evening under the stars enjoying one of Calico's signature barbecues.





Day 5 | Padar Island

Early in the morning, we travel further south to Padar island, a beautiful site offering the region's more scenic and dramatic landscapes.

The beautiful beaches and spectacular views make it an ideal spot to spend the day.

Lunch BBQ will be offered, and you will enjoy some free time to swim and unwind in this magical area.





Day 6 | Komodo Dragons in the Wild

We will start the day sailing further South to Nusa Koda (South Rinca). It is one of the only places where you will be able to see the Komodo dragons in the wild.

Dragons here can be very curious and sometimes swim out to the speedboat for a closer inspection. This horseshoe bay is a perfect anchorage to snorkel over Cannibal Rock, a submerged pinnacle with gold-striped fusiliers, scorpionfish, red snapper, surgeonfish, and huge purple gorgonian sea fans.

The dramatic landscape and wildlife in the area make for an action-packed day.

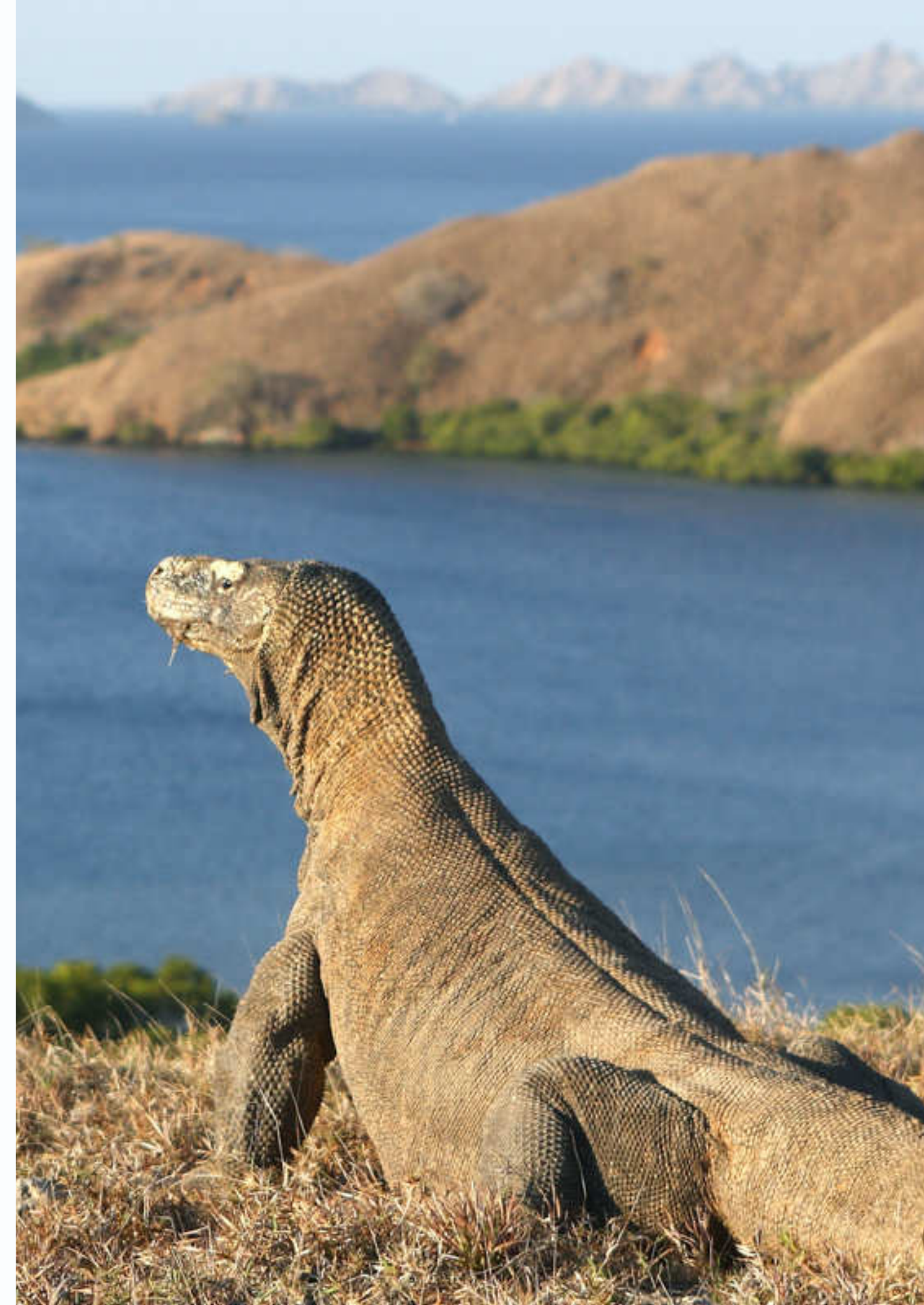
Day 7 | Komodo Dragons

After breakfast, we slowly make our way north to the Rinca Ranger Station. We will enjoy a “Dragon walk” to see the last representative of the Jurassic Park on earth, the infamous Komodo dragon.

Here you will be led on a 1-hour trek by an experienced local guide and learn all there is to know about the Dragons and other wildlife in the area.

In the afternoon, we set sail again to the Flying Fox island, where we enjoy chilling on the beach and an amazing sunset & nature show: every evening, around 6 pm, thousands of fruit bats take a flight to return to the main island of Rinca.

In the evening, we share our last BBQ dinner.





Day 8 | Disembarkation

After breakfast and the last exchange of photos and memories, the crew and Calico Jack will say our fondest farewell and transport you either to your hotel or airport.

We are looking forward to welcoming you aboard.

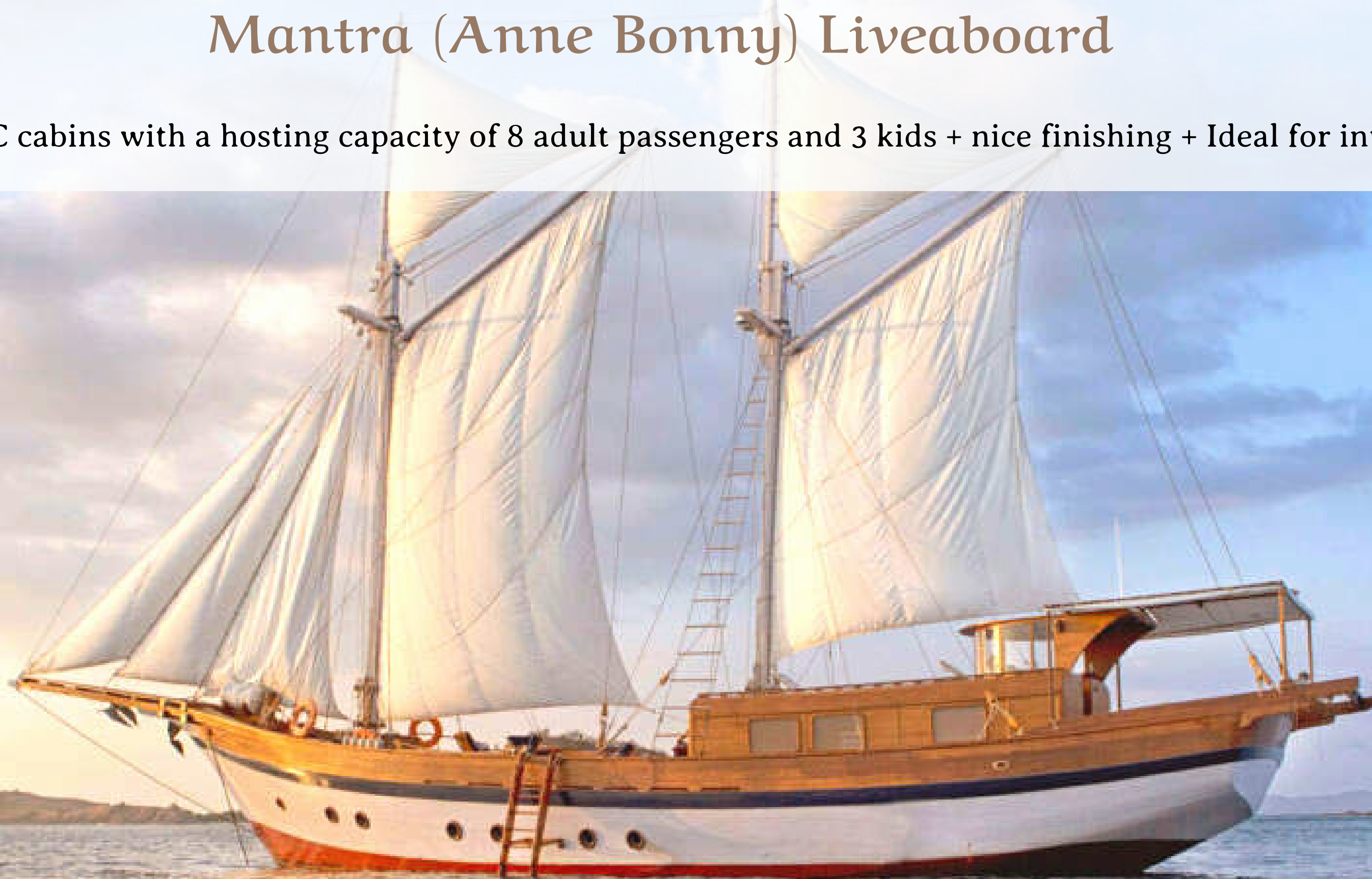
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