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Raja Ampat Central

Sorong to Sorong | Dampier Strait, Arborek, Penemu, Aljui, Wofo and Yanggefo

Raja Ampat is on the to-do list of every passionate diver, and with its many dive sites it is a true candy box of the underwater world to explore.

In the Dampier Strait, fish thunder, the loud booming sound made when large numbers of fish move rapidly through open water, engulfs you, and swarms of fish block out the sky.

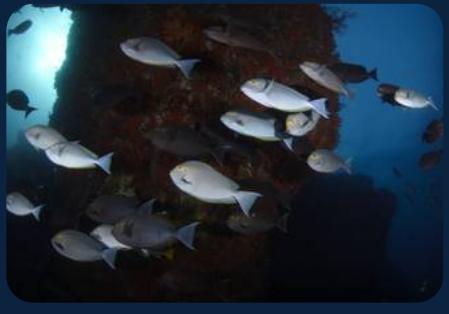
One famous reef holds the record of 374 fish species identified during a single dive.

Manta rays somersault through the water at one of the most reliable cleaning stations in Raja Ampat, feeding on plankton and being cleaned by wrasse and butterflyfish.

When the current runs, massive schools of barracudas, fusiliers, trevallies, batfish, wobbegongs and reef sharks arrive, and walking sharks are often found at night.

Above the water, a viewpoint looks over the star-shaped lagoons of Piaynemo.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
8 nights	Sorong	Sorong	Open Water, 10 dives







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Embarkation in Sorong

1 dive

The crew pick you up at your hotel or Sorong airport and welcome you on board.
After refreshments, a tour of the ship and briefings, the boat sails about 5 hours north to Waisai, with time to set up your gear before an afternoon check dive near Mioskon.
At dusk the flying foxes leave Mioskon for the night.

DAY 2

Dampier Strait

3 dives and a night dive

Mioskon and Sardine Reef are full of schooling fusiliers, surgeonfish, trevallies, rainbow runners, sweetlips and bannerfish, and the fish thunder, the booming sound of huge schools moving fast, engulfs you.
Cape Kri has some of the largest concentrations of big fish in Raja Ampat and holds the record of 374 fish species identified on one 90-minute dive.
The first night dive is at Yenbuba Jetty.

DAY 3

Arborek Island

Cape Yenbuba is a beautiful drift wall dive, then the boat moves to Manta Sandy, one of the most reliable manta cleaning stations in Raja Ampat, where mantas somersault through the water.
After a dive at Lalosi, a seemingly endless pristine reef, you visit Arborek village, and the night dive at Arborek Pier has soft corals, pipefish, cuttlefish and giant clams.



DAY 4

Penemu Archipelago

Penemu's My Reef has one of the largest concentrations of fish in the area, most impressive when the current is strong, and Melissa's Garden is a beautiful coral garden teeming with schooling fish and sharks.
A short boat tour leads to the famous viewpoint above the star-shaped lagoons of Piaynemo.

DAY 5

Aljui

3 dives and a night dive

Further north, the large natural bay of Aljui, where pearls are farmed, has Channel No. 5, White Arrow and Channel Island, a mix of wall and reef dives with soft corals, sea fans, pygmy seahorses and many nudibranchs.
Cendana Pier is one of the best night dives in Raja Ampat.

DAY 6

Wofo

3 dives, beach BBQ

At Wofo, the Black Forest crosses a deep black coral landscape that rises to a pristine shallow reef, followed by Wofo Tembok, a wall dive, and Teman Wofo.
The evening is spent on a secluded beach at the boat's famous beach BBQ, with music and fireworks.



DAY 7

Yanggefo

3 dives and a night dive

The mangrove anchorage between Gam and Yanggefo has Mayhem and Citrus Ridge, where in the right conditions the currents bring massive schools of barracudas, fusiliers, trevallies, batfish, bumphead parrotfish, wobbegongs and reef sharks.
Lalosi is one of the best drift dives in Raja Ampat, and the night dive at Batu Lima often finds walking sharks.

DAY 8

Dampier Strait

2 dives, beach time

The best is saved for last: Blue Magic and Sardine Reef have some of the largest concentrations of big fish in Raja Ampat, with large schools of trevallies, barracudas, sweetlips, tuna and snappers, and oceanic mantas at Blue Magic.
The afternoon is for a secluded beach at Kri before sailing back to Sorong in the evening.

DAY 9

Disembarkation in Sorong

After breakfast and a last exchange of photos and memories, the crew take you to your hotel or the airport.

GOOD TO KNOW

On land and on the way

Small groups

Dive groups are limited to 5 divers per guide, with a dedicated tender.

Activities

Kayaks, stand-up paddle boards and snorkel gear are on board.

Check in

Private transfers collect you from the airport or your hotel and take you to the harbour, where the crew welcome you on board.

Check out

After breakfast on the last day the crew transfer you to your hotel or the airport.







INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Private airport and hotel transfers
- Air-conditioned en-suite cabin with hot shower, with daily housekeeping
- Three meals a day plus snacks, cooked on board
- 3 or 4 dives a day, with a night dive on alternating nights when the weather allows
- Groups of at most 5 divers, with a dive guide and a dedicated tender
- Snorkel gear, kayaks and stand-up paddle boards
- Starlink Wi-Fi when available, which varies in remote areas
- First aid kits and emergency oxygen

NOT INCLUDED

- International and domestic flights, airport taxes and visas
- Park and port fees, covering park entry, village contributions, dive permits, harbour clearances, trekking fees and regional taxes
- Dive equipment rental and dive courses
- Nitrox
- Crew tips, which are customary
- Alcohol, with beer and wine, and you may bring your own spirits

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 sample itinerary is an example, and navigation and dive sites may vary slightly with the weather and visibility