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Raja Ampat Central, Non-Diving

Sorong to Sorong | Manta Sandy, Penemu, Yenbuba and Cape Kri

Raja Ampat, the Four Kings, straddles the Equator in the Coral Triangle and is considered the global centre of tropical marine biodiversity.

Snorkelling with majestic manta rays at the most famous cleaning station in the area is the heart of this trip.

Off a village jetty you can see blacktip sharks, turtles and teeming fish life.

Penemu has one of the most beautiful examples of hard coral gardens in Raja Ampat, with island inlets, white beaches and a viewpoint over the Piaynemo islands and lagoons.

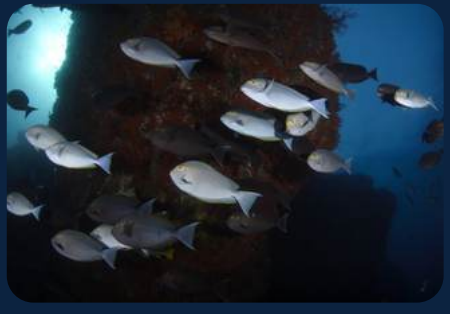
One of the most biodiverse reefs in Raja Ampat is snorkelled further on, and an early trek can find the famous Red Birds of Paradise.

The days end on white sand beaches and a sandbar at sunset.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	HIGHLIGHTS
5 nights	Sorong	Sorong	Snorkelling, mantas, lagoons







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Embarkation in Sorong

The crew pick you up at your hotel or Sorong airport, and the cruise director gives a tour of the boat and a safety briefing.
The boat sails about 5 hours to Mioskon, a white sand island in central Raja Ampat, for snorkelling and sunset on the beach, when its flying foxes take off for the night.

DAY 2

Manta Sandy and Arborek

The morning starts with snorkelling off Sauwandarek jetty, with blacktip sharks, turtles and teeming fish life, then the majestic manta rays at Manta Sandy, the most famous cleaning station in the area.
In the afternoon there is a village tour at Arborek and snorkelling under the village jetty.

DAY 3

Penemu Archipelago

Melissa's Garden is one of the most beautiful hard coral gardens in Raja Ampat, followed by kayaking and paddle boarding around the inlets and beaches of the Penemu Islands.
In the afternoon a boat tour and a trek lead to the viewpoint over the Piaynemo islands and lagoons.



DAY 4

Yeben

Snorkelling, kayaking, beach BBQ

Yeben is a group of islands with white sand beaches and fantastic coral snorkelling.
The crew set up beach umbrellas, bean bags and cool drinks on the main beach, and the day ends with a sunset beach BBQ.

DAY 5

Cape Kri

Early in the morning there is the option of a village visit and a trek to see the famous red birds of paradise.
After breakfast you snorkel Cape Kri, one of the most biodiverse reefs in Raja Ampat, and the afternoon ends with a beach setup and sunset on the Pasir Timbul sandbar.

DAY 6

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

The boat takes small groups, with a crew who look after every activity.

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
- 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
- Crew tips, which are customary
- Alcohol, with beer and wine, and you may bring your own spirits

BEFORE YOU GO

What to bring

ESSENTIALS

- Details of your travel insurance
- Reef-safe sunscreen
- Swimwear, hat and sunglasses
- Snorkel mask if you prefer your own

AND ALSO

- Light clothing, sandals and a light jacket
- 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





