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Indonesia Oceania: Route II

Kaimana to Ambon | Namatote and Mauwara, North Aiduma, South Aiduma and Dramai and more

Triton Bay is a surreal seascape of vibrant soft corals that paint the sea floor and schools of fish so dense they seem to block out the light.

It also offers one of the most awe-inspiring whale shark encounters on the planet, alongside dolphins, schooling tuna and the occasional sailfish or marlin.

Off the Bomberai Peninsula, towering seamounts and deep drop-offs draw barracuda, trevally and snapper moving in unison, with reef sharks and rays gliding past.

The Banda Islands add sheer walls, hammerhead sharks and the dazzling mandarin fish, and the muck at Laha closes with the weird and wonderful.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
11 nights	Kaimana	Ambon	Certified divers







Your route

Areas are shown in the order visited. Sites and dives change with the weather, the sea conditions and the captain's decisions.

STOP 1

Namatote and Mauwara

If Namatote Island is known for one thing, it's the extraordinary, up-close encounters with majestic whale sharks.
Separated from the West Papuan mainland by a narrow strait, this island is home to numerous traditional fishing platforms, or bagans, which are strategically positioned at both the northern and southern ends of the waterway.
Dive sites include North Namatote Bagans, Lobo Village, Bat Cave, Walkers Reef, Awarawis Island, Deep Rock.

STOP 2

North Aiduma

Triton Bay carves into the breathtaking south-western coastline of West Papua, forming a dazzling underwater paradise at the neck of the Birdshead Peninsula.
Just offshore, Aiduma Island runs parallel to the mainland, separated by the narrow Iris Strait, at its tightest point, less than a mile wide.
This remote and pristine region is a gateway to one of Indonesia's most extraordinary marine ecosystems.
Dive sites include White Rock Falls, Three Rocks, Faukate, Rainbow, Saruenus, Little Komodo.

STOP 3

South Aiduma and Dramai

South Aiduma and the nearby Dramai Island, situated at the southern tip of the Iris Strait, offer a breathtaking seascape that is a paradise for scuba diving enthusiasts.
Dive sites include Goby Gully, Christmas Rock, Heaven, Batu Jeruk.

STOP 4

The Momon Headland

Scuba diving along the rarely travelled coastline of the Bomberai Peninsula is legendary, and the sites at Momon are no exception.
The reefs surrounding the small islands around the headland are proving to hide some prolific dive sites, as well as some very unusual marine life sightings.
One such site, the spectacular Batu Cantik, is centred around a set of small rocky islands that run parallel with the mainland shore.
Dive sites include Momon Seamount, Shallows & Ridge, Devil's Gate, Sweetspot.

STOP 5

Teluk Sebakor

Teluk Sebakor extends deep into the western coastline of the Bomberai Peninsula, framed by Tanjung Turkanggur to the north and Tanjung Tongerai to the south.
This vast bay is a stunning mosaic of shallow reefs, winding waterways, and dense mangrove forests that transition into the untamed interior of Papua.
Dive sites include Knuckle Head, Kampung Mas, Pantai Kecil, Toran Finger, Omuradat.

STOP 6

The Koon Archipelago

The remote, sandy isles of the Koon Archipelago are dotted with sparse vegetation and just a handful of small villages, offering a secluded and untouched paradise for nature lovers and adventure seekers alike.
Koon Island is the easternmost of a collection of three small, sandy coral cays, along with Nukus and Grogus, that stretch nearly eight nautical miles from west to east.
Dive sites include Koon Wall, Too Many Fish.

STOP 7

The Historic Banda Islands

A Timeless Treasure.
Far out in the remote, shimmering expanse of the Banda Sea, nestled to the south of the great island of Ceram, lies a small but remarkable cluster of islands: the Banda Islands.
Scattered like emeralds across the deep blue waters, this archipelago once stood at the very heart of the global spice trade, fiercely contested by empires for its precious nutmeg and mace.
Dive sites include The Banda Islands.

STOP 8

Hatta and Skaru Reef

Located just over 10 nautical miles south-east of the central harbour of the Banda Islands at Banda Neira, Hatta Island offers scuba divers an unparalleled underwater adventure.
With its crystal-clear waters and an abundance of marine life, the island is a haven for divers seeking both beauty and biodiversity beneath the surface.
Dive sites include Hatta Arch, Hammers Head, Skaru Ridge, Skaru Wall, Barat Corner, Hammer Point.

STOP 9

Banda Neira

During our time in the Banda Islands, Dewi Nusantara has explored the outer island of Hatta and the magnificent reef plateau of Skaru.
Now, it's time to venture into the heart of this stunning archipelago.
A variety of diverse dive sites await, beginning with the remarkable critter dive at Mandarin Hotel.
Dive sites include Batu Kapal, Lava Flow, Pohon Miring.

STOP 10

Run and Suanggi

Diving around the breathtaking island of Run and its smaller, remote neighbour, Suanggi, offers an extraordinary underwater adventure that seamlessly blends history, natural beauty, and exhilarating marine encounters.
Located in the northern reaches of the Banda Sea over 100 nautical miles south-east of Ambon, Suanggi is a rugged, rocky outpost that stands as a gateway to the Banda Islands.
Dive sites include Lailaka Wall, Suanggi Seamount, Suanggi Ridge, Suanggi Slope, Run Village, Tanjung Noret.

STOP 11

Nusa Laut

Nusa Laut, the easternmost jewel in the Lease Islands archipelago, which also includes Saparua, Haruku, and Ambon, offers an unspoiled paradise both above and below the sea's surface.
The island's landscape is lush with a high-rising interior, fringed by picturesque bays and dotted with small fishing villages that exude charm and tranquillity.
Dive sites include Ameth Slope, Nahalia Slope, Amed, Nahalia Village, Ameth Village, Akon Arch.

STOP 12

Laha (Ambon)

Not far from Ambon airport, along the northern shore of the Ambon Inlet, the village of Laha is renowned for hosting some of the most extraordinary muck diving sites in the world.
Most of the dive points are clustered fairly close together, with names such as Middle Point, Mandarin City, Rhino City, and the one that started it all, the aptly named Twilight Zone.
Dive sites include Duke of Sparta, Ambon City, Ambon Airport.







ROUTE MAP

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GOOD TO KNOW

Cruise notes

Flexible itineraries

Our cruise routes are intentionally adaptable. Throughout the journey, the captain and cruise director continuously assess sea conditions, weather, and tides to ensure the best possible experience.

More than is listed

The locations featured in these itineraries represent only a portion of what's possible. Numerous additional anchorages and activity options are available along the way, making each voyage truly unique.

Extended stays

If a particular anchorage offers exceptional experiences, guests may opt to linger a bit longer.

Overnight passages

To maximize daylight hours at our most spectacular destinations, longer transits between anchorages are typically conducted overnight.

Away from the crowds

With the exception of embarkation and disembarkation points, our itineraries are carefully crafted to avoid congested areas and busy commercial ports, allowing for a more tranquil and immersive experience.

Beyond the dive

Many of our anchorages offer more than just diving and snorkelling. Guests can enjoy kayaking, stand-up paddleboarding, and occasional visits to local villages and cultural sites — adding even more richness to the journey.