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The Alor Archipelago

Kalabahi to Maumere | Alor, Pantar Strait and Lembata



Alor and the Pantar Strait are known for critter diving and stunning reef walls, where larger pelagic fish are often spotted.

Strong currents bring the nutrients that feed the reef, and the walls are covered in a fantastic array of soft corals, with schooling fusiliers and colourful anthias around the overhangs.

The muck diving is iconic, with Pegasus sea moths, dragonets, ghost pipefish, bargibanti seahorses, frogfish and even rhinopias.

Hundreds of anemones hosting anemonefish cover one shallow reef slope, and the chilly water may bring thresher sharks.

On land, a traditional dance in Lativui village.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
10 nights	Kalabahi	Maumere	Advanced, 30 dives







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Boarding

Embarkation is followed by introductions and boat and safety briefings, then you assemble your equipment and settle into your cabin.

DAY 2

Check dive and first dives

Breakfast, then a check dive and up to 3 more dives.

DAY 3-9

Diving days

Up to 4 dives a day

Your Cruise Manager schedules up to 4 dives a day, three day dives and either a sunset or a night dive.

DAY 10

Last full day

2 morning dives

Two morning dives before the boat cruises to port, where it stays at anchor overnight.

DAY 11

Disembarkation

Breakfast on board, then disembarkation between 08:00 and 10:00.







THE DIVING

Dive sites on this route

Pantar Strait

The Pantar Strait is equally known for critter diving and stunning reef walls where larger pelagic species can often be spotted.

The French Man's Window

A wall dive site in front of Alor's Divers Resort, covered in a fantastic array of soft corals.

Pak Yan's Village

An excellent muck diving spot to find Pegasus sea moths, dragonets, scorpion fish, ghost pipefish and bargibanti seahorses.

Clown Valley

Hundreds of anemones hosting the Clark's anemonefish cover the shallow reef slope on the south side of Pulau Pura.

The Arch

Located at Pulau Reta, The Arch is famous for its overhangs and fissures providing stunning topography, as well as a home to schooling fusiliers and colourful anthias.

Mucky Mosque

An iconic muck dive at the entrance of Kalabahi Bay where the attentive eye can find paddle-flap & frondosa's rhinopias, as well as ornate, robust and even Halimeda and velvet ghost pipefish, frogfish, bobtail squid, long-arm octopus and for the lucky ones:.

Tanjung Gedong, Serbete & Adonara

These islands mark the very edge of Flores.

Tanjung Gedong

A superb check dive site encompassing a hard coral, sloping reef wall and sandy areas dotted with coral bommies.

Serbete Wall

A shallow reef sloping down to a wall, which drops to approximately 30m (100ft) dotted with barrel sponges and elephant ear sponges. Along the wall are many overhangs and crevices to explore.

Magic Log /Adonara Reef

Features a shallow slope with large coral heads adorned with a myriad of feather stars which open at night to feed, also a superb spot for critter hunting with sightings of warty frogfish, ornate ghost pipefish, cuttlefish and octopus.

Pulau Lembata

Pulau Lembata is nestled midway between eastern Flores and Alor. The bay on the west coast of this island is home to great critter dive sites.

Sizzler

This is a sandy slope, superb for a couple of critter dives and has proven to be a great day dive, as well as a wonderful night dive.

Lativui village

A visit to Lativui village in Alor to watch a traditional dance. If time and logistics permit, a second land visit may be offered, but this is not guaranteed.

A typical diving day

Light breakfast, briefing and dive 1. Full breakfast, relaxation, briefing and dive 2. Lunch, relaxation, briefing and dive 3. A snack, then a briefing for a sunset or night dive where possible, and dinner.

Who can join

Divers need PADI Advanced Open Water or equivalent and at least 30 logged dives. Safety and dive briefings are given in English.

No-fly time

Leave at least 24 hours between your final dive and your flight home.

Transfers

Domestic flights are not included, and transfers are provided on embarkation and disembarkation days.

Check in

Embarkation is at Kalabahi harbour, Alor, at 13:00, or at Maumere harbour, Flores, at 13:00, depending on the departure, so please check your booking.

Check out

Disembarkation is at Maumere or Kalabahi at 10:00, the other end of the route.

INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Transfers between the nearest domestic airport or local hotel and the boat on embarkation and disembarkation days only
- En-suite air-conditioned cabin with towels, bed linen and shower gel
- Full board, with snacks, drinking water, soft drinks, fruit juices, tea and coffee
- Up to 4 guided dives a day
- 11 litre cylinder, weights and air fills
- Deck towels
- Land visits as described in the itinerary

NOT INCLUDED

- International and domestic flights, and hotel stays or day rooms
- Marine park and port fees, paid on board
- Travel and dive insurance, which is compulsory
- Alcoholic drinks, with beer, wine and spirits sold on board
- Equipment rental and 13 litre cylinders
- Nitrox up to 32%, at an extra charge
- Wi-Fi and laundry, at an extra charge
- Crew and dive guide
- Crew tips, which are customary

BEFORE YOU GO

What to bring

ESSENTIALS

- Dive certification card, Advanced Open Water or equivalent, and logbook
- Dive insurance, which is mandatory and must cover evacuation and recompression
- Marine park entry card, if you already have one
- Dive computer and surface marker buoy
- Torch for night dives

AND ALSO

- 3 mm wetsuit, or a 5 mm suit if you feel the cold
- Reef-safe sunscreen
- Swimwear, hat and sunglasses
- Light clothing and sandals
- Passport and personal medication

WORTH KNOWING

Key notes

Good to know

The itinerary is an example, and the route and dive sites depend on weather, tides, currents and sea conditions, as decided by the Cruise Manager

Good to know

The number of dives depends on the weather and on how far the boat has to cruise

Good to know

Marine park and port fees are paid on board and can change without notice