

# Alor - Ambon via Banda (Kalabahi - Ambon) 30+ dives recommended Open water Diver or equivalent required

# 10 Nights / 11 Days (up to 30 dives)

## Day 1 Embarkation – Kalabahi (ARD)

Guests will embark on Kalabahi Harbor. A check dive may be conducted in Kalabahi Bay, depending on weather conditions. We will cruise overnight to Komba Island.

#### Day 2: Komba Island (4 Dives)

Komba is a dramatic volcanic island located about 50 nautical miles from Alor. Smoke rises from its crater and the scent of sulphur creates a truly unique atmosphere.

All four dives of the day will take place around Komba. Expect impressive coral growth, with hard coral gardens, sea fans, and large barrel sponges along the walls and slopes. Fish life is vibrant, with frequent sightings of fusiliers, trevallies, and dogtooth tuna.

#### Day 3: Northern Pantar & Kalabahi Bay (4 dives)

Begin your diving adventure with the chance to encounter schooling hammerhead sharks near northern Pantar Island. Then, explore the majestic arch at Ternate Island before heading into Kalabahi Bay for two spectacular muck dives—perfect for macro lovers.

#### Day 4: Muck Diving & Cultural Experience (3 dives + land visit)

Immerse yourself in a full day of incredible muck diving. After lunch, enjoy a unique land excursion to a local village in Alor to witness traditional dances and cultural heritage.

#### Day 5: Reefs, Walls & Dugongs (2 dives)

Discover the beauty of The Edge's vibrant reef and the dramatic wall dives around Ternate Island. If you're lucky, snorkel with a resident Dugong! In the afternoon, we set sail towards Wetar Island.

#### Day 6: Wetar Island Wonders (4 dives)

Dive into pristine wall sites and explore untouched hard coral gardens around Wetar Island—one of the lesser-visited gems of the Banda Sea.

#### Day 7: Pulau Gunung Api (Volcano Island) (3 dives)

Explore the remote Volcano Island, known for healthy reefs and an unforgettable

experience diving with numerous sea snakes in their natural habitat.

#### Day 8: The Magic of Banda Naira (4 dives)

Enjoy world-class sites like Karang Hatta Atoll, the dramatic wall of Pulau Hatta, and the famous Lava Flow, where coral growth has exploded after volcanic activity. Finish with a night dive in Banda Naira Bay.

#### Day 9: History & Hidden Treasures (3 Dives)

Start the day with a visit to a Dutch colonial fortress, then dive into Pohon Miring, with its beautiful wall and swim-throughs. Continue to Batu Kapal, a stunning pinnacle site, followed by a night dive in the same area. (3 dives + land tour)

### Day 10: Pulau Suanggi & Hammerheads (2 Dives)

End your diving adventure with two unforgettable reef dives at Pulau Suanggi, with the potential to spot schooling hammerhead sharks. (2 dives)Day 11: Disembarkation at Ambon (AMQ) Guests disembark Malaillo by 10AM the latest, escorting to Ambon airport or hotels in the city.

Important: The last dive of the trip will take place on Day 7. Divers are strongly advised to observe a 24-hour surface interval before flying.

### **Travel Tip:**

ARRIVAL DATE: We highly recommend arriving in the city of embarkation one day prior to the cruise departure and staying at a local hotel. This provides flexibility in the event of unexpected flight or luggage delays, or cancellations.

DEPARTURE DATE: We strongly advise against booking international flights on the same day as disembarkation, to ensure a smooth and stress-free transfer.

Please Note: This itinerary is a sample and may be adjusted based on weather conditions, local regulations, or other operational considerations. The final route, timing,

and selected activities are at the discretion of the Captain and Cruise Director, who will always prioritize guest safety and strive to provide the best possible experience throughout the trip.