

Malaillo & Malayeka Liveboard

Raja Ampat Central - Misool 12 Nights /13 Days| Up to 40 Dives

Trip Overview

Experience the ultimate Raja Ampat expedition, combining the breathtaking reefs of Misool with the iconic dive sites of Central Raja Ampat. This 12-night journey showcases the very best of the region, from dramatic pinnacles, vibrant coral gardens, and manta ray cleaning stations to world-class macro diving and unforgettable island scenery.

Explore Misool's legendary sites including Magic Mountain, Boo Windows, Fiabacet, Daram, and Wayil, where oceanic and reef mantas, wobbegong sharks, pygmy seahorses, and thriving coral ecosystems await. Continue into Central Raja Ampat to discover Melissa's Garden, Cape Kri, Sardines Reef, Mayhem, Manta Ridge, and Arborek Jetty, renowned for their extraordinary fish biomass and marine biodiversity.

Beyond the diving, enjoy spectacular excursions to the famous Piaynemo Viewpoint, hidden lagoons, traditional Papuan villages, birdwatching opportunities, and a memorable farewell barbecue dinner. With up to 42 dives, this itinerary offers the perfect balance of big-animal encounters, macro photography, pristine reefs, and authentic Raja Ampat experiences.

Day 1: Embarkation (Sorong - SOQ)

Embarkation in Sorong, vessel orientation, safety briefing, and check dive at Matan Island (subject to arrival times). Overnight cruise towards the spectacular reefs of Misool.

Day 2 – Daram (4 Dives)

Explore Daram's renowned pinnacles, coral-covered ridges, and vibrant fish life. Highlights include Andiamo and Candy Store, with opportunities to encounter wobbegong sharks, Napoleon wrasse, and manta rays.

Day 3 – Fiabacet (4 Dives)

Dive some of Misool's most iconic sites including Whale Rock, Nudi Rock, and Tank Rock. Expect exceptional coral growth, schooling fish, turtles, reef sharks, and pygmy seahorses. Night dive at Romeo.

Day 4 – Boo Islands (4 Dives)

Discover Boo West, Puri Pinnacle, and Kanim, famous for dramatic topography, soft corals, schooling fish, and occasional mobula rays. Sunset dive at Juliet.

Day 5 – Warakaraket (4 Dives)

Dive the legendary Magic Mountain, one of Raja Ampat's premier manta ray sites, followed by Boo Windows and Boo East. Night dive at Boo Windows.

Day 6 – Wayilbatan (4 Dives + Lagoon Tour)

Explore Orange Peel, Four Kings, and Wedding Cake. Enjoy a scenic lagoon excursion before a night dive at Batu Barracuda, known for Raja Ampat walking sharks and fascinating macro life.

Day 7 – Sagof (3 Dives)

Dive remote reefs including Karang Sagof, Baby Rock, and Two Tree Rock, featuring healthy coral gardens, schooling barracuda, giant trevally, and wobbegong sharks. Sundowner cruise towards Central Raja Ampat.

Day 8 – South Batanta (4 Dives)

A day dedicated to world-class muck diving. Search for rare critters including mimic octopus,

wonderpus, ghost pipefish, flamboyant cuttlefish, flasher wrasse, and blue-ring octopus.

Day 9 – Piaynemo / Penemu (4 Dives + Trekking)

Dive My Reef, Melissa's Garden, and Keruo Channel before hiking to the famous Piaynemo Viewpoint for breathtaking panoramic views over Raja Ampat's limestone islands and lagoons.

Day 10 – Gam & Yanggefo (4 Dives)

Enjoy vibrant reefs at Mayhem, Citrus Ridge, and Pretty Shallow, with opportunities to encounter wobbegong sharks, reef sharks, Napoleon wrasse, and schooling fish.

Day 11 – Kri & Mansuar (4 Dives + Village Visit)

Dive legendary sites including Cape Kri, Sardines Reef, and Sawandarek. Visit Sawandarek Village and experience authentic Papuan island life before a final night dive.

Day 12 – Wai & Birie (2 Dives + Birdwatching)

Relax with two scenic dives around Wai Island before visiting Birie Island. Enjoy birdwatching excursions in search of birds-of-paradise and hornbills, followed by a farewell barbecue dinner.

Day 13 – Disembarkation (Sorong-SOQ)

Disembarkation Information:

The latest disembarkation time from Malaillo is **11:00 AM**. Guests with afternoon or evening flights will be transferred directly to Airport at 11:00 AM. Guests with confirmed transit hotel reservations will be transferred directly to their hotel following disembarkation.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

***Flying After Diving:** The last dive of the trip will take place on Day 12. Divers are strongly advised to observe a 24-hour surface interval before flying.*

Travel Tip:

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

***Itinerary Disclaimer:** This itinerary is provided as a sample only and may be adjusted due to weather conditions, sea conditions, local regulations, or other operational considerations. The final route, timing, dive sites, and activities remain at the discretion of the Captain and Cruise Director, who will always prioritize guest safety while striving to deliver the best possible experience.*
