JELAJAHI LAUT

Sorong to Lembeh

Sorong to Bitung | Raja Ampat, Misool, the Halmahera Sea and the Lembeh Strait



The first half is spent on the reefs of Raja Ampat, where the Dampier Strait is known for its fish density and strong currents.

Misool is the southern kingdom, known for soft corals and dramatic underwater terrain, with a topside viewpoint over the limestone karst islands and a jellyfish lake.

Then comes the crossing of the Halmahera Sea, a less dived area where reef and muck diving mix around Pulau Pisang, the Goraici Islands and Tifore Island.

It finishes in the volcanic black sand of Lembeh, a muck diving mecca for macro photographers and critter hunters.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
12 nights	Sorong	Bitung	Advanced, 10 dives







Your itinerary

STOP 1

Day 1: Sorong and the Dampier Strait

A taxi collects you at 7:30 am and you transfer to the boat for a welcome briefing and a tour of the boat.
A check dive helps you get used to the gear and the conditions, and a possible site is Mioskon.

STOP 2

Days 2 and 3: Central Raja Ampat

The Dampier Strait is known for its fish density and strong currents, with possible sites such as Cape Kri, Sardine Reef and Manta Sandy, a manta cleaning station.
The boat also visits the Fam Islands, with a trek to the viewpoint at Piaynemo, and dives such as Melissa's Garden and Keruo Channel.

STOP 3

Days 4 to 7: Misool, the Southern Kingdom

The boat cruises south to the Misool Marine Protected Area, known for soft corals and dramatic underwater terrain.
Possible sites are Boo Windows, Magic Mountain, Nudi Rock, Fiabacet and Daram Island, with a topside excursion to a viewpoint over the limestone karst islands and the jellyfish lake.

STOP 4

Days 8 to 10: Crossing the Halmahera Sea

The crossing from Raja Ampat to Lembeh includes some overnight cruising, with a mix of reef and muck diving in a less dived area.
Possible sites are Pulau Pisang, the Strait of Patintie in Halmahera, the Goraici Islands and Tifore Island.

STOP 5

Days 11 to 13: The Lembeh Strait

The focus shifts to the volcanic black sand of Lembeh, a muck diving mecca for macro photographers and critter hunters.
Possible sites are Nudibranch City, Hairball, Tanjung Kusu and Jahir, and a guided critter hunt.
The last dive is on the final day, and the boat reaches Bitung harbour at about 3 to 4 pm.

GOOD TO KNOW

On land and on the way

Topside

A trek to the Piaynemo viewpoint in the Fam Islands, and a viewpoint over the karst islands and the jellyfish lake in Misool.

Who can join

You need to be Advanced Open Water certified with at least 10 dives to join most of these trips.

No-fly time

The last dive is on the final day, so observe the 24 hour no-fly surface interval before your flight home.

Check in

A taxi collects you from Sorong airport (SOQ) or your hotel and takes you to the meeting point, Marina Star Café in Sorong harbour, at 7:30 am. After a tea or coffee while everyone arrives, you transfer to Jelajahi Laut.

Check out

The last dive is on the final day, and the boat is back in Bitung harbour at about 3 to 4 pm. A transfer takes you to your hotel, and your flight home is from Manado airport (MDC), after the 24 hour no-fly surface interval.







INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Transport from the airport or your hotel to the harbour, and from the harbour to your hotel
- Full room and board, with fresh towels and linen
- Tea, coffee, water and soft drinks
- Tanks and weights
- Dive guides
- Meals cooked by the onboard chef

NOT INCLUDED

- International and domestic flights
- National park and harbour fee, paid on board in cash and shown on our trip listings
- Full equipment rental and 15 litre tanks
- Nitrox
- Alcohol, beer and wine, and onboard purchases
- Starlink data packages
- Crew tips, which are customary
- Dive, trip and travel insurance

BEFORE YOU GO

What to bring

ESSENTIALS

- Dive certification card and logbook
- Dive, trip and travel cancellation insurance, which is mandatory
- Your own dive computer, which is mandatory (one can be rented)
- Cash in Indonesian Rupiah for the national park fee, which cannot be paid by card
- Torch for night dives

AND ALSO

- Reef-safe sunscreen
- Swimwear, hat and sunglasses
- Light clothing and sandals
- Personal medication and toiletries
- Passport

WORTH KNOWING

Key notes

Good to know

This is a sample itinerary only and the final route can vary

Good to know

Weather and tides play a big role in safety and planning, so the Cruise Director and Captain plan each day accordingly

Good to know

The national park and harbour fee is paid on board in cash, in addition to the cruise price