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Raja Ampat

Sorong to Sorong | Dampier Strait, Piaynemo, Yanggefo, Arborek and Kri

Mantas somersault through the water at the most reliable spots in Raja Ampat while being cleaned by wrasse and butterflyfish.

In the Dampier Strait, schooling sweetlips, patrolling blacktip reef sharks, fusiliers and trevally crowd the open water, and wobbegongs are very common.

Around Yanggefo, vibrant orange soft corals are home to barracuda, bumphead parrotfish and sea snakes, and the mangroves give amazing light shafts.

The jetty at Arborek, with pillars covered in soft corals and sea fans, is one of the best night dives in Raja Ampat, with blue-ringed octopus and harlequin shrimp.

Piaynemo has pretty walls full of critters, topped by a trek to a stunning panorama.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
6 nights	Sorong	Sorong	Open Water, 20 dives







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Sorong and the check dive

1 dive

Guests arrive at Dominique Edward Osok Airport, where the Dive Master escorts them to the boat.
A safety briefing, boat orientation, crew introduction and the necessary dive paperwork are completed before the vessel sets sail.
The check dive is at Black Slope or Yum Slope; Yum Slope offers wart slugs, flatworms, turtles and a robust ghost pipefish.
Meals: lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 27 to 30 °C.

DAY 2

Dampier Strait and Sawingkrai

3 dives + trekking

The dives are Mike's Point, Sardine Reef and Mioskon.
Before diving, there is a visit to Sawingkrai Village to see the red bird of paradise.
Mike's Point offers schooling sweetlips, patrolling blacktip reef sharks and interesting small octopus and shrimp.
At Sardine Reef, fusiliers, surgeonfish, trevally, rainbow runners and bannerfish crowd the open water and swarm over a reef decorated with sea fans.
Mioskon Reef is home to hundreds of lined snappers that usually cover the slope, schools of glassfish hide in coral bommies and wobbegongs are very common.
Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 25 to 30 °C.
Bring for the trek: sunscreen, good hiking shoes, a hat and a camera.

DAY 3

Piaynemo Island

3 dives + trekking

The trek up to Piaynemo gives a stunning panorama from the top.
The diving at Melissa's Garden, Barracuda Reef and Anita's Garden is world class, with pretty walls full of critters, well coral-covered slopes and a huge amount of fish.
The area is also home to interesting species of clams, sea urchins, sea spiders and crabs.
Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 25 to 30 °C.
Bring for the trek: sunscreen, good hiking shoes, a hat and a camera.



DAY 4

Yanggefo Island

4 dives

This area offers some truly unique environments to dive in.
The vibrant orange soft corals of Citrus Ridge make a stunning sight and are also home to barracuda, bumphead parrotfish and sea snakes.
Mayhem has schools of batfish, surgeonfish and snappers, with the occasional wobbegong sleeping under the coral heads.
Gam Ridge is a good place to look for eagle and mobula rays.
The mangroves offer stunning photo opportunities, and diving late at around 4 PM, when the sun is low, gives amazing light shafts through the mangroves.
Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 25 to 30 °C.

DAY 5

Arborek Island and Lalosi Reef

4 dives

Manta Sandy and Manta Ridge are the most reliable manta spots, where you can watch these beautiful animals somersaulting through the water while they are cleaned by several species of wrasse and butterflyfish.
The jetty at Arborek offers unique photo opportunities among long wooden pillars covered with soft corals and sea fans, and it is also one of the best night dives in Raja Ampat, where blue-ringed octopus, harlequin shrimp and wobbegong are often seen.
Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 25 to 30 °C.

DAY 6

Mansuar and Kri Island

2 dives

Located in the centre of Raja Ampat, these sites support diverse reef life, with healthy reefs and a huge amount of fish.
You may also see mantas, blacktip, whitetip and grey reef sharks, large schools of barracuda, surgeonfish and bumphead parrotfish, and many friendly turtles.
Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 25 to 30 °C.

DAY 7

Sorong

The vessel reaches Sorong in the morning.
After breakfast, it is time to disembark.
Meals: breakfast.







INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Kayaks
- Fishing

AND ALSO

- Land excursions

WORTH KNOWING

Key notes

Good to know

Open Water divers with at least 20 logged dives in the past year can join the dives, and divers without that experience need a private dive guide.

Good to know

The total number of dives and the dive areas depend on the weather and current conditions, and the captain and dive master can change the dive area for safety reasons.

Good to know

Nitrox is available for certified divers and sidemount diving is possible, and non-divers are welcome, with a snorkelling guide.