SEVEN SEAS

Forgotten Islands

Saumlaki to Tual | Dawera, Kelapa, Luang, Damar, Teun, Manuk and Ultima Frontera



A 14 night crossing from Saumlaki through the remote Forgotten Islands (Maluku Tenggara) to Tual, taking in dramatic volcanic walls, two active volcanoes and some of the most isolated reefs in the Banda Sea.

Cultural village visits on Dawera and Teun and a night dive for flashlight fish on Pulau Kelapa round out a route rarely offered elsewhere.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
14 nights	Saumlaki	Tual	Certified divers







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Saumlaki

Check dive

Fly in, board, attend the safety briefing, then a check dive at Karang Barasadi, a sandy slope with shallow coral gardens.

DAY 2

Pulau Dawera

2 dives

Dramatic vertical walls, with a village visit and traditional ceremony.

DAY 3

Pulau Kelapa

2 dives, night dive

Exposed corners and protected walls, then a night dive to see flashlight fish.

DAY 4

Luang

2 dives

Walls, volcanic drop-offs, overhangs and current-swept ridges.

DAY 5

Terbang (Damar Islands)

2 dives

Wall and drift diving, with overhangs, sea fans and sponges.

DAY 6

Pulau Teun

2 dives

Dives beside an active volcano: walls, lava ridges and overhangs, with a visit to Mesa village.

DAY 7

Nil Desperandum

1-2 dives

Outer reef wall dives, with hammerheads possible when conditions align.

DAY 8

Pulau Serua and Pulau Keka

2 dives

Steep walls and barrel sponges, with snorkelling, kayaking and paddle surfing.

DAY 9

Manuk

2 dives

Black sand slopes and walls, with olive sea snakes and cooperative hunting by trevally.

DAY 10

Five Meter Patch Seamount

1-2 dives

A shallow coral plateau with tuna, jacks and reef sharks.

DAY 11

Ultima Frontera

2-3 dives

Reef sharks, dogtooth tuna and giant trevallies, then an afternoon sail toward the Tayandu Islands with a possible white sand spit visit.

DAY 12

Karang Huisman

2 dives

Vertical walls with fusiliers, trevallies and reef sharks.

DAY 13

Karang Rembrang

2-3 dives

Seamount dives with sharks, trevallies and dogtooth tuna, then a sail to Tayandu with a possible white sand beach visit.

DAY 14

Little Manuk

2 dives

Final dives with reef sharks, sea snakes and turtles.

DAY 15

Disembarkation

No diving today

Disembark at Tual and fly to Bali or Jakarta.







Check in

Embarkation is at Saumlaki.

Check out

Disembarkation is at Tual, with onward transfer for flights.

Transfers

Transfers between the nearest airport and the vessel are included on embarkation and disembarkation days only.

INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Return transfers between the nearest domestic airport and the vessel on embarkation and disembarkation days only
- Full board accommodation
- Drinking water, tea, coffee, juices and soft drinks
- Up to 4 dives a day
- Single 11 litre (80 cu ft) DIN/INT cylinder with air fills, weight belt and weights

NOT INCLUDED

- International and domestic flights
- Hotel stays and day rooms
- Equipment rental
- Nitrox
- Beer, spirits, cocktails and wine
- On-board merchandise
- Crew and dive guide gratuities
- Marine park and port fees

BEFORE YOU GO

What to bring

ESSENTIALS

- Dive certification card and logbook
- Dive insurance, which is mandatory
- Personal dive computer, which is mandatory
- Torch for night dives
- Reef-safe sunscreen

AND ALSO

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

WORTH KNOWING

Key notes

Good to know

The itinerary is tentative, and the route and dive sites depend on weather, tides and sea conditions, as decided by the captain and cruise director

Good to know

Whale shark encounters at the bagans are seasonal and never guaranteed