SOLITUDE ADVENTURER

Maumere to Komodo

Maumere to Labuan Bajo | Pulau Raja and Komodo National Park



An isolated island, Pulau Raja, with vibrant reefs and abundant marine life, far from the crowds, opens the way to Komodo.

In north central Komodo the corals thrive on the strong currents between the Flores Sea and the Indian Ocean, with drift dives, pinnacles and the occasional manta ray.

Channel drifts and pinnacles teem with fish.

In the south the water turns greener and dense with life, with a world class black sand muck dive and a possibility of amazing manta ray interactions.

Dragons wait on Rinca, and a sunrise hike up Padar rewards with views of the surrounding islands.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
11 nights	Maumere	Labuan Bajo	Certified divers







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Maumere

The crew meets you at the airport and takes you to Solitude Adventurer.
After a welcome and a safety briefing there is lunch, and a check dive is possible, schedule allowing.

DAY 2

Islands off Maumere

3 to 4 dives

Diving around the islands outside Maumere, including Pulau Babi, Dambilah, Besar and Pangabatang.
Sites are chosen depending on sea conditions.

DAY 3

Pulau Raja

3 to 4 dives

Halfway between Maumere and Komodo National Park, far from the crowds, with vibrant reefs and abundant marine life around this isolated island.



DAY 4

North central Komodo

3 to 4 dives

Clear, relatively warm water of 25 to 27 C.
The corals thrive on the strong currents between the Flores Sea and the Indian Ocean, with drift dives, sandy bottom macro dives, pinnacles and the occasional manta ray.

DAY 5

Gili Lawa Darat and Gili Lawa Laut

3 to 4 dives

Many of the famous Komodo dive sites, with channel drift dives and underwater pinnacles teeming with fish and beautiful coral.
Currents can be strong, an exciting challenge.

DAY 6

Gili Banta

3 to 4 dives

Walls and reefs at Gili Banta, with strong currents, vibrant coral and plenty of marine life.

DAY 7

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DAY 8

Pink Beach area

3 to 4 dives

A morning dive in the north, then south towards the Indian Ocean where the water cools to 18 to 25 C.
The colder water breeds plankton, so the water is greener and dense with life and divers focus on the reef and its macro marine life.
An afternoon dive and a night dive at Pink Beach.

DAY 9

Manta Alley and Horseshoe Bay

3 to 4 dives

With sea conditions allowing, an early sail to Manta Alley and on to Horseshoe Bay, with a possibility of amazing manta ray interactions, pelagic and macro marine life, a world class black sand muck dive and pinnacles full of macro.

DAY 10

Padar sunrise hike

3 dives

A sunrise hike to the Padar island viewpoint, with views of the surrounding islands, then breakfast while sailing north and three dives through the rest of the day.

DAY 11

Komodo dragons on Rinca

2 morning dives

The last day of diving, with two morning dives, then lunch and the land excursion to see Komodo dragons on Rinca island.
Back towards Labuan Bajo while the crew washes your equipment, with a stop to watch the nightly migration of hundreds of fruit bats before arriving in the evening.

DAY 12

Labuan Bajo

The crew takes you to the airport.
Check out is by 11 am.

GOOD TO KNOW

On land and on the way

Rinca island

Komodo dragons on a land tour.

Padar

A sunrise viewpoint hike.

Fruit bats

The nightly migration, seen from the boat.

Manta Alley

Possible manta ray interactions.

Check in

The crew meets you at the airport and check in is from 8 am, with embarkation between 8 am and 11 am. A check dive is possible, schedule allowing.

Check out

Check out is by 11 am on the last day, with a transfer to the airport.

Last dive

There are no dives on the disembarkation day. The boat asks divers to keep a minimum 18 hour gap after their last dive before flying, so please check this when you book your flight home.







INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Airport transfers at embarkation and disembarkation
- Air-conditioned en-suite cabin in your chosen category
- Full board, with snacks and all non-alcoholic drinks
- Three or four guided boat dives a day, including a night dive
- Check in from 8 am, with dinner included on the first day

NOT INCLUDED

- Flights and hotels before and after the cruise
- Marine park fee, port clearance and diving permit, paid on board
- Alcoholic drinks
- Crew tips, which are customary
- Rental dive equipment
- Nitrox, at an extra charge per day
- A fuel surcharge, payable on board, if it applies
- Dive and travel insurance

BEFORE YOU GO

What to bring

ESSENTIALS

- Dive certification card and logbook
- Completed diver medical questionnaire
- Details of your dive and travel insurance
- Dive computer and surface marker buoy
- 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 proposed itinerary for planning only, subject to the weather and the conditions on board and at each site

Good to know

The daily programme is discussed with guests each evening for the following day

Good to know

Divers should keep the 18 hour no-fly gap after their last dive