CARPE DIEM PHINISI

Manado plus Molucca Sea: Bitung to Ternate

Bitung to Ternate | Lembeh, Bunaken, Tifore and Goraici



Lembeh Strait is made for macro, with a great chance to see shy critters such as the mimic octopus, flamboyant cuttlefish, harlequin shrimps, pygmy seahorses, ghost pipefish and the endemic Banggai cardinalfish.

Bunaken and Bangka add a wide range of topographies and rich biodiversity.

A huge seamount at Tifore brings schools of fish, and where the current hits its southeast face the hard and soft corals are crowded with huge shoals.

The Goraici archipelago has beautiful reefs full of life, a coral-covered wall with blacktip sharks, good macro and night spots, and white beaches.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
9 nights	Bitung	Ternate	Certified divers







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Bitung

Check dive

Airport or hotel pick up, then a check dive before sailing to Lembeh Strait.

DAY 2-4

Lembeh Strait

Dives

Cameras ready.
A place with a great chance to see shy critters such as the mimic octopus, flamboyant cuttlefish, harlequin shrimps, skeleton shrimps and countless nudibranchs, along with Ambon scorpionfish, snake eels, stonefish, stargazers, pygmy seahorses, mandarin fish, ghost pipefish and the endemic Banggai cardinalfish.

DAY 5-6

Bangka and Bunaken

3 to 4 dives a day

Dive sites such as Batu Gosok, Batu Mandi, Batu Pendeta, Peter Sponge, Sahuang, Bunaken Timur and Lekuan I, II and III, with a wide range of topographies and rich biodiversity.

DAY 7

Tifore

3 dives

Three dives on a huge seamount, with schools of fish.
On the south side, Pantai Sago is known for a school of barracuda.
The southeast face, where the current hits the reef, has hard and soft corals and huge shoals of fish.

DAY 8

Goraici

Dives

A small archipelago with beautiful coral reefs full of life around the islands, including a coral-covered wall with blacktip sharks, good macro and night spots, and white beaches.

DAY 9

Goraici

Dives

A second day at Goraici, with more of its coral reefs and white beaches.

DAY 10

Ternate

After breakfast the crew takes you to the airport or your hotel.
Check out is between 7 am and 11 am, depending on your flight.

GOOD TO KNOW

On land and on the way

Lembeh Strait

Macro critters.

Bunaken

Walls and biodiversity.

Tifore

A seamount.

Goraici

White beaches.

Check in

Guests are met at the airport or where they are staying. The ideal check in time is 9 am, the earliest is 7.30 am and the latest is 10 am. The check dive is normally on the day of boarding.

Check out

Check out is between 7 am and 11 am, depending on your destination and flight times, with a transfer to the airport or your hotel.

Last dive

Diving finishes at about 11 am on the day before check out, with two morning dives. Divers should wait at least 24 hours after their last dive before flying, so please keep to the no-flying rule when you book your flight home.







INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Airport, ferry terminal or hotel transfers at embarkation and disembarkation
- Air-conditioned en-suite cabin with hot shower, towels and toiletries
- Full board, with snacks, drinking water, soft drinks, tea and coffee
- PADI divemaster dive guides and all diving equipment
- Sea kayaks and stand-up paddle boards
- A multi-lingual cruise director
- Welcome drinks on arrival

NOT INCLUDED

- Flights, ferries and hotels before and after the cruise
- National park fees, paid on board
- Wine, spirits and beer
- Scuba courses
- Satellite phone use
- Crew tips, which are customary
- 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