



# Across the Flores Sea

This voyage is tailored for the inquisitive and avid adventurer. We'll leave behind the bustle and bustle of modern life to immerse ourselves in a world of quiet villages, aquamarine lagoons and the remote atolls of the Flores Sea.

Embark on an extraordinary journey to the coral triangle's heart, discovering Wakatobi and Taka Bonerate national parks, home to the world's captivating underwater ecosystem. Dive into a lifetime adventure with snorkeling.

Explore vibrant Bajo villages, the "sea gypsies," living in shoreline stilt houses, preserving a timeless seafaring lifestyle, enriching our journey with culture and history.

Our voyage continues to Komodo National Park, home to the world's largest lizards, adding extra splendor above and below the water's surface, creating an unforgettable experience.





# Snorkel

Manta rays, turtles, pristine coral reefs, and warm water temperatures—snorkeling in Komodo is not to be missed.

Swimming with manta rays is one of the must-dos in Komodo, but there is no shortage of beautiful coral reefs and marine animals in Komodo either.

Situated in the Coral Triangle, the national park hosts over 1,000 species of tropical fish, 260 species of coral, and just a spectacular biodiversity overall.

Much of Komodo's underwater beauty can be observed from the surface without any scuba gear, making it an excellent snorkeling destination.

Our experienced team can take you to the best snorkeling spots within the park, at the best time, so that you can have the best time marveling at what Komodo's waters have to offer





# Available Activities



**Board Games** 



Snorkeling



Kayaking



Stand Up Paddleboards



BBQ



Fishing



Alcoholic Beverages\*



Yoga



#### What's Included

- Full board accommodation for
- Stand-up paddle board
- Kayak
- Yoga Mat
- Snorkeling gears
- Land excursions according to the safari program
- Three meals/day and snacks
- Water, Tea, Coffee, Softdrink
- Multilinguals guides on board (English & Indonesian)
- Transfer from/to embarkation/disembarkation airport

#### What's Excluded

- Port and park fees (these fees are subject to changes, depend on the local regulation)

- □ Pickup from outlying hotels
- □ Relocation fees if applicable
- □ Diving equipment (only on private cruise)
- □ Diving session (only on private cruise)
- □ Additional passenger
- □ Crew and Cruise Director gratuities (Tips on board recommended 5% to 10% of published rates)









## Wakatobi to Komodo

We propose the following itinerary which adheres to our 'slow travel' philosophy.

Highlights: Meet the Bajau "Sea Gypsies" in Sulawesi region, explore the world's third biggest atoll, snorkel at Indonesia's hidden gems, encounter beautiful beaches along the way before cross the untouched Flores Sea and Discover Komodo's top highlights.





#### Day 1

Upon arrival at Kendari Airport, we will transfer to the harbor where we embark on our vessel, the BUGIS. While sailing, our cruise director will provide a briefing to familiarize you with the vessel and our safety procedures. In the late afternoon we will meet the local community of Saponda island.



## Day 2

Wake up to the breathtaking vista of Wangi Wangi Island in the morning. Our day begins with a visit to Bajo Mola, the original Bajo village on Wangi Wangi Island, established 65 years ago. Join our crew as we embark on a shopping adventure to the local market to gather fresh produce. Following an exciting snorkeling session near the boat and exploring this beautiful region.





### Day 3 & 4

We will drop the anchor early morning at the southern tip of Hoga island, nearby Kaledupa Island. Fringed by mangrove forest and beaches shaded by coconut trees, those islands have a lot to offer for the two days we'll spend there. A visit to a Bajo village entirely built on stilts above the sea is a must. In the past these 'sea gypsies' were more nomadic, living on their boats. Today they live more sedentariously in houses on stilts but they still rely.





With its high cliffs towering over a heavenly beach lined with coconut trees, Batuata is definitely one of the most scenic island of the region. After setting foot ashore, we pay respect to the local Chief, ask for permission to go around and see the island. We visit the local school, hear the children singing the latest local hits. This is truly a remote place, far away from other islands and you will definitely enjoy the remoteness of it.





### Days 6, 7 & 8

We spend three full days exploring the many islands of the Taka Bonerate National Park, some inhabited, most empty. There will be plenty of beach combing, snorkeling, zodiac exploration in lagoon, visits villages with hordes of children in tow, meeting the locals and of course beach BBQ on remote beaches.





After a night of navigation, we arrive at Bonerate island, in the middle of the Flores Sea. We visit the main village: sandy streets, traditional houses built on stilts and elegant Lambo boats being built on the beach. Midday, we cross the narrow strait to the eastern tip of Kalao island and anchor along a spectacular beach. Snorkeling on a nearby reef, hike to the nearby village. Apero on the beach at sunset and quite night at anchor.





#### Day 10

After this journey, we will arrive in the morning on the north coast of Flores along a beautiful beach. We will visit a picturesque fishing village where our Nomad Plastic foundation has set up a plastic waste collection system. In the late afternoon, we will witness a sunset while observing a flock of bats.



# Day 11

Today we will start by an early trek Rinca Island, to see the famous "Komodo dragon". After the hike and the visit of the museum, we will go back to the boat, have a swim along a nice beach and sail to Karang Makassar to explore, a superb reef surrounded by a lovely beach where Manta ray and turtles can often be spotted.





#### *Day 12*

You will wake up along a charming little island just 30 min away from the harbor. There, you can unwind on a delightful beach and explore the vibrant marine life after that, we say farewell to the crew and we will transfer you to the airport with a great memory to keep.





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