



# KM Blue Manta

## 8 day/ 7 nights & 22 dives

### Raja Ampat-Misool Itinerary

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#### Blue Manta Trip Schedule

- **Departure; 3pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Day, Sorong, West Papua.** Or earlier if everyone arrives before and all Trip Preparations have been completed. Free transfer from local hotel or [Domine Edward Osok Airport](#), Sorong to Blue Manta on Trip Departure day (transfer time 20-30 mins).
- **Return; 5am, Last Day, Sorong, West Papua.** After a light breakfast and fond farewells, we take you to the Airport in time for Check-in & flight or local hotel. **Note;** latest BM Check-out, midday.
- **Last dive ends; 12pm (midday), Penultimate Day.** Plenty of time for R&R while we sail back to Sorong where we spend last night on Blue Manta. This also allows for your minimum 18 hours surface interval/ No Fly Time (as recommended by PADI) before flying next day.

Raja Ampat will immerse you in a diving paradise, 50,000 square Kilometers of islands & reefs, 580 kinds of coral, 1,397 species of fish including 23 endemics, this truly is the epicenter of marine biodiversity with the world's richest collection of underwater flora & fauna. The sheer abundance of marine life, healthy colourful reefs, and diverse dive sites will leave even the most experienced divers wanting more! The stunning beauty of Raja Ampat's exotic & enchanting islands both above and below the water will leave you in no doubt that this truly is one of the worlds premier diving destinations.

#### Sample Itinerary

- **Note;** all schedules are subjected to changes according to weather, sea, diving, & local conditions.
- **Day 1.** (0-1 dives) 3pm Trip Departure day. Our staff will meet you upon your arrival to Sorong Airport or local hotel and transfer you to the awaiting Blue Manta. Arrivals before midday are best so we can make check dive at Red Light District (Lampu Merah) just outside Sorong before we get underway by 3pm for overnight sail.
- **Day 2.** (4 dives) Misool; Wayil area with its beautiful lagoon for boat tour and super dives.
- **Day 3.** (3 dives) Misool; Fiabacet & Boo area. Sail to overnight to Central & North Raja Ampat.
- **Day 4.** (4 dives) Pianemu area; including famous Melissa's Garden and stunning View Point hike.
- **Day 5.** (4 dives) Manta ridge & Dampier Strait
- **Day 6.** (4 dives) Kri area; including Big Fish, Cape Kri, Sardine Run, & excellent night dive.
- **Day 7.** (2 dives) Misokon island; including Blue Magic & Yellow Fever. Sail back to [Usahamina pier](#), Sorong where you spend last night on board. Plenty of time to wash & dry equipment, have lunch, rest & relaxation, and if need be, an early flight on Trip Departure day.
- **Day 8.** (0 dives) 5am-12pm. Check out after light breakfast & farewells, we transfer to local hotel or airport. Departure from Sorong to Manado/ Makassar/ Jakarta/ Denpasar.
  
- **Diving days:** 6 days (22 dives)

## Dive Site Information

### Raja Ampat-Misool

- **Water Temp;** 27-30 degrees Celsius, **Air Temp;** 27-32 degrees Celsius
- **Visibility;** 15-30 meters, **Current;** mild to strong, **Level;** intermediate to advanced
- **Best Time to Dive;** October to April (less rain & much less wind; perfect for diving)

### Embarkation / Disembarkation

- Sorong (SOQ), West Papua

### How to get to & from Sorong (SOQ), West Papua

- It is easiest to fly through to & from Sorong (SOQ) via Jakarta (CGK), Makassar (UPG Ujung Pandang), Bali (DPS, Denpasar), or Manado (MDC).
- Please refer to our Blue Manta Trip Schedule before booking your Domestic flights.
- Domestic Airlines; [Garuda Indonesia](#) / [Sriwijaya Air](#) / [Lion Air](#) / [Express Air](#)
- International Airlines; [Silk Air](#) operates regularly from Singapore to Manado. [Garuda Indonesia](#) fly daily from Singapore to Makassar, then Domestic flight to Sorong, then via Jakarta on way back (same day).

### What's included?

- Land transfer from local hotel / airport from destination on trip start & end days (Sorong) to boat, all nights' accommodation on Blue Manta, all meals (Western & Indonesian) snacks, hot beverages, coffee, tea, Milo, soft drinks, towels, toiletries, cabin services, FOC replacement if equipment breakdown, 12-liter air tanks, weights & belt, warm towel & drink after every dive, 5 dive guides (1x Instructor, 4x Dive Master), 22 dives

### What's excluded?

- All flights, hotels, pickups outside trip start&end dates fee applies per car, Marine Park & Harbour fee (**USD250/ pax**), dive & travel insurance, massage services (USD35/ hour), laundry services (USD5/ basket), Nespresso coffee (USD2), alcohol; beer (USD4), wine (USD30-50), Satellite Wi-Fi (USD30 for trip per person)
- Diving Gear; Full Set USD50/ diving day (except Large tank) or if individual items then; BCD (USD12), Regulator (USD12), wetsuit (USD8), fins (USD5), mask (USD5), torch (USD12), dive computer (USD12), 15L tank rental (USD12)
- Nitrox Enriched Air fills (USD15/ diving day or USD5/ fill).
- **Note:** Nitrox & Diving Gear Items priced per diving day and is subject to availability
- **Note:** Exposure suits; 3mm shorty wetsuits available ONLY.

### Additional Trip Information

- For more Trip & Travel information plus FAQ's about Raja Ampat see our [Raja Ampat Fact Sheet](#)
- For more Information on KM Blue Manta please see our [Blue Manta Info Pack](#)
- **Note;** late receipt of Passport details may very likely lead to delayed departure & significant changes to the itinerary. We **MUST** receive guest's details well in advance in the trip.