

BLUE MANTA

Misool, Fak Fak and Triton Bay

Sorong to Kaimana | Misool, Fak Fak and Triton Bay

Triton Bay feels like entering a time capsule from the past, remote, unspoiled and made all the more alluring by the lack of crowds.

Its black coral forests are awesome in scale, and the soft coral coverage matches Misool, with huge schools of untroubled trevallies and jacks, squadrons of bumphead parrotfish and ever-present turtles.

There are plenty of macro superstars, and night dives with walking sharks.

First comes southern Raja Ampat, among the most bio-diverse waters on earth, where Misool's reefs are spectacularly beautiful.

Fak Fak adds the Kiti-Kiti waterfall to swim beneath, and there is a chance to snorkel with whale sharks off a small fishing village.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
11 days / 10 nights	Sorong	Kaimana	Intermediate to advanced







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Day 1

0-1 dives

1pm 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.

DAY 1

Day 1 (continued)

0-1 dives

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

Days 2 and 3

4 dives a day

Southern Raja Ampat, Misool: Fiabacet and Boo area, Boo Windows and Magic Mountain.

DAY 4

Day 4

3 dives

Daram Island area: Candy Store, Andy's Ultimate, Daram reef.
Sail to Pisang Island.

DAY 5

Day 5

3 dives

Pulau Pisang: The Dome, T-Bone Reef, Black Cave, and night dive.
Sail to Fak Fak.

DAY 6

Day 6

3-4 dives

Fakfak: Atoll dives and Middle reef.
Swimming under Kiti-Kiti waterfall.
Sail to Triton Bay area.

DAY 7

Days 7 to 9

4 dives a day

Triton Bay area: Little Komodo, Macro Wall, 3 Rocks, Larry's Heaven, Faukate Manta, Walker's reef, night dives with 'walking' shark.

DAY 10

Day 10

0-2 dives

More dives around Triton Bay area or chance to snorkel with whale sharks where there are fishing platforms called Bagans, off a small village, Namatota Island.
Sail to Kaimana, West Papua.
Plenty of time to wash and dry equipment, have lunch, and rest and relaxation.

DAY 11

Day 11

No diving

Check out (between 5am-10am) after light breakfast and farewells, and transfer to airport. Departure from Port of Kaimana to local hotel or transfer to Kamana Airport (transfer 30-45 mins).

THE TRIP

Departure, return and timings

- Departure: 1pm, 1st day, Sorong, West Papua. Or earlier if everyone arrives before and all trip preparations have been completed. Free pickup upon arrival from Domine Edward Osok Airport, Sorong or from local hotel (10am) to Blue Manta on trip departure day (transfer time 20-30 mins).
- Return: 5am, last day – Kaimana, West Papua. After breakfast and fond farewells, we take you to local hotel or Utarom Airport, Kaimana, in time for check-in and flight (30-45 mins). Note: Latest Blue Manta check-out 10am, trip return day.
- Last dive ends: 12pm (midday), penultimate day. Plenty of time for R&R as we sail back to Kaimana, where we spend the last night on Blue Manta. This allows for your minimum 18 hours' surface interval/ No Fly Time (as recommended by PADI) before flying the next day.







THE VOYAGE

About this trip

Between Southern Raja Ampat and the Triton Bay area, we visit where remote, unspoiled, and stunning underwater landscapes await, pristine beauty is staggering, including the Kiti-Kiti waterfall, and made all the more alluring by the lack of crowds. Triton Bay really does feel like you are entering a time capsule from the past. The underwater landscape provides similarly impressive level of soft coral coverage as places like Misool while the marine life never fails to impress, with huge schools of untroubled trevallies and jacks, plenty of macro superstars, squadrons of Bumped parrotfish and ever-present turtles. Triton Bay's black coral forests are awesome in scale and never fail to impress, while above the water the landscape is also fascinating with lush green forests, stunning sunsets and sunrises, and a real sense that you are exploring a true wilderness. Not many Liveaboards visit this region and the sense of true exploration and privilege to visit this region is undeniable.

DIVING

Diving days and notes

- Note: All schedules are subject to changes according to weather, sea, diving, and local conditions.
- Diving days: 10 days (28 dives)





CONDITIONS

Dive site information

MISOOL - TRITON BAY AREA

- Water Temp: 27-30 degrees Celsius
- Air Temp: 28-35 degrees Celsius
- Visibility: 10-30 metres
- Currents: Medium to strong
- Level: Intermediate to advanced
- Best Time to Dive: November to April (less rain and much less wind: perfect for diving)





GETTING THERE

Getting to and from the boat

EMBARKATION AND DISEMBARKATION

- Sorong (SOQ), West Papua / Kaimana (KNG), West Papua

HOW TO GET TO AND FROM SORONG (SOQ), WEST PAPUA

- It is easiest to fly through to and from Sorong (SOQ) via Jakarta (CGK), Makassar (UPG Ujung Pandang), Bali (DPS, Denpasar), or Manado (MDC). Recommended, via Jakarta.
- From Jakarta: Overnight direct daily flights, with Batik Air / Garuda Indonesia, arriving to Sorong earlier morning. Lion Air and Sriwijaya Air have similar overnight flights but with a stopover in Makassar.
- To Jakarta: Early morning direct daily flights, with Batik Air / Garuda Indonesia, arriving to Jakarta, which should allow enough time to schedule your international flight home. Lion Air also offer flights, some direct, others via

Makassar.

HOW TO GET FROM KAIMANA (KNG), WEST PAPUA

- Currently Lion Wings Air are the only operator offering flights from Kaimana (KNG) to Sorong (SOQ).
- Back to Jakarta (CGK): Take the morning flight from Kaimana to Sorong (check schedules before booking). You may take your onward domestic flight back to Jakarta to meet your international connection. Domestic airlines: Batik Air, Citilink, Garuda Indonesia, Lion Air.






INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Land transfer from local hotel / airport from destination on trip start and end days (Sorong/Kaimana) to boat
- All nights' accommodation on Blue Manta
- All meals (Western and Indonesian) snacks, hot beverages, coffee, tea, milo, soft drinks, towel, toiletries, cabin services
- FOC replacement if equipment breakdown
- 12-litre air tanks
- Weights and belt
- Warm towel and drink after every dive
- 6 dive guides (1x Instructor, 5x Dive Master), 28 dives

NOT INCLUDED

- All flights, hotels
- Pickups outside the trip start and end dates (a fee applies per car)
- Marine park and harbour fee (paid in advance of the trip)
- Fuel surcharge (paid in advance of the trip)
- Dive and travel insurance
- Massage services
- Laundry services
- Nespresso coffee, alcohol: beer, wine, satellite wi-fi
- Diving equipment rental
- Nitrox (enriched air) fills