

The Alor Archipelago, Indonesia

10 Nights Itinerary

- **Embarkation:** Kalabahi Harbour, Alor at 13:00*
 - **Disembarkation:** Maumere, Flores at 10:00
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Please refer to your booking confirmation details or schedules on our website for specific departure date embarkation and disembarkation locations.

****We strongly recommend making arrangements to arrive at your itinerary's start location the day before embarkation and arranging a hotel for the night.*** Should you decide to book flights** to arrive on embarkation day, please ensure that your flight's scheduled arrival time is no later than 12:00 (Midday).

For your convenience, a free transfer will be provided from your hotel, or the domestic airport to the harbour on embarkation day, and from the harbour to the local airport, or hotel on the day of disembarkation.

- Transfer from Alor Airport to Kalabahi Harbour takes approximately 20 minutes.
- Transfer between Maumere Harbour and Maumere Airport is around 40 minutes.

****IMPORTANT:** *Flight delays, schedule changes and cancellations are commonplace*, which can result in missed connections and arriving after the designated embarkation time, or day. In such events, if your delayed arrival is after the vessel has departed, you may be charged for the cost of arranging a speedboat transfer or for additional fuel required for Indo Siren to return to port.

Marine Park & Port Fees: 130 USD per person (to be paid on board).

PLEASE NOTE: *Marine park fees are subject to change without notice.* The applicable amount at the time of departure will be added to your onboard extras to be paid prior to disembarkation.

Minimum dive certification and experience

Divers are required to have **PADI Advanced Open Water certification***, or equivalent, with a **minimum of 50 logged dives.**

*Advanced Open Water courses can usually be completed on board (pre-booking is required).

Guests who do not fulfil the minimum certification and experience requirements may be denied participation in some or all dives.

It is a mandatory requirement for all divers to have insurance which covers scuba diving activities, including emergency evacuation and recompression chamber costs.

Itinerary Details

Participation in this liveboard itinerary is subject to acceptance of our Terms & Conditions as outlined here: www.masterliveboards.com/terms-conditions.

Number of scheduled dives: Up to 34

This itinerary involves some long distance travel and, whilst we attempt to ensure the number of dives we have scheduled is fulfilled, weather and sea conditions can hinder the yacht's ability to reach a specific location or dive site in good time.

Included land visits

Due to the distances covered on the Alor Archipelago itinerary, land visits are dependent on cruising times and logistics, as noted above. You will have the opportunity to visit Lativui Village in Alor to watch a traditional dance; If time and logistics permit, a second land visit may be offered along the itinerary route, although this is not guaranteed.

The following is an example of the day-to-day itinerary.

Day 1: Embarkation followed by snacks, introductions, boat orientation and safety briefings. After this you can settle into your cabin, assemble your equipment and relax before dinner is served. There is no diving on this day.

Safety and dive briefings are conducted in English. If you, or any of your group do not speak or understand English, please contact us.

Day 2: Breakfast followed by a check dive, and up to 3 subsequent dives, as outlined below.

Days 3-9: Your Cruise Manager will schedule up to 4 dives per day; 3 day dives and, when and where possible, either a sunset or a night dive. Please note however that, *due to the distances covered on this itinerary there may be some days with only 3 scheduled dives.*

A typical diving day is scheduled as follows:

- Light Breakfast followed by a briefing & Dive 1
- Full Breakfast, relaxation followed by briefing & Dive 2
- Lunch, relaxation followed by briefing & Dive 3
- Snack
- Briefing for Sunset or Night dive*
- Dinner

Day 10: For your last full day on board, we schedule 2 morning dives* before Indo Siren cruises back to port, where she will remain at anchor overnight.

Day 11: Following breakfast on board, disembarkation is between 08:00 and 10:00.

*We kindly request that guests check their flight departure times to ensure that they leave a minimum of 24 hours between their final dive and their flight home.

Following is a sample of dive sites which we may visit during your time aboard Indo Siren. While we wish to show you the very best diving possible, a number of factors determine the exact route the yacht takes and which dive sites we are able to visit. ***Weather, tides, currents and sea conditions all play a part in the Cruise Manager's decision of where the Indo Siren is heading to and which sites are chosen to dive.***

Guests are welcome to suggest preferred dive sites to the Cruise Manager who will be happy to accommodate guests' wishes where possible and if the overall schedule allows for it.

The safety of our guests is paramount and we always do our best to offer diving at alternate locations, should we be unable to visit any of the sites listed below.

Dive sites we visit include but are not limited to:

Pantar Strait

The Pantar Strait is known for both critter diving and stunning reef walls where larger pelagic species can be spotted. Some stronger currents are to be expected but the currents bring the nutrients which feed the reef and the inhabitants of the strait. There are a variety of dive sites here and we chose the optimum sites based on the conditions of the day. The water temperature experienced is often colder than other regions due to the flow of water from the south, expect temperatures of 22°C / 72°F.

The French Man's Window

A wall dive site in front of Alor's Divers Resort covered in a fantastic array of soft corals. Look closely to find a wide variety of nudibranchs; remember to watch in the blue as well as something big might swim past

Pak Yan's Village

An excellent muck diving spot to find Pegasus sea moths, dragonets, scorpion fish, ghost pipefish and bargibanti seahorses too.

Clown Valley

Hundreds, if not thousands of anemones cover the shallow reef slope on the south side of Pulau Pura, all hosting the Clark's anemonefish. A stunning site but thermoclines can be expected so be prepared for some chilly water that may attract thresher sharks.

The Arch

Located at Pulau Reta, The Arch is famous for its overhangs and fissures providing stunning topography, as well as a home to schooling fusiliers and colourful anthias. Larger pelagic fish, including black tip reef sharks have been spotted here too.

Mucky Mosque

An iconic muck dive at the entrance of Kalabahi Bay where the attentive eye can find paddle-flap & frondosa's rhinopias, as well as ornate, robust and even halimeda and velvet ghost pipefish, frogfish, bobtail squid, long-arm octopus and for the lucky ones: wunderpus.

Tanjung Gedong, Serbete & Adonara

These islands mark the very edge of Flores.

Tanjung Gedong

A superb check dive site encompassing a hard coral sloping reef wall and sandy areas dotted with coral bommies. The creatures we see here fall into the macro category with a variety of crustaceans, mollusks and benthic reef fish.

Serbete Wall

A shallow reef sloping down to a wall, which drops to approximately 30m (100ft) dotted with barrel sponges and elephant ear sponges. Along the wall are many overhangs and crevices to explore. Bluefin trevally can be seen hunting and batfish casually hang about. The shallow reef shows healthy corals and abundance of smaller reef fish.

Magic Log /Adonara Reef

Features a shallow slope with large coral heads adorned with a myriad of feather stars which open in the night time to feed, also a superb spot for critter hunting with sightings of warty frogfish, ornate ghost pipefish, cuttlefish and octopus. The majority of your dive is spent at 10m (35ft).

Pulau Lembata

Pulau Lembata is nestled midway between eastern Flores and Alor. The bay on the west coast of this island is home to great critter dive sites.

Sizzler

This is a sandy slope, superb for a couple of critter dives and has proven to be a great day dive, as well as a wonderful night dive. We can expect the whole lot, from different species of frogfish to ornate ghost pipefish and gorgeous fingered dragonets.

The Jetty

Currents sweep across the big ferry jetty and bring in lots of nutrients for the underwater life. The slope and underwater structures under the jetty create a good habitat for lots of different kinds of nudibranchs, giant frogfish, ribbon eels and spiny devil fish. It's another one of these dives that you just don't want to end.

Rhino City

This dive site has a very gentle sloping sandy bottom filled with small soft corals. We will try to dive this site with slack tide, because currents can be quite challenging for this critter dive. Expect to find cuttlefish, strapweed filefish, pipefish, and for the lucky ones the illustrious rhinopia.