KING NEPTUNE

Banda Sea

Ambon to Ambon | Banda Sea and Banda Neira



The Banda Sea is nutrient-rich water around remote volcanic islands, with dramatic walls, schooling fish and larger fish such as barracuda and trevally.

Nusa Laut starts the week with vibrant reefs, turtles and bumphead parrotfish.

Banda Neira mixes culture and coral, with lava-formed seascapes underwater and the story of the Dutch spice trade on land.

Hatta Island has healthy reef slopes, good macro life and swarms of anthias and fusiliers.

Manuk is the highlight, an active volcano where sea snakes are commonly seen among geothermal bubbles.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
8 days / 7 nights	Ambon	Ambon	Advanced Open Water, 20 dives







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Arrival & Check-In

1 dive

Welcome aboard King Neptune in Ambon.
After briefings and equipment setup, enjoy a relaxed check dive to get comfortable before the adventure begins.

DAY 2

Nusa Laut

Up to 3 dives

Start your diving with vibrant reefs, excellent visibility, and large schools of reef fish.
You may encounter turtles, bumphead parrotfish, and colorful coral bommies filled with life.

DAY 3

Banda Sea

Up to 4 dives

Today's dives take you into nutrient-rich waters around remote volcanic islands.
You can expect dramatic walls, schooling fish, and potential encounters with larger pelagics such as barracuda and trevally.

DAY 4

Banda Neira

Up to 4 dives + land tour

A perfect blend of culture and coral.
Dive into stunning reefs and lava-formed seascapes.
In between dives, enjoy a historical village tour with insight into the Dutch spice trade legacy.



DAY 5

Hatta Island

Up to 4 dives

Expect healthy reef slopes, excellent macro life, and thrilling drop-offs.
You may encounter turtles, reef sharks, and large swarms of anthias and fusiliers.

DAY 6

Manuk Island

Up to 3 dives

A true Banda Sea highlight—dive around an active volcanic island where sea snakes are commonly encountered.
Look out for geothermal bubbles, stunning rock formations, and pristine coral reefs.

DAY 7

Banda Sea

Up to 2 dives

Wrap up the expedition with final dives in current-swept reef systems that may reward you with encounters of larger marine species and vibrant coral life.

DAY 8

Disembarkation

Enjoy a final breakfast onboard before transferring to Ambon airport or hotel.
No diving today due to surface interval.

GOOD TO KNOW

On land and on the way

Banda Neira

Historical village tour of Banda Neira, with the story of the Dutch spice trade

Check in

The ideal check in is 10am, so please arrive before 12pm on the day of departure. The earliest check in is 6am and the latest is 12pm. The check dive is usually on the boarding day.

Check out

Check out is at 10am after breakfast. Diving ends at 12pm on the day before check out, with up to 2 dives. Free group airport transfers run on the embarkation and disembarkation days.

Ports

The ports and times for this route are confirmed with your booking.

INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Full board Indonesian and international cuisine, with tea, coffee, soft drinks and drinking water
- Cabin with ensuite bathroom, daily housekeeping and turndown service
- Free internet for messaging and calls, with an optional high-speed Starlink upgrade
- Up to 4 guided dives per day in groups of 4, with tanks, weights and a dive guide
- Nitrox refills
- Snorkelling gear
- Group airport transfers on the embarkation and disembarkation days
- VAT

NOT INCLUDED

- International and domestic flights
- Mandatory park, port and environment fees, shown with each trip on our schedule
- Fuel surcharge, where applicable
- Diving equipment rental
- Alcoholic drinks
- Advanced and Nitrox courses
- Crew tips and personal expenses
- Travel and dive insurance (mandatory)

BEFORE YOU GO

What to bring

ESSENTIALS

- Dive certification card & logbook
- Dive computer & surface marker buoy (required)
- Reef-safe sunscreen
- Swimwear, hat, sunglasses
- Light clothing & comfortable footwear

AND ALSO

- Personal toiletries & medications
- Travel adaptor (220V, EU plug)
- Passport (minimum 6-month validity)
- Copy of travel and dive insurance

WORTH KNOWING

Key notes

Experience

Minimum Advanced Open Water certification with at least 20 logged dives is required

Insurance

Travel & dive insurance are mandatory

Flying

No diving allowed within 18 hours of flight time

Respect the reef

Do not touch or collect marine life—respect the reef

Special needs

Notify us in advance of any dietary restrictions or medical concerns