

KING NEPTUNE

Raja Ampat - Banda Sea

Sorong to Ambon | Raja Ampat, Misool and the Banda Sea

This one way journey runs from the coral rich waters of Raja Ampat across to the remote Banda Sea.

The Dampier Strait and Misool bring colourful walls, sea fans and big schools of fish, with reef sharks, wobbegongs and manta rays.

The crossing passes remote islands where strong currents draw schooling fish, giant trevally and tuna.

In the Banda Sea there is a volcano island with sea snakes, the historic Banda Islands with their lava flow reefs and walls, and a cultural visit to Banda Neira.

The cruise ends in Ambon with muck diving or the pristine reefs of Nusa Laut.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
12 days / 11 nights	Sorong	Ambon	Advanced Open Water, 20 dives







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Sorong

1 check dive

Guests are met at Sorong airport or their hotel and board the yacht.
After a welcome drink and a boat briefing there is a check dive in the Dampier Strait.

DAY 2

Dampier Strait

Up to 4 dives

Dives in the nutrient rich waters of the strait, where massive schools of fish, reef sharks and wobbegongs gather.

DAY 3

Yangeffo and Penemu

Up to 4 dives

The unique mangrove and reef system at Yangeffo, then a hard coral plateau at Penemu.
There is also a hike to the Piaynemo viewpoint for the classic Raja Ampat panorama.



DAY 4

North Misool

Up to 4 dives

The yacht arrives in the Misool area, with dives around the northern islands on colourful walls, sea fans and schools of batfish and napoleon wrasse.

DAY 5

South Misool

Up to 4 dives

The heart of Misool, with a high chance of seeing both oceanic and reef manta rays, alongside patrolling grey reef sharks.

DAY 6

Misool and the lagoons

Up to 3 dives

Morning dives at the Boo Windows area or Nudi Rock.
In the afternoon there is a dinghy tour of the hidden karst lagoons and limestone passages.



DAY 7

Pulau Koon and Ceram

Up to 3 dives

A transition day to the Banda Sea, with a dive at the famous Too Many Fish site, where currents bring staggering numbers of schooling fish, giant trevally and tuna.

DAY 8

Pulau Manuk, Snake Island

Up to 3 dives

Dives on the slopes of an active volcano rising from the deep, famous for its density of Chinese and olive sea snakes, with deep drop offs and a chance of schooling hammerheads.

DAY 9

Banda Islands

Up to 3 dives

The historic Banda archipelago, with crystal clear water and vertical walls covered in sponges. There may be a dive on the lava flow at Gunung Api, where coral has regrown quickly.



DAY 10

Banda Neira

2 dives

Two morning dives, then a cultural tour of Banda Neira with a local guide, taking in the old Dutch fort, the museum and a nutmeg plantation.
The yacht cruises overnight to Ambon.

DAY 11

Nusa Laut or Ambon Bay

Up to 3 dives

The final diving day is either on the pristine hard corals of Nusa Laut or in Ambon Bay for muck diving, searching for rhinopias and frogfish.

DAY 12

Ambon

A final breakfast on board, then disembarkation at about 8:00 am with transfers to Ambon airport or your hotel.

GOOD TO KNOW

On land and on the way

Island viewpoints

Hike to the Piaynemo viewpoint

Island viewpoint

Dinghy tour of the Misool karst lagoons

Banda Neira

Banda Neira tour with the Dutch fort and a nutmeg plantation

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 18-24 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

Good to know

The sample plan is a guide only, as the route follows the weather and sea conditions