



MAUMERE-ALOR 9 days/ 8 nights

**Divers must be prepared for the strong currents and cold water (24°)so we suggest
5+mm with hood but no gloves**

Day 1: Babi Island (1 dive)

Arrive at Frans Xavier Seda Airport and board Manta Mae for immediate departure to Babi Island for the check dive

Dive 1. This small island has a mixture of walls and slopes, so there is nice wide angle photography of sponges, soft corals and table corals, with Fusiliers, Snappers, Sharks and Eagle Rays, Parrot Fish, huge gang of Bump Head Parrot Fish, the macro site gas sea horses, ghost pipe fish, nudibranchs and possible some frog fish. Immediately depart after third dive to Bacatan (16hr)

Day 2: Bacatan Rock (2 Dives)

Dive 1. Bacatan Wall, is again a wide angle dive but this time lots of soft corals, sponges, black corals and Anthias making it a really pretty dive with the mid-morning sun.

Dive 2. Bacatan Rock, is a wide angle dive, loads of fish and awesome hard corals. Immediately after second dive we depart to Alors (12hr)

Day 3. Komba Island

One of the most spectacular destinations in Indonesia, Pulau Komba is a very active volcano rising from the Flores Sea, with regular eruptions that look rather spectacular at night.

After **diving at Komba Korner**, a landscape of black volcanic ash and topography comprising reefs and walls, you will experience a truly unforgettable evening, watching

the last light of the day disappear below the crater. Dinner will be served in front of the greatest fireworks display on earth! The soundtrack of the evening will be thunderous booms with fiery rocks and jets of molten lava lighting up the night sky.

Day 4: Alors (4 dives)

Dive 1. The Arch This site has all the attributes of an exceptional dive spot. Indeed, it is structured around an immense geological formation in the form of an arch nearly ten meters high. This wonderful natural masterpiece houses a varied fauna and rich flora.

Dive 2. Sharks Galore. Pleasant Surprise, The name says it all, this site was found by accident and often has pilot whales, big sharks like Grey Reef Sharks, Hammerhead Sharks and sometimes pilot whales on the surface

Dive 3. Coconut Grove

Dive 4. Mucky Mosque/Mucky Church, simply these are muck dive sites behind the local mosque and church. These two sites easily compete with Lembeh Strait in Manado for great critter action.

Day 5: Alors (4 dives)

Dive 1. Cathedral is basically a pinnacle with a large swim through, we often see several species of sharks, Manta Rays, super coral too. It is also known for thermoclines where the water temperature can vary between 12° Celsius. We can also see Sea Horses, Leaf Fish and Sea Kraits

Dive 2. Max Point, this is another of Alors famous pelagic divessite is very special because, from one dive to another, you might find it exceptional or without interest. Indeed, the interest of the latter lies mainly in its exceptional fishes and pelagics which

pass regularly on the dive spot whose presence depends on many factors. With a little bit of luck you will be able to observe observe large marbled rays, magnificent unicorn fishes, imposing Mola-Mola and even dolphins and gigantic blue whales.

Dive 3. Wolang Cave, here guests will dive two magnificent caves. Cave one has some sleeping White Tip Reef Sharks and guests can surface inside. The second cave is lined

with sponges and many fish, lobsters, crabs, and nudibranchs.

Dive 4. Pertamina Jetty is great night dive in the entrance to Kalabahi Bay

Day 6: Alors (3 dives)

Dive 1. Current Alley, is a large drop off / wall and is famous for large marine animals that like to hang out in the currents. Here divers will see Grey Reef Sharks, Hammer Head Sharks, Giant Trevallies, Tuna and Napoleon Wrasse and sometimes Devil and Eagle Rays.

Dive 2. Red Wall, is a lovely drop off to 35m and is famous for its underwater volcanic activity, with gas bubbling out of the sandy bottom, guests can see Sea Bream, Nudibranchs, Sea Snakes and Fusiliers

Dive 3. Kal's Dream is probably the most famous site in the area. It is a large pinnacle known for its anthias we may be lucky to see schools of Fusiliers, Surgeons and Snappers, Grey Reef Sharks, Huge Moray Eels and sometimes. Immediately after dive 3 we depart to Bacatan (12hrs)

Day 7: Alors

Before we leave the area around Alor to head back west again, we will offer you three more dives here. Either wide-angle wall and slope dives or some more macro dives. Maybe a blend of both. We make this depending on the preferences of our guests.

Day 8 Pantar Straight

In the very south of the Pantar Strait lies the small, remote village of Beangabang, three hours by boat to the nearest town. This morning, you can **dive at** the fascinating **Twilight Zone**, a black sand shore dive where lava flows and underwater hot springs meet, producing nutrient rich water that attracts a weird and wonderful array of critter life, including blue ring octopus, mimic octopus, mantis shrimps and Spanish dancers. In the afternoon you can head ashore to the village, which is nestled on a beautiful bay that curves gracefully between two out flung headlands. A large lava flow on one side shows the island's fiery past, and parts of the beach are so hot that they are painful to walk on and the black sand of the beach is steaming. Even by local standards, this is a very simple

village with the most welcoming of people, and one of the most wonderful places to get a sense of local culture.

Day 9 Check out

**SOMEWHERE IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS SCHEDULE OUR FREELANCE DIVE GUIDE CAN HELP US CHOOSE A NICE VILLAGE*