

NEOMI

Raja Ampat

Sorong to Sorong | Dampier Strait, Piaynemo, Yanggefo, Arborek and Kri

Mantas somersault through the water at the most reliable spots in Raja Ampat while being cleaned by wrasse and butterflyfish.

In the Dampier Strait, schooling sweetlips, patrolling blacktip reef sharks, fusiliers and trevally crowd the open water, and wobbegongs are very common.

Around Yanggefo, vibrant orange soft corals are home to barracuda, bumphead parrotfish and sea snakes, and the mangroves give amazing light shafts.

The jetty at Arborek, with pillars covered in soft corals and sea fans, is one of the best night dives in Raja Ampat, with blue-ringed octopus and harlequin shrimp.

Piaynemo has pretty walls full of critters, topped by a trek to a stunning panorama.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
7 days / 6 nights	Sorong	Sorong	Open Water, 20 dives







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Sorong and the check dive

1 dive

Guests arrive at Dominique Edward Osok Airport, where the Dive Master escorts them to the boat.
A safety briefing, boat orientation, crew introduction and the necessary dive paperwork are completed before the vessel sets sail.

DAY 1

Sorong and the check dive (continued)

1 dive

The check dive is at Black Slope or Yum Slope; Yum Slope offers wart slugs, flatworms, turtles and a robust ghost pipefish.
Meals: lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 27 to 30 °C.

DAY 2

Dampier Strait and Sawingkrai

3 dives + trekking

The dives are Mike's Point, Sardine Reef and Mioskon.
Before diving, there is a visit to Sawingkrai Village to see the red bird of paradise.
Mike's Point offers schooling sweetlips, patrolling blacktip reef sharks and interesting small octopus and shrimp.
At Sardine Reef, fusiliers, surgeonfish, trevally, rainbow runners and bannerfish crowd the open water and swarm over a reef decorated with sea fans.
Mioskon Reef is home to hundreds of lined snappers that usually cover the slope, schools of glassfish hide in coral bommies and wobbegongs are very common.
Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 25 to 30 °C.
Bring for the trek: sunscreen, good hiking shoes, a hat and a camera.

DAY 3

Piaynemo Island

3 dives + trekking

The trek up to Piaynemo gives a stunning panorama from the top.
The diving at Melissa's Garden, Barracuda Reef and Anita's Garden is world class, with pretty walls full of critters, well coral-covered slopes and a huge amount of fish.
The area is also home to interesting species of clams, sea urchins, sea spiders and crabs.
Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 25 to 30 °C.
Bring for the trek: sunscreen, good hiking shoes, a hat and a camera.

DAY 4

Yanggefo Island

4 dives

This area offers some truly unique environments to dive in.
The vibrant orange soft corals of Citrus Ridge make a stunning sight and are also home to barracuda, bumphead parrotfish and sea snakes.
Mayhem has schools of batfish, surgeonfish and snappers, with the occasional wobbegong sleeping under the coral heads.
Gam Ridge is a good place to look for eagle and mobula rays.
The mangroves offer stunning photo opportunities, and diving late at around 4 PM, when the sun is low, gives amazing light shafts through the mangroves.

DAY 4

Yanggefo Island (continued)

4 dives

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 25 to 30 °C.

DAY 5

Arborek Island and Lalosi Reef

4 dives

Manta Sandy and Manta Ridge are the most reliable manta spots, where you can watch these beautiful animals somersaulting through the water while they are cleaned by several species of wrasse and butterflyfish.
The jetty at Arborek offers unique photo opportunities among long wooden pillars covered with soft corals and sea fans, and it is also one of the best night dives in Raja Ampat, where blue-ringed octopus, harlequin shrimp and wobbegong are often seen.
Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 25 to 30 °C.

DAY 6

Mansuar and Kri Island

2 dives

Located in the centre of Raja Ampat, these sites support diverse reef life, with healthy reefs and a huge amount of fish.
You may also see mantas, blacktip, whitetip and grey reef sharks, large schools of barracuda, surgeonfish and bumphead parrotfish, and many friendly turtles.
Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner.
Visibility: 10 to 25 metres.
Water temperature: 25 to 30 °C.

DAY 7

Sorong

The vessel reaches Sorong in the morning.
After breakfast, it is time to disembark.
Meals: breakfast.

FOOD AND SERVICE

Food, drink and service

Meals on Neomi are served buffet style, with Western and local dishes and vegan and vegetarian options. There are welcome cocktails, an espresso machine and a fully stocked bar.

The crew speak English and Indonesian, are trained in first aid and look after guests with daily housekeeping.







DIVING

How the diving is organised

Neomi has a spacious dive deck with individual gear storage, a shaded diving area and two aluminium tenders. A dedicated camera room has a camera station, charging points and a separate rinse for underwater cameras. Nitrox is available for certified divers, DIN adaptors are provided and sidemount diving is possible.

Kayaks, fishing and land excursions are included, and non-divers are welcome, with a snorkelling guide.







GOOD TO KNOW

Worth knowing

- The total number of dives and the dive areas are influenced by the weather and current conditions, and the captain and dive master have the right to change the dive area for safety reasons.

WORTH KNOWING

Key notes

Experience

Open Water divers with at least 20 logged dives in the past year can join the dives

Good to know

Divers without that experience need a private dive guide