

THE LUXURY VOYAGE



West Papua

Although Raja Ampat is often the most recognized destination in this region, West Papua offers a wide range of fascinating cruising areas for those who seek to venture off the beaten path and explore the far reaches of eastern Indonesia. To the north lies the Bird's Head Peninsula and Cenderawasih Bay, while to the south is Triton Bay. These regions are famous for their frequent sightings of whale sharks, visits to authentic local villages, and opportunities for wreck diving.

Triton Bay, part of the Kaimana Marine Protected Area, spans over 2,000 square miles. It is surrounded by lush rainforests, towering mainland peaks, and majestic waterfalls, making it perfect for exploratory hikes. The area is also known for ancient rock art that can be seen while kayaking. With over 1,000 species of fish, 471 species of hard coral, and a variety of marine life including pygmy seahorses, wobbegong sharks, and walking sharks, Triton Bay is a diver's dream.

In the north, Cenderawasih Bay is home to approximately 14,000 people living in 72 villages within the park. However, its true allure lies in the sightings of the elusive whale shark, which gather around local fishing platforms to feed on small fry escaping from the nets, offering a rare and breathtaking sight.

Day 1: Embarkation

Upon your arrival in Kaimana, you'll be warmly welcomed by the crew of The Luxury Voyage and transferred to your private yacht. After settling in, you'll embark on your journey to the beautiful Triton Bay. A short passage allows for an afternoon check dive or a refreshing swim before enjoying sunset drinks and a gourmet dinner on board.

Days 2-4: Exploring Triton Bay

Over the next three days, Triton Bay will serve as your playground. With three different anchorages to explore, the options are endless. Enjoy a range of activities such as water skiing, wakeboarding, stand-up paddleboarding, and canoeing. Trek through lush inland forests or dive just outside the bay. Embark on Zodiac excursions through a maze of karst formations, swim in secluded saltwater lakes, and discover paradise beaches. Take a convoy with local long boats to explore the river, mangroves, and rainforest, all while spotting exotic birds and visiting remote villages. Each day ends with sunset aperitifs on the beach.

Day 5: Namatote Island

Today, visit Namatote Island, where you'll meet local fishermen on their traditional platforms (bagan) and set out in search of the majestic whale sharks. Later, cruise along the coastline, exploring local villages and snorkeling at Sagin's southern tip. In the afternoon, visit the stunning Kiti-Kiti waterfalls, which cascade directly into the ocean, providing a perfect spot to swim and explore the jungle surroundings.

Day 6: Kiti-Kiti Waterfalls

Spend the day at the beautiful Kiti-Kiti Waterfalls, where the cascading water meets the sea. The surrounding beach, with its ancient trees filled with birdlife and orchids, is an ideal spot for relaxation. A short jungle trek offers further exploration, and nearby pristine dive spots provide underwater adventures.

Day 7: Pulau Pisang

Pulau Pisang, a group of three islands, offers great anchorages, white-sand beaches, and endless water sports. The calm bays provide the perfect setting for water skiing and sunset drinks, while curious local fishermen may pass by to observe. The islands also offer excellent opportunities for diving, snorkeling, and fishing.

Days 8-10: Misool

Arrive in the Misool Archipelago, known for its breathtaking landscapes, deep bays, dramatic pinnacles, and jungle-clad mountains. Here, you'll explore pristine lagoons, ancient caves adorned with prehistoric paintings, and fjords with remarkable silence. Dive into crystal-clear waters to discover Misool's unique marine life, including the famous walking sharks that use their fin-like appendages to "walk" along the seabed. Hike through the islands and enjoy aperitifs on picture-perfect beaches as the sun sets.

Day 11: Batanta

Spend your final full day exploring Batanta, the smallest of the main islands in Raja Ampat. Untouched and full of wildlife, Batanta is home to cockatoos, cassowaries, Wilson's bird of paradise, blue-spotted tree monitors, wild boar, grey cuscus, Rousettus fruit bats, and a variety of other fascinating bird and mammal species.

Day 12: Disembarkation in Sorong

After a luxurious breakfast on deck, prepare for disembarkation in Sorong. The crew will assist with your departure, transferring you to the airport for your onward journey, marking the end of your unforgettable 11-night adventure with The Luxury Voyage.

This 11-night Luxury Voyage from Kaimana to Sorong provides an extraordinary blend of exploration, water activities, cultural discovery, and encounters with pristine nature, ensuring a journey that will leave a lasting impression.