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Komodo National Park

Komodo Islands, Dragons & Manta Rays

5 DAYS & 4 NIGHTS · LABUAN BAJO → LABUAN BAJO

A remote land ruled by dragons, where active volcanoes rise from the ocean and the mystical hidden paradise of Komodo National Park gives way to its unique treasures.



Three

LARGER ISLANDS — KOMODO,
RINCA, PADAR

20+

SMALLER ISLANDS, MANY
UNINHABITED

1980

THE YEAR THE PARK WAS
FOUNDED

THE REGION

A remote land ruled by dragons

Komodo National Park is a UNESCO World Heritage site that consists of three larger islands — Komodo, Rinca and Padar — and over twenty smaller ones, many of which are uninhabited. Komodo and Rinca are home to the legendary Komodo dragons, respected by locals who believe they descend from one born to a dragon princess centuries ago.

The mystical hidden paradise of Komodo National Park and the surrounding islands will enthrall travellers with its wild adventure. A remote land ruled by dragons, where active volcanoes rise from the ocean, gives way to its unique treasures.

Initially founded in 1980 to protect its remarkable inhabitant, the Komodo dragon, the National Park has since extended that protection to include additional terrestrial inhabitants on the islands and the biodiverse marine life around them.

Rugged hillsides of dry savannah contrast starkly with brilliant white and pink sand beaches. Rolling hills and mangroves in the north give way to craggy mountainous terrain in the centre, while in the south sheer peaks rise into whirls of cloud above bays that few yachts reach.

Highlights at a glance

Dragons on Rinca — a briefing with a park ranger, then the dragons in their natural habitat.

Manta Point — snorkel or dive with the majestic manta rays in plankton-rich current.

Padar — a trek to the top for a scenic view over the surrounding islands.

Karang Makassar — a sandbar surrounded by beautiful turquoise water.

Pink Beach — beach time, kayak, SUP, snorkelling and diving straight off the sand.

Gili Lawa — a hike to the lookout for postcard-perfect views over the bay.

Kalong — sundowners as thousands of flying foxes take to the sky at dusk.

Al fresco dining — lunch and dinner served on deck, under the stars.

When to go

SEASON	CONDITIONS
Apr – Oct	Prime cruising. Dry, settled, best visibility; July and August are busiest.
Nov & Mar	Shoulder season. Quieter anchorages, occasional squalls.
Dec – Feb	Wet season. Green hillsides, more rain and wind.

Mantas are seen year round, with the strongest activity on the larger tidal exchanges around full and new moon.

Diving & snorkelling notes

Komodo is a current destination. The signature sites around Gili Lawa — Castle Rock, Crystal Rock, The Passage and Shotgun — are dived on the tide, and the crew read the day's exchange before setting a plan. In return the park delivers density: schooling fusiliers and trevally, reef sharks, turtles on almost every site.

Getting there

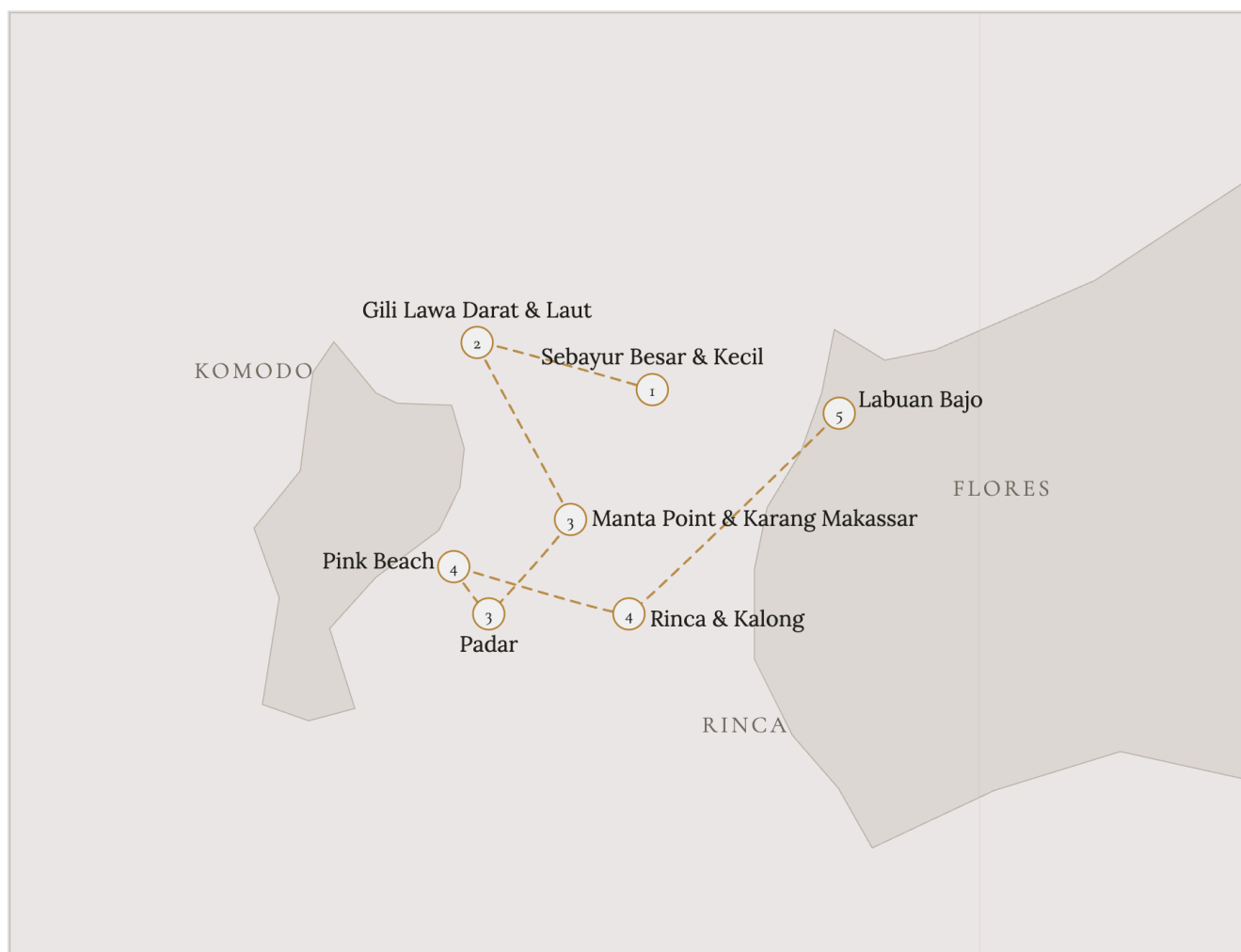
Departure — Denpasar (DPS), Bali
Multiple international and domestic connections per day from North America, Europe and Asia. Check-in from 9am.

Arrival — Labuan Bajo (LBJ), Flores
Direct flights to Bali and Jakarta. Check-out until 11am.

Transfers
Celestia moors at the closest harbour to the airport; transfers are by private vehicle directly to the waiting tenders. Selected airports can accommodate private jets.

Dragons & Manta Rays

The shortest sensible charter for the park, and it misses nothing: Sebayur on the first afternoon, the dive sites of Gili Lawa, the mantas at Karang Makassar, the Padar ridge, and dragons on Rinca before the bats at Kalong.



NUMBERED ANCHORAGES FOLLOW THE DAY-BY-DAY BELOW. COASTLINES FROM NATURAL EARTH.

DAY 1

Sebayur Besar & Sebayur Kecil

Welcome onboard Celestia. We depart Labuan Bajo for Sebayur Besar and Sebayur Kecil. The remainder of the day is reserved for diving or snorkelling the sights surrounding the islands, beach time, and trekking if the tide allows. Return to the boat for a delicious al fresco dinner under the stars.

DAY 2

Gili Lawa Darat & Gili Lawa Laut

Today is dedicated to the islands of Gili Lawa Darat and Gili Lawa Laut. After a hearty breakfast onboard, we head ashore to hike to the lookout for postcard-perfect views over the bay. The rest of the day is yours — relaxing beach time, kayak, SUP, snorkel, or dive at the fantastic sites surrounding the islands. Lunch and dinner are served onboard.



SEBAYUR · GILI LAWA

DAY 3

Manta Point, Karang Makassar & Padar

After breakfast on board, we head out to Manta Point and Karang Makassar. Spend the morning snorkelling or diving with the majestic manta rays, followed by Karang Makassar, a sandbar surrounded by beautiful turquoise water. Lunch is served on board as we sail to Padar Island. This afternoon we stretch our legs as we trek to the top of Padar for a scenic view of the surrounding islands, and afterward there is time to snorkel or dive. Alfresco dinner is served on board.

DAY 4

Pink Beach, Rinca & Kalong

After a relaxing breakfast on the deck, we step ashore on Pink Beach, where there is time to enjoy relaxing beach time, kayak, SUP, snorkel and dive. We return to the boat for lunch on board as we set sail to Rinca Island to view the Komodo dragons. After a short briefing with a park ranger, we see the dragons in their natural habitat. Afterward we return to the boat for dinner and sundowners near Kalong island.



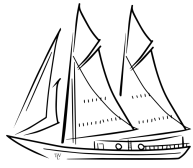
PADAR · PINK BEACH · RINCA

DAY 5

Labuan Bajo · disembarkation

After breakfast onboard, the crew transfer you to the airport for your onward flight.

This is a sample itinerary. The itinerary may be altered based on the weather and sea conditions; your captain and cruise director will always choose the best available anchorage.



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