



EASTERN INDONESIA · CRUISING GROUNDS

Komodo to Bali

11 DAYS & 10 NIGHTS · LABUAN BAJO → BALI

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OF DIVE SITES ALSO SNORKEL-FRIENDLY

THE REGION

Komodo National Park

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Stretching east from Bali lies Lombok, Sumbawa, Moyo and Flores — these isles host a wealth of interesting sights above land. The famed islands of Komodo National Park are known for the endemic Komodo dragons, respected by locals who believe they descend from one born to a dragon princess, centuries ago.

Rolling hills and mangroves in the north give way to craggy mountainous terrain in the central region, while in the south, Horseshoe Bay is about as close as you can get to Jurassic Park with cliffs shrouded in cloud and the force of the Pacific Ocean pounding the coast outside the cove.

With an official count of more than 1,000 types of fish and 260 types of corals, the warm tropical waters of Komodo National Park are one of the most species-rich underwater environments on earth. Surfers can explore the surrounding islands of Lombok, Sumbawa, Sumba and Rote for perfect waves.

Highlights at a glance

Dragons with the rangers — guided walks on Rinca, among monkeys, deer and birdlife.

Padar — a sheltered bay in the shadow of dramatic craggy peaks, and the park's finest view.

Manta Point — a cleaning station where the rays circle you in an underwater ballet.

Gili Lawa Laut — Castle Rock, Shotgun, The Passage and Lighthouse.

Sangeang Api — black sand slopes bubbling with gas beside soft coral bommies.

Satonda — a saltwater crater lake left by Tambora's 1815 eruption, and bats at dusk.

Moyo — a Bajo village, traditional music and dance, and waterfalls in the forested heart.

The Gili Islands — sugar-soft sand and coconut palms, a haven for castaways.

When to go

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

Mantas are seen year round. This route makes several open passages along the north coast of Sumbawa, so settled weather matters more than on a park-only charter.

Getting there

Embark at Labuan Bajo (LBJ)
Komodo Airport, west Flores; direct connections from Bali and Jakarta.

Disembark at Bali (DPS)
Ngurah Rai International, with onward long-haul connections worldwide.

One-way route
Finishing in Bali suits guests connecting to an international flight or extending ashore.

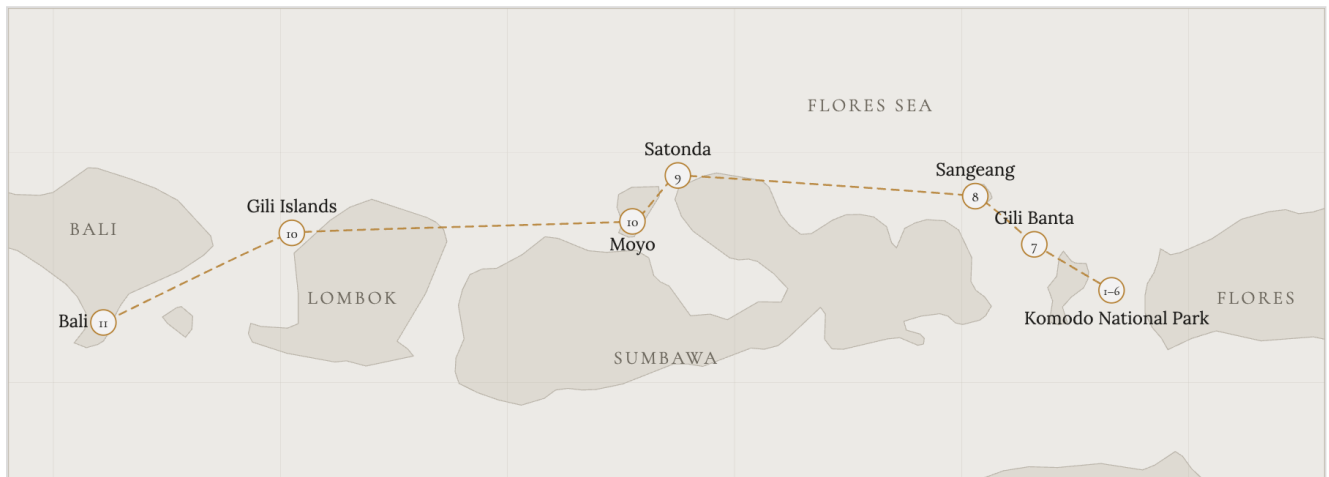
Diving & snorkelling notes

One of the wonderful things about this underwater playground is that around 60 per cent of its dive sites are also suitable for snorkelling, with their shallow, fringing reefs. Inside the park the signature sites are dived on the tide — Castle Rock, Shotgun, The Passage and Lighthouse around Gili Lawa, and the current-swept walls of central Komodo renowned as some of the best coral reefs in Indonesia.

West of the park the register changes. Sangeang Api offers a unique underwater phenomenon, where black sand slopes bubble with escaping gas alongside a rainbow of soft coral bommies, and Moyo and Satonda are edged with flourishing tropical reefs in easy, sheltered water.

Komodo to Bali

Six days inside Komodo National Park — Sebayor, the mantas, Rinca's dragons, Padar and Gili Lawa — then west along the north coast of Sumbawa by Banta, Sangeang, Satonda and Moyo to the Gili Islands and Bali.



DAYS ONE TO SIX ARE SPENT INSIDE KOMODO NATIONAL PARK. COASTLINES FROM NATURAL EARTH.

DAY 1

Labuan Bajo

You will be met at Labuan Bajo airport by the yacht's crew and transferred to the harbour. Once you have settled in onboard, the yacht will depart and cruise into Komodo National Park while you enjoy lunch on deck. If time allows, go snorkelling or take a check dive before you watch the sun go down with a cocktail. Dinner will be served under the stars.

DAY 2

Sebayor

This morning, the yacht will arrive at Sebayor Island. This is a great spot for a relaxing castaway day; at Sebayor Kecil you can dive with black-tip reef sharks, groups of tuna, and green turtles diving from the surface. The afternoon can be spent enjoying watersports in quiet bays or reclining on a deserted sandy beach backed by the Komodo hills, as the day draws to a close with cocktails and dinner with a view over a spectacular sunset.

DAY 3

Manta Point

Today, you will have a chance to visit a Manta cleaning station. Swim surrounded by Manta rays as they circle you in an underwater ballet. This area offers one of the most active underwater landscapes in Komodo with vibrant soft and hard coral gardens home to large numbers of fish. After lunch onboard, spend the afternoon beach combing or cruising mangroves and hidden coves on the tender, or relax onboard in the sunshine.



LABUAN BAJO · SEBAYOR · MANTA POINT

DAY 4

Rinca Island

Lesser known than neighbouring Komodo Island, Rinca is an excellent place to observe Komodo dragons, as well as the monkey population and an array of birdlife. This morning, stroll through the park with a ranger and catch sight of the famed Komodo dragons. This afternoon, submerge at underwater sites in the channel between Komodo and Flores, such as Tatawa Besar and Kecil, relax on a sandy beach flecked with shells or explore nearby coves and try some watersports.

DAY 5

Padar Island

Set between Rinca and Komodo in the central region of the national park lies the picturesque island of Padar. A sheltered bay on the southeast side of the island makes for a beautiful anchorage in the shadow of dramatic craggy peaks. Central Komodo's nutrient-rich waters attract shoals of schooling fish on current swept walls renowned as some of the best coral reefs in Indonesia. This bay is a wonderful spot to try watersports, relax on the beach or take a tender cruise into the mangroves.

DAY 6

Gili Lawa Laut

Today the yacht will anchor on the northwestern edge of Komodo, near the Gili Lawa islands. These two islands are home to Komodo's most famous underwater sites including Castle Rock, Shotgun, The Passage and Lighthouse. Pitch up on a stretch of golden sand between underwater pursuits. A steep trek will reward you with stunning vistas over the surrounding islands.



RINCA ISLAND · PADAR ISLAND · GILI LAWLAUT

DAY 7

Gili Banta

This morning, the yacht will continue west to Gili Banta. This paradisiac island is known for its beautiful beaches and stunning marine life, and today, you can play castaway on this uninhabited isle. A leisurely afternoon here can be spent exploring the island or reclining under an umbrella, or perhaps checking out some of the snorkel and dive sites in the local area.

DAY 8

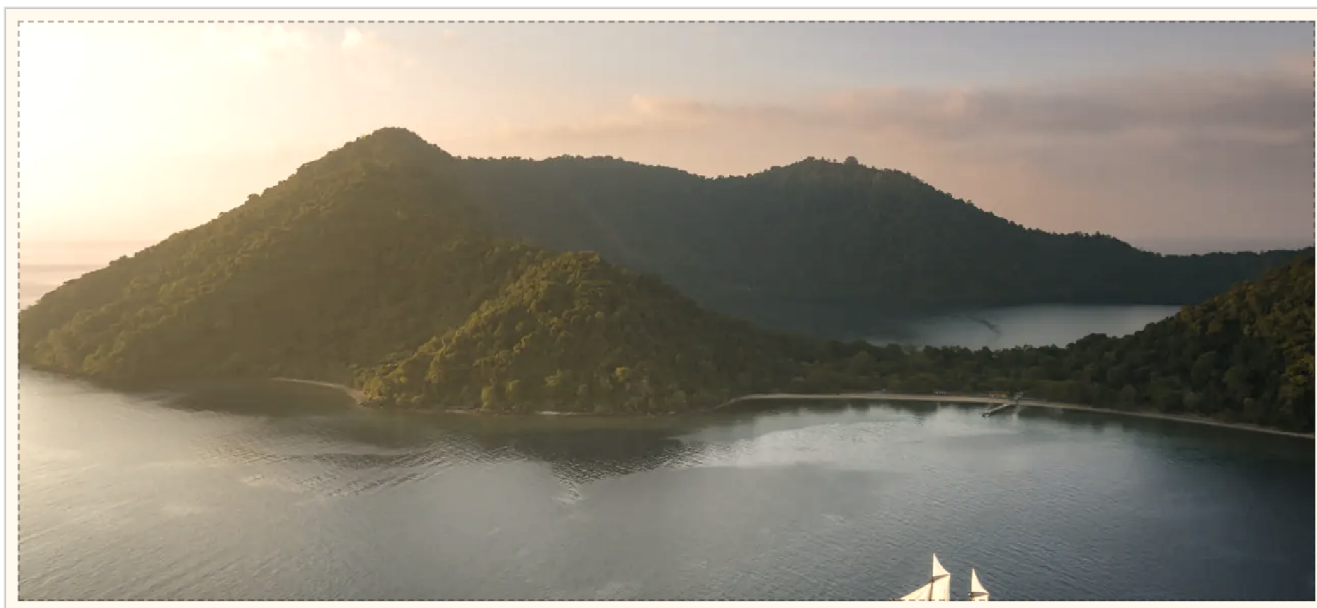
Sangeang

This morning, the active volcano of Sangeang Api, off the coast of Sumbawa, will come into sight. At this spot, a unique underwater phenomenon may be experienced — the black sand slopes bubble with escaping gas alongside a rainbow of soft coral bommies. Head to shore to Wera Village to see how locals build their traditional “phinisi” boats with techniques unchanged for generations.

DAY 9

Satonda

Today, the yacht will continue to Satonda Island. The saltwater crater lake of Satonda was created by the great Mt Tambora volcano that erupted in 1815 — one of the biggest eruptions in history — and a truly magnificent sight. Here, you can swim or try watersports on the mirror still crater lake. At sunset, you'll see thousands of bats flocking into the orange skies on their nightly hunting jaunt.



GILI BANTA · SANGEANG · SATONDA

DAY 10

Moyo & the Gili Islands

This morning, the yacht will arrive at Moyo. Moyo Island is a pristine national park edged with flourishing tropical reefs, with a lush jungle interior home to macaques, wild cattle, wild pigs, barking deer and all manner of bird species. Here, you may visit a village that is home to a Bajo tribe (known as sea gypsies) and witness traditional music and dance performances, or trek to beautiful waterfalls hidden at the island's forested heart. The yacht then cruises on to the Gili Islands — made up of Gili Trawangan, Gili Meno and Gili Air — a haven for castaways, with sugar soft powder sand bordered by coconut palms and crystalline turquoise waters.

DAY 11

Bali · disembarkation

This morning, the yacht will return to Bali. After a final decadent breakfast on deck, your crew will assist you in disembarking the yacht and transfer you back to the airport to catch your flight home.



MOYO · THE GILI ISLANDS · BALI

This is a sample itinerary and can be adjusted to your preferences. Routes may also change on the day due to weather, tide or other conditions; your captain and cruise director will always choose the best available anchorage.



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