SUMATERA ORANGUTAN, ELEPHANT AND LAKE TOBA

The diversity of arts and cultures literally make North Sumatra a Garden of Eden for social scientists and culture seekers. It is a treasure chest of culture and tradition waiting to be explored, with ancient graves of Batak kings, unique dances and ceremonies, and beautiful arts and crafts.

The Province proudly boats of its Orangutan Rehabilitation Center in the Gunung Leuser National Park which is bordered by the fast flowing Bohorok River and some delightful countryside and of course lake Toba.

The Rehabilitation Centre was set up to help orphaned orangutans that had been displaced because of land clearing or rescued from captivity, and teaching them the necessary skills to be able to survive in the wild. Visitors have an opportunity to view the apes twice daily when they come swinging through the trees to collect the bananas and milk left on feeding platforms in the forest, providing visitors with one of the more memorable experiences in Indonesia.

Tangkahan, covers 100 km² area, is a part of the Gunung Leuser National Park, one of the largest National Parks in the World that presenting an incredibly diverse ecosystem. The National Park protects more than 120 different species of mammals and also home to nearly 400 different species of bird.

Brastagi, a tourist town is another lovely town located in the Karo highlands. The town is known for its plantations and various kinds of flower, vegetables and fruit, most famous of which is the “Marqisa” passion fruit. It’s 66 km southwest of Medan and is 4.594 feet above sea level.

Parapat is a small town on the edge of Lake Toba. In Parapat live Batak Toba and Batak Simalungun tribes. They are known for their lively and sentimental love songs. Recreational sports in Parapat are among others swimming, Water skiing, motor boating, canoeing, fishing, and golf at Sally golf course (19 hotels) about 5 km from Parapat. Parapat is 176 from Medan and can be reached in 4 hours by bus. The climate in Parapat is cool, and dry, making Parapat an ideal palace to relax. Many hotels, bungalows, villas, resthousee welcome visitors. Small shops selling souvenirs such as “Ullos” (local woven cloths) and specific fruits local grown.

The island of Samosir is right in the middle of lake Toba, covering area of 239 square miles. This island is the original home of the fiercest but kind hearted Toba Bataks, It can be reached in half an hour by boat from Parapat. Visiting the village of Tomak, Tuk-tuk, Siallagan, Ambarita are recommended for traditional Batak Toba houses, and local dances. This island has many hotels, bungalows and rest houses.
ITINERARY

DAY 01 : MEDAN - TANGKAHAN.
From Medan airport, drive about 4 – 5 hours to Tangkahan. After check in at local lodge, you will trek through the patrolling zone of the park or just enjoy the crystal clear water and waterfall. Observe the nature wealth of this place. Back to the lodge in the afternoon.

DAY 02 : TANGKAHAN – ELEPHANT SAFARI.
Experience riding Sumatra Elephant for about one hour, pass the river and jungle (except on Monday & Thursday, as they are used for patrolling. Then, tubing down the river, walk through palm oil plantation and local village to get the ride by motor cycle or car. You will get young coconut fruits before transferring to your local lodge

DAY 03 : TANGKAHAN – BUKIT LAWANG BY JEEP
Leave Tangkahan for Bukit Lawang by Jeep passing plantation and jungle road, enjoy the panorama and witness the activities of the local people.

DAY 04 : BUKIT LAWANG EASY TREKKING - MEDAN - BRASTAGI
Walking through the bank of the river, crossing the river by traditional canoe then walking up the jungle to see the Orangutan. After feeding the Orangutan, trekking through the Leuser National Park. We will pass through dense jungle, ravines, and river. If we are lucky, we will encounter the park faunas such as the gibbon and the wild orangutan as well as wild orchid. The trekking today will be about 4 hrs. Back to the lodge, then drive back for another 4 hours to Brastagi, a midsize and cool town on the highland of Karo. This town is surrounded by towering mountains, and small Karonese village where the local grows fruits and vegetables. Before we arrive at Brastagi, Stop at Peceren village to observe the traditional Karo Batak houses, visiting local market at Brastagi where locals sell and buy fruits, flowers, and vegetables which are plenty on the vicinity of the town.

DAY 05 : BERASTAGI - PARAPAT - TOBA LAKE
Heading to Parapat, about 6 hours drive, stopping by at Tongging to see Sipiso-piso waterfall (360 feet height). Another stop at Rumah Bolon of Simalungun Batak. Arriving to Parapat early in the afternoon, then cross the Lake Toba to Samosir Island.

DAY 06 : SAMOSIR ISLAND TOUR (B,L)
Have an excursion on Lake Toba by car or ferry boat and visiting several Batak Toba traditional villages: Tomok (to see the old tomb of Sidabutar Kings), Ambarita (the stone chair and table the excution place of Sialagan Kings), Simanindo (Batak Toba traditional dance named “Tor-Tor” and museum.

DAY 07 : SAMOSIR – MEDAN AIRPORT
Cruising back to Parapat and directly drive to Medan Airport
MENTAWAI TRIBE ADVENTURE

One of the world’s most fascinating authentic cultures, the Mentawai live deep in the jungle of the Indonesian island Siberut. The intriguing world of the Mentawai people is characterized by their heavy spirituality, body art and their tendency to sharpen their teeth, a practice they feel makes one beautiful.

The Mentawai islands are located some 130 km to the west of the west coast of central Sumatra, specifically the province of West Sumatra and its provincial capital Padang. To reach this place you have to fly to Padang then go by boat to Mentawai Island.

One of the last truly indigenous cultures left on the planet, the Mentawai people have their own language, culture and religion. They are skilled craftsmen, boat builders, excellent hunters, but they are not good farmers. The only traditional diet is sago, which they extract from sago palm trees. Men wear loin cloth made from the skin of bread fruit tree. Women wear traditional skirts from palm leaves. Both males and females are characterized by the unique tattoos they etch on one another as well as their handmade decorative necklaces.

They still follow age-old customs and live in clans of around 25 people in a long-house called an uma. Their basic nutrition is sago, a kind of tree. They also hunt, fish and love to eat delicious larvae. The medicine men have an important place in their society. They are in contact with the spirits of the dead and have great knowledge of medicinal plants to heal people.

No creature comforts
Please bear in mind that you’ll be visiting the real world of the Mentawai people. There are no additional services for guests and you will live amongst them - as they do. You’ll live, eat and sleep as they do. Guests are advised to bring additionally: Rain Coat, Boots, Mosquito Net, Toilet paper and lightweight travel mattress.
ITINERARY

DAY 01 : PADANG – MUARA SIBERUT
Today we will pick you up from the airport. Boarding at Muara/Bungus Harbor at 6 pm, Overnight on Board (Ferry Boat / Ferry Wooden Boat)

DAY 02 : MUARA SIBERUT – THE NATIVE’S VILLAGE
Early in the morning arriving in Muara Siberut, after getting permit from The Local Government, taking motorized canoe to Rorogot or Madobak, it depend on the water in the river, walking to Sakaleo or to Bat Nusa about 3,5 hours. Overnight at Bat Nusa or Sakaleo at Native’s House.

DAY 03 : EXPLORING THE NATIVE’S ACTIVITIES
After having breakfast exploring the daily activities of Native’s Mentawai Tribe Such as: hunting, fishing, making sago powder (Main food of Mentawaian tribe), when you are lucky, you have chance to see the traditional dances of Mentawai during the Ceremonies in the evening.

DAY 04 : WALKING TO ANOTHER VILLAGE
In the morning free at own pleasure together with the Native’s before leaving To Bat Alemoi by walk about 2,5 hours. Overnight at Native’s House at Bat Alemoi.

DAY 05 : BAT ELEMIO – MUARA SIBERUT
Half day exploring the native’s activities before leaving to Muara Siberut such as: To see how they make Loin Clothes from the Bark of tree, Making tattoos, Bow and Poison arrow, etc. The Ferry depart to Padang in the evening, Overnight on Board.

DAY 06 : ARRIVING IN PADANG
Early in the morning arriving in Padang, transfer to hotel or Airport for your next Destination. Tour end.
Jakarta, Indonesia’s huge capital, sits on the northwest coast of the island of Java. A historic mix of cultures – Javanese, Malay, Chinese, Arab, Indian and European – has influenced its architecture, language and cuisine. The old town, Kota Tua, is home to Dutch colonial buildings, Glodok (Jakarta’s Chinatown) and the old port of Sunda Kelapa, where traditional wooden schooners dock.
I T I N E R A R Y
DAY 1 | AIRPORT - JAKARTA
Arrive at Soekarno-Hatta airport of Jakarta, meeting service and direct transfer to hotel for your accommodation in Jakarta.

DAY 2 | JAKARTA (B, L)
Breakfast at Hotel. Morning drive to Bogor, visit to the world famous Bogor Botanical Gardens and driving through Gunung Mas, Puncak tea plantations with its magnificent views and the cool climate. Lunch provided at Puncak pass restaurant. Afternoon return to hotel. Late afternoon arrive at hotel in Bandung for your accommodation.

DAY 2 | BANDUNG (B, L)
Breakfast at Hotel. Morning tour to visit Tangkuban Perahu crater and ciater hot springs. After lunch proceed to the Angklung (Bamboo musical instrument) workshop at Padasuka village.

DAY 3 | BANDUNG - Next Destination (B)
After breakfast at Hotel, transfer to the airport or to the railway station for onward journey to your next destination.
The name Jogjakarta or Yogy is derived from the Sanskrit “Ayodya”, the capital city of Rama in the Hindu epic, the Ramayana. The city is renowned as a centre of classical Javanese fine art and culture such as batik, ballet, drama, music, poetry, and puppet shows. Because of its proximity to world famous Borobudur and Prambanan temples, also because having unique Javanese court Kraton culture of Kraton Jogjakarta, it has become the second most important tourist destination in Indonesia after Bali.
I T I N E R A R Y

Day 01-03: DENPASAR – IJEN – BROMO – YOGYA

A morning pick-up service will then take you to Gilimanuk for ferry crosses to Ketapang in East Java. Next day is reserved for a 05:00 am trip to Paltuding at the foot of Mount Ijen. Ijen Crater lies at 2,386 meters above sea level on still active volcanoes complex with its spectacular natural view of crater-lake. The trip is recommended for Active Ages only, as the journey to the top is quite challenging. A trip to catch the sunrise and to reach the active Mt. Bromo volcano is our next destination. After this magnificent trip, catch the train to Yogya.

Day 04-05: YOGYA

Your days in Yogya will be filled with interesting trips featuring Sultan’s Royal Palace (Kraton), Bird Market, Taman Sari Water Castle, Batik Home Industry, Kotagede silversmith and leather puppet or Wayang handicraft. The world famous Borobudur Buddhist Temple and the most impressive 9th century Prambanan temple will also discoverable, even a transfer by Andong (horse-drawn carriage) or Becak (three wheeled carriage) to for dinner and to watch the Ramayana Ballet performance.

Day 06: YOGYA – OUT (B)

After breakfast at hotel, we arrange an airport transfer for your flight to next destination.

OUR SERVICE

Pre accommodation on Bali before the overland trip can be organized, as well as post trip accommodation on Yogya in case of an extension stays, air ticket from Yogya to any domestic destinations can be prepared with arrival transfer at the destination.
The area in and around the park is inhabited by the Tenggerese, one of the few significant Hindu communities left on the island of Java, a remnant from the Majapahit era. In the parts of the park which most interest visitors (the caldera and mountain tops) flora and fauna is limited by the general lack of vegetation. At lower elevations and away from the sea of sand, there are though lush green valleys with a typical tropical forest flora.

The higher elevations before the tree line ends are largely clad with casuarina (cemara) forest. This park is not renowned for bird watching as others in Java, but up on the plateau you often see hawks and eagles soaring over the valleys below.
I T I N E R A R Y

Day 01: DENPASAR – SURABAYA – TUMPANG – RANUPANE – KALIMATI (L,D)
The fastest way is to fly from Denpasar to Surabaya in East Java, otherwise it takes 12 hours to drive from Denpasar to Malang. On arrival at Surabaya’s airport, you will be transferred to Tumpang Village, which then continue ride by jeep to Ranupane. From here, we’ll start trekking to Kalimati, through the tropical rain forest of Mount Semeru to Ranu Kumbolo for 3-4 hours, take break and rest for lunch times, then another trekking 3-4 hours to Kalimati Camp, way to reach the Summit of Mount Semeru. On arrival, guide team will prepare your dinner while you relax and enjoy the surrounding’s view. Overnight in tent at Kalimati Camp.

Day 02: SUMMIT MT. SEMERU – KALIMATI – RANU KUMBOLO(B,L,D)
Early morning wake up! We climb to the summit of Mount Semeru (3,676 m). Reach the crater’s rim in 2.5 hours walking, watch sunrise if arrive early. Taking photograph and some rest then descend down base camp for breakfast. Trekking back to Ranukumbolo, where lunch and dinner will be prepared. Overnight in tent at Ranukumbolo.

Day 03: RANU KUMBOLO – RANUPANE – BROMO (B)
After breakfast, trek back to Ranupane village via different route using Mount Ayek-ayek, takes 2-3 hours. After, jeep ride to Cemorolawang in Bromo area. Overnight at hotel in the area.

Day 04: BROMO SUNRISE TRIP – SURABAYA – DENPASAR (B)
At 4am the 4WD will bring us to the world’s most famous view point at Mt. Pananjakan (2,750 m) on the rim of the Tengger caldera to enjoy the sunrise breaking over the volcano cones including Mt. Bromo and an active Mt. Semeru in the back ground. The views are breathtaking. We continue across the sand sea to the active Mt. Bromo volcano and climb the 2245 steps to visit the crater (2,500 m). The 4WD will bring us back to the lodge for breakfast. After a break, drive to Surabaya’s airport for your afternoon flight to Denpasar – Bali.

OUR SERVICE
For your convenient, we provide as well accommodation on Bali/Surabaya for your pre and post this trip, air ticket Denpasar-Surabaya-Denpasar, airport transfer for your international arrival and departure, as well as tours around Bali/Surabaya.
Bali

Bali is an Indonesian island known for its forested volcanic mountains, iconic rice paddies, beaches and coral reefs. The island is home to religious sites such as cliffside Uluwatu Temple. To the south, the beachside city of Kuta has lively bars, while Seminyak, Sanur and Nusa Dua are popular resort towns. The island is also known for its yoga and meditation retreats.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL DENPASAR - UBUD
Upon arrival at the airport of Bali, you will be met and transferred to your hotel in UBUD where you will spend your 6 nights’ accommodation. For those who have already staying in Bali, you will be picked up from your respective hotel for transfer to Ubud.

DAY 2 | UBUD, at Leisure (B)
Breakfast at hotel. A full day free at leisure for exploring this attractive town with its numerous places of interest. Organized optional sightseeing can be arranged locally.

DAY 3 | UBUD, White - Water - Rafting (B, L)
Breakfast at hotel. Pick-up time at 08.30 hours. We take you to a breathtaking 2 hours journey, 13 kilometers long in the famous AYUNG RIVER. You will paddle over 25 rapids; pass numerous waterfalls, fern laden canyon, sleepy grottos, through narrow gorges and swift moving torrent. During the voyage you will see nature run wild; untouched tropical rain forest greets you on every side; and iridescent Kingfishers swoop through vine hung gorges, as one moment you are floating through shaded pools and the next moment you are sent, swirling through bolder strewn rapids. At all times the rafting is fun, the scenery is ever changing, like the river itself. We provide ‘River-dry’ bags for your camera and an extensive US$ 25,000 medical insurance cover. To finish the trip, an excellent buffet lunch is served in our award winning BALI GARDEN Restaurant located on the bank of the Ayung River. Freshen up in our changing room and showers facilities before our air-conditioned vehicles takes you back to your hotel in Ubud.
DAY 4 | UBUD, Mountain Cycling (B, L)
Breakfast at hotel. Pick-up time at 08.30 hours. The mountain cycling ‘BATUR TRAIL’ was discovered by SOBEK in 1990, descend from the lip of one of Bali’s most famous volcano. Using new aluminum “Montana Lightweight” mountain bikes, we cycle down from 5,000 feet, an interesting and essential part of the Bali Cycling program. We cycle through spectacular mountain scenery, areas of dense tropical rain forest with its isolated hamlets, and past bamboo plantations. A selection of comfortable, extremely well maintained bicycles are available and we provide mountain bike helmets and gloves, as well as USD 25,000 medical insurance cover. The trip begins with a “Brunch’ on the 14 km wide caldera of Batur. Airconditioned support vehicles with cool drinks and cold towels are never far away. We finish our journey back in Ubud and an excellent lunch will be served before returning back to your hotel to do your own activities at hotel.

DAY 5 | UBUD, at Leisure (B)
Breakfast at hotel. Today is a relax day. Free at leisure.

DAY 6 | UBUD, Mountain Trekking (B, L)
Early breakfast at hotel. The tour begins at 06.30 a.m. Deep in the heart of Bali lies dense untouched tropical rain forest. SOBEK’s Mountain Trekking Tour enables you to truly experience the sights and sounds of the incredibly diverse ecosystem that lies beneath the primeval canopy of the jungle. We transfer you to one of Bali’s still active volcano and our mountain guide lead you on an unforgettable experience through real jungle flora - the home of monkeys, wild boar, deer and Bali’s magnificent bird life. Unique sights are regular as the skill of our guides enable you to go to an area which is only accessible with their insight and knowledge. We rest in the dense forest, and an excellent lunch is provided at the end of the trek before you are transported back by air-conditioned vehicles to your hotel in Ubud.

DAY 7 | UBUD - Kuta/Sanur/Nusa Dua/Airport (B)
Breakfast at hotel. Today you will be transferred back to your hotel in Kuta/ Sanur/Nusa Dua if you intend to stay longer in Bali, or to the airport for your onward flight departure.
The circular island of Lombok is only slightly smaller than its more illustrious neighbor Bali. However, although there has been a tendency to view Lombok as “Bali twenty years ago”, there are in fact major differences between the two islands embracing geography, climate, culture and religion. Although there are a number of first class hotels along the beaches, away from these tourist areas, Lombok is still traditional and foreigners a novelty, and for the time being it remains a relatively quiet alternative. So... what Lombok does have to offer is a unique culture, a beautiful landscape, the magnificent Mt. Rinjani, peaceful Gili Islands and tranquility.
ITINERARY

Day 01-04: THE BALI ROUNDTRIP PROGRAM
On your arrival at Bali’s airport, you will directly start with a marvelous roundtrip of Bali Island. A night in Ubud is supported by visiting Bali Bird Park, Celuk silverworks, Mas woodcarvings, rice terraces and handicrafts area, until Sebatu holy-springs temple. The way to Lovina on the north-coast of Bali offers the famous Balinese rice belt around Jatiluwih with a stop at Mengwi Royal Temple from 1634. Bedugul with its serene lake of Bratan with Uludanu temple is in the program as well. Your day from Lovina to Candidasa will be made through Kintamani for the magnificent view of Mt. Batur with Lake Batur, shimmers like a sheet of blue glass. Klungkung for the hall of justice of Kertagosa, then visit Besakih temple, almost 1’000 m above sea level with 30 temples on 7 levels of terraces in the mountainside.

Day 04-06: THE GILI ISLANDS
The fast boat brings you to the neighboring island of Gili, just north part of Lombok. The islands are very relaxed and laid-back, with countless little beachside cafes, restaurants and bars serving a variety of tastes in local and international cuisine. Best of all, there are no cars or motorbikes to disturb the peace.

Day 06-10: THE LOMBOK ISLAND
Move on to the main island of Lombok, where you will be accommodated at famous Senggigi Beach or at your preferred area. Interesting sightseeing to Sasak villages with its traditional hyperbolic-shaped thatched huts can be arranged, or for active people, there is an opportunity to have a trip to the magnificent volcano Mt. Rinjani, which is dominated the island, rises to 3’726 m, making it the highest peak in Indonesia, with its Segara Anak Lake, a volcano in the middle gives you wonderful life time memory. Fishing in the lake or bathing in hot spring water is the main activity.

OUR SERVICE
Pre accommodation on Bali before the roundtrip can be organized, air ticket Mataram-Denpasar can be booked if you intend to return to Bali after Lombok, as well as post trip accommodation on Bali with departure airport transfer.
The islands of the Komodo Dragon: Rinca & Komodo Islands are part of the complex of 175 islands, situated about 1 hour 40 minutes flight from Denpasar, the capital city of Bali Island, to Labuan Bajo, a port town at the western tip of Flores. The city is not only a place for catching the boat to Rinca and Komodo Islands, but its stretch along nice beach for offshore snorkeling with good accommodation, excellent restaurants, interesting local market and offers good views over the bay at sunset. There are several options for you to explore Rinca and Komodo Islands, where you may just visit it in a full day excursion, or spend an adventurous night on the boat.

Our most recommended trip is 3 Days 2 Nights, as this will lead you to a complete experience of trekking trail on Komodo lizard habitats at Komodo Island, and wildlife tour on Rinca Island by trekking through the island with morning or afternoon snorkeling in between.
I T I N E R A R Y

Day 1: DENPASAR – LABUAN BAJO – RINCA (L,D)
Morning pick-up service at your hotel in South Bali for a transfer to airport. The morning flight will then take you to Labuan Bajo. Upon arrival, meeting service and transfer to local restaurant for lunch. Proceed to harbor to get on-board a local boat to Rinca Island. Afternoon short trek in Rinca to trace the dragons and wildlife is the main program of the day. Sail to Kalong Island, stay overnight on-board the boat. Dinner will be served by the boat crew.

Day 2: RINCA – KOMODO – LABUAN BAJO (B,L)
Early in the morning set sail to Komodo passing narrow straits with strong currents. Arrive in Komodo follow the trail to reach Banunggulung the former feeding ground to watch the Komodo Dragons. It is about two km one way walking. There is Komodo Nature Park Museum, take your chance to have a look. About mid day return to Labuan Bajo, en route stop at Pantai Merah - the pink colored sand beach - with beautiful coral garden, good for swimming and snorkeling. Lunch on board. On arrival, transfer to hotel of your choice.

Day 3: LABUAN BAJO – DENPASAR (B)
Morning free program. En route to the airport take a short visit Batu Cermin - the cave with stalactite and stalagmites. Flight to Denpasar – Bali, where on arrival, the transport will take you to your hotel in South Bali.

OUR SERVICE
For your convenient, we provide as well accommodation on Bali for your pre and post Komodo trip, air ticket Denpasar-Labuan Bajo-Denpasar, airport transfer for your international arrival and departure, as well as tours around Bali.
The water of Komodo is very ideal place for many kinds of sea activities. A lot of our visitors enjoy very much the underwater side of Komodo. It’s just like the missing paradise for the underwater world lover. It has many excellent dive spots. In the sea its vibrant color and exotic life will enchant divers and snorkelers alike as endless schools of fish ride the water ways rushing up from deep sea vents, below them the seabed is covered with a thick carpet of florescent corals and marine invertebrates – an underwater photographer’s paradise.

The corals in Komodo National park are pristine, with Mantas, sharks, turtles, dolphins, dugong, many pelagic, to the tiny pygmy seahorses, nudibranch, frog fish, you name it we’ve got it. The sites vary from gentle easy coral slopes to heart pounding adrenalin rides, from the warm waters of the Flores sea in the north to the chillier water down south in the Indian Ocean, the underwater terrain is so varied with sheer cliff walls, pinnacles, sandy flat bottoms, underwater plateaus, slopes, caves, swim-throughs, channels, all with varying colors, sizes and types of coral both hard and soft.
Located east of Bali, could be reached by 2 hours flight, where you will be landed at Maumere, and start your adventure in this one of the most beautiful islands in the Lesser Sundas. Mountainous, with steep-sided valleys cut through by fast-flowing rivers, dense forest and open savanna landscapes. Much of the art of the Lesser Sundas is based upon maintaining balance between opposites: between male and female, old and young, living and dead, white and black. This concern of harmony is reflected in the cult altars of Bajawa where ngadhu represent the male ancestors of the clan, and bhaga the female ancestors.
I T I N E R A R Y

Day 01 - 03: DENPASAR – MAUMERE – MONI – ENDE
A transfer to the airport in Bali for your flight to Maumere. Stay overnight, where the second day is reserved for a beautiful tour through the mountains of Flores. The village of Sikka, offers local ikat motifs decorated, Portuguese church from 1899, beautiful white sandy beach, named Paga, then Wolowaru a place for organic cashew nut at the eastern part of Flores. An early start to Kelimutu volcano; you might have a chance to see a spectacular sunrise. It is a mysterious place with its three lakes constantly changing color. Moni is our next destination, the walk goes downhill and you will walk through the different traditional weaving villages of Flores. After, Lio village Wologai is one of the few villages in the Ende district with well-maintained houses built in the traditional architectural style.

Day 04 - 06: ENDE – BAJAWA – RUTENG – LABUAN BAJO
You drive through a beautiful valley towards Bajawa. On the way stop by at an astonishing view over the coral islands. Next is Soa, a village famous for its natural thermal springs. Late afternoon arrive in Bajawa, a little town, situated about 1200 meters above sea-level. There are numerous traditional villages around, it’s like the place is forgotten by time. The hilly landscape, dotted by bamboo-forest, offers some stunning viewpoints over the south coast. Learn about the habits and customs of the Ngada people. The route from Bajawa to Ruteng promises a beautiful ride on Flores. On the way to Ruteng, you will certainly notice the impressive Lingko fields of Flores.

Day 07-09: KOMODO – DENPASAR
The last 3 days is reserved for your trip to the islands of the Komodo Dragon: Rinca & Komodo Islands. The trip will lead you to a complete experience of trekking trail on Komodo lizard habitats at Komodo Island, and wildlife tour on Rinca Island by trekking through the island with morning or afternoon snorkeling in between. Flight back to Bali, then transfer to your hotel will be the end of your magnificent trip at the land of ancient ancestors.

OUR SERVICE
For your convenient, we provide as well accommodation on Bali for your pre and post Flores trip, air ticket Denpasar-Maumere and Labuan Bajo-Denpasar, airport transfer for your international arrival and departure, as well as tours around Bali.
You will explore the quite and placid river on traditional boat to visit the TANJUNG PUTTING NATIONAL PARK where you can trekking around in searching for ORANGUTANS as well as other endemic species of Kalimantan and other exotic fauna and flora. You will also watch the ex-captive for orangutans reintroduced to their natural habitat. Many of the orangutans which have already successfully rehabilitated still come to the rehabilitation center at CAMP LEAKY station to visit the rangers and to interact with the new coming orangutans. Sometimes we can also encounter the wild orangutans during easy trekking around the Camp Leaky while is also a research center area.
In the afternoon, while boating slowly on the quite river you can take pictures of the other endemic monkeys of Kalimantan: PROBOSICIS “Pinocchio” MONKEYS, birds and other wildlife playing in the trees before they overnight along the riverside.

For overnight, we will stay on traditional wooden boat for the whole night to make the cost more effective. Overnight on boat also provides better opportunity to see crocodile, birds, monkeys and other animals in the trees at the riverside. In the morning you will be waked up by the morning dew and “the concert of tropical rain forest creatures”. A healthy meals is prepared by our cooks on Indonesian cuisine. You can sleep on it or inside the boat separated with the guides and the boat crews. Clean mattresses, pillows, mosquito net and a simple toilet are available on board. There is also a riverside lodge across the river near Tanjung Harapan. This place allows you to have a nice sleep and good wash for the whole days. The river side has a very nice surrounding with the forest background, a lot of faunas to see and observe too. You will get additional charge based on the type of the accommodation you choose in the lodge.

**ITINERARY**

**DAY 01 PANGKALAN BUN AIRPORT – KUMAI – TANJUNG PUTTING NATIONAL PARK**
Arriving Pangkalan Bun Airport picked and short drive to Kumai to board on the boat and exploring the river to Tanjung Putting National Park with your guide team. In the peaceful afternoon we will slowly explore the quite river by the klotok while observe the monkeys along the riverside. Dinner and overnight on the boat or lodge.

**DAY 02 ORANGUTAN EXPLORATION**
Travel up river to about 2 hours boating and then up a side creek to Camp Leaky where the older orangutans are the new ex-captive orangutans. At Camp Leaky you will have opportunity to trek into the rain forest with your expert guide and the forestry rangers to appreciate the flora as well as perhaps sighting wild orangutans, gibbons, macaques, and birds. Lunch provided on boat. Afternoon visit the feeding station to see rehabilitate orangutans are given additional foods. Meals and overnight served on the boat.

**DAY 03 TANJUNG PUTTING NATIONAL PARK – PANGKALAN BUN AIRPORT**
After breakfast boating to Kumai before transfer by car to Pangkalan Bun airport for your next destination.
The main highlight of this tour is the visit to the highland of Toraja, the home of the Torajan. This is considered as closely related to the Minangkabau of west Sumatra and the Batak’s of north Sumatra. This very close relation can be seen in their clan houses.

However, the Torajas have more interesting culture than its close ‘brother’. It’s their way of dealing with the dead people. The Minangkabau and the Batak’s both have their dead person buried on earth. The Torajan has their adult dead person to be preserved before conducting a funeral ceremony to its last place in the cave, or hole on a hill, or even carved large stone, while for the baby, they have it buried in a hollow of a tree both natural hollow or man made.

During our trip, we will visit the site of funeral of the Torajan. A cave like funeral and occasionally the baby funeral in a hollow of a tree. Moreover, the attraction in Sulawesi is much more than its funeral site. The landscape is so fascinating, terraced rice field, mountainous area, beautiful villages, friendly peoples, and much more.

Torajan are famous of their very unique funeral ceremony. Not every family could perform such kind of ceremony as this ceremony will involve a huge number of people, large amount of money, and sacrificing a large number of Tedong “buffalo” for sacrificial. This sacrificial is supposed to accompany the soul of the dead person on his/her afterlife living. Now the member of the family is preparing such great number of traditional houses to welcome their guests. This house is justly set up occasionally, and for the guest only.

The traditional Torajan usually placed the dead family member at home or at any certain place instead of putting them in the grave before a funeral ceremony is held. It’s believed among them, a dead person need some “logistics” to live in the afterlife living. Therefore, they need the ceremony before leaving. The died body will be sent to the graveyard after the funeral ceremony. In the past, Torajan were well known as “having the ability” to wake up a corpse. The died person used to be waked up again and ordered to walk to its everlasting place. But, now, no more. A corpse is now need the help from the living peoples...!

The ceremony can take time at any time when the family member has enough money to perform the ceremony. So if you determine to take this trip, who knows that we will be of a lucky one to see the funeral ceremony. If we are there, sometimes the family will share us the flesh of the killed buffalo as the flesh need to be shared to all peoples who attend the ceremony.
ITINERARY

DAY 01 : ARRIVAL MAKASSAR - TORAJA HIGHLAND
Upon arrival Hasanuddin air port, pick up service by our guide and transfer in to Toraja highland. The drive will be a journey trough the picturesque landscape of south Sulawesi landscape. Lunch en route at Barru beach. Personal dinner at Rantepao. Rantepao is the entrance gate entering the many tourist objects in the area. It’s a cool city approximately 800 m above sea level. Stay overnight at hotel in Toraja (L)

DAY 02 : RANTEPAO, TORAJA TOUR
After breakfast at hotel, we will conduct a visit to the royal family tombs at Suaya, the cliff side stone grave with wooden effigies “tau - tau “ on the balcony at Lemo, the baby’s graves in the huge tree at Kambira. This way of tombs making is the only one in the archipelago, the Torajan do not bury their corps on earth, but on the stone hole, cave or alike. Before the died body placed in such place, it has to be put in the Tongkonan (the clan house) as they believe that, the died person would not leaving them as long as the body is still at home. Lunch will be served at a local restaurant with ricefield side view. After lunch, the next interesting place to visit are Londa, the natural cave grave, and Kete Kesu, traditional wooden carving village and hanging grave. Stay overnight at hotel in Toraja (B,L)

DAY 03 : RANTEPAO, TORAJA TOUR
Visiting Palawa, a village with the beautiful scenery of the Toraja family houses ‘Tongkonan’, and a number of buffalo’s horns decorated to the front of their houses, Sa’ dan To’Barana, the traditional cotton weaving village, Batutumonga, the highland area And the beautiful landscape of 1355 meters high, which has temperature 17o C in the daytime and lunch will be served in here, Lo’ko mata, the graves on the rocky slope, Which mean, the hole of the grave seems like an eye. And then trekking from Pana to Tikala, more fascinating spot that can be seen along the way. Stay overnight at hotel in Toraja (B,L)

DAY 04 : RANTEPAO - MAKASSAR - AIRPORT
Drive back to Makassar for another 8 hrs. Then catch the flight to Jakarta in the afternoon. (B)
North Sulawesi has a lot to offer. The full spectrum of scuba diving activities is available in North Sulawesi. The diving ranges from the magnificent coral gardens of Bunaken Marine Park and Bangka Strait to the walls of fishes and underwater volcanoes of the Sangihe Islands to the unusual and rarely seen critters of Lembeh Strait.

Land-based activities focus on rain forest hiking in Tangkoko Nature Reserve (home to the largest concentration of black crested macaques and the world’s smallest primate, the tarsius spectrum) and Dumoga Bone National Park (home to the fabled babirusa pig deer), along with viewing scenic waterfalls, volcano climbing and river rafting.

Exploring the Tomohon/Tondano highlands area, rice paddies, coconut plantations and flower gardens rounds out the activities. Not to mentioned, it’s a paradise for bird watching. Such as Maleo, matinan flycatcher, white-tipped monarch, talibau masked-owl, sulawesi red-knobbed hornbill.

This capital city of North Sulawesi is Manado, has 18 km coastline and also surrounded by hills and mountains with several towering active volcanoes.

Challenge volcanoes trekking, white water rafting, rock climbing are those activities you can do whilst you are in Minahasa region. If you simply want to have relaxing days and close to the nature, spend time in Tomohon and Tondano area is worth the visit. Those are town in Minahasa highland with colder weather and fresh air. Those are not such touristy area but good standard accommodation available.
ITINERARY

DAY 01: ARRIVAL – MANADO
Upon arrival at Sam Ratulangi Airport, meeting service with your guide and transfer to hotel. Rest overnight.

DAY 02: FULL DAY DIVING BUNAKEN ISLAND (B,L)
In the morning after breakfast, transfer you to marina harbor to be on board to Bunaken National park. 2 day dive with scuba diving instructor. Lunch on board. Return to downtown on the afternoon. Transfer to the hotel.

DAY 03: MINAHASA HIGHLAND TOUR (B,L)
You’ll be picked up by your guide and drive to Tomohon, highland area. We first will visit Woloan, traditional Minahasa houses making. It’s not a souvenir or art market place but house to live in. Which has become famous for its industry in traditional knock-down. Then we continue to Tondano, Minahasa regency. It’s a small old town where you can enjoy the stunning rice terrace view with traditional horse cart. Lunch at local restaurant in Lake Tondano. The restaurant is a stilt house in the water. After lunch we drive to Linau Lake, a changing-color sulphur lake with rich thermal activity of fumaroles, sulphur steam, sulphur muds, typical smell of ‘rotten eggs’, burbling but cool water and beautiful surrounding scenery. Return to Manado city. Rest overnight.

DAY 04: DEPARTURE (B)
Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to the Airport for flight to your next destination
PA P U A
THE JOURNEYS
TO THE STONE AGE

BALIEM VALLEY
A spectacular valley which an ideal location for innovative trek that follows trails through the jungle and mountain environs of the Dani, Yali and Lani People. The Baliem Highlands is centered on the Grand Valley some 1,600 meters above sea level. Temperatures of the highland are ranged from 26 degrees Celsius at the daytime and 12 degrees at night. The Valley is 60 kilometers long and 15 kilometers wide and is surrounded on all sides by mountain peaks rising to between 2,500 and 3,000 meters. Our propose program allows you to experience trekking to deeper side of Dani’s communities at the southern part of the magnificent valley, to encounter people who are living in so-called STONES AGE as they are almost naked people, as well as to experience their ancient way of love.

The trekking itself is considered moderate to challenging grade as well trek up and down the hills, cross rivers and thru its slippery banks. To reach the Baliem Valley, we need to fly to Jayapura, the capital of Papua where another 45 minutes flight takes you to Wamena Regency, the entry point of the Papua’s Central Highland.

BALIEM VALLEY FESTIVAL
The main point of interest of the festival will be massive tribal attraction involving all natives group living in the surrounding area of the giant valley. All tribes group will deliver their envoy to attend the festival while bringing all tribes attributes, kotekas, art and craft. By attending the massive festival, you will have a grat chance to know and learn the culture of each attending tribes without having to make the visit to their compounds deep in the hinterland of West Papua.

ASMAT TRIBE
We will start our adventure by motorized via flamingo bay of Asmat region. You will allow to learn the way of life of the Asmat tribes, which lives in the swampy coastal area and is not possible to reach by foot. The main way of mobilization is by canoe. The houses are built on stilts. They become famous not only through their head-hunting practices in the past, but also because of their unique ideas and wonderful designs in woodcarving which is considered one among the world’s finest. To the Asmat, woodcarving was inextricably connected with the spirit world, and therefore, the carving cannot just be principally considered aesthetic objects. Much of the highly original art of the Asmat is symbolic of warfare, headhunting, and warrior-ancestor veneration. Their international world class carvings have been known by many collectors, museums, and also one the best primitive designs in the world. The Asmat on sago, their staple, as well as mussels, snails, and fat insect larvae collected from decaying stumps of sago palms.

These last are eaten to the accompaniment of throbbing drums and ritual dances; larvae feast can sometimes last up to two weeks. Main activities: visit Asmat Museum, see how the local people process the main food (SAGO) by local canoe going rivers and see how they catch the fishes and shrimps, enjoy the Asmat activities such as the ritual songs with the drumming, canoe racing.
KOROWAI – KOMBAI TRIBES

The korowai are direct neighbours of Asmat. Their habitat is limited by two large rivers and the mountains in the north. We will start our experience into the Korowai or Kombai tribe through the dense tropical rainforest. We will trek through the swampy low land, crossing the rivers by paddle local canoe or walk over the fallen tree serves as a brigade is small river. Everyday we walk 6 - 7 hours approx, with local people support cary our bags, food and other camping equipment to find and meet Korowai or Kombai who build their house on the top of the trees (9 – 25 m above the ground). Korowai and Kombai always move from one place to another in order to be close to the foods and hunted animals provides by nature. Both Korowai and Kombai and hunter and gatherer who move and build a new tree house once every 3 years.

Sago grub feast is the main ritual ceremony in Korowai and Kombai tribe to re-new their world and relation with God/Spirit and among their own people in the clans or groups. We will arrange our visit to the place where the feast will serve a lot of foods including the most delicacy “Sogo Grub” to the invited guests and every one will put on their best wear and dancing.

We will joining the local people daily life activities (e.g. Gathering foods / sago, fishing, hunting, or put on the trap for animal like pig or birds) or sometimes watch people build a new tree house.
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I would like to say a big thank you to you and all your staff for the organization and effort that was put into organizing our expedition professional and friendly. I appreciated having Mambung, Heru and Chandra.

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The group had a wonderful experience, it was definitely a challenge, but also the addition of visiting temples and museums made it culturally rich, a well rounded pleasurable learning experience.

Overall the students thoroughly enjoyed their Java experience!

Kind regards,
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