

## Komodo's Underwater Wonders

ADELAAR runs regular fixed departure cruises from Bali to Komodo and back all year round. Divers from around the globe join our signature 11 day 10 night intimate trips, to experience the spectacular dive sites in and around Komodo National Park.

Whether a novice or seasoned diver, our guides will take you to explore these renowned world class dive sites. Between dives, relax and soak up the stunning imagery of wild Indonesia. Our journey begins in Bali, and as we set sail along the string of sleepy islands through to Komodo, you'll notice life is so much better at sea. All this is done in comfort & style aboard our luxurious Komodo Liveaboard. Our schooner comfortably accommodates up to eight guests, in four exquisite cabins.

## Trip itinerary

#### Day 1 Monday

Our meeting point will be at the wooden jetty in front of the Dolphin Lodge in Serangan Harbor at 8:00AM, where the crew will be waiting to transport you to the Adelaar. Once onboard, there will be a 'ships briefing' to acquaint you with shipboard living and to discuss safety issues. We set off from Serangan Harbor and go along the coastline of Bali, cruising overnight to Satonda Island. You can spend the day getting settled into your stateroom, or just relaxing on deck. We hope for a magnificent sunset over Bali's majestic Mt Agung.

#### Day 2 Tuesday

Arise at your leisure for coffee on deck while your breakfast is being cooked-to -order. Arrival in Satonda will be late morning with two dives scheduled today along a sloping reef. The white sandy bottom with many coral outcroppings offers plenty of interesting things to see. Satonda is an old volcanic island, with a salt water lake that fills the crater. The local Ranger tells of how a huge tsunami



filled the crater after the violent eruption of Mount Tambora, on Sumbawa, in 1814. Take time to visit the caldera, which is a short hike from the beach. Don't miss a chance to cast your wish at the wishing trees along the lakes edge! At sunset we depart and cruise through the night toward the Komodo National Park.



Day 3 Wednesday

We are up early today for a glimpse of the sunrise as we arrive early at Gili Lawa Laut, in the northern area of Komodo National Park. The park is located in the region known as Wallacea, denoting the overlapping of Australian and Asian biogeographical areas. This overlapping ensures an interesting mix of bird species. There is a splendid assortment of dive sites just outside this picturesque bay. Typically in the north we have larger schools of fish, good visibility and some current. Between dives, you may want to take the opportunity to hike to the top of the hill, where you will be able to catch a glimpse of the magnificent panorama of the entire Komodo Archipelago. We anchor in a quiet bay for the night.

#### Day 4 Thursday

Dragons wait for no man! We have an early start today at 7:00AM to meet our park ranger for a guided hike into the interior of Komodo Island, where we hope for sightings of prehistoric Komodo dragons. This World Heritage site, the only place on earth that these

\* Please note that this is a sample itinerary. The actual trip itinerary will vary depending on wind and sea conditions, group preferences and the diving experience level of the group. Our dive instructor, together with the captain, will have the final say on the itinerary.

## Trip highlights







Dive at the base of an active volcano



Swim with a manta ray or two

giant monitor lizards can be found, was recently designated as one of the 7 Wonders of the World. Once back onboard, a scrumptious lunch will be served on deck. Enjoy the beautiful ocean views as we head towards south Komodo. We will make a stop along the coast for diving, then continue on to Lehok Sera for a dusk dive to search for the elusive mandarin fish. We anchor for the night in this quiet and picturesque bay. Weather permitting, dinner will be served topside.



#### Day 5 Friday

We leave early morning for Langkoi, also known as Manta Alley, on Komodo's south coast. We are on a manta quest today, and we have planned two dives here where we hope to see these magnificent animals gracefully feeding. This area typically has much cooler temperatures with nutrient rich waters, and lower visibility. After our dives, we enjoy lunch as the boat moves to southern Rinca to an area known as Nusa Kode. With the towering cliff walls surrounding all



sides, the landscape in this remote area, is breathtaking. Our third dive today will be our first macro dive of the trip. Between dives, we board the dinghy and head towards shore to get up close to the resident dragon population. Weighing up to 350 pounds and with a total length of over 10 feet, these fearsome hunters can charge swiftly to bring down a variety of prey, some as big as a water buffalo. After the sun sets, we prepare for a night dive, and a late dinner.

#### Day 6 Saturday

Mornings and evenings in Nusa Kode are a time where you can spot dragons wandering along the beach foraging for food. Monkeys, deer and hunting sea eagles are also known to make an appearance. There are two dives planned for this area, one of which will be the famous 'macro temple" of Cannibal Rock. Depending on the season, almost everything you can find in a critter book has been sighted here. During lunch we journey back up north for diving in Padar, where water temperatures start to get warmer and visibility gets a bit better. Later in the afternoon we go ashore for a hike across the island for a spectacular view of the sunset, and enjoy a sundowner. We overnight here in a quiet bay. There is a possibility for a night dive (for those who abstained from the sundowner!)

#### Day 7 Sunday

We leave Padar in the early morning to enter an area known as 'current city' for our diving day. Here there is generally better visibility and larger schools of fish. In the late afternoon, we make our way north. At Wainilu, you can go ashore for a short walk up a small hill for a nice view of Rinca and the surrounding islands. We anchor for the night and prepare for a night dive in Wainilu.

#### Day 8 Monday

We've saved the best for last! We spend the morning diving around the northern most boundary of the Park off the uninhabited islands of Gili Lawa Laut and Gili Lawa Darat. In late afternoon we say goodbye to Komodo National Park and start our journey back westward. We anchor for the night in Banta Island and plan for our last night dive of the cruise. Looking westward, towards Sangeang's active volcano, we typically have some of the best sunsets of the trip!



#### Day 9 Tuesday

We depart very early morning for the volcanic island of Sangeang, whose most recent eruption was in 2014. As we approach, you can see lava steaming as it flows from the crater edge towards the sea. The black sandy bottom makes for spectacular diving. In places, gaseous sulfur bubbles up from the ground, creating an underwater jacuzzi! At the end of our diving day, we put up all the sails as we head further west towards Bali. We will travel through the night.

### Route Map

#### Day 10 Wednesday

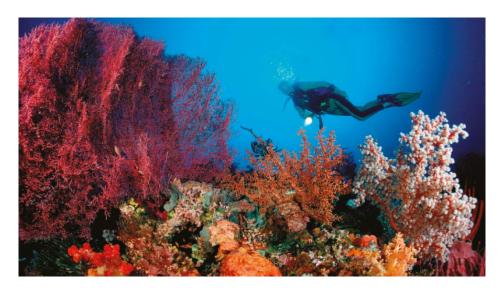
We arrive at Moyo Island early this morning. Our final two dives will be along the fringing reef outside the main village. A shore excursion to the nearby waterfall, takes you through the local village and past the school. You may visit the school where the children welcome you to their classroom, and some even practice their English. The walk to the waterfall is down a road lined with 'living fences', passing herds of goats and water buffalo. The local guide can point out cashew and teak trees. Once at the waterfall, those daring enough can grab the rope, swing out over the falls and drop into the pool below! We return to the Adelaar for lunch as we travel back to Bali.

#### Day 11 Thursday

Arrival in Serangan Harbor, Bali will be sometime around 9:00AM. After breakfast, we transfer you to shore.



# Dive the remote islands of Komodo, without sacrificing luxury or style







#### Flight arrival and departure times into and out of Bali

Our scheduled 11 day trips leave from Serangan Harbor, Bali at 8:00AM on Monday. Please schedule your flights to arrive in Bali at least one day before your trip.

If you are booking onward travel and wish to depart the same day you disembark from the ADELAAR, the earliest recommended time for your flight would be after 4:00PM.

We make every effort to arrive in Bali between 9:00AM and noon, but we cannot guarantee an exact arrival time, as it depends on the sea conditions.

#### Services

- Deck and cabin towels are provided
- Laundry service is available at nominal charge

#### Water Temperature, Visibility & Currents

Water temperatures can change from tropical warm 84°F / 29°C to a cool 74°F / 21°C. A 5 mm neoprene wet-suit is ideal, or a 3 mm neoprene wet-suit plus a hooded vest. Visibility and water temperatures can vary greatly, with the best visibility during dry season, often more than 90 feet / 30 meters.

Komodo is well-known for strong currents and itineraries are planned taking currents and tides into consideration.

#### Climate

In Komodo, the dry season is from April to November, with the rainy season starting around the end of December, and lasting until the end of March. However average rainfall in Komodo is typically much less than in other regions of Indonesia.

#### **Enriched Air/Nitrox**

We offer Nitrox with an oxygen content of up to 32% for certified divers. EUR 10 /tank or EUR 180 /trip.

## Don't forget to bring.

- Soft duffle type luggage for easy storage
- Sunscreen, sunglasses & a hat
- Swimsuits, T-shirts & shorts
- Beach walkers & walking shoes
- Insect repellent for going ashore
- Spending money for bar, crew tip & park fees
- Waterproof bags for your camera & phones

#### Diving guests should bring

- Dive Certification & Logbook
- DAN or AquaMed Dive Insurance is mandatory
- A recent "fit to dive" physician statement is required for existing medical conditions
- Complete dive gear with dive computer (rentals available)
- Spare parts and DIN adapters for your diving gear

#### Komodo / Moyo / Satonda Park Fees

The fee is approximately EUR 135 per person.

#### Cuisine on board

Our chefs prepare a mix of freshly made traditional Indonesian dishes and Western favorites. We can accommodate dietary restrictions, if given ample notice.

The bar is stocked with a selection of local beer and imported liquors and wines for purchase. Coffee, tea, juice, mineral water and soft drinks are all complimentary.

#### Electricity, Entertainment & Wi-Fi

Electrical power is supplied at 230 Volt / 50 Hz. Plug adapters are available on board. Wi-Fi is available free of charge, when in range of a signal.

Audio and video on demand is streamed into each stateroom as well as the dining room. Movies can be viewed in the dining room and in all of the staterooms.

#### Immunizations

Please, check with your local health department for a listing of immunizations recommended for travel to Indonesia.

#### Passport / Visa on Arrival

To enter Indonesia, your passport must be valid for more than 6 months. Members of 45 countries, can obtain a free 30 day Visa on Arrival (VOA) at the airport. If you plan to stay longer, you can purchase an extendible VOA for \$35, which can be extended for an additional 30 days. Check with your local Indonesian Embassy, to see if you are eligible for Visa on Arrival.

#### Harbor Clearance

For Indonesian harbor clearances we need to have your full name, passport number & expiration date, as well as your date of birth, and your nationality.



Soon, you will hear only the distant sounds of waves crashing on the shores of remote islands... This has to be what ultimate bliss feels like

#### **Money Information**

Local currency is the Indonesian Rupiah (Rp). Major credit cards are accepted in Bali, but traveler's checks are difficult to cash. If you are bringing US dollars, they must be new bills (\$50 & 100 bills will get you the best rate).

There are ATMs in Bali, but no ATMs are available once we leave Bali harbor. Please be sure you have sufficient cash on you, when you board. We also accept MasterCard and Visa for on-board incidentals.

#### **Emergency Contact numbers**

The phones on board work in most areas of the sailing route except the extreme southern end of the Park.





## **Technical Specifications**

#### Vessel specifications

- Rigging: Dutch schooner
- Measurements: Length: 127 ft / Beam: 18 ft / Draft: 8 ft
- Cruising speed: 6.5 to 7.5 knots
- Mercedes marine diesel (380 HP)
- Sea Recovery water makers
- Generators (25kVA-65kVA) for 24hr electrical power availability
- Furuno GPS & Satellite compass

#### Staterooms

- Master suite (160 x 207 cm bed, 210 x 70 cm couch/ single bed), desk, can accommodate 2 adults and 1 child
- Two staterooms (140 x 200 cm bed, couch/single bed & desk), can accommodate 2 adults and 1 child
- One stateroom (128 x 198 cm bed)

All 4 staterooms are individually air-conditioned and have ensuite bathrooms with hot water shower, toilet & wash basin. Our state of the art entertainment system allows for on demand movies and music.



#### Diving

- 3 Bauer Capitano dive compressors
- 12L Aluminum tanks with INT valves
- Larger tank available upon request
- NITROX membrane system

#### Safety Equipment

- Nautilus Lifeline Marine Rescue Radio with GPS for each diver
- Life vests, EPIRB emergency beacon & flares
- · Man overboard pole with attached life vest & flashing light
- Two life rafts for 30 people with provisions for over 30 days
- Medical O2 with resuscitation bag
- First aid supplies, bandages and common medicines

The nearest decompression chamber is located in Bali, accessible by a medical evacuation helicopter.

#### Crew

 Total of 10 for maximum 8 guests with Western Cruise Director/PADI Dive Instructor and Dive Master (for full boat).





## Rates, Booking Terms & Conditions

#### Individual Cabin Space:

4 persons to confirm a departure

- Single supplements are available at a 75% surcharge
- Twin share not possible in Stateroom 4

#### Cabin Type

#### Rates for 2017

Master Suite: Staterooms 2 and 3: Stateroom 4: EUR 4,695 per person EUR 4,220 per person EUR 3,775 per person

#### Pricing includes:

Crew & PADI dive instructors, full board, harbor clearance, ship to shore transportation, all dives, weights, tanks and weight belts.

#### Pricing does not include:

Alcoholic beverages, laundry, land transfers or land programs, dive gear rentals, dive courses, Nitrox, fuel surcharge (EUR 60 - 150 per person), Park fee (EUR 135 per person) or customary crew tips.

#### Full Boat Charter:

Rate for 2017 EUR 31,675 (for up to 8 persons in 4 rooms)





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