



Sample Itinerary: Triton Bay & Banda Sea

10 nights – from: Kaimana, to: Ambon

Triton Bay in West Papua, with its incredible marine biodiversity is known as the final frontier of diving in Indonesia. To the West, the amazing Banda Sea offers another divers' paradise, both of which we explore on this cruise.

We start our adventure right in Triton Bay, visiting the fishing platforms called “bagans” hoping for some whale shark action. Apart from these beautiful creatures, the region offers a lot more. At Pulau Aiduma for example, dive sites will stun us completely with their rich, colorful biodiversity in hard and soft corals as well as fish species, such as Fusiliers, Groupers, Bumpheads and many more; not forgetting the macro life, such as Ghost Pipe Fish and Pygmy Seahorses.

We will indulge in this wonderful environment for several days and have the opportunity to explore the stunning nature also above the water on a jungle trek through lush, untouched rainforest.

After Triton Bay, we will head West for Koon island at the Northern end of Banda Sea. We will enjoy a high variety of schooling fish as well as predators, but also colorful, healthy corals and macro life can be found here.

Our next stop is Manuk, an uninhabited volcanic island, that offers nice reefs surrounded by black sand, but also walls, slopes and sandy bays. We can find plenty of sea snakes here and pelagics might pass by. Above the water, amazing bird life can be observed in form of colonies of Frigates, Boobies and Tropic Birds that make the volcano their home.

Culturally interesting Banda Neira and the rocky Suanggi island await us with spectacular diving at pristine hard-coral reefs. We have a good chance to see schooling fish like Jacks and Tuna, and potential pelagics here as well.

On Banda Neira, we can explore the historical town on land, which was once the global center of nutmeg and mace trade, and indulge in the view of Gunung Api, a 650-metre-high active volcano.

Then, we will head on to Nusa Laut, with stunning dives on walls and slopes. The dive sites here offer us a large variety of reef fish as well as interesting macro life. We might encounter Bumphead Parrotfish and schools of Jackfish here.

Next, we will move to Ambon Bay for some muck diving. If we are lucky, we might spot the Psychedelic Frogfish, but even if not: this unique ecosystem offers plenty of other interesting marine life, such as Moray Eels, Ghostpipefish, Ribbon Eels, Rhinopias, Stonefish and more.

We will disembark in Ambon and wish our guests farewell after an amazing journey.

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