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# KOMODO NATIONAL PARK TO SUMBAWA

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*9-night itinerary*



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# KOMODO NATIONAL PARK



*Located to the east of Bali and Lombok, Komodo National Park is a UNESCO World Heritage site, home to the legendary endemic Komodo dragon and one of the most sought-after cruising grounds in Indonesia.*

Stretching east from Bali lies Lombok, Sumbawa, Moyo and Flores — these isles host a wealth of interesting sights. 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. One of the wonderful things about this underwater playground is that around 60% of its dive sites are also suitable for snorkelling with shallow, fringing reefs. Surfers can explore the surrounding islands of Lombok, Sumbawa, Sumba and Rote for perfect waves.





SATONDA

SANGEANG

BANTA

BIMA

LABUAN  
BAJO

KOMODO

RINCA

KOMODO  
NATIONAL PARK

SALEH BAY

SUMBAWA  
BESAR

MOYO





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### DAY 1: LABUAN BAJO

You will be met at Labuan Bajo airport by the yacht's crew and transferred to the harbour, a 15-minute drive. Once you have settled in, the yacht will depart Labuan Bajo and cruise to the outskirts of the National Park while you enjoy lunch on deck. Go snorkelling or do a check dive before watching the sun go down with a cocktail. Dinner will be served under the stars.

### DAY 2: RINCA ISLAND

Lesser known than neighboring 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 or explore nearby coves and try some watersports.

### DAY 3: 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 or relax on the beach.

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### DAY 4: 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, spend the afternoon at the beach or exploring mangroves and hidden coves on the tender.

### DAY 5: GILI LAWA LAUT

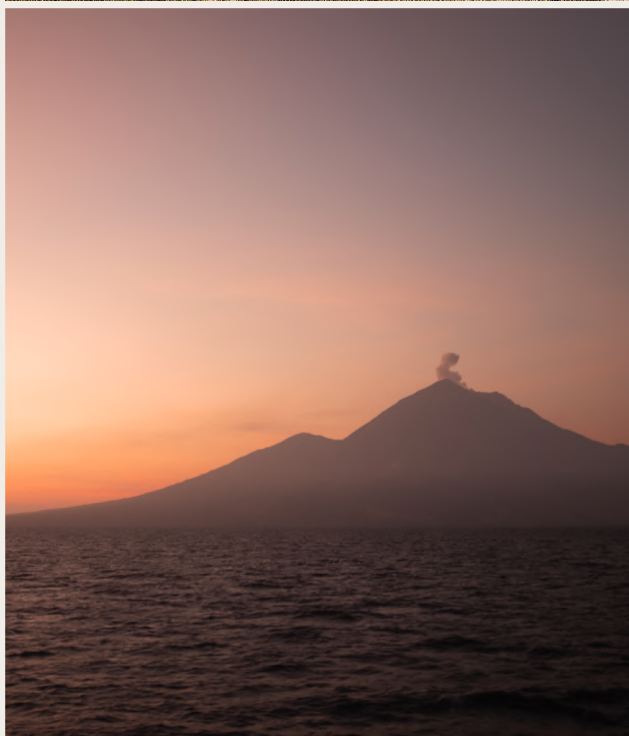
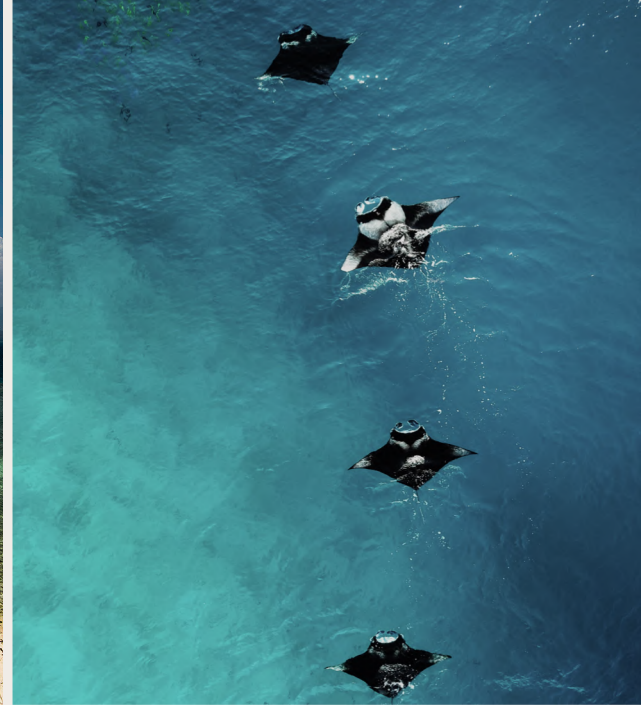
Today the yacht will anchor on the northwestern edge of Komodo, near the Gili Lawa islands. These islands are home to Komodo's most famous underwater sites including Castle Rock, Shotgun, The Passage and Lighthouse. Pitch up on a stretch of golden sand between underwater pursuits. A trek will reward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

### DAY 6: GILI BANTA

Today, 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 area.

### DAY 7: SATONDA

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. Enjoy dinner served on deck under the stars.



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### **DAY 8: SALEH BAY**

Early this morning, the yacht will enter Saleh Bay, where our main purpose will be seeking an encounter with whale sharks. The local squid fishermen here have noticed an increase of these gentle giants visiting their grounds to feed on the small fry that escapes the squid nets. The best chance of sighting whale sharks is very early in the morning, so we will depart on the tender before dawn in hopes of a humbling encounter with these creatures.

### **DAY 9: MOYO**

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 home to a Bajo tribe (known as sea gypsies) and witness traditional music and dance performances, or trek to waterfalls hidden at the island's forested heart.



### **DAY 10: SUMBAWA BESAR**

After a final delicious breakfast on deck, the crew will assist you with disembarking the yacht and you will transfer to Sumbawa Besar airport to catch your flight home.



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★ TOGEAN ISLANDS

NORTH  
MALUKU

RAJA AMPAT

AMBON

SPICE  
ISLANDS

TRITON BAY

CENDERAWASIH  
BAY

FORGOTTEN ISLANDS

BALI

LOMBOK

KOMODO NATIONAL  
PARK

ALOR ARCHIPELAGO

TIMOR LESTE

TIMOR

ROTE

SUMBAWA

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#### DESTINATION KEY

- ★ CRUISING MAY TO OCTOBER
- ★ CRUISING NOVEMBER TO APRIL
- ★ CRUISING IN THE SHOULDER SEASON



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