

BALI & BEYOND

09 - 21 JUNE 2011

Including a 7 day Indonesian Islands Cruise



Bali has enchanted visitors for centuries. One of the most beautiful and memorable places in the East, the very name conveys an image of magic. Volcanic mountains rise from delicately terraced rice fields, palm groves and white sandy beaches. Dance, music, sculpture, wood carving and painting depict the daily life and sophisticated culture of the gentle Balinese people. Spend three nights in the stunning Balinese foothills in the village of Ubud, surrounded by forests and paddy fields, finishing the tour with three nights at a luxury beach resort. All in hand picked 5 accommodation.*

Combine this with a 7 day cruise aboard a traditional Bugi schooner with 12 spacious en suite, air conditioned cabins, island hopping in splendid comfort and style. East of Bali there is a world of exotic cultures and breathtaking natural beauty in an area as enchanting as it is remote. We will take you to quaint historic harbours, superb tropical beaches and to places where time has literally been standing still, such as the last remaining domain of the prehistoric Komodo "dragon". Snorkel over beautiful coral reefs and experience rich traditional cultures in "off the beaten track" villages, or simply stay on board and relax.

Experienced tour leaders, James & Louise Pannell, who have researched and planned this tour, will be on hand to ensure a happy and trouble free holiday.



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Day 1 Thursday 09 June UBUD

Dinner

Arrive at Denpasar International Airport, Bali. You will be met on arrival and transferred to the **MAYA UBUD RESORT & SPA** www.mayaubud.com Spend three nights here.



The deluxe Maya Ubud Resort & spa is located along the banks of the Petanu River, across from the charming villages of Bedulu and Pejeng.

Set in ten hectares of hillside gardens, each guest room offers spectacular views across the river valley or rice terraces. The resort offers a host of recreational and cultural activities including tennis, swimming, golf putting green, nature treks and cycling in the beautiful surrounding countryside. Relax and be pampered in the riverside spa, watch traditional cultural performances, or perhaps take dancing or painting lessons in the nearby village.

The resort is within walking distance of the vibrant artist centre of Ubud. www.mayaubud.com

Welcome dinner at the hotel this evening where you will meet your tour leaders and fellow travelers.

Day 2 Friday 10 June UBUD

Breakfast, Lunch

Full day tour to explore the many attractions in and around Ubud. Set amongst emerald green rice paddies, the village of Ubud lies in the heart of an area renowned for its traditions of painting, wood carving, music and dance.

We start our tour by visiting Batubulan to see a performance of the traditional and symbolic Barong Dance.

We then see local craftsmen at work in small villages; the village of Mas is a community of wood workers, Celuk is renowned for its silversmiths. We visit the Agung Rai Gallery showcasing the work of local painters. Then onto Goa Gajah, the "Elephant Cave" and the Holy Spring Temple of Sebatu, followed by a drive to spectacular Mt. Kintamani to enjoy views of the still active volcano on Mt Batur.

Lunch today at a local restaurant.

Return to the hotel. Free for dinner. You can dine at the hotel or at one of several restaurants nearby.

Day 3 Saturday 11 June UBUD

Breakfast

Full day at leisure. You could enjoy being pampered at the spa, the more energetic could do one of the walks offering breathtaking views of rural Bali, you could visit the art galleries and many shops in the town, or just relax in the hotel's beautiful surroundings.

Day 4 Sunday 12 June UBUD - CRUISING

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

After breakfast, transfer to Benoa harbour for the start of your 7 day cruise aboard the **OMBAK PUTIH** or "White Wave", a beautiful traditional schooner reviving the days that the waters in and around Indonesia were ruled by the Buginese. Whenever possible, more than 600 sq. meters of sails are raised, but the vessel relies on an engine to safeguard the schedule. Sail from island to island in traditional style blended with all modern comforts. The hull and deck house are completely made of wood. Below deck are twelve spacious cabins, each with private bathroom and air-conditioning. The *Ombak Putih* is a forerunner in safety and environmental protection at sea, combining tradition with modern technology and awareness of Indonesia's natural resources. <http://ombakputih.seatrekbal.com>

After lunch, visit the traditional Bali Aga village of Tenganan (East Bali). Tonight we cross the famous "Wallace Line" on the way to Lombok.

Day 5 Monday 13 June CRUISING

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Arrive in Lombok Harbour on the Eastern shore of the island for a visit to a traditional pottery centre and another small village where the villagers will enthusiastically perform some local dances.

Day 6 Tuesday 14 June CRUISING

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Today we set foot on the little known island of Satonda with its stunning crater lake and beautiful coral gardens.

Day 7 Wednesday 15 June CRUISING

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

In Bima on the island of Sumbawa, we visit the local market and a village where the inhabitants will demonstrate rituals and dances, the most famous being the “adu kepala”; head-to-head combat.



Day 8 Thursday 16 June CRUISING

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Early this morning we will anchor off Komodo Island for the first of two days in the National Park. We will go ashore with rangers from Loh Loiang for an encounter with the fierce Komodo “dragons”.

In the afternoon there will be an opportunity to visit one of the nearby beaches for a refreshing swim and for some spectacular snorkeling.

Day 9 Friday 17 June CRUISING

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Today will be our second encounter with Komodo “dragons”. This will be on the island of Rinca, accompanied by rangers of the Loh Buaya station.

This evening our crew will prepare a romantic beach barbecue under the stars.

Day 10 Saturday 18 June CRUISING – FLIGHT TO BALI – NUSA DUA

Breakfast

After a last early morning swim, we enter the harbour of Labuhanbajo in West Flores and around noon we fly back to Bali.

On arrival, we will be met and transferred to **THE LAGUNA RESORT & SPA** where we spend three nights. Free for dinner this evening to dine at one of several dining options at the hotel or at one of the outside restaurants nearby.



A haven of luxury located in the exclusive Nusa Dua resort area, The Laguna Resort & Spa, on Bali's most beautiful beach, is a tranquil haven of tropical gardens, sparkling lagoons and luxurious accommodation. 24 hour Butler Service and high levels of personalized service guarantee a memorable stay. Guest rooms reflect a contemporary Balinese style and the unique Lagoon Access Rooms allow you to step from your private balcony directly into the crystal-clear waters of the lagoons which surround the building.

Snorkel among the nearby reefs, tee-off at the nearby Nelson-Wright golf course, or just relax on the soft sand beach with endless ocean views. Pamper yourself at Laguna Spa, offering a wide range of wellness and beauty treatments and featuring a luxurious Spa Villa for private treatments. For your dining pleasure, choose from several restaurants or enjoy spectacular private beachfront dining options.

<http://www.starwoodhotels.com/luxury/property/overview/index.html?propertyID=277>

Day 11 Sunday 19 June NUSA DUA

Breakfast

Full day at leisure. Do some snorkeling in the crystal clear waters among the nearby reefs, play a game of golf, shop for souvenirs at the local shopping centre, enjoy a treatment at the Laguna Spa, or just relax on the palm fringed beach.

Day 12 Monday 20 June NUSA DUA

Breakfast, Dinner

Another full day to enjoy this tropical paradise.

Farewell dinner this evening at Bali's top authentic Balinese restaurant, to enjoy an Indonesian Rijstafel.

Day 13 Tuesday 21 June NUSA DUA

Breakfast

Our tour has come to an end. Individual transfers from the hotel to Denpasar International Airport for departure



PRICE: USD 3,990.00 PER PERSON SHARING

USD 2,172.00 SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

Price Includes

3 Nights accommodation in Ubud, Bali

3 Nights accommodation in Nusa Dua, Bali

6 Nights accommodation aboard the traditional schooner *Ombak Putih*

Use of snorkeling equipment and sea canoes

Sightseeing, excursions and entrances as per itinerary

Full Breakfast daily, 7 x Lunches & 8 x Dinners as per itinerary

Transfers as per itinerary

Individual Transfers from/to airport on Day 1 and Day 13

Flight from Labuhanbajo, Flores to Denpasar, Bali

Services of English speaking guide when touring in Bali

Services of European Cruise director aboard the *Ombak Putih*

Services of tour directors James & Louise Pannell throughout the tour

Service charges and taxes

Gratuities for guides, drivers and crew aboard the *Ombak Putih*

Price Excludes

International flights

Meals not specified in itinerary

Visa costs

Insurance

Personal expenses, such as telephone calls, laundry, drinks

