

October to November | Saturday - Saturday

## Day 1 Saturday Ambon

Arrive to a warm welcome in Ambon and board Aqua Blu at Laha Bay, a famous muck diving site. There are also opportunities for trekking and birdwatching inland.

### Day 2 Sunday Saparua

Early morning, depart for the island outpost of Saparua, sailing along the scenic north coast of Ambon. Disembark en route at the coastal town of Hila to explore the old Dutch fortification, Fort Amsterdam. Continue onto Saparua, where a host of water activities await. Discover local pottery-making at Ouw village, visit a local market, see European relics, explore bird habitats or go diving before departing Saparua for an overnight crossing to Banda Islands.

Notes

# Inclusion

Dinner

# **Embarkation Time**

3:30pm

### **Recommended Flight**

Jakarta to Ambon

Garuda Indonesia - GA 646\*

# Inclusion

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



### Day 3 Monday Banda Islands and Banda Neira

Approach the Banda Islands as the sun rises, greeted by Kora-Kora war canoes as the boat enters the harbor. Stroll through history at the Dutch Fort Belgica on Banda Neira, once the most hotly contested island in the world in the 16th and 17th century, and learn about the colorful story of the Old World spice trade.

#### Inclusion

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 4 Tuesday Banda Neira & Gunung Api

Spend the day exploring the oldest nutmeg plantations in the world, learning about the cultivation and history of the spice. Hike the active volcano of Gunung Banda Api. In this remote part of Indonesia, experience local life with traditions unchanged for decades before departing Banda Harbour at night.

#### Inclusion

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

# Day 5 Wednesday Pulau Manuk

Savour a sunrise breakfast on board against the backdrop of 300-metre tall cliffs of Pulau Manuk, a volcanic island rising 3 kilometres from the seabed. This is a haven for fish-hunting birds, as well as sea snakes and reef sharks flocking to enjoy the area's underwater thermal springs. After sundown, cruise northwards to Pulau Run, a historic island traded by the British for Manhattan in 1667.

### Inclusion

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 6 Thursday Pulau Run

Arrive at Pulau Run, the westernmost of the Banda Islands, at sunrise. Swim, fish, snorkel and dive in the crystal-clear waters, or go on village tours, trekking and birding. Attempt to search for the ruins of an old British fort before arriving at a pristine beach where a cocktail party awaits.

# Inclusion

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



# Day 7 Friday Nusa Laut & Molana

On the north side of Nusa Laut, bike through the scenic fishing villages of Ameth and Akon. This is also home of the dugong, the Southeast Asian cousin of the American manatee and a vulnerable species. Cruise to Molana Island, a small but heavily forested island with fantastic reefs.

### Inclusion

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 8 Saturday Ambon

Awake to the bustle of Ambon and disembark after a sumptuous breakfast for your outbound flight.

Inclusion

Breakfast

**Disembarkation Time** 

6:30am

**Recommended Flight** 

Ambon to Jakarta

Batik Air – ID 6171\*

Note: All itineraries are subject to change, due to weather and other conditions.

\*Flight schedule are subjected to change at the discretion of the Airlines without notice.

