

DAY**ITINERARY WITH MV MERMAID I BALI – KOMODO – BALI****DIVES****DAY 1**

Check-in on board Mermaid I between 13:00-15:00 hours at Benoa Harbour in Bali. After the boat and safety briefing, you'll set up equipment and you can settle into your cabin. Mermaid I cruises into the sunset on her overnight journey to Moyo Island, north west Sumbawa, 145 nautical miles.

dives

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DAY 2

Start your adventure with a great dive in the calm, clear waters of Angel Reef at Moyo Island. Massive elephant ear and barrel sponges, schools of longfin bannerfish and red tooth triggerfish, frogfish, nudibranchs, eels, surgeonfish, snappers and dogtooth tuna. Afterwards, Mermaid I will cruise for two and a half hours to Satonda Island for a macro dive followed by a world class night dive after watching a million bats fly at sunset. Cruise overnight to Gili Banta.

dives

3**DAY 3**

We will do our first and second dive of the day in the area of Gili Banta and we will head to the northern islands of Komodo NP, Gili Lawa Laut and Gili Lawa Darat for an afternoon and night dive.

dives

4**DAY 4**

Gili Lawa Laut has several great dives - if the tide is right, you will have a chance to spot grey reef sharks and dolphin at Taka Toko. Lighthouse Reef and The Old Passage offer fast drifts with pelagics, perhaps a manta if you are lucky! Crystal Rock offers awesome soft corals in gold and orange hues plus the chance for sharks, turtles, Napoleon wrasse and fishes galore. Tonight, you will dive the famous Pink Beach or Soro lia - spectacular colours, frogfish, slipper lobsters, basket stars, robust sea cucumbers unique to the area and more!

dives

4**DAY 5**

Start your day with an exciting visit to Loh Liang Komodo National Park to walk with the dragons! As you quietly walk through the bush, look out for not only Komodo dragons, but deer, wild boar and birds as well. Next stop is a diver's paradise - Horseshoe Bay at Rinca Island, home of one of the top ten dives in the world, Cannibal Rock. Here, you will discover an abundance of corals, sponges, ascidians, sea apples, black corals, turtle, cuttlefish, loads of reef fishes and so much more! You can also watch dragons scavenging on the beach as well as monkey, deer, wild pigs along the shore or go beach combing. There may even be a chance to follow whales and dolphin feeding in the calm bay. Mermaid I will overnight at this peaceful place, diving at one of the many fabulous spots for your night dive.

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DAY 6

Today you'll head on over to Manta Alley to watch in awe as these magnificent creatures feed, play and get cleaned at the many cleaning stations.

In the afternoon, you can do some more big fish dives at Tatawa Kecil or the infamous "Current City" Batu Bolong. Come face to face with reef sharks, turtles, Napoleon wrasse and more. Many good night dives around here as Wainilu.

dives

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DAY 7

This will be our last day at Komodo NP, we will be diving around the central and northern part of Komodo, we will do 4 dives here.

Then you'll head off for a night dive at Gili Banta. Overnight, Mermaid I will cruise to Sangeang Volcano.

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DAY 8

Sangeang is an active volcano off the north eastern coast of Sumbawa. Black sand, bubbles and a colourful reef and amazing critters are awaiting for you. After the night dive we will start cruising back to Moyo Island.

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DAY 9

You will enjoy two dives around Sumbawa and Moyo Islands – a chance to shoot anything you missed at the beginning of the trip. Then the crew wash your equipment for you while you relax on the sundeck.

dives

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DAY 10

Disembark at Benoa Harbour after breakfast at 8 am.

This is a sample itinerary and is subject to changes beyond the operator's control. The exact itinerary, route and amount of dives for your cruise may be adapted to best suit the weather conditions, tides and currents, season and other prevailing events

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TOTAL DIVES : 28