

Raja Ampat, Indonesia



Dive this World Renowned Treasure of Underwater Diversity
18 - 28 February 2011
Charter for Texins Dive Club Members
\$3,250.00* US

Trip includes all domestic air and land transfers, 3 nights of hotels w/ breakfast in Denpasar, Bali and Sulawesi, 10 days aboard the MV Putri Papua dive vessel with four dives a day, all meals on the boat, and the Raja Ampat Conservation Fee.

The trip begins and ends in Denpasar, Bali, Indonesia allowing you to use airline miles for flights between the USA and Bali.



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Itinerary and Travel Information

Wednesday 16 February: This once in a life time dive trip begins when you arrive in Denpasar, Bali, Indonesia. Be enchanted by the architecture and charm of the Balinese people as you overnight in this bustling Hindu city.

Thursday 17 February: Take a morning flight to Makassar on the Island of Sulawesi. This predominately Muslim city is the largest on the island and is one of the major shipping ports for Indonesia. Overnight.

Friday 18 February: Fly out of Makassar to the port city of Sorong. Here you will board your live-aboard, the MV Putri Papua. Your diving adventure in Raja Ampat begins with an afternoon dive at the island of Batanta!

19 February – 28 February: Depending on weather and safety considerations, the dive masters will endeavor to schedule dive site visits so that each full day at sea offers three day dives and one night dive. Diving groups will not exceed 8 persons plus divemasters. Your experienced divemasters will assist you in spotting the rare and beautiful creatures that live in this pristine environment and the knowledgeable crew will help make your diving experience one to cherish for a lifetime. You will enjoy three delicious meals a day plus after dive snacks in the fan cooled dining lounge.

Monday 28 February: Disembark in the port of Sorong and board your return flight for Denpasar, Bali with one short stop in Makassar, Sulawesi. You arrive in Denpasar in time for dinner and overnight there before your return to the US.

Tuesday 1 March: Your return flight to the US may be scheduled for this day unless you choose to take the opportunity to extend your adventure and explore the fascinating island of Bali.

The price of \$3,250* per person includes all domestic flights within Indonesia, live-aboard, two hotel nights in Denpasar with breakfast, one hotel night in Makassar with breakfast, airport/hotel/airport transfers and the Raja Ampat Conservation Fee. **Deposit:** \$500.00 US due on or before 15 April 2010 to Jim Gilleen and is transferable but non-refundable after 1 May 2010.

*This price is per person with a shared cabin. It does not include US/Indonesia/US flights, visa, lunch & dinner at land hotels, soft & alcohol drinks, laundry, gratuities, airport taxes, additional hotel stays and items of a personal nature.

Domestic air fares and hotel rates are subject to adjustment by the providers. Domestic airlines are now strictly enforcing weight rules and overweight baggage can be costly.

Live-aboard: The dive vessel has 4 cabins for a maximum of 8 divers. 3 cabins have 2 single berths and 1 cabin with one queen bed. All cabins have in-suite full baths and individually controlled air conditioning. There are designated camera tables and a covered outdoor lounge/sun deck. Soft drinks and beer may be purchased on the boat and payment will be due at the end of the trip in cash. (Rupiah or Dollars)

Gratuities: For live-aboard crew at approximately 7.5% to 10% in US. (\$250.00 to \$300.00)

Travel Details:

Passport: Must show at least 6 months remaining before expiration date.

Visa for Indonesia: Obtained at arrival airport with payment of \$25.00 US.

Airport Taxes: Domestic flight airport taxes are approximately 30,000 rupiah or \$3.25 US.

International departure tax is approximately 150,000 Rupiah or \$16.00 US.

Credit Cards: Visa & MasterCard are accepted at land hotels

Domestic Airline Weight Restrictions: Checked Luggage 20kg or 44 lbs*** Carry-on 5kg or 11 lbs

Electricity: 220 v with Type B plug. Live-aboard has converters for battery chargers.

Health: Anti-Malaria medication suggested along with repellants.

Trip insurance for medical emergencies is advisable due to many US carriers not providing out of country coverage. DAN provides a broad range of coverage tailored to divers