

Alor

Introduction

A voyage experienced by an Aman Private Yacht is a voyage like no other. Amandira is thrilled to welcome guests on board for an eight-day, seven-night venture through Alor, a group of islands in the Lesser Sunda Islands.

Alor is the least-visited part of the East Nusa Tenggara province. The unspoilt flora of the islands is paired with world-class diving for an all-around experience of natural beauty. Pristine waters and beautiful coral reefs – which scorpionfish and pygmy seahorses call home – provide world-class diving, with opportunities to see sunfish, reef sharks, hammerheads and even whales. The sunfish, locally known as mola mola, are the world's largest bony fish, and are a stunning sight. With visibility up to 40 metres, the crystal waters provide a fantastic opportunity for novice and experienced divers alike.

Tailor-made Journeys

Kindly note that this itinerary is provided as a sample for inspiration of the region and experiences that are possible aboard an Aman Private Yacht. Prior to embarkation, guests will have the opportunity to discuss specifics with their Cruise Director to ensure that the experience is catered to specific interests and expectations.



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Day 1 Embark on Amandira

Board Amandira in Maumere, Flores. After a personal welcome by the crew, guests will enjoy a sumptuous breakfast as the yacht cruises north towards the nearby sandy island of Pulau Babi.

Later that day, enjoy a nap on the beach or even quick dip to check out the surrounding lively reefs. After a few cocktails and canapes, dinner will be served al fresco below the stars.

Day 2 Volcanic Islands

During breakfast, the journey continues to the isolated island of Komba. This small active volcano is well-known for its consistent eruptions. Snorkel or dive in the multitude of vibrant reefs wrapping around it.

Later, enjoy sunset lounging off the stern and sip on cocktails as the peculiar landscape with thunderous booms, slowly fades away.

Day 3-4
Underwater Discoveries

As the sun rises, Amandira arrives at Alor, a cultural and marine diversity hotspot. The immense variety of reef fishes and diverse macro life below the surface is nothing short of legendary.

After a few dives, the yacht will continue towards town. Learn about the craft of the famed lkat fabric and perhaps assist in a traditional war dance.

For those interested in a night dive, Alor offers the most mesmerizing critters crawling out after dark.







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Day 5 Traditional Village

A rare opportunity to visit the last whaling village in Indonesia. The ancient practice which is still done in a very traditional way and for subsistence purposes only, is accepted by conservation organisations.

Tour around town passing several sperm whales skeletons and observe the unique way of life of the friendly locals.

Day 6 A Day of Relaxation & Discovery

Tide permitting, the day starts with breakfast on a dreamy sandbank with three different volcanos in sight. After this memorable morning, spend some more time exploring volcanic beaches or visit the bustling markets of a nearby fishing village.

Day 7 Volcanic Wall Diving

Commence with an early morning wall dive on Lapu volcano, as the yacht moves towards the Penama archipelago. Housing beautiful beaches and many known dive sites, most of these islands are inhabited by descendants of the proud seafaring Bugis people.

After a day of water activities, attend a special beach BBQ here with all the hallmarks of Aman service.







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Day 8

Debarkation in Maumere

Enjoy breakfast on board, before a heartfelt farewell from the crew. The team will accompany guests to the airport for onward travel at the end of the most unique and memorable of journeys aboard Amandira.







Amandira

The Ship

Inspired by the Phinisi sailing vessels of old, twin-masted Amandira was custom designed then handcrafted from local hardwoods by Konjo artisans. Travelling under sail as well as by motor, she combines the ancient romance of the spice trade with cutting-edge contemporary amenities.

Offering three spacious king-bed cabins and two bunk bed cabins, Amandira can accommodate up to 10 guests. The three king-bed cabins each have a living area, as well as a large bathroom with a shower and twin vanities.

The Crew

Amandira's crew of 14 includes a private chef and waiters, a dive master and a spa therapist, each of whom is accomplished at providing intuitive, seamless service. Experienced guides accompany guests onshore and can arrange kayaking and hiking expeditions.

Amandira caters to weddings, honeymoons and other special events.







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Underwater Exploration

State-of-the-art onboard diving equipment includes nitrox, which enables experienced divers to enjoy more time exploring the region's exceptional dive sites.

New divers have the opportunity to gain PADI certifications under the guidance of a certified instructor.

A Culinary Journey

The yacht offers multiple dining options – al fresco evenings under the stars on the front deck, covered dining in the galley or once-in-a-lifetime destinations on deserted beaches surrounded by crystalline seas.

Wellness Onboard

From on-board massages to yoga on the beach, wellness with Aman translates beautifully onto the high seas.

Amandira features an onboard masseur and a broad sundeck for sun salutations, and meals can be catered for a wellness-focused menu. Speciality wellness cruises are also available for bespoke foci and interests.









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