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Experience Guide

The Amanpulo Experience

Blissfully marooned in the peaceful waters of northern Palawan, the private island of Amanpulo is the epitome of a tropical escape.

Home to diverse flora and fauna, the island's untouched jungle centre presents multiple opportunities for exploration, while the surrounding sea beckons for unique experiences, from leisurely paddles on its surface to immersive dives in its depths.

In the serenity of castaway paradise, guests are invited to connect with nature in however way they please. Amanpulo offers a plethora of adventures, may it be for relaxation or an adrenaline rush. Each experience is so designed to honour the gift of nature with sustainability and wellness at the heart of it all.

To find out more about the possibilities on offer, please consult the Amanpulo Experience Team. They will be delighted to advise and to create a customised itinerary tailor-made to your individual requirements. Advance booking is recommended.

Discovering the Philippines

With over 7,000 islands, the Philippine culture is vibrant and colourful, reflected in activities to enjoy in Amanpulo.

Manamoc Village Tour

Discover the life of the island locals. A 45-minute boat ride will take you to the nearby island of Amanamoc, home of most of the Amanpulo team members. Take a tour of the village and gain a deeper understanding of the customs and culture, including the unique symbiotic relationship of Amanpulo and the remote island community.

Manamoc Sandbar Picnic

A romantic adventure awaits guests at the Manamoc sandbar. Located on the edge of Manamoc Island, this sandbar is accessible only at certain tide conditions and is the perfect spot for a cozy beach lunch, for a natural and raw experience, with the comfort of Aman service. Private snorkeling following the lunch makes for an unforgettable experience.

The excursion is available seasonally from December through to May and is dependent on weather conditions.

Filipino Dining Experience

Experience a traditional Filipino dining experience in a private barbecue on the beach or in one of the airy Pool Salas at the Clubhouse. Indulge in delicious local delicacies that feature the flavours of the Philippines.

Golden South Sea Pearl Journey

Full Day Experience

Discover the Treasures of the Palawan Waters. From Amanpulo, venture west into the main Palawan archipelago to explore the birthplace of the national gem of the Philippines, the South Sea Pearl.

A chartered helicopter takes guests to visit the Pearl Farm of Jewelmer, renowned jeweler that nurtures gold-lipped oysters that produce pearls of the finest quality. The private tour can accommodate two- four persons and is a full day experience.

Jewelmer is an international luxury brand that was born out of the commitment to the world's most lustrous cultured South Sea pearls and exquisite fine jewelry. Witness their farm operations in an in-depth guided tour of the oyster hatchery, farm, and laboratory for pearl grafting and harvesting. Discover how nature is the ultimate artist and how sustainability takes a central role within their community.

Itinerary

- 9:00am Depart Amanpulo via Helicopter
- 9:45am Arrive at Flower Island and proceed to the Jewelmer Pearl Farm via Speedboat
- 10:00am General Briefing, Visit to the Oyster Hatchery, Farm Tour, Visit to the Laboratory for Pearl Grafting and Harvesting
- 12:00pm Depart from the Jewelmer Pearl Farm by Speedboat to go to Malotamban Beach for Picnic Lunch
- 1:45pm Snorkeling around the Coral Garden
- 2:45pm Proceed to Flower Island via Speedboat
- 3:00pm Depart Flower Island via Helicopter
- 3:45pm Arrive in Amanpulo



The Wonders of Pamalican

In the local dialect, Pamalican means to keep on coming back. The enchanting lure of the island is intricately woven into its landscape.

Farm Tour Experience

Explore the captivating wonders of Pamalican Island, where monitor lizards roam freely in the thicket as they always have. Verdant gardens flourish, sustained by the tropical climate and the devotion of gardeners led by a resident horticulturist. In a quiet corner of the island, a thriving 2,000 square meter organic garden resides. Guests are invited to visit and learn how the gardeners bring out the very best that the island farm can offer. The farm has been most successful in growing varieties of lettuce and arugula, eggplants, tomatoes and some herbs and spices. Currently, thirty percent of the restaurant's salad greens is fulfilled by the harvest.

Sunset Canvas

Let nature's hues inspire an artwork painted with memories of breathtaking sunsets at Amanpulo. Individual or group painting sessions on the beach may be arranged, complete with canvas on easel, watercolours and refreshments.

Nature Walk

Take a guided tour of Amanpulo's jungle centre. Learn about indigenous trees that line the paved path that ascends towards one of the highest points of the island. An expert guide will help identify tropical birds that reside in the treetop. At the summit, a sala overlooking turquoise waters provides a respite amidst nature.





Water Sports

Shimmering under the warm sunshine, the azure waters of Amanpulo inspire days of adrenaline-filled adventures.

Paddle on Crystal Clear Waters

Glide across the glass-like sea onboard your choice of a non-motorised watercraft, designed to stir very little disturbance in the water. Hop on a clear bottom kayak, stand-up paddle board, pedal boards, or Schiller bike. Shallow waters stretch for metres from the shore, and curious fish are visible under the crystal clear waters.

Windsurfing and Hobie Cat Sailing

Powered by the wind and riding over the waves, windsurfing and Hobie Cat sailing are thrilling adventures that provide an extraordinary way to navigate across sea. Independent and guided sails take off right from the shore, with catamarans that can hold up to five persons.

Private Boat Tours

Savour the freedom of a private boat tour around the island. Trace the coast towards the cliffs on the northwest, the lagoon in the east, and the reef shark playground in the south, or go where the heart desires. Drop anchor at snorkeling spots to swim with the turtles. Relish the time with loved ones while out at sea. Often, a meaningful journey is more than just about the destination.

Fishing Expedition

In the protected marine seas around Amanpulo, traditional Filipino hand-line bottom fishing and troll fishing using rods, and artificial lures enables fishing adventures. Caught fish that do not meet the right class and size are released back to the sea as responsible fishing practice. A successful trip is celebrated by having chefs prepare the day's catch upon return to shore.

Island Hopping Trip

Aboard Amanpulo's speedboat, enjoy a six-hour excursion to visit three of the islands in the Quiniluban island cluster-Tayay, Halog, and Oco. Pamalican Island is surrounded by inhabited and uninhabited islands with different rock formations, beaches and snorkeling spots.



Amanpulo Kitesurfing

Kite and Surf Centre

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Endowed with crystal-clear shallow lagoon offering strong, consistent winds, Amanpulo is a sailor's paradise and a kite and wind surfer's dream. The Amanpulo Kite and Surf Centre (AKSC) welcomes riders of all abilities, from complete beginners to seasoned pros, and is equipped with high-quality professional gear and staffed by instructors and experts.

Kitesurfing and Wellbeing

Riding the winds brings an exhilarating rush, while being one with the water is a healing experience. Amanpulo's kitesurfing instructors offer a safe space for first timers, and their knowledge on Pamalican takes advanced kitesurfers into inter-island expedition and downwind safaris. In the process, the instructors are able to guide guests not just in learning the skill of the sport, but also in experiencing a unique sense of flow that benefits overall wellbeing.

Session Schedules

It is open seasonally during the Amihan monsoon season. Kitesurfing is subject to prevailing weather conditions and instructor availability.

For reservations and inquiries, please contact the Experiences Team on extension 7626.



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Sea Synergy

With every encounter, the sea imparts a rejuvenating energy that instils peace and renewal.

Kawayan Bar

The Kawayan Bar is Amanpulo's famed bamboo platform raft, made for lounging, snorkeling, and intimate celebrations. An on-board bartender serves cocktails, while a delicious meal may be enjoyed in delightful handwoven baskets. Mostly coveted by couples and families for sunset viewing, it is also a wonderful spot for breakfast and afternoon siestas. Whether on the dining lounge covered by thatched roof or the deck that soaks up the sun, the Kawayan Bar is an experience not to be missed.

Sunset Cruise

Aboard a cosy two-level pontoon or a smaller, more intimate boat, a sail amidst the fiery colours of the sunset sky is a romantic way to end another day in paradise. With a glass of champagne or cocktail in hand, guests can indulge in the spectacular show, serenaded by soft tunes from an acoustic guitar.

Eco-friendly Golf

Amidst the picturesque landscape of Pamalican with the sea just a few steps away, golf enthusiasts can enjoy their favourite sport on the island's sustainable seaside driving range. Amanpulo introduces the use of eco-friendly golf balls, with an outer layer that biodegrades in the sea and releases fish food contained in its core.



Underwater Adventures

Amanpulo's PAD I Dive Centre lets guests experience the joys of scuba diving in a safe and professional environment.

Pamalican Waters

Pamalican Island's surrounding waters has been a self-declared marine sanctuary for over 30 years, making it an ideal place to experience the unspoiled and beautiful underwater world. With its pristine reefs and clear waters, it offers an amazing array of colorful corals, reef fish, and marine life ranging from tiny cleaner shrimps to large sea turtles which are spotted on almost every dive. The water temperature peaks at around 30 C (86 F) from March through to October. The remaining months slowly fall to 26 C (79 F) and start to rise quickly again by early January. Visibility ranges from 20 to 30 meters (60 to 100 feet) and with gentle currents it offers excellent opportunities for both the novice and experienced diver.

PADI Dive Centre

Our PADI Dive Center is operated by our partner, Crestamar Dive Pro, who offers everything from personally guided dive tours to SCUBA diving courses all in a professional, safe, and relaxed atmosphere from our large and spacious Dive Center. The many amazing dive sites are no more than a 10-minute boat ride away in our custom-built speed boat which returns to the Dive Center in between dives to avoid long waits out on the water and to give divers ample time to respect surface intervals.

Daily Dive Schedules

8:00am – 10:30am – 1:00pm – 3:30pm

Upon Request

Early morning dive	6:00am
Night dive	6:00pm

To avoid delaying subsequent dives and concerning fellow divers, we ask that you arrive at least 15 minutes before your dive time so that you can enter the water promptly on schedule.

Available Equipment

We have an extensive range of well-maintained, branded equipment including balanced regulators, weight integrated BCDs, full foot, and open heel fins with booties. Dive computers, long and short wetsuits, and specialist equipment for juniors are all included in the dive rates. We also have HD quality cameras available for rent.

We have both DIN and yoke style valves on our 12-liter aluminium SCUBA tanks and smaller 8-liter tanks for junior divers. We offer Enriched Air Nitrox blends up to 40% and exclusive dive guides/instructors upon request. We accept certification cards from all training organizations. If you have forgotten or misplaced your PAD I card we can search PAD I's extensive database to trace your certification.



Day / Early Morning/ Night Dive

For certified divers. Our Instructors and Divemasters are happy to provide you with diving options and plan your underwater itinerary.

Five-Day Dive Programme

For certified divers who are looking for multiple dives during their stay at a competitive rate. Packages are personalized and cannot be shared amongst multiple divers. No refund policy applies if unable to complete the package during your stay.

Exclusive Guide

For divers who prefer the presence of a personalized guide. Especially popular for underwater photographers.

Boat Rider

For family members and friends who are not keen on diving, but prefer to join the boat

Camera Rental

HD quality digital underwater cameras are available to rent. Images and videos are made available privately online for you to download on your smartphone, tablet, laptop, or computer.

Scuba Refresher

For certified divers, our one-hour refresher includes an extended safety briefing, equipment review, and basic skills practice in shallow water to ensure diver comfort and confidence.

PAD I Discover Scuba Diving Experience

This PAD I introductory experience is ideal for beginners who want to explore the amazing underwater world without having to take a course. It consists of a short safety briefing, shallow water skills practice, followed by a dive in the ocean to a maximum depth of 12 meters / 40 feet. Upon completion, the new diver will be presented with a logbook and may dive again when accompanied by one of our Instructors. The minimum age is 10 years old.

PADI Bubble Maker Experience

For the young adventurers. PADI's Bubble Maker option is an ideal way to be introduced to the exciting underwater world in the Clubhouse pool or the sea if conditions permit. Junior divers are supervised by an instructor and can dive to a maximum depth of 2 meters / 6 feet and are presented with a Bubble Maker certificate upon completion. Parents who are certified divers are welcome to join; non-certified guests may partake of a PAD I Discover SCUBA Diving experience at the same time to enjoy a wonderful family experience. The minimum age is 8 years old.

Entry Level Dive Courses

PAD I Scuba Diver Course

This PADI entry-level course is the perfect way to start your underwater enjoyment. The course includes all reading materials and a pool training session (approximately two hours) followed by two training dives in the ocean each a little over one hour. This certification allows you to dive to a maximum depth of 12 meters / 40 feet when accompanied by an instructor or dive master. The course can be completed within two days but can spread over as many days as needed to accommodate your schedule. This certification can be upgraded to the PAD I Open Water Diver course at any time. The minimum age is 10 years old.

PAD I Open Water Diver Course

This is PADI's flagship course and it includes all reading materials, pool training sessions (approximately four hours in total), followed by four training dives. Each a little over one hour. The pool session can be split over a couple of days and the course can be completed in just three days, although it can also be spread over many days to accommodate your schedule. Upon completion, you will be qualified to dive independently to a maximum depth of 18 meters / 60 feet when accompanied by another certified adult. Minimum age 10 years old.

Referral Dives

We gladly welcome divers who may have only completed part of their course elsewhere and would like to gain their certification here. We are also happy to issue students with referral records who are unable to complete their training. Please contact the Dive Center for more details.



Continuing Education Dive Courses

PAD I Advanced Open Water Course

For certified divers, PAD I's Advanced Open Water course is ideal to further their knowledge and dive with confidence to greater depths (maximum 30 meters/ 100 feet). There are five ocean dives included of which only ten minutes is the training portion. The rest is for fun!

You will need to complete a Deep Dive and a Navigation Dive then choose a further three from the following exciting options such as Project AWARE Fish Identification, Boat Diver, Night Diver, Peak Performance Buoyancy, and more. The course includes all reading materials and equipment needed. The minimum age is 12 years old.

PAD I Enriched Air Nitrox Diver Course

For certified divers. PAD I's Enriched Air Diver course consists of a theory section in which extended diving physics will be explained and the benefits of diving on Nitrox will become clear. Divers learn how to analyze gas mixtures and plan dive profiles using dive computers. Enriched Air Nitrox uses an increased percentage of oxygen in the tanks allowing extended bottom times so is ideal for divers who wish to advance their diving scope and gain further certifications. The minimum age is 12 years old.

PAD I Specialty Courses

We also offer a wide variety of PAD I Specialty courses including Night Diver and Deep Diver (training to dive to 40 meters/ 130 feet) as well as PADI Rescue Diver and PADI Divemaster. Feel free to contact the dive center for further information and requirements for these courses.

Amanpulo Dive Sites

House Reef

Located in front of the Beachclub, this colorful site is ideal for both snorkeling and diving. Friendly batfish, sergeants, wrasses, and parrotfish to name but a few are all waiting for you! Turtles are nearly always seen resting on the reef amongst the wonderful hard and soft corals. Starting at around 4 meters / 12 feet deep, it gradually slopes to 10 meters / 30 feet at the shoulder of the reef, where a steep wall invites divers down to 25 meters / 75 feet. This amazing dive spot is ideal for all levels of divers.

West Villa Reef

The reef in front of the West Villas offers a wide array of hard corals all teeming with colorful reef fish. The dive starts at around 5 meters / 10 feet passing over large boulder and mushroom corals then down a gradual incline to the reef's edge at around 15 meters / 45 feet, where Green and Hawks bill turtles are often seen. From there the reef descends steeply down to 25 meters/ 75 feet where the larger rocks overhang abundant in sea life.

The Pier

Just a short boat ride away, you can explore the rock formations with an abundance of marine life especially the thousands of batfish that circle the larger rocks which are also a favorite place for sea turtles to rest. Moray eels, scorpion fish, pipefish, and many nudibranchs are always on show with blue-spotted rays regularly seen on the surrounding sandy bottom. The site starts around 10 meters / 30 feet and descends to approximately 18 meters / 60 feet so it is suitable for most certified divers.

Rocky Cove

Close to the Dive Center, starting at less than 8 meters / 25 feet deep, this vibrant site has large rock clusters adorned with bright soft corals and surrounded by colorful reef fish. As you descend deeper the reef develops into a steep slope down to 25 meters/ 75 feet deep where you can encounter large schools of jackfish, trevallies and fusiliers, and occasionally some larger pelagic species. Turtles are regular visitors to this area as well.

Casita 40

Just a 10-minute boat ride from the Dive Centre, this site is on the eastern side of the island at the edge of the turquoise lagoon. Starting at just 5 meters / 15 feet. Diving here presents a stunning array of fish corals and sponges and is ideal for all levels of divers. A gentle slope leads to a ledge at around 15 meters / 45 feet deep, where turtles are abundant in the coral gardens. From here the reef descends to 40 meters / 120 feet where large rays and pelagic fish are regularly seen.

South Point

This beautiful reef located towards the southern tip of the island is ideal for all levels as it begins at just 5 meters / 15 feet deep. As you descend there are large coral formations surrounded by colorful fish and vibrant anemones with their playful clownfish. From here a steep slope leads to a drop-off at around 15 meters/ 45 feet ending at around 30 meters/ 100 feet although you do not need to go so deep to appreciate its beauty.

Fan Coral

Towards the northwest of the island, this site is perfect for divers who love diving walls and seeing a variety of corals of all sizes. True to its name, you can see beautiful gorgonian fan corals jutting out of the wall. This location starts around 10 meters / 30 feet with a gradual slope covered by a carpet of brightly colored soft corals to the edge of the wall at around 15 meters / 45 feet. From here you can descend to 30 meters / 100 feet deep and as you look up you are presented with a scene of a beautiful and vibrant reef.

Windmill

Situated on the eastern side of the island, the area will take your breath away because of its natural beauty and the pristine condition of its coral life. The reef starts around 5 meters / 15 feet with a multitude of brightly colored corals leading to a large rock formation teeming with life at around 15 meters / 45 feet. From here, a steep drop leads down to approximately 30 meters / 100 feet, but divers need not go this deep to enjoy the sights, making it suitable for all levels of divers.





Family Activities

The magic of Pamalican Island captivates guests of all ages with experiences tailor-made for families to bond together.

Go Kart at the Runway

When the Runway takes a pause from all the airline activity, the racetrack will be set for an exhilarating late afternoon of go karting. Speed towards the horizon of sea and sky, and shift to the thrilling energy of the salt-laced breeze.

Amanpulo Climb

Develop strength, flexibility, along with strategy and critical thinking in a sport that takes guests to the top. Amanpulo's climbing wall is located at the airport hangar, its location providing a unique touch to the experience.

A specialist will guide guests on their journey to discovering the thrill of the climb. Kids are welcome to try the mini wall designed for the little ones.

Jungle Trail

Families seeking a fitness challenge can head over to the Jungle Trail, an obstacle course built into the island's lush forest. With over ten challenges, it awaits friendly competition that involves running, climbing, jumping, crawling, and balancing, on soft ground under the shade of trees.

Private Beach Barbecue

Under the moonlit sky, toes-in-sand dining experience on the secluded beachfront is a special time for families to create memories. With a menu that ranges from Filipino favourites to Mediterranean fare, there is something for everyone.

Movie Night

On select evenings, families can come together after dinner for a movie indoors at the Clubhouse Library or in open air cinema at the Pamalican Aerodome.

Rest Under the Stars

Amidst the magic of the evening on Pamalican Island, be enveloped by the tranquility of the sea shore in a world all your own. Rest peacefully under a blanket of stars in our custom beach teepee. Revel in a one-of-a-kind evening by the sea, illuminated by a bonfire while immersing in the wonders of the star-strewn sky with cocktails or a picnic basket. Guests may choose to have the experience at the Southern Tip or their Casita beachfront.



Marvel at the Night Sky

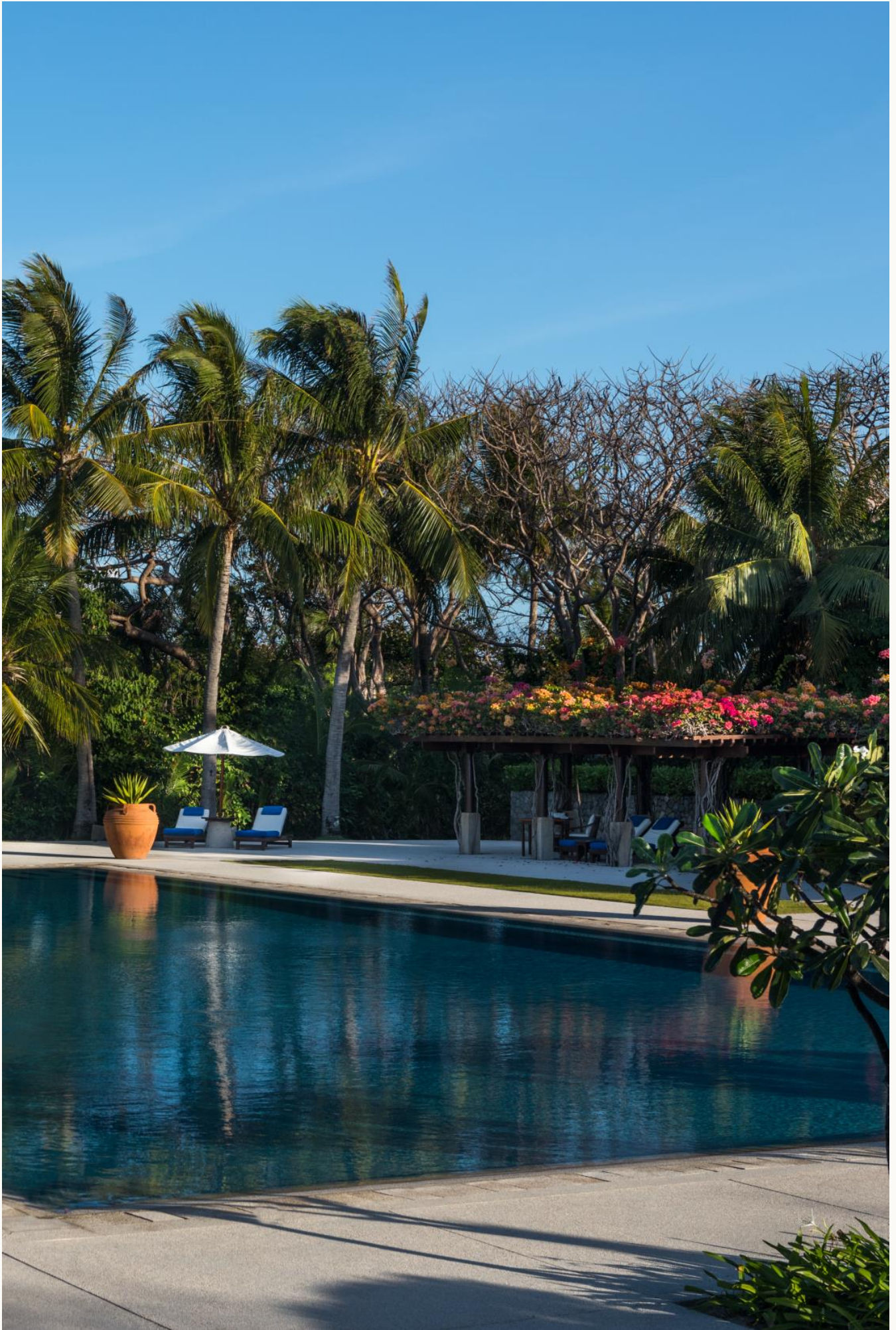
A world away from the distractions of bright lights, families can watch the uninterrupted expanse of starlit sky over Amanpulo. Expert guides will orient guests as they peer through the resort's Dobsonian telescope to see different constellations. For a special touch, private stargazing may be arranged at the end of the runway, complete with lounge seating and refreshments.

Seas the Day

Regular group snorkeling trips to the House Reef is an opportunity for families to get together and explore life underwater. The reef is home to a variety of tropical fish, corals, and the resident sea turtles. Pamalican Island is surrounded by seven square kilometres of coral reefs. For more extensive snorkeling, private trips may be arranged.

Complimentary Activities

Amanpulo curates a collection of activities for each day that guests of all ages can enjoy. Learn the art of coconut palm weaving, take part in a turtle conservation talk, join the rise and shine yoga at the Aman Spa, or sunset meditation on the beach. The schedule changes regularly and is subject to weather conditions.





Environmental and Community Connections

Amanpulo's commitment to sustainability engages guests in community and conservation initiatives that are as fruitful as they are rewarding.

Amanpulo Marine Conservation Program

The Amanpulo Marine Conservation Program embraces the resort's stewardship of the surrounding seas. It focuses on coral rehabilitation proceeds from these activities help fund the program.

Andres Soriano Foundation

Teaching minds, touching hearts, transforming lives are at the core of the Andres Soriano Foundation's advocacy, a mission that resonates with Amanpulo's commitment in uplifting the community. Through the years, Amanpulo has partnered with the foundation for education, health and livelihood projects for the residents of Manamoc Island. Proceeds from these activities are donated to the foundation:

Celebration of Life

The Celebration of Life is a private turtle releasing experience that fosters an intimate connection between guest and sea turtle hatchling. In this close encounter, guests are given the opportunity to fully witness the remarkable beginning of a sea turtle's lifelong journey across oceans and seas, in the serenity of their own secluded beachfront. The guests are given the chance to give a name to their released turtle and are presented with a certificate of gratitude.

Mother's Love

The nesting season in Pamalican Island is from March to October, when ever so discreetly mother turtles find their way to the shore, dig holes in the sand, and lay their eggs in the moonlight. In the very rare occasion that the timing of this exceptional natural occurrence permits, guests are invited to witness the nesting process. From a safe distance, a special venue is set-up with a bottle of champagne or island refreshments to celebrate the incredible circle of life.







Special Events

Exclusive venues for couples and small groups include your casita and villa beachfronts, private salas, and Gary's Nest. For larger groups, we recommend the Picnic Grove, Windsurf Hut, Poolside Trellis, and the West Villa Clubhouse. Please do not hesitate to let us know if you are celebrating a birthday, anniversary, or other occasions, and our team will be ready to help you make it special.

Wedding Blessing

Renew your vows with a Wedding Blessing — a sentimental ceremony performed by a Filipino wedding officer in a romantic setting.

We suggest a sweet ceremony on Amanpulo's powder-white sand beach at sunset, only steps away from the turquoise waters of the Sulu Sea.

All wedding blessing ceremonies include:

- Filipino wedding officer
- Guitar serenade
- Island flower bouquet
- Decorated wedding car
- Bottle of Champagne
- A wedding cake for two

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