Indo Aggressor - Forgotten Island - Kai Islands & Tanimbar Islands (11 nights liveaboard crus

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Day 1: Transfer from Saumlaki airport to the harbor. The boat leaves at 1 pm.
Day 2-10: Cruising, diving and land activities.
Day 11: Disembarkation and transfer to Maumere Airport between 8 am and 1 pm.

Where are the The Forgotten Islands? Adventure, unknown dive sites, spectacular scenery off the beaten track... this is The Forgotten Islands. The Forgotten Islands are part of Indonesia’s south Maluku province, a region located at the extreme south eastern boundary of the country and less than 200 nautical miles from the northern tip of Australia. These cruises concentrate on the most unexplored regions of the country and will start or finish in either Maumere, on the north coastline of east Flores or at Saumlaki on Jamdena, the largest island of the Tanimbar group. These itineraries will give guests the opportunity to dive some of the fabulous sites of East Nusa Tenggara around Lembata, Pantar and Alor during the cruise as well as exploring the fascinating reefs, walls and topside scenery of the islands further east, the mysterious and rarely visited Forgotten Islands.

Day 1: Arrival and boarding Indo Aggressor (Maumere)
Guests are welcomed at Maumere Airport for the short trip down to the quaint local harbor to meet with the Indo Aggressor. The airport is only a few minutes drive from the harbour and there is also a small supermarket on the way if you need to stock up on any supplies before boarding the yacht. Once everyone is safely onboard, there is a check out dive in the expansive Maumere Bay.
Day 2: Sizzling Critters & Giant Bats (Lewoleba & Ipet Island)

The town of Lewoleba is located on the island of Lembata and close by a few miles outside of the town is a remarkable collection of great dive sites that feature the finest critter experiences in the area. Just a little further north is the island of Ipet, this too features some nice dives, scenic sand bars and the sight of thousands of giant fruitbats hanging in the mangroves of the island.

Day 3: Dramatic Walls and Thundering Fireworks (Teluk Waihinga & Komba Volcano)

As the yacht continues east, the islands get smaller as we approach the Romang group that includes Njata, Mitan, Tellang and Maopora as well as the main island of Romang. These areas were part of our initial eastern explorations many years ago when the Indo Aggressor was brand new and features incredible clear water wall and reef dives. The topside scenery during this section of the cruise is dominated by awe inspiring active volcanoes, particularly the fire breathing beast at Komba out in the Flores Sea. Alor, located at the very end of the Nusa Tenggara archipelago is the last large landmass you will see before we move further east and enter the region known as The Forgotten Islands, the most southerly part of Indonesia’s Maluku province. These smaller island groups mark the southern boundary of the immense Banda Sea to the north. The Banda Sea is a huge expanse of open ocean approximately 200 nautical miles from north to south and 450 nautical miles from west to east and in certain parts over 5,000 metres deep. Around the south-east edge there are two distinct lines or arcs of islands that appear as the sea gets shallower, the inner line and the outer line, these are The Forgotten Islands.

Day 4: Mythical Alor (The Alor Strait)

After an overnight relocation the yacht starts the next phase of the cruise at the northwest section of the island of Wetar, the last major landmass of the Nusa Tenggara archipelago. The Wetar Strait runs between Alor and Wetar and is extremely deep and is rumored to be of great strategic importance as nuclear powered submarines can cross this part of the Pacific and Indian oceans unnoticed through this marine thoroughfare. This part of the island is littered with some fine white sand beaches and bays with a stunning green forest backdrop and fringing coral reefs. There is plenty to do and see along this rugged coastline that sees very few tourists. One particular place of interest is the village of Napar on the north side of the headland. It is rumoured that a local chapol is known as the “crocodile whisperer” and has the ability to communicate with these fearsome beasts that inhabit the mangrove creeks. There are a variety of diving opportunities on this part of the island. The offshore islet of Reong features impressive wall dives and further down the coast there is the chance to come across majestic manta and moblar rays feeding and cleaning in the current. Reong Wall is located on the north side of the small island and the site features an impressive and pretty coral wall dive with the chance of spotting sharks, barracuda and schools of large pelagic fish.

Day 5: A Submarine Wonderland (Wetar)

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Day 6: Hard Coral Ridges (Romang)

As the yacht continues east, the islands get smaller as we approach the Romang group that includes Njata, Mitan, Tellang and Maopora as well as the main island of Romang. Some 23 nautical miles from west to east the group features some fantastic white sand beaches, particularly on Romang’s north-western shore and an inlet on the north side that houses a small village could be nice for water-sport excursions.

Day 7: Along The Circle of Fire (Damar)

Traveling further east to the volcanic island of Damar, guests will experience the southwest side. Damar is some 17 kilometres from north to south and 19 kilometres from west to east. There are settlements dotted all around the eastern half of the island, the largest of which is the village of Kenili located inside and inlets on the eastern shore. The best beaches are close by the known anchorage and features a long (900 metre) strip of dazzling white sand bordered by lush green forest and fringed by shallow coral reef, a great place for a swim or snorkel. The major dive sites are not actually on Damar Island itself but rather on and around the smaller islands of Nusa Leur and Terbang Utara (North) and Selatan (South). These sites feature an explosion of different colours and forms and seem to be in constant motion with the schooling fish and busy reef action with animals that are unused to seeing scuba divers.

Day 8: Reefs Of Discovery (The Leti Islands)

The Leti Islands are at the start of the southern arc of islands that border the Banda Sea and are comprised of three separate landmasses; Tombre, Moa and Lakor. Lying to the east of the world’s newest country, East Timor, all three islands are ripe for exploration diving. Undived coral reefs, and walls surround all three of these sparsely populated islands. They all feature some fabulous beaches and the channels between the islands could produce some thrilling current fuelled underwater adventures.

Day 9: Picture Perfect Atolls (The Sermata Reef Complex)

Nothing conjures up the image of a perfect south sea island seascape better than a coral atoll, and the Sermata group can certainly do that. The Sermata group begins just off the east of the Leti Islands at the Amoratun reefatoll complex. There are only three or four surface breaking islands at Amoratun, the rest of the area is taken over by coral reef that extends to deep walls and interesting reef points that are calling for the attention of inquisitive undersea explorers. The next point along the line is the huge reef that extends westward from the island of Sermata itself. Again this will provide plenty of scope for exploration, particularly on the sites in the channel that separates the reef system from Sermata island.
Day 10: More Islands To Explore (Babar)
The Babar island group, around 40 nautical miles to the northeast of Sermata, comprises the main island of Babar as well as its five satellite islands; Dai on the north side, Dawera and Dawalor to the east, Mesela south and on the west coast of Barbar and much closer than the rest is Wetan. While the whole island group is open to exploration the known dive sites are around the small island of Dai in the north. There are several known sites on the south side of the island in the channels that divide Babar from Wetan and Dawera and Dawalor.

Day 11: The Tanimbar Islands (West Yamdena)
Yamdena is the largest of The Tanimbar Islands and the last day of diving. Guests will explore the islands on the northwest side on a known site or an exploratory site. After the last dive, the yacht travels to the port town of Saumlaki.

South to Saumlaki - This southerly line starts in the west at the Leti island group and continues to the atolls and island of Sermata, Barbar, and the Tanimbar Islands before finishing at the Kei and Aru island groups, made famous as the final destination of the "Ring of Fire" television documentary. The diving and anchorages across this southern line are for the most part more sedate than those on in the north, although they are certainly not lacking in vibrant reef life and incredible topside scenery.

Saumlaki to Tual - In addition to the Indo Aggressor’s adventure cruises between Maumere and Saumlaki there will be two more special trips each year from 2018 to 2020 that will concentrate on the region even further east. These will cruise between Saumlaki on Jandema to Tual in the Kei Islands to explore far out to the furthest reaches of this remarkable island nation, Indonesia.

Day 12: Disembarkation (Saumlaki)
After 11 days of diving and immersing in the sights of The Forgotten Islands, it is time to head home.

Please note: This itinerary is only an example and may at times vary and visit different areas than the above. All is dependant on weather, sea conditions and marine life expectations.

Viktig Informasjon

Package includes:

- Accommodations aboard the yacht
- Up to 5 dives per day (2 on the last day), night dives when available
- Compressed air tanks, weights & belts
- Beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) are complimentary while onboard.
- Linens are changed mid-week and fresh towels are placed in each stateroom as needed.
- Breakfast (cooked to order), buffet lunch and an elegant meal at dinner with tableside service are served in addition to fresh mid-morning and mid-afternoon snacks.
- Filled tanks, weights and weight belts are included.
- 2 week DAN Europe dive insurance (only apply when purchasing flights from DYKKEbazaar/DIVEplanet or for members of the Norwegian Dive Federation)

Not included:

- Airfare (DYKKEbazaar can assist with flights if required)
- Insurance
- Equipment rentals
- Certification or specialty courses
- Hotel stays/day rooms
- Crew gratuity
- Taxes and Fees (see below)
- NITROX
- Airport and/or Hotel transfers on day of charter

Other important information

Rates: are quoted on a share basis in Deluxe shared cabins; therefore you will be roomed with other persons of the same gender. If you would like a private room, the cost is 65% surcharge and will guarantee you a private stateroom. Surcharge for upgrade to Master ($200).

Destination good for: pinnacles and steep walls, incredible overhangs and tunnels, pristine corals and huge sponges, schools of fish and even the occasional hammerhead sharks.

Water Temperature: can vary between 17°C to 30°C, but the normal average will be +/- 26°C - 28°C, recommened is a 3mm wetsuit

Visibility: will vary from 5 meters to 40 meters

Taxes & Fees: Forgotten Islands Park/Pot Fee: $180 (paid onboard). Note: Credit card payments onboard the yacht incur a 3% service charge.

Arrival/Boarding/Departure: Reaching the Indo Aggressor will involve a round trip domestic flight to Saumlaki/Maumere. The Indo Aggressor is scheduled to depart at 1:00 pm. The embarkation port for many of these special trips is Maumere, north Flores. This is easily accessible from Bali, sometimes with a non-stop flight. The other ports of embarkation or disembarkation will be Saumlaki on Jamdena for the majority of cruises and Tual, the capital of the Kei Islands for the rest. Both Saumlaki and Tual require transiting through Makassar airport on Sulawesi and Ambon. The Indo Aggressor aims to return to port on the evening prior to disembarkation. Final disembarkation will occur between 8:00 am –1:00 pm at the end of the charter. Guests will be transported to the airport for a domestic flight back to your chosen destination.

Transfers: Land Transfers: Bali transfers are not included in the charter. Transfers to/from domestic flights on embark/disembark dates are included. For questions and more details, email dive@dykkebazaar.no

Safety issues: The Indo Aggressor requires that every diver carry a Surface Marker Buoy or SMB, also known as a safety sausage, signal tube, or surface marker on every dive to comply with dive safety standards. An SMB is an important safety accessory for every diver regardless of where you are scuba diving.

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Ved skriftlig aksept av vårt tilbud bekrefter du/dere at våre betingelser er både lest og forstått og at evt kansellerings gebyrer kan tilkomme ved en evt. avbestilling av reisen.

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