

WAE REBO & KOMODO SAILING ADVENTURES

7D/6N - Start from \$1,910 per person

TRIP OVERVIEW

Locations	: Wae rebo Labuan Bajo Komodo, Flores
Activities	: Culture, nature, adventure, leisure, & cruise - live on board
Duration	: 7 Days 6 Nights
Price	: Start from \$1,910 per person
Travel Types	: Private Tour

HIGHLIGHTS

A seven-day adventure of trekking and sailing to one of the most scenic parts of Indonesia's Sunda Lesser Island – Wae Rebo and Komodo Archipelago. Both are considered as Indonesia's most incredible destinations. With a reward as the UNESCO World Heritage Site, guess these places are no doubt to visit – it will truly be an exceptional journey especially to those who love nature, culture, and adventure. The remote village of Wae Rebo, situated in a pleasant atmosphere with mountain scenery will introduce you the harmony of nature blending with well-maintained local culture meanwhile the Komodo Archipelago will encounter you with the famous Komodo dragons that prowl through the parched landscape, and the turquoise waters surround the islands teem with marine life. Experience all of this on a privately chartered cruise that lets you visit hidden coves and pristine beaches on a luxury vessel that you'll have all to yourself.

Your trip begins in Labuan Bajo by visiting the Village of Melo to watch their traditional Caci Dance performance. Here, local 'strongmen' will perform the 'Caci,' a ritual whip-fight between two rivals that will try to hit each other while dancing to the rhythm of traditional acoustic instruments. Besides this, the cultural group will also showcase other traditional dances. Then, you will visit Goa Rangko 'secret cave.' Rangko Cave is a rocky ocean cavern near Labuan Bajo filled with crystal clear water, lit up to a bright turquoise color by sunlight through the mouth of the cave. You can swim, cliff jump, and admire the otherworldly beauty of the stalagmites. Then, you will delve into an exploration of Wae Rebo Village for the next two days. You will start by hiking uphill for around 3 – 4 hours to Wae Rebo. There you will attend a welcome ceremony called Wae Lu'lu, taste local cuisine made by the tribe, stay in a unique house named Mbaru Niang that has a conical shape

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and wholly covered in lontar thatch from its rooftop down to the ground. You may mingle with the local and learn their way of life.

Followed a journey cruising through the Komodo Archipelago, the tour will be using 12-passenger luxury phinisi boat to circumnavigate the islands: Komodo Island, Rinca Island, Padar Island, and other islands which included into the archipelago. This trip brings you to encounter giant lizards – komodo dragons, spot the manta rays, discover one of seven pink beaches on the planet, hunt down magical sunsets, and snorkel or dive at one of the best coral reef and underwater biota in the world. As you might be expected, a cruise to Komodo Archipelago takes you to the beautiful places that will engrave a magnificent memory in you.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 : ARRIVAL LABUAN BAJO

Upon your arrival in Labuan Bajo, our guide will greet you at Komodo Airport. Then, we will set off on a trip to the Village of Melo. Here, local ‘strongmen’ will perform the ‘Caci,’ a ritual whip-fight between two rivals that will try to hit each other while dancing to the rhythm of traditional acoustic instruments. Besides this, the cultural group will also showcase other traditional dances. After the performance, you may choose to dip in and cliff jump at Rangko Cave — a secret swimming hole adorned with beautiful stalagmites or hike through small villages and agricultural land to Cunca Rami Waterfall. After a day of travel, you will transfer to a beachside resort just outside of the port town of Labuan Bajo, the gateway to the Komodo National Park.

Meals included: Lunch & Dinner

DAY 2 : LABUAN BAJO - DENGE - WAE REBO

After check out from the hotel, a five-hour scenic drive then transfers you to Denge Village. During the journey, we will pass through some beautiful villages and stop in one of them at Lembor Village. No wonder, it offers you a scenery of green rice paddies shaped in spider web creating such a unique impression. Then, our journey continues with trekking uphill to our final destination today, Wae Rebo – a UNESCO World’s Heritage Site. We will start hiking for 3 – 4 hours due to the 1.100 meters above sea level location. Upon the arrival in Wae Rebo village, the tribal chief will greet you at his house named Niang Gendang with a welcome ceremony called Wae Lu’lu. The ceremony aims to request permission to the ancestors of Wae Rebo to protect the visitors while in the village until the journey home. Afterward, you may explore Wae Rebo – unwind the fresh air and panoramic mountains all around, mingle with the locals, and learn their way of life. In the evening, you will have dinner with the authentic local cuisine and then stay overnight in a guest house called Mbaru Niang.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, & Dinner

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DAY 3 : WAE REBO - DENGE - LABUAN BAJO

In the morning, you will be treated with another local cuisine as breakfast before trekking down back to Denge Village. We will arrive at the village around 12 AM local time to have lunch. Then, you will transfer back to Labuan Bajo and in the middle of the journey will take a break at Cancar's Spiderweb Ricefield before hitting the road again. Afterward, we will stop by at Batu Cermin Cave. Set within an impressive prominent rock formation near Labuan Bajo, Batu Cermin means 'mirror rock' in English, rays of light find their way into the cave's inside walls through a hole where they perform a spectacular show of reflected sunlight. It is surrounded by forests where long-tailed monkeys and wild boars live. Afterward, we will arrive at Labuan Bajo and promptly check-in at the hotel.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, & Dinner

DAY 4 : LABUAN BAJO - KOMODO ARCHIPELAGO

Today, the cruise tour has begun – we will transfer you to the harbor and set off to Komodo Archipelago by an enchanting phinisi boat. Ready to start our adventure, the cruise director will familiarize you with the vessel's facilities and safety procedures. Our first voyage is to get to Kelor Island for trekking to the top of a hill situated in the middle of the island. Enjoy the beauty of the ocean blue all around once you reach the top. After lunch, we will visit the ranger station of Loh Buaya on Rinca Island where we have a ranger-led nature trek in search of Komodo dragons and some other creatures like monkeys, wild buffaloes, and deer. Then, we moor close to the starkly beautiful Padar Island, the third largest land mass within the Komodo National Park. The island is a great spot for sunrise and sunset; hence, we will hike to the top of Padar Island to hunt down an exceptional sunset. Afterward, we will be back to the boat and overnight on board.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

DAY 5 : KOMODO ARCHIPELAGO

We will begin our trip today with a morning trek to the top of Padar Island, where we catch the sunrise and unwind a picturesque vista of the island and its surroundings. After trekking, the boat will be anchored off the famous Komodo Island, one of approximately 80 islands that make up the Komodo National Park. We will go ashore at the ranger station in Loh Liang for an early morning ranger-led trek through the park searching for Komodo dragons – Indonesia's living dinosaurs – from a safe distance, as well as spotting sulfur-crested cockatoos, rare orchids, and jungle chickens. Afterward, we will continue our journey to one of the seven pink beaches in Indonesia at Pink Beach. You can do what you like here! Swimming, snorkeling, or simply basking in the tropical sun over its sandy pink beaches. Then, we will sail across the sea toward Kalong Island, where you can witness the phenomenon of thousands of bats fly in the twilight.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

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DAY 6 : KOMODO ARCHIPELAGO

We will disembark at Gili Lawa Darat. The island nearly looks like a savannah which wholly covered by grass. Since this place is famous as the greatest spot for sunrise, we will do a sunrise trekking for catching a spectacular view. We will moor on Manta Point at Makassar Reef, where you can spot a flock of Manta Rays swimming from a close distance. Then, we head to Siaba Besar Island, one of the dive sites in Komodo Archipelago that famous for its colorful coral reefs. Hence, water activities like swimming, snorkeling, and diving are the best things to do to unwind the beauty of the coral reefs. If you dive here, you will spot black tip sharks, barracuda, and turtles at a depth of 18-25 meters. Afterward, we will set off to Sebayur Island which located near to Rinca Island for catching another magical sunset.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

DAY 7 : DEPARTURE

On our final morning, we sail to Kanawa Island and Bidadari Island. You may prefer to do some last water sports here like swimming, snorkeling, or scuba diving. However, if you want something more relaxing, you can simply bask in the sun over the white sandy beaches enjoying the blue-turquoise ocean — a perfect way to unwind after six days of adventure! Afterward, we will be back on board, and cruise to Labuan Bajo. Now it is time to say goodbye — our guide will transfer you in private to the airport. We hope your journey with us is creating unforgettable memories, and we will be glad to see you again in another remarkable place in Indonesia!

Meals included: Breakfast

TERMS & CONDITIONS

TOUR INCLUDE

- Accommodation with daily breakfast at selected hotels and phinisi boat cruise.
- Meals as mentioned in the itinerary, except for alcoholic drinks.
- Private tours, transfers, and all services as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Service of a private driver and air-conditioned vehicles.
- Entrance fees for all the mentioned sights.
- Professional English speaking guides.
- Personal travel insurance (domestic insurance).
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- Service charges and government VAT tax.

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TOUR EXCLUDE

- Domestic & international airfares to and from our start and end points + departure taxes if applicable (*Notes: The price of this tour does not include any domestic & international airfares to and from our start and end points; however, our reservations specialists are more than happy to help arrange domestic & international flights on your behalf and advise on scheduling. We book hundreds of flights each year on behalf of our guests, and we know the best routes to take to ensure you arrive on time. We only book with IATA-approved airlines that have met with international standards of safety and dependability.*)
- Personal expenses (mini bar, laundry, room services, additional food & drink at the hotel/ restaurant, etc).
- Early check-in and late check-out at hotels.
- Visa fees.
- Tipping to guides, drivers, captain & crew (*on the final day of your tour, you will have an opportunity to contribute in giving tip fund discretionarily. We believe that between US\$ 5-10 per day is an appropriate amount. However, this is just a suggestion and remains entirely up to the judgment and discretion of the guests. We do ask that you kindly refrain from offering tips to guides or drivers at any time, except during cases of exceptional service, when it should be arranged through the office. Tipping of your travel specialists for their hard work is also welcome, and is at your discretion*).

WHAT TO BRING

- **Clothing** - The tropical climate means you can safely leave all of your warm weather gear at home. Bring cool cottons, T-shirts and shorts. Likewise, a lightweight fleece could be useful for pre-dawn trekking or if there is a cool wind on the mountain – even if you don't need it, it will be useful for the plane. Adventure Archipelago is respectful of the local cultures and customs; bring clothes that cover your shoulders and knees for village or temples visits. Finally, you might want to bring at least one smart-casual outfit for sunset cocktails and evening meals. Ladies: beach throw-overs, kaftans and sarongs are always useful; choose fabrics that dry easily. Also, bring a lightweight sundress or two – several destinations offers a great setting for a photo shoot, live it up.
- **Bags** - A day backpack is essential on day hikes to carry things such as your water bottle, camera, binoculars, and rain jacket. A waterproof wet/dry bag is a good idea for your phone, camera, etc.
- **Footwear** - Pack comfortable trainers, trekking sandals, sturdy walking shoes or hiking boots for hikes and walks. Bring socks to wear inside your walking shoes to avoid getting blisters. Many travellers appreciate the added stability of a walking stick or hiking pole; lightweight telescopic poles are easy to pack. You might also want waterproof sandals or reef shoes for wet

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landings and water activities. Flip-flops are great for the beach. Note: Standard practice is to go barefoot on the boat.

- **Sun Protection** - You'll be spending plenty of time out in the scorching tropical sun, so be sure to pack sunscreen with a high enough SPF to protect your skin from the sun's damaging rays, which are stronger in the water, and some sun-protective clothing as well. Cover-ups, sarongs, sun shirts, and other such clothing will ensure that you come back from your trip with just happy memories and photographs – and not sunburn. A good hat is essential; a wide brimmed hat or cap will keep the strong equatorial sun off your face and neck. Sunglasses keep your eyes protected and add a little glam to your photos. A strap to hold your glasses can be a good idea on more active adventures. Just in case you fail to avoid getting sunburnt, bring an aloe-based lotion to soothe burned skin.
- **Swimwear** - Don't forget your swimsuit/bikini/shorts/trunks/Speedos —and preferably more than just one swimsuit, so that one or two can be drying while you are wearing another. Luckily, swimsuits and/or swim trunks don't take up too much space in your luggage. The water is warm but a rash guard (or a wetsuit) will protect you from the sun, abrasions and stings.
- **Skin & Hair Protection** - Ladies, it's important that you take good care of your skin and hair. The sun, seawater and salty air may be beautiful to experience but it can be tough on your body and will wreak havoc on your locks. Bring moisturising lotion to soothe skin parched by the sun and the saltwater; bring a leave-in conditioner to de-tangle your hair with ease because the water, mask, and hair-ties will leave it in knots. Also consider bringing a scarf or headband to hold back unruly hair, or hair-ties/pins to keep your hair off your face and therefore prevent water seeping into your mask.
- **Camera Equipment** - If you are photo enthusiast bring all of the camera and video equipment that you will use as you can expect exceptional opportunities for photography. If you prefer the ease of a point & shoot, bring that. If you want to take underwater photos you might want to invest in a waterproof camera/GoPro or waterproof housing to capture photos of the incredible marine life. It's also a good idea to bring a spare memory card.

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