

### KUDANIL EXPLORER



## A JUNGLE TO SEA EXPEDITION HOSTED BY Dr. LAWRENCE BLAIR

BALI TO KOMODO ISLAND | 20th - 28th SEPTEMBER 2024





Dr. Lawrence Blair is an explorer, film maker, author and public speaker on the peoples and creatures of Indonesia. A resident of Bali, he has assisted and led marine expeditions throughout the archipelago since the Lindblad Explorer – the first genuinely exploratory tourist ship – broached the Spice Islands in 1978. His onboard companions have included Mick Jagger, Jerry Hall, Sir Peter Scott, Ron and Valerie Taylor, Sir Michael Cowdray, Baron Von Schenk, Larry Summers, Richard Dawkins and numerous luminaries, less publicly known, in the fields of science.



### DAY 1 | WELCOME TO THE JUNGLE Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Arrive to Denpasar airport, where your private transfer will welcome you to Bali and your adventure will begin at Capella Ubud, Bali. Perhaps you'll explore the Camp, lounge by the Cistern or enjoy Afternoon Tea in the Officers Tent.

You'll meet your fellow explorers and your host Dr. Lawrence Blair for some sunset storytelling and introduction to the adventures that await you.

Dinner will be served in the split-level tented dining room named in honor of the famous Danish spice trader and peace maker of Bali, Mads Lange. Your Indonesian "Rijsttafel" feast will include classic dishes, designed for sharing using ancient recipes inspired by the spice trail across the Nusantara archipelago.



# DAY 2 | CULTURE ON FIRE

Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2024

After a leisurely breakfast you will start your day with a choice of "Capella Curates" activities – a jungle trek or an authentic water purification ritual. Perhaps you'll enjoy your 90-minute Balinese massage in the afternoon.

Early evening we'll depart to a Balinese Palace that has granted our small group private and exclusive access for a full tour with the High Priest followed by an unforgettable fire dance performance.



## DAY 3 | EXPLORE

Sunday, 22<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Plan this day however you desire. You could visit the lively center of Ubud to shop, dine or visit the Monkey Forest. You may decide to spend the day lounging by your private pool or enjoying another spa treatment. The Capella team will be available to help craft your perfect day.

Dinner will ignite some 'fire to the soul', as our chefs at the award-winning Api Jiwa restaurant create exciting Asian barbecue food served in an intimate, lively atmosphere.



### Day 4 | JUNGLE TO SEA Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2024

After breakfast we will head to the airport for the short flight to Komodo. Arrive in Labuan Bajo airport, where its only a 15 minutes ride to the Kudanil. Welcome aboard! After an hour's sail, we do our first check dive before going on to moor for sunset where a cloud of thousands of bats take off for the night. Enjoy a snorkel, kayak or water-ski session before dinner is served.



### Day 5 | MANTAS & PINK BEACHES Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Wake up in a magnificent bay before we set out to snorkel and dive the site around Manta Alley which, as the name suggests, is a perfect place to see these peaceful rays with their enormous wingspans. Many guests describe this landscape with its steep cliffs as one of the most spectacular they have seen in Indonesia.

We will then cruise towards Padar Island where we will spend a relaxing afternoon on the beach before ascending Pulau Padar for its magnificent sunset view point, a highlight of the National Park.



### Day 6 | DRAGONS & TURTLES Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> September 2024

In the morning, we visit the rangers at Loh Buaya to look for the infamous, endemic Komodo Dragons before we snorkel and dive the pristine coral reef of Pulau Saiba, home to numerous turtles. For sunset, we go ashore at Gili Lawa Laut, for a trek up to the hilltop to enjoy spectacular views over Komodo National Park.



# Day 7 | GILI LAWA ISLANDS & BATU MONCO

Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> September 2024

We dive in the limpid waters amongst the teeming pelagic life at several of the world-class dive sites, such as Crystal Rock, Castle Rock. Snorkelers can experience a unique site called "Shotgun" - a narrow, short passage between Gili Lawa Laut and Gili Lawa Darat with plenty of fish and fantastic corals.

We will spend the afternoon in Batu Monco, a beautiful bay in the far northwest of Komodo Island with a lovely, virgin beach - perfect for water sports, snorkeling and diving.



### Day 8 | BANTA & BEACH PARTY Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024

We spend the morning at a pink beach in Banta, a remote island outside of the Komodo National Park frontiers. Go for a hike on the hills to enjoy the panorama, go for a last dive or take a stroll on another pink beach.

In the afternoon, we celebrate the good times aboard with a final beach party on a paradisiac beach, sipping cocktails for sunset and dancing in the white, fine sand.



# Day 9 | DISEMBARKATION

### Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> September 2024

After breakfast, we pack and prepare to disembark, returning to Labuan Bajo Airport by tender and car.



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Experience rich and diverse uncharted territories, from the lush rainforest of Ubud to deep below the blue East Indonesian seas. Hosted by Dr. Lawrence Blair, the iconic explorer, filmmaker, author and public speaker illuminating the people and creatures of Indonesia.

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| EARLY BIRD RATES             | RACK RATES                   |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| USD 21,283++ per couple      | USD 25,039++ per couple      |
| USD 16,842++ single traveler | USD 19,815++ single traveler |

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

• Early Bird rates are for bookings confirmed before 20th March 2024.

• 50% deposit required at time of booking, remaining balance due 90 days prior to departure.

• If the itinerary cannot be operated for any reason due to unforeseen circumstances it will be rescheduled

in accordance with guest availability within the following 12 months.

• Price includes all accommodation, experiences, meals and transfers.

• Price does not include flights or alcoholic beverages.

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