

EAST INDONESIA TOURS & TRAVEL

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FANTASTIC NORTH AND SOUTH MOLUCCAS 13 DAYS / 12 NIGHTS



DAY 01: JAKARTA – TERNATE

Early morning start from the airport of Jakarta and fly to Ternate, the capital of North Moluccas province. Today you are free on your own or optionally you could go to Sulamadaha beach for snorkeling.



DAY 02: TERNATE TOUR

Ternate is a small round island, dominated by Gamalama volcano. It has a long history as the original “species” island. Here you still could see the “Cengkeh Afo” tree, baptized as mother of the whole clove trees in the world, since this tree has more than 350 years of age.

Ternate also witnessing a long history of how the western world compete to conquer this island. You will visit several fort dated back to the 15th and 16th century such as Kastella Fort, Kalamata fort, Toloko Fort and Oranje fort. You will also visit natural wonder there, Tolire Lake, a big lake that do not have any connection to the sea with its own ecosystem.

You will explore all above interesting spots on a full day tour.



DAY 03: TERNATE – SOFIFI – BINAGARA

After breakfast, proceed to the pier where we will board our chartered speed boat to Sofifi, the new capital of North Moluccas Province. Upon arrival, you will proceed with private van to Binagara, a Java transmigrant village in the border of Lolobata National park. After a bit of rest and lunch, you will go to the national park for today's bird watching.



DAY 04: LOLOBATA NATIONAL PARK BIRD WATCHING

Early morning wake up for the sound of the forest. You will hike for one hour to a certain spot where you will see the endemic bird of Seram island: Standard wings of paradise, a family member of bird of Paradise in Papua.

You can also visit and joint the daily activity of the people in the village. In the afternoon you will hike into the forest again to see whatever animal there.



DAY 05: BINAGARA – SOFIFI – SOASIU – GURABUNGA

After breakfast, proceed to soffifi harbour, just two hours away. Depart using chartered boat to Tidore island. Upon arrival at Soasiu, a sleepy town the capital of Tidore Island, we will drive up to Gurabunga Village (a village of 800 meters above sea level) via a small winding mountain road. Gurabunga lies in the slope of volcanic mount of Kiematubu (1730 m).



DAY 06: GURABUNGA FREE PROGRAM

You are free on your own. You could go on trekking visiting several beautiful villages around such as Lada Ake. If you are mountain enthusiastic, you could also climb Mount Kiematubu (about 4 hours).



DAY 07: GURABUNGA – TERNATE - AMBON

After breakfast, you will say good bye to your host and transfer to Rum harbor for a 30 minutes speed-boat ride back to Ternate island. Upon arrival in Bastiong, the harbor of Ternate, transfer to Baabullah, the airport of Ternate. Flight to Ambon with propeller plane. Upon arrival at Pattimura, the airport of Ambon, transfer to your hotel. Free afternoon on your own.



DAY 08: AMBON – MASOHI – SAWAI VILLAGE

After breakfast, proceed to Tulehu Harbour, and board our fast boat at 09:00AM. You will cross Ambon strait to Amahai harbor for about 2 hours in a comfortable air conditioned cabin. Upon arrival, you will proceed to Masohi, the capital of Central Moluccas Region, where you will have a seafood lunch at the local restaurant. You will travel on about 3,5 hours journey via a primary jungle road with pure rain forest. Arrive in a small village of Sawai late in the afternoon, we will check in at our guest house.

Sawai is a small sleepy fisherman village with about 200 inhabitants. The main income of the village is from the sea and the forest surround it. 50% of the houses were built up on the stilt on the sea shore as the case of our Guest house.

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DAY 09: SAWAI SNORKELING

After breakfast, you will go to Tanjung Batu, a beautiful snorkeling spot not so far from the village. Next, you will visit an inhabited small island with white sandy beach, where you can sun bathing and snorkeling.

Delicious barbeque lunch will be served in this island.



DAY 10: SAWAI – JUNGLE PROGRAM

After breakfast, you will board long boat and explore Salawai river. You will start from its end, where the river meets the sea, and you will explore deeper into the jungle. Inside the jungle, during the boat trip, you will see many living creature; birds of any kinds, lizard and even alligator! You will also stop on the way to witness local people making sago processing from tree into powder.

You will stop at the river bank after 2,5 hours on long boat then while you visit the waterfall (a real nice place to swim), your porter will carry your stuff to the simple hut by the forest.

Walking to your hut and continue your swim in the river in front of your hut.

In the afternoon, you will visit a cave by the waterfall and witness thousands of bats flying out for the evening. You can also join local people to catch river shrimp in the shallow part of the river.



DAY 11: JUNGLE – BIRD WATCHING – SAWAI

Wake up early and go on walking with your guide to see the bird (We will have a very good guide on bird watching!). The birds that you might encounters during this morning bird watching are; Hornbill, Moluccan Cockatoos, great-billed parrot, eclectus, red-checked parrot, lorries, and lorikeets. Return to your jungle hut for your simple lunch.

Walking back to Sawai via the jungle path. On the way you will still have the chance to see birds high in the tree.

Near the village of Masihulang, you will visit an NGO that specialized on re-forest all kind of birds that was confiscated from the people. These birds was put in a special cage and were check for it health before releasing back into its natural habitat.



DAY 12: SAWAI – MASOHI – FASTBOAT – NATSEPA

After breakfast, you will proceed back to Ambon Island. From Sawai you will travel first to Masohi, the Capital of Seram Region. Stop at local restaurant for lunch before travel to the harbor and board your fast ferry. Upon arrival at the pier of Ambon, transfer to Natsepa Area, a place only 10 minutes away from the harbor.



DAY 13: NATSEPA – NEXT DESTINATION (B)

After breakfast transfer to Pattimura Airport for your flight to the next destination. End of the tour program.