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## BORNEO AND BEYOND: ORANGUTANS, DRAGONS & WHALE SHARKS

Welcome to your Indonesian expedition--where ancient volcanoes meet gentle giants of the sea, and every day brings encounters with wildlife and cultures shaped by fire and water. Over the next 12 days, you'll journey by traditional klotok boats to witness endangered orangutans at Camp Leakey, walk across Mount Bromo's otherworldly "sea of sand," and swim alongside magnificent whale sharks in Saleh Bay's pristine waters. This isn't passive observation of nature --you'll experience first-hand, traditional buffalo races staged in your honour and explore prehistoric landscapes where Komodo dragons roam free. Each morning brings new adventures shaped by Indonesia's extraordinary diversity. You'll navigate between 17,000 islands spanning dramatic geological contrasts, from Borneo's pristine rainforests to Java's active volcanic peaks. Walk among living dinosaurs on remote islands, and join village celebrations where ancient customs blend with Islamic and Hindu influences. From tracking proboscis monkeys through Tanjung Puting's Sekonyer River to snorkelling coral-tinted sands at Pink Beach, every experience connects you with environments few travellers witness. Our small expedition community of just 30 guests ensures intimate wildlife encounters and authentic cultural exchanges, as well as opportunities for snorkelling rich areas of marine wildlife. This is expedition travel where geological forces meet biological wonders: immediate, educational, and utterly extraordinary. Your Indonesian adventure begins the moment you board Paspaley Pearl.



### ITINERARY

Day 1 Bali - Cultural Gateway to the Indonesian Archipelago

Board Paspaley Pearl this afternoon in Bali, where Hindu traditions create a distinctive cultural landscape evident in daily offerings adorning streets and temples. Our crew will welcome you aboard with refreshing cocktails, before setting sail through the harbour past traditional fishing communities. Tonight, join our expedition team for briefings about the remarkable volcanic landscapes and diverse cultures we'll encounter across Indonesia's vast archipelago.

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### Day 2 Sumenep, Madura - The Soul of Madura's Architectural Treasures

Explore architectural treasures reflecting Chinese, Arab, and European influences in "the Soul of Madura," discovering the homeland of Indonesia's third-largest ethnic group. Walk through multicultural heritage sites while learning how this region's Majapahit Empire connections influenced the colours of Indonesia's national flag.

### Day 3 At Sea - Crossing to Borneo's Pristine Wilderness

Connect with expedition community during our crossing toward Borneo as naturalists prepare you for extraordinary wildlife encounters. Learn about orangutan conservation, proboscis monkey behaviour, and remarkable "bird lakes" while understanding Dr. Birute Galdikas' revolutionary primate research at the world-renowned Camp Leakey conservation centre.

### Day 4 Camp Leakey & Tanjung Puting National Park - Orangutan Encounters

Journey by traditional klotok boats through pristine rivers to witness endangered orangutans during feeding times. Walk rainforest boardwalks where proboscis monkeys display distinctive features while over 220 bird species create forest symphonies, exploring unique "black rivers" serving as vital waterbird rookeries.

### Day 5 At Sea - Volcanic Landscapes Ahead

Reflect on primate encounters while expedition team prepares you for Indonesia's dramatic volcanic landscapes. Join enrichment sessions about geological forces creating these

islands, learning about Mount Bromo's active crater and the indigenous Tengger community's spiritual connections to volcanic environments.

### Day 6 Probolinggo (Mount Bromo) - Walking on the Moon

Journey by 4WD across Mount Bromo's spectacular "sea of sand" to walk crater rims of this active volcano named after Brahma. Watch the changing light transform the 10-kilometre Tengger caldera while learning how indigenous communities maintain sacred traditions including casting offerings into active craters.

### Day 7 At Sea - Marine Conservation and Traditional Fishing

Join enrichment sessions about marine conservation and traditional fishing practices preparing for extraordinary marine encounters ahead. Learn about whale shark behaviour, traditional 'bagan' fishing platforms, and conservation efforts while scanning waters for wildlife during our approach to Sumbawa.

### Day 8 Saleh Bay, Sumbawa - Swimming with Gentle Giants

Experience intimate encounters with magnificent whale sharks around traditional floating fishing platforms called 'bagans'. Swim in crystal-clear waters alongside gentle giants reaching over 12 meters in length, known locally as 'gurano bintang', while supporting sustainable eco-tourism initiatives protecting these remarkable creatures.

### Day 9 Komodo National Park - Land of the Dragons

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Enter this UNESCO World Heritage Site where world's largest lizards roam free. Join park rangers for guided walks through savanna grasslands searching for Komodo dragons growing over 3 meters long, exploring dramatic landscapes while learning about conservation efforts protecting these prehistoric predators.

#### Day 10 Komodo National Park - Pink Sands and Vibrant Reefs

Visit Pink Beach--one of only seven such coloured beaches worldwide--and snorkel vibrant coral reefs teeming with over 1,000 fish species. Continue dragon tracking while understanding how this Wallacea ecoregion location creates remarkable combinations of Australian and Asian fauna through evolutionary isolation.

#### Day 11 Badas, Sumbawa - Traditional Buffalo Racing Spectacle

Witness traditional buffalo races (Barapan Kebo) staged specially in your honour, where decorated buffalo pairs thunder across muddy fields while riders balance on wooden ploughs. Experience ceremonial events rooted in ancient agricultural traditions while observing traditional rice pounding and weaving demonstrations.

#### Day 12 Bali - Journey's End with Lasting Memories

Return carrying memories of Indonesia's extraordinary diversity from swimming with whale sharks to witnessing endangered orangutans, walking active volcanoes to encountering living dragons. Final opportunities exploring Bali's artistic traditions provide perfect conclusions to your remarkable journey through

one of Earth's most biodiverse regions.

**Please Note:**

Itineraries are subject to change.

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## YOUR SHIP: PASPALEY PEARL

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**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

PASPALEY PEARL marks a milestone in the development of boutique expedition travel, offering a benchmark-setting standard of excellence in the Asia Pacific region. As a modern boutique expedition vessel in the Kimberley featuring private balconies, we have the ability of reaching exotic destinations previously inaccessible by larger vessels. You're invited to ignite your sense of discovery, all whilst travelling in comfort and safety that has been designed to create the smallest possible footprint, with a philosophy of empowering local people and creating ambassadors for the destinations visited. Designed to feel like your home away from home Marrying PASPALEY's heritage of over 80 years in the Kimberley and Northern Australia with PONANT's 35-year history of luxury expedition travel, PASPALEY PEARL emerges as the embodiment of comfort and adventure. Featuring 15 staterooms and suites and hosting a maximum of 30 guests per voyage, PASPALEY PEARL emerges as the newest and only boutique expedition motor yacht in the Kimberley with private balconies. The perfect place to relax while exploring \_Main Dining, Lounge and Bar\_ Nestled on the Ocean Deck is our main dining area, lounge, and bar. As our skilled chefs craft your locally-inspired dinner, take a moment for a

pre-dinner drink before being spoiled with the finest produce Australia has to offer. If you're interested in exploring some of PASPALEY's exquisite offerings, you'll be delighted by their showcase of the world's most beautiful pearls, available for purchase as a cherished memento of your time on board. \_Outdoor Dining, Lounge and Bar\_ When journeying through the tropics, immersing yourself in the outdoors becomes essential. Indulge in breakfast and lunch daily within a relaxed yet refined setting. With two expansive dining tables and abundant lounges, relish the idea of dining amidst the natural surroundings you explore. Craving a refreshing drink after a day of exploration? Our friendly staff at the Outdoor Bar have you covered. The Outdoor Lounge doubles as the perfect space for afternoon briefings with your expedition team, ensuring you receive all the information needed for the following day's adventure. \_Sun Deck Lounge and Jacuzzi\_ Bask in the sunshine on the Sun Deck, furnished with sun beds, lounges, and an 8-person jacuzzi. Whether you prefer reading a book under the shelter of the protective shade cloth or engaging in conversations with newfound friends, the Sun Deck promises a haven of pure relaxation. \_Sunset Lounge\_ Located ahead of the bridge, you can savour panoramic views rivaling those of the captain at the Sunset Lounge. Order a drink from one of the bars downstairs and relax as you witness some of the most breathtaking sunsets you've

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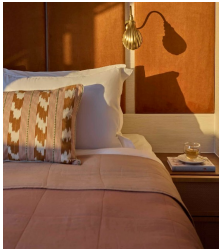
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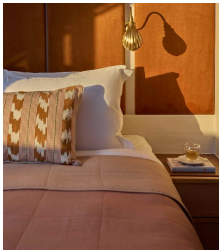
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## INSIDE YOUR SHIP

Horizon Suite



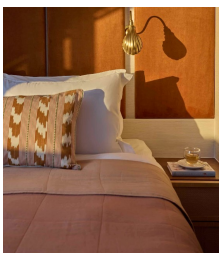
Ocean Double Stateroom



Ocean Stateroom

Ocean Twin Stateroom

Pearl Suite





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## PRICING

### 12-Jan-2027 to 23-Jan-2027

Ocean Twin Stateroom	£10999 GBP pp
Ocean Double Stateroom	£10499 GBP pp
Ocean Stateroom	£11749 GBP pp
Pearl Suite	£17749 GBP pp
Horizon Suite	£14749 GBP pp

### 23-Jan-2027 to 03-Feb-2027

Pearl Suite	£17749 GBP pp
Horizon Suite	£14749 GBP pp
Ocean Twin Stateroom	£10999 GBP pp
Ocean Double Stateroom	£10499 GBP pp
Ocean Stateroom	£11749 GBP pp