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IN THE WAKE OF WALLACE: INDONESIA & BORNEO CRUISE

Welcome to Aurora Expeditions' In The Wake of Wallace: Indonesia & Borneo voyage. Embark on an extraordinary voyage across the heart of the Indonesian Archipelago to Singapore, a region of unparalleled natural beauty and rich cultural heritage. This 16-day expedition invites you to explore a tapestry of islands, each offering unique treasures to discover. From the pristine waters of Raja Ampat to the ancient temples of Java and the orangutan of Central Kalimantan, this journey promises a fusion of adventure, culture, and wildlife experiences. Traverse the mythical Wallace Line, an invisible boundary used to mark the difference between species found in Australia and Southeast Asia. Marvel at the unique biodiversity that flourishes on either side, a testament to the archipelago's extraordinary geographical history. This expedition will immerse you in local cultures, bring you face-to-face with iconic wildlife, and reveal the raw beauty of nature. Prepare to be captivated by the diversity and charm of Indonesia, a land where every island holds a story waiting to be discovered.



ITINERARY

Day 1 Arrive in Denpasar

Having made your way to Denpasar, you will be met by a representative of Aurora Expeditions and transferred to our group hotel. Upon arrival at your included hotel, please visit the welcome desk where you can collect your luggage cabin tags and speak with our ground operations team, who may have information to share with you about pre-embarkation or to

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provide you with information about where to dine, withdraw cash or purchase last minute items from a local pharmacy or supermarket.

The remainder of your time is at leisure. All meals today are at your own expense.

Accommodation: Bali Hotel (to be confirmed)

[Day 2 Fly to Sorong, embarkation](#)

This morning, please ensure your cabin luggage is fitted with cabin tags clearly labelled with your name and cabin number. Any valuables or personal items should be kept on you throughout the day. After breakfast at the hotel, we board a morning charter flight to Sorong, where our vessel the Greg Mortimer awaits.

Transfer to the port for embarkation. You will have time to settle into your cabin before our important briefings begin. Enjoy the thrill of departure as we 'throw the lines' and set sail for Raja Ampat. Meet your Expedition Team and crew at the Captain's Welcome Dinner.

[Day 3 Misool, Raja Ampat](#)

Located in the 'Coral Triangle,' Raja Ampat archipelago has been described as a marine 'species factory,' and a Mission Blue Hope Spot. Believed to contain the most biodiverse marine habitat on the planet, the waters surrounding Raja Ampat are home to 600 species of hard coral and 1,500 types of fish -

more than anywhere else in the world - which makes for exceptional diving and snorkelling experience.

Misool, a pristine corner of Raja Ampat, is renowned for its breathtaking natural beauty and extraordinary marine biodiversity. Established in 2005, the Misool Marine Reserve safeguards a vast 300,000-acre expanse, protecting it from destructive fishing practices. This pioneering conservation effort has yielded remarkable results. A scientific study between 2007 and 2013 revealed a staggering 250% increase in fish biomass within the reserve, with some areas experiencing a phenomenal 600% recovery. This extraordinary transformation underscores the power of effective marine conservation. Beyond its ecological significance, Misool offers unparalleled opportunities for exploration and adventure. Relax in the crystal-clear waters, teeming with vibrant coral reefs and diverse marine life. Hike to the summit of Dafalen Peak for breathtaking panoramic views or discover the island's rich cultural heritage through ancient rock art sites.

[Day 4 Buru Island & Fogi Island](#)

In Buru Island, your adventure begins with a Zodiac ride to Tomahu Island, where a warm cultural welcome awaits. Explore the nearby Pasir Putih village, immersing yourself in the local way of life. Later, discover the underwater wonderland of Fogi Island. Snorkelers and divers can marvel at the vibrant coral reefs teeming with marine life, including turtles, seahorses, and a dazzling array of fish. Kayakers can paddle through picturesque waterways, surrounded by lush mangroves. For those seeking relaxation, unwind on the pristine beaches, soak

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up the sun, and explore the island's natural beauty. After lunch, embark on another adventure, whether it's beach time, snorkelling, or exploring a different island.

Day 5 Wakatobi National Park, Southeast Sulawesi

Wakatobi, a UNESCO-protected marine paradise, boasts an extraordinary array of marine life. Home to 750 of the world's 850 coral species and 942 fish species, this archipelago offers unparalleled diving and snorkelling experiences. Explore the vast coral reefs, teeming with vibrant colours and exotic creatures. For those who prefer land-based adventures, Hoga Island offers a serene escape. Embark on a guided nature walk to discover the island's unique flora and fauna, or simply relax on the pristine beaches. Birdwatchers can explore the island in search of resident and migratory birdlife.

Day 6 Taka Bonerate National Park, Flores Sea

Taka Bonerate National Park, located south of Sulawesi, is a marine paradise renowned for its exceptional biodiversity. This vast atoll system, the third largest in the world, boasts crystal-clear waters teeming with life. Explore vibrant coral reefs, home to a dazzling array of fish species. Tinabo Island, the park's heart, offers a glimpse into local life and opportunities to contribute to conservation efforts through tree planting, coral transplantation, or turtle release. For nature enthusiasts, guided walks reveal the island's unique flora and fauna, while birdwatchers can spot a variety of avian species. Beyond the island, the underwater world beckons with its diverse ecosystems, from barrier reefs to steep drop-offs.

Days 7-8 UNESCO World Heritage Komodo National Park

Komodo National Park, established in 1980, safeguards the iconic Komodo dragon and its habitat. These prehistoric creatures, among the world's largest lizards, inhabit Komodo Island and neighbouring islets. Located in Indonesia's Wallace Region, a global conservation priority, the park is a natural treasure trove.

Encounter the Komodo dragon on a guided walk through open woodland, observing these magnificent creatures in their natural environment. Alternatively, explore the ranger station or discover the island's rich birdlife. Pink Beach, renowned for its unique rosy hue, is a highlight. Composed of crushed coral, this stunning stretch of coast offers relaxation, snorkelling, and breathtaking views.

Gili Lawa Island is another gem within the park. Dive or snorkel in the underwater world, teeming with vibrant coral and marine life. Relax on pristine beaches or embark on a scenic Zodiac cruise to explore hidden coves. Join our expedition team for an unforgettable encounter at Manta Alley - the thrill of encountering majestic manta rays in their natural habitat. If sea conditions permit, we'll explore other nearby reefs, offering diverse snorkelling opportunities. Alternatively, relax on a pristine beach, soaking up the sun and enjoying the tranquil atmosphere.

Day 9 Saleh Bay, Sumbawa Besar

Saleh Bay, nestled on the island of Sumbawa, is a hidden gem

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that promises an opportunity of a lifetime. This expansive body of water is renowned for its pristine marine environment and as a haven for one of the ocean's most majestic creatures: the whale shark.

Saleh Bay is characterised by its calm waters and rich biodiversity, making it an ideal habitat for a variety of marine life. The surrounding landscape is a picturesque blend of lush greenery and sandy beaches, offering a serene backdrop to your adventure.

The highlight of your visit will undoubtedly be the opportunity to snorkel with whale sharks. These gentle giants, the largest fish in the world, congregate in Saleh Bay due to the abundant food supply provided by local fishing activities. Snorkelling alongside these peaceful creatures is an experience that will leave you awe-inspired. As you glide through the water, you'll be captivated by their immense size and graceful movements.

It's crucial to remember that whale sharks are protected species. Your expedition will adhere to strict guidelines to ensure minimal disturbance to these magnificent animals. By observing these guidelines and maintaining a respectful distance, you can contribute to their conservation while enjoying an unforgettable encounter.

While sightings are never guaranteed, the chance to encounter these majestic creatures in such pristine waters is truly unforgettable. The experience of sharing the ocean with such an extraordinary creature is a privilege that will stay with you long after your journey ends.

Day 10 At Sea

Take time to unwind on the sea crossing to Semarang. Enjoy informative talks from our team of experts, get to know your fellow expeditioners, stay active in the gym or treat yourself to a massage in the wellness centre.

[Day 11 Semarang for Borobudur Temple, Central Java](#)

Semarang, a bustling port city, offers a captivating blend of Javanese, Chinese, and Dutch influences. Its colonial architecture, vibrant markets, and delectable cuisine make it a fascinating destination. However, the allure of Central Java extends beyond the city limits. Borobudur, a world-renowned Buddhist temple and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is an awe-inspiring monument, and a testament to the architectural brilliance of the Sailendra Dynasty. Its intricate carvings and serene atmosphere offer a spiritual and historical experience like no other.

The journey from Semarang to Borobudur is a picturesque adventure. As you venture into the heart of Central Java, you'll be greeted by rolling hills, emerald rice paddies, and charming villages. This idyllic countryside provides a tranquil escape from the city's hustle and bustle. Approaching Borobudur, the landscape transforms into a lush, tropical paradise. The majestic temple emerges from the greenery, a breathtaking sight that will leave you in awe.

Spend the afternoon exploring the temple's grounds, enjoying its serene atmosphere, and gaining insights into its rich history.

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Day 12 At Sea & Kumai, Central Kalimantan, Borneo

In the late afternoon we arrive at the heart of Central Kalimantan, Kumai. As your expedition vessel arrives, you'll be greeted by the lush tapestry of Borneo's rainforest. This evening, experience the magic of the night as you glide through the tranquil waters of the Sekonyer River. This enchanting nocturnal adventure offers a glimpse into the hidden world of the Borneo rainforest. Keep a watchful eye for elusive creatures as you navigate the river. The rhythmic symphony of the jungle, punctuated by the twinkling lights of fireflies among the nipa palms, creates an unforgettable ambiance.

Day 13-14 Kumai & At Sea

Embark on an unforgettable adventure through the lush rainforests of Tanjung Puting National Park. This iconic reserve is home to a diverse array of wildlife, most notably the endangered orangutan. Cruise along the meandering Sekonyer River aboard a traditional Klotok houseboat, immersing yourself in the heart of Borneo's wilderness. Encounter proboscis monkeys, gibbons, and a kaleidoscope of birdlife as you navigate through the dense vegetation.

Visit the renowned Pondok Tanggui Rehabilitation Centre, where you'll have the extraordinary opportunity to witness orangutans in their natural habitat. Learn about the park's vital conservation efforts and the dedicated work to protect these magnificent creatures. Continue your journey to Pesalat Conservation Education Centre to deepen your understanding of the challenges faced by the park.

Conclude your time in Kumai with a morning visit to Tanjung Harapan, where you can observe orangutans during their feeding. This awe-inspiring experience will leave you with a profound appreciation for the delicate balance of nature and the importance of conservation. Say farewell to Borneo and set sail for Singapore, enjoying an afternoon onboard.

Day 15 At Sea

Enjoy the sea crossing to Singapore. Engage in informative talks from our team of experts, get to know your fellow expeditioners, stay active in the gym or treat yourself to a massage in the wellness centre.

Day 16 Disembark in Singapore

Disembark in the early morning and bid a fond farewell to fellow travellers before a transfer to the airport to continue your journey.

Please Note:

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LENGTH:

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Capable of negotiating the strongest winds and waves, the Greg Mortimer is built to world-class polar standards - designed in close consultation with our expedition specialists, taking advantage of our more than 25 years of experience. The Greg Mortimer redefines expedition cruising for the future, with just 132 passengers on board in the polar regions. Not only is the ship bigger to contend with adverse weather conditions, its added creature comforts make for a more enjoyable journey out on the open ocean. The Greg Mortimer remains true to our ethos and focus on multiple landings, flexible itineraries and family atmosphere - just with an improved home base! As a modern and custom-designed ship, the Greg Mortimer is at the cutting edge of nautical technology. Robust, powerful and built with our guests in mind, this ship marks a significant investment in our fleet's capabilities. From the European Arctic to the depths of Antarctica, and other far-flung destinations in-between, the Greg Mortimer will make your journey a breeze! Greg Mortimer X-BOW™ Our expeditions face some of the worst Mother Nature can throw at us. However, this won't be problem on the Greg Mortimer with the introduction of the patented X-BOW™, created by Norwegian ship designer ULSTEIN. As one of the

leaders in marine engineering, ULSTEIN's X-BOW™ is an inverted bow concept that's been built on over 100 vessels in the shipping industry. Excitingly, we are the first expedition cruise operator to utilise this technology for the challenging open ocean waves! Hydraulic viewing platforms Although there is no doubt that you'll love the aesthetics of the Greg Mortimer, we are all here to admire the spectacular landscape and spot the elusive wildlife in their natural habitat. To ensure you get the best views possible, the new ship features unique viewing platforms, custom-built for the Greg Mortimer. Accessed from Deck 5, the two platforms fold out hydraulically for unobstructed views of passing marine life and seabirds - make sure your camera is locked and loaded! Zodiac launching platform Zodiacs are a vital part of getting up close and personal on your adventure - sneaking into areas that the Greg Mortimer can't reach. On this new ship, there are specially designed launching platforms that enables us to load Zodiacs easily and quickly, allowing you to spend more time exploring on the two to three daily landings. There are 15 Zodiacs that are boarded from either side of Deck 3 (sea level), perfect for when there is a group of fluffy cute penguin chicks that we need a photo of! Activity Platform Regardless of your destination, we offer a number of additional activities to allow you to see more of the environment. From kayaking and diving to climbing and ski touring, it's these optional activities that often leave the biggest impression on your trip as a whole. Onboard the Greg Mortimer, there is a spacious prep and loading platform for these activities and more - designed in consultation with our expert activity guides. Environmentally friendly Climate change and carbon

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emissions continue to be major issues that everyone needs to be aware of and actively managing. This includes reduced emissions into the air and sea, lower energy consumption, high fuel efficiency, reduced light pollution for minimal wildlife disruption and lower on-board plastic use. It's vital to also mention the state-of-the-art virtual anchoring technology of the X-BOW™, which means the ship can float anchorless while launching Zodiacs, kayaks etc, without disturbing delicate sea floor areas. Safety features This starts with the return-to-port equipment - not compulsory on a ship of this size - which duplicates the propulsion system. This enables the ship to maintain operating systems and comfort in the event of engine failure. Furthermore, the Greg Mortimer is Polar Code 6 compliant, holds BV class and is fully compliant with the latest SOLAS requirements. It's also built with a Rolls Royce stabiliser system. If there's an incident or accident during your adventure, the ship has an on-board, fully-stocked medical centre - where our trained medical team can provide necessary treatment in a timely fashion. Safety continues to be an issue that our team takes very serious and the Greg Mortimer allows us to create an environment where you can concentrate on the brilliant landscape and wildlife, without worrying about your wellbeing. Ship Life Greg Mortimer is designed to serve your every need. It's your bedroom, bathroom, lounge, dining room and even your observatory. Make yourself at home, the Greg Mortimer is yours to enjoy! Observation Points Let's face it - you don't want windowless rooms when travelling around some of the most beautiful locations around the world. This is why the Greg Mortimer is designed with plenty of dedicated observation spaces - ideal for keen bird spotters, wildlife watchers and those wanting to watch the scenery go past. From the indoor 180-degree lounge and outdoor 360-degree open deck, both

on deck 8, to the 270-degree open sundeck on level 7, there are plenty of observation points to share around the ship! If these are full, then you can take up a spot on one of the two hydraulic viewing platforms on deck 5. Aurora Expeditions also has an open bridge policy, which means at any point you can come up to the bridge and check out what the captain and officers are up to. From watching navigational practices to observing mapping techniques, you can get a firsthand look at the inner workings of the Greg Mortimer. Shore excursions Although the ship is fun, the real enjoyment comes from the many shore excursions that are available. Depending on the weather and itinerary, it's possible to take two to three landings daily, taking a look at everything from rock formations and ancient ruins to cute groups of penguins. We know time is of the essence in these wild locations, so the Greg Mortimer has been designed with 15 Zodiacs, which means you can maximise your time on shore. From four dedicated sea level launching platforms, transfers are quicker, safer and enable you to get closer to the action for a longer period of time. Just remember to charge your camera before you step onto the Zodiac! Activity options From kayaking and skiing to diving and climbing, these are one-in-a-lifetime opportunities that you need to take advantage of. Aboard the Greg Mortimer there is a specially designed launching platform for all activities, a concept overseen by our activity experts. This area also includes individual lockers in the expansive mudroom and rapid drying areas for wetsuits so you can quickly get warm after exploring in the elements! Dining From the moment you step onto the Greg Mortimer, we aim to give you the best hospitality service possible. Starting with the official Captain's welcome, as our guests, you're welcome to 24 hours complimentary coffee, tea and snack facilities in addition to the range of different menu

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options and courses for each meal. Meals are served in large dining room/restaurant with family style dining, perfect to swap stories with your new expedition family. Enjoy the range of house wine, beers and soft drinks included with dinner after a long day in the wild, preparing yourself for another exciting day to follow. On the last day of your trip, the team on the Greg Mortimer put on a special farewell four-course dinner and cocktails - a perfect way to reflect on your time on the ship and consolidate lifelong friendships with the people you've met on-board. On-board entertainment When you're relaxing during a sea day or you have a little downtime on the ship between excursions, what is there to do onboard the Greg Mortimer? Plenty! On all our expeditions, there are experts who lead presentations in the spacious lecture room so you can understand the region a little better. These often include topics as broad as history and culture to biology and climate change, these presentations aim to educate and entertain. If you're keen to just watch the surroundings and keep your eyes peeled for wildlife, you have access to two bars/lounges where the stunning floor to ceiling windows offer a special perspective on the landscape. The Greg Mortimer is also decked out with other facilities for your enjoyment. There is a library on Deck 5 with books and maps and a Wellness Centre complete with gym equipment, sauna and spa. Feeling a little sore after walking around all day? Treat yourself to a massage at the Wellness Centre and feels the aches disappear! Keen photographers and artists will revel in the multimedia room



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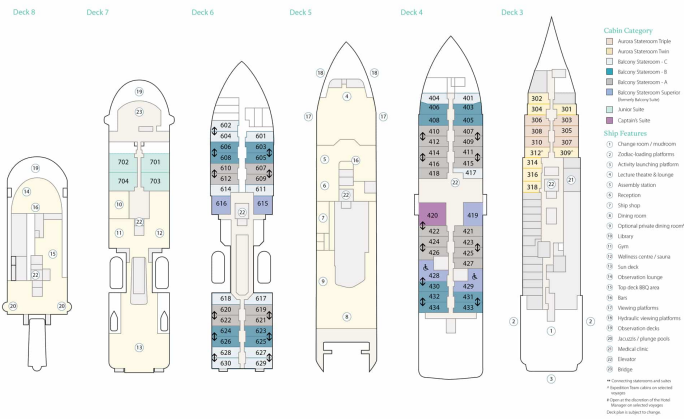
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INSIDE YOUR SHIP

The Greg Mortimer Deck Plan



Aurora Stateroom Triple



Balcony Stateroom - A



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Balcony Stateroom - C



Balcony Stateroom Superior Captain's Suite

Junior Suite



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