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## INDONESIA'S FORGOTTEN ISLANDS: AN EXPEDITION CRUISE THROUGH INDONESIA & BORNEO

Discover a forgotten world where pristine coral reefs, remote tropical islands and jungles filled with rare and endangered birds and wildlife, including the Orangutans of Camp Leakey, meet ancient customs and thrilling cultural exchanges on an authentic, 14-day expedition cruise through Indonesia and Borneo. Join Heritage Expeditions on this tropical island-hopping adventure, exploring well off traditional tourist routes and experiencing Southeast Asia's most captivating and rarely-seen wonders. One of the world's 17 megadiverse countries, Indonesia is home to an incredible array of fauna and flora found nowhere else on Earth. Birdlife abounds in primeval jungles as we search for endangered species, including the recently rediscovered Wetar Ground Dove, found exclusively on Wetar Island. Walk alongside Komodo Dragons and snorkel at the 'underwater aquarium' of Pink Beach on Komodo Island. A major highlight will be visiting Kalimantan, Indonesian Borneo, and the world-renowned research facility and Orangutan rehabilitation site, Camp Leakey. Observe the playful intelligence of these iconic primates as they swing through the rainforest canopy and immerse yourself in Tanjung Puting National Park, home to Proboscis Monkeys, Tarsiers, Clouded Leopards, Sun Bears and more. There is a wealth of underwater delights to discover as we snorkel some of the most biologically diverse seas in the world. Pristine beaches lead to captivating coral gardens where neon-lit fish swim among drop-offs, caves, and gardens of large barrel sponges, sea fans, and soft corals in the Savu and Banda Seas, as well as the Alor Strait. Marvel at the kaleidoscopic hues of Kelimutu's mystical 'boiling lakes' on Flores Island and discover one of Indonesia's hidden treasures

in Satonda Island, home to Hawksbill Turtles. Comprising some 18,000 islands, this Southeast Asian archipelago also boasts a rich human history that stretches back almost 2 million years. Immerse yourself in ancient cultures as we visit Lembata Island, home to the Lamalerans, one of Indonesia's last subsistence whaling communities and learn how they honour their ancestors through centuries-old hunting techniques. While on Alor Island, the Abui people still live by the same customs and practices of their ancestors. Experience the thrill of traditional Water Buffalo racing on Sumbawa Island and enjoy the unique culinary heritage of Kupang, indulging in the local speciality Se'i, Timorese smoked meat. For botanists, birders, photographers, history and nature lovers alike, this is the ultimate expedition cruise of the hidden treasures of Southeast Asia. This expedition includes the option to join a sea kayaking excursion with an expert guide. Kayakers are rewarded with tranquil, tropical settings and are a source of fascination to the locals who often paddle their canoes out to join them and invite them back to



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### ITINERARY

#### Day 1: Darwin, Australia

Join Heritage Adventurer this afternoon at Darwin Port, Australia's 'northern gateway' famous for its glittering harbour, World War II history and enviable tropical outdoor lifestyle. The captain and expedition team will be waiting to greet you on arrival and show you to your cabin. You will have time to settle in and familiarise yourself with the ship; we will also take the opportunity to introduce you to your expedition team and our voyage plans. You are invited to join the expedition team in the Observation Lounge and up on the Observation Deck as we set sail for Indonesia.

#### Day 2: At Sea

Settle into life on board Heritage Adventurer, relax poolside, join the Captain on the Bridge, watch your voyage unfold from the Observation Lounge or Deck and enjoy lectures from our expert team as we prepare for our adventure.

#### Day 3: Kupang, Indonesia

Welcome to Indonesia. After completing arrival formalities we will spend the morning exploring Indonesia's southernmost city and enjoy our first snorkel of the voyage. Perched on the waterfront of Timor Island where the Arafura Sea meets the coastline, Kupang is packed with natural attractions including dryland forests, shrublands, excellent swimming and snorkelling opportunities with sea caves and waterfalls to explore. While its scenic city is steeped in centuries of history as a trading port, Kupang has a unique culinary heritage of its own, including local speciality Se'i, Timorese smoked meat.

#### Day 4: Wetar Island

Part of Indonesia's 1,000-kilometre -long archipelago of 'forgotten islands', remote tropical outpost Wetar is fringed by stunning beaches, coral reefs and deep seas while on land, dense tropical forests are home to rare wildlife and cover 80 per cent of the mountainous terrain. Welcomed by the local community, we will spend the day exploring the jungle, searching for wildlife including the Wetar Scops-Owl and endangered Wetar Ground Dove, one of the world's most elusive birds, which was recently rediscovered here, beachcombing and snorkelling.

#### Day 5: Alor Island

This morning, we reach the culturally rich Alor Island and its world-class coral reef systems. Our day starts with a visit to the township of Kalabahi to meet the locals and be introduced to their unique tribal culture. More than 100 different tribes live on the island with many speaking their own dialect, while the Abui people reside exclusively on Alor. There may also be the chance to join birding and nature excursions including snorkelling reefs where rich currents and upwellings in the strait to the west of Alor attract a variety of marine life, including Scorpionfish, Pygmy Seahorse, nudibranchs, whales, reef sharks, Hammerheads, Sunfish, Devil Fish, Hairy Frogfish and more.

#### Day 6: Lembata Island

We plan to visit Lembata Island this morning, the largest island of the Solor Archipelago. Meet the Lamalerans, one of Indonesia's last subsistence whaling communities, still practicing their five centuries-long tradition of hunting Sperm Whales. Using handmade bamboo harpoons and traditional, oar-rowed boats, this rich history is kept alive under approval of the International Whaling Commission during May through

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October. Other cultural traditions include weaving homegrown cotton using natural Ikat dyeing techniques. A magical underwater world, and astounding marine biodiversity, awaits exploration this afternoon courtesy of Lembata's unique location straddling two continents and at the intersection of three bodies of water - the Savu and Banda Seas, and Alor Strait.

### Day 7: Ende, Flores Island

Located on the southern coast of Flores Island, Ende boasts an impressive reputation for having the island's most beautiful scenery where jungle-capped volcanic hills meet tranquil streams and the still-smoking stratovolcano, Mount Lya. Our plan for today includes visiting Kelimutu National Park and the spectacular wonder that is the trifecta of coloured 'boiling lakes', all named Kelimutu. Thought to be the resting place for departed souls, westernmost is Lake Tiwu Ata Mbupe (Lake of Old People), middle Lake Tiwu Nuwa Muri Koo Fai (Lake of Young Men and Maidens) and the third Lake Tiwu Ata Polo (Lake for Evil Spirits), with all three lakes changing colour independently.

### Day 8: Komodo Island

Today's visit to Komodo Island sees us walking alongside the island's famed giant monitor lizards, Komodo Dragons, as we explore forested pathways with local guides. Make your way to a viewing area for a closer look at these prehistoric reptiles which can grow up to 3 metres (10 ft) in length and weigh up to 135 kilograms (300 lbs). The surrounding forest is home to Timor Deer, the favourite prey of the dragons, as well as elegant Yellow-crested Cockatoos. This afternoon visit world-famous Pink Beach and enjoy a world-class snorkelling experience often described as "swimming in an aquarium".

### Day 9: Satonda & Sumbawa Islands

Lapped by the turquoise waters of the Flores Sea, ring-shaped Satonda Island combines tangled jungles and pristine waters with a crater lake at its centre. Satonda is considered one of Indonesia's most underrated and least visited treasures and is ours to explore this morning. Discover an incredible underwater world along its shores, home to resident Hawksbill Turtles, float effortlessly in the salty lake created by a large tsunami in the 1800s and look for wildlife in the jungles. This afternoon, discover mountainous Sumbawa Island's spectacular volcanic ridges, terraced rice fields, tangled jungles and beautiful sandy beaches replete with stunning coral reefs and remote bays. Enjoy a rare cultural immersion experiencing several time-honoured traditions and cultural encounters including Water Buffalo racing, a practice unique to Sumbawa.

### Day 10: West Bali National Park, Bali

West Bali National Park is home to a unique set of ecosystems including mountain ranges, savannahs, rainforests and mangroves and coral reefs spanning some 190 square kilometres, featuring an incredible diversity of flora and fauna. Spending our morning exploring on land, we may have the opportunity to observe the East Javan Langur, Giant Squirrel, Javan Rusa Deer and some of the 160 species of birds living here, including the Bali Starling. Our afternoon adventures will take us to uninhabited Menjangan Island, where unspoiled white sandy beaches meet excellent snorkelling. Explore stunning coral reefs featuring deep drop-offs, caves and gardens of large barrel sponges, sea fans and soft corals inhabited by Grouper, Moray Eel, Batfish, Angelfish, turtles and three species of dolphin.

### Day 11: At Sea

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Relax on board after our adventures, join a lecture, edit your photos, update your journal or watch the world go by from the Bridge with the Captain, in the Observation Lounge, or poolside, as we sail towards Kumai and Tanjung Puting National Park on the island of Borneo.

### Day 12: Camp Leakey, Tanjung Puting National Park, Borneo

Sure to be a highlight of our voyage is our visit to Kalimantan, Indonesian Borneo, and the world-renowned research facility and Orangutan rehabilitation and release site Camp Leakey. Located in the heart of Tanjung Puting National Park, we plan to spend time among these gentle gardeners of the forest, observing their activities alongside rangers and scientists. The success of the programme, created to improve the quality of life of wild-born ex-captive Orangutans, is evidenced by the large number of Orangutans now living wild, many of which are parents and grandparents. Other wildlife living in the national park include Proboscis Monkeys, Tarsiers, Clouded Leopards, Sun Bears, Mouse Deer and several species of Hornbill, Kingfisher, Ibis and other birds, and a variety of brightly-coloured butterflies and moths.

### Day 13: At Sea

Relax and unwind following our incredible time among the Orangutans of Camp Leakey, reminisce on our adventures as we recap the highlights of our expedition and enjoy a farewell dinner tonight as we complete the last few miles of our journey.

### Day 14: Singapore

Be sure to be out on deck or in the Observation Lounge as we navigate the Singapore Strait enjoying the sights of Singapore's world-famous city skyline, and the activity of one of the world's greatest maritime trading ports. This afternoon there will be a

complimentary coach to Singapore Changi Airport. To allow time for disembarkation procedures and travel from Singapore, we do not recommend booking flights departing before 1800 hours. Note: During our voyage, circumstances may make it necessary or desirable to deviate from the proposed itinerary. This can include poor weather and opportunities for making unplanned excursions. Your Expedition Leader will keep you fully informed. This tour offers a variety of activities and excursions. Your personal interests will determine which of these you wish to join. Please note that some activities and excursions will run at similar times, and it will not be possible to participate in both. Accordingly, refunds for excursions and missed landings are not available. Voyages are planned and scheduled pending final regulatory approval.

#### Please note:

Itineraries are subject to change.

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## YOUR SHIP: HERITAGE ADVENTURER

**YOUR SHIP:** Heritage Adventurer

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

Heritage Adventurer is a true pioneering expedition vessel of exceptional pedigree. Often referred to as the 'Grande Dame of Polar Exploration' due to her celebrated history and refined design, she was purpose-built for adventure in 1991 at Finland's Rauma shipyard and specifically designed for Polar exploration. Setting a peerless standard in authentic expedition travel, Heritage Adventurer (formerly known as MS Hanseatic) combines the highest passenger ship ice-class rating (1A Super) with an impressive history of Polar exploration. Having held records for the most northern and southern Arctic and Antarctic navigations, and for traversing both the Northwest and Northeast Passages, makes Heritage Adventurer perfect for pioneering experiential expedition travel. Originally designed to accommodate 184 guests, Heritage Adventurer now welcomes just 140 expeditioners ensuring spacious, stylish and comfortable voyages, while a fleet of 14 Zodiacs ensures all guests are able to maximise their expedition adventure. Heritage Adventurer proudly continues our traditions of exceptional, personalised expedition experiences as Heritage Expeditions flagship. Observation Lounge - One of the most celebrated and best-known features of Heritage Adventurer is the awe-inducing

Observation Lounge, Library and Bar. Located on Deck 7 and perched directly above the Bridge, enjoy sweeping 270-degree views through floor to ceiling windows, perfect for wildlife spotting and quick access to the outer deck. Bring your binoculars to spot wildlife, observe the ever-changing landscape, write in your journal or relax with a book. Observation Deck - Enjoy 360-degree views from the highest point on the ship. The Observation Deck sits above the Observation Lounge and provides exceptional outside viewing options. Stretching the full width of the vessel, this is the perfect spot to take in the surrounding land and seascapes. Perfect on a sunny day, recline in the comfortable sun loungers protected from the wind and elements and watch your voyage unfold. The Bridge - No expedition is complete without visiting Heritage Adventurer's busy nerve centre. Located on Deck 6, Heritage Expeditions' Open Bridge Policy means you are welcome to observe the Captain and crew at work while enjoying some of the ship's best views. It's a fascinating place to learn about navigation and vessel operations, however please note the Bridge will be closed when departing or arriving at port. Dining Room - Indulge in fine international cuisine from our talented chefs in the lavish surrounds of our Dining Room on Deck 4. Sensational 270-degree views provide a stunning backdrop to meals here along with an international wine list featuring many outstanding regional wines. With relaxed seating arrangements, all guests can enjoy dining in a single sitting from hearty breakfasts setting you up for the day's adventure to sumptuous lunches and multi-course evening dining. Bistro - Simple fast and delicious meals and snacks are on offer in our relaxed

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Bistro on Deck 6. Perfect for early risers to enjoy tea, coffee and light breakfast options the Bistro provides great views and opens directly onto a covered and heated teak-deck outdoor dining area. The Bar and Lounge - The social hub of Heritage Adventurer, the Bar and Lounge on Deck 5 features seating for all guests. Enjoy a beverage at the bar, sink into an armchair, relax on one of the many spacious loungers and watch the world go by through the panoramic windows or make new friends at the communal seating. This multi-tasking space also doubles as the location of daily briefings and evening recaps with the expedition team. The Gym - Featuring spectacular ocean views, the well-equipped gym is adjacent to the pool, hot tub and sauna in Deck 7's wellbeing zone. Maintain your routine with an elliptical cross trainer, treadmill, rowing machine, stationary bikes, TRX as well as free weights, yoga mats and fitness balls. Towels are provided with change room and shower amenities nearby. Sauna and Steam Room - True to her Nordic origins, Heritage Adventurer features a dry-heat Finnish sauna and European steam room on Deck 7. Perfect for warming up post Polar plunge or unwinding after a day's adventures, the sauna and steam room include change room facilities, showers and towels. Swimming Pool and Hot Tub - Surrounded by relaxed teak seating including sun loungers, the open-air saltwater pool can be heated or chilled. Encased in glass the hot tub ensures all-weather use, perfect for those who like to relax with a view following a day of exploring. Lectures and Presentations - Enjoy informative and entertaining lectures on history, biology, wildlife, and ecology in the comfort of the Presentation Theatre. With state-of-the-art audio-visual equipment, our world-renowned expedition team will bring your adventure to life through interactive presentations and



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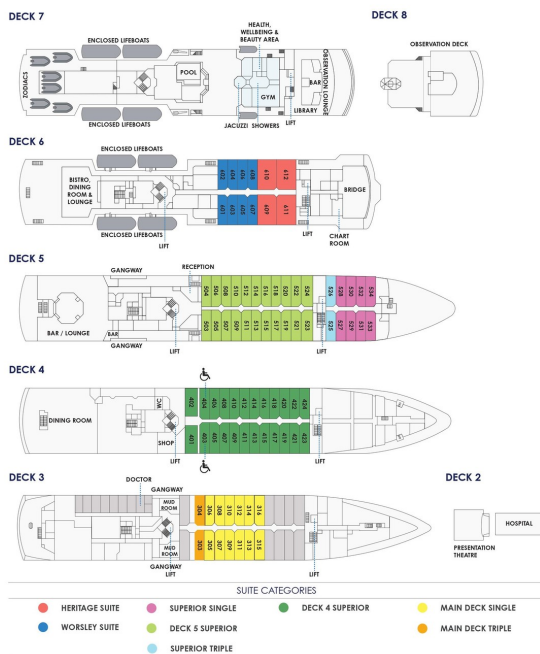
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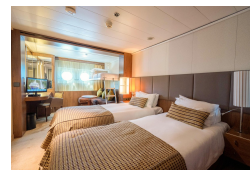
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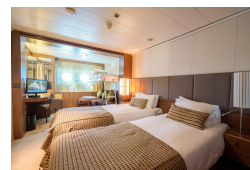
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Deck 4 Superior

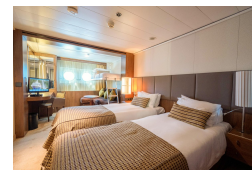
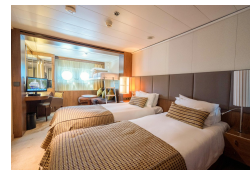


Deck 5 Superior



Heritage Suite

Main Deck Single



Main Deck Triple

Superior Single

Superior Triple

Worsley Suite



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Superior Triple	£8205 GBP pp
Deck 4 Superior	£9136 GBP pp
Deck 5 Superior	£9758 GBP pp
Main Deck Single	£11112 GBP pp
Superior Single	£11991 GBP pp
Worsley Suite	£12727 GBP pp
Heritage Suite	£14879 GBP pp