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ISLAND TRAILS & TRADITIONS OF INDONESIA CRUISE

Set sail with a small group of intrepid explorers onboard Coral Geographer from Singapore to Darwin and uncover Indonesia's island wonders. Navigate through the Riau and Karimata Islands, once bustling maritime corridors that are now untouched paradises for snorkelling and diving enthusiasts. Explore the extinct volcanic beauty of Bawean Island, which is rich in cultural traditions and dotted with picturesque coastal villages. Venture to Tana Beru, where the art of crafting wooden Phinisi boats by ancient methods is still alive. Be mesmerized by the stunning burial chambers of Tana Toraja on a special overnight excursion and delve deeply into the unique customs of Sawu, remote islands safeguarding their ancient ways of life. As you journey, indulge in beachside traditional performances, cultural spectacles, and the serenity of crystal-clear waters--an experience that beautifully blends history, culture, and nature's wonders. This carefully crafted voyage offers an adventure that balances excitement with moments of peace, ideal for those pursuing a truly memorable travel experience.

ITINERARY

Day 1: Depart Singapore

Board Coral Geographer at 07:00am at The Singapore Harbour Front VIVO Passenger Terminal, and settle into your stateroom before departing at 8:00am as we sail south towards Nipah for our International Clearance into Indonesia. After clearance, Coral Geographer will spend the rest of the day at sea. Your onboard team will facilitate a range of engaging lectures and activities during the day.

Segun Island, Indonesia

Our journey begins with a visit to the secluded Segun Island, one of Indonesia's most remote and untouched islands. Here, you'll explore vibrant coral reefs and crystal-clear waters, ideal for snorkelling and diving, while uncovering the island's rich maritime history as a key stop along the ancient maritime Silk Road offering an unforgettable, exclusive experience that few have the privilege to enjoy.

Herita island, Indonesia

Herita Island, otherwise known as Pulau Herita is historically inhabited by Melayu groups and Bugis. This region is isolated to say the least. Today you'll step into what seems like an untouched world, with small, sleepy villages surrounded by swaying palms. As you explore, immerse yourself in the islands fascinating history as a key stop along ancient trading routes between Sumatra and Borneo.

At Sea



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As we steam from Herita Island to Bawean Island -- an opportunity to ease into the rhythm of life onboard. Throughout the day, you will have the chance to attend engaging lectures from our expert guest speakers, participate in a range of onboard activities, or simply relax and unwind in one of our comfortable lounges. This is also a great time to get to know your fellow passengers over a coffee or at the bar. Whether you choose to be active or take it slow, these sea days are designed to enhance your experience and prepare you for the adventures ahead.

Bawean Island, Indonesia

This morning, we will anchor in Sangkapura Bay, Bawean Island, which is inhabited by the Baweanese. Measuring just 15km in diameter, a single narrow ring road can circumvent the extinct volcanic island of Bawean. Spend the day snorkelling, beach combing and swimming off the white sand beaches.

Fun Fact: The 2018 Asia Games - Bawean deer mascot is endemic here.

At Sea

Today we spend a relaxing day traversing the Karimata Strait which connects the South China Sea and the Java Sea.

Sabalana Islands, Indonesia

Today we will anchor on the serene leeward side of Jailamu Island, where you'll explore a lush coconut plantation and indulge in a variety of activities like swimming, snorkeling, and diving in crystal-clear waters. In the morning, immerse yourself in the local culture with a visit to the village, where you'll discover inspiring ocean sustainability initiatives, and in the afternoon, unwind with refreshing drinks and exquisite canapes

on the beach at Jailamu Island.

Tana Beru, Indonesia

Traditionally, wooden Phinisi ships have been crafted by the Bugis boat-builders on the beach at Tana Beru since the 14th century. The ancient technique, which uses no nails, has been handed down through generations. Hear the seafaring tales of the boat builders and climb into a Phinisi ship to admire its size and the craftsmanship of the boat-builders.

Tana Toraja, Indonesia

Today we will be travelling to Tana Toraja via bus.* The 3-hour journey will lead us into the highlands of Sulawesi to the remarkable Tana Toraja, where you will witness stunning limestone mountains and the ancient culture and traditions of the Torajan people. Visit the Tongkonan houses at Marante, the stone graves with Tau-tau effigies at Londa, the hanging burial sites of Lemo, and the megalithic funeral site and burial grounds at Bori Parinding. See the Torajan market and explore Kete Kesu, a 400-year-old village high in the mountains.

In Tana Toraja, you'll spend the night at a local hotel, immersing yourself in the region's rich culture. Some locations require walking 500-750 metres over uneven terrain. Enjoy a local buffet at the hotel and note that we rely on the local electricity supply overnight, offering an authentic experience of the area.

*Please note the bus journey is not air conditioned. However, you will be travelling in the highlands where conditions are much cooler than at sea level. Bringing a small powered fan or hand held fan may make this journey more comfortable.

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Today we wake up in Tana Toraja, where we continue exploring this region. As we make our way back to the ship, immerse yourself in the rich culture and history of the Torajan people.

Sagori Island, Indonesia

The small island of Sagori measures just 1.5km long and around 90m wide and is home to the seafaring master's the Bajau and Bugis people. Explore the marine diversity that surrounds the island ahead of learning more about the unique local way of life. The surrounding white sandy beaches make it appealing for beach walking, swimming, snorkelling, or scuba diving.

At Sea

As we continue our journey from Pulau Sagori to Pulau Komodo --another opportunity to enjoy the relaxing pace of life onboard. Take advantage of a new series of fascinating lectures from our guest speakers, dive deeper into the unique destinations ahead, or perhaps engage in some onboard activities such as trivia, workshops, or fitness classes. Sea days like this provide the perfect balance of rest and enrichment, setting the tone for the exciting adventures still to come.

Komodo & Padar Island, Indonesia

Today, explore both Komodo and Padar. In the morning, we will visit Komodo Island for a National Park Walk to see the dragons, followed by relocating the ship to Padar during lunch. In the afternoon, we will hike to a scenic viewpoint, enjoy an Xplorer cruise, swim and snorkel. A sunset walk on Padar will cap the day, providing cooler temperatures and breathtaking afternoon views.

Ende, Flores, Indonesia

Today, we will visit three ancient lakes of Kelimutu. These stunning lakes are known for their changing colours, which locals believe are influenced by ancestral souls. For those only visiting the first viewpoint, there is also the opportunity to enjoy the area's diverse plant and bird life, including the endemic Bare-throated Whistler.

The day will involve local bus transport, with some walking required. For those able, there will be a longer walk up to a high vantage point offering breathtaking views of the lakes. Moderate mobility is required during this part of the excursion. A local lunch will be provided, offering a taste of the regional cuisine as part of your day's experience.

Sawu Island, Indonesia

Experience the rich cultural heritage of Sawu, including traditional rituals, such as welcoming ceremonies featuring animist blessings and the draping of woven Sawu cloth. You will have the opportunity to explore Kampung Kujiratu, where you can witness the Ledo dance and learn about local customs and the Jingi Tiu belief system, including the significance of sacred megalithic stones used in rituals.

Tablolong Bay, West Timor, Indonesia

Arrive at Tablolong Bay and enjoy the bright, harp-like sounds of the traditional Sasando instrument in a beachside performance. Later, there is an opportunity to swim or snorkel.

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Enjoy a peaceful day at sea as we make our way to Darwin. Participate in onboard activities, including workshops and lectures from our special guests and Expedition Team.

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Day 17: Arrive Darwin, Australia

Arrive and disembark at Darwin's Fort Hill Wharf. Post cruise transfers to CBD hotels or the airport are included. If you're not transferring directly to the airport why not spend the day enjoying the tropical city of Darwin with its landscaped waterfront and harbourside Wave Pool.

Please note:

This itinerary is an indication of the destinations we visit and activities on offer. Throughout the expedition we may make changes to the itinerary as necessary to maximise your expeditionary experience. Allowances may be made for seasonal variations, weather, tidal conditions, and any other event that may affect the operation of the vessel. Coral Expeditions suggests that you do not arrive on the day of embarkation or depart on the day of disembarkation due to any changes that may occur in scheduling.

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YOUR SHIP: CORAL GEOGRAPHER

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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

As a sister ship to Coral Adventurer, the Coral Geographer will be another authentic expedition ship. Designed as a 'next generation expedition ship', she is small enough to go to untouched places, focusing on bringing small numbers of like-minded guests closer to nature and cultures with personal attention and professional service. Coral Geographer will have 6 bridge deck suites with horizon bathtubs amongst her 60 cabins. The Coral Geographer features the trademark dual 'Xplorer' tenders cradled on a hydraulic platform slung off the back of the ship, enabling guests to go ashore in comfort and ease. The shallow draft of the ship enables us to go closer to shore than larger ships. Together with a renowned expedition team, this ship will offer the most advanced expedition capabilities of any small ship afloat. Comfort State of the art stabilisers will dampen any sea motion, mostly balcony cabins, and interiors designed with the colours and textures of tropical Queensland, the Coral Adventurer is a comfortable ship. She features promenade decks, generous communal areas, a passenger elevator, and an open kitchen where you can observe the chefs whip up small batch cuisine from locally sourced ingredients. Expedition capabilities > Two trademark Xplorer

tenders seat all passengers and facilitate comfortable shore excursions > Six zodiacs for more intrepid exploration > Lecture lounge for daily expedition briefings and expert presentations > Small onboard library featuring books on destinations and wildlife > Shallow draft and advanced navigation and propulsion systems allowing access to locations closed to large cruise ships Marine immersion > Navigator lounge in the bridge > Over 1000 square metres of open deck space including a wrap-around promenade deck with panoramic views > Engine room tours and a high level of crew interaction with guests Food and wine features > Single seating dining with communal table serves buffet breakfast and lunch, and multi-course table d'hote dinners > Showcase galley with viewing window creating fresh small-batch cuisine featuring Australian and local produce > Multiple indoor and outdoor bars, including our Explorer bar on the sundeck for sunset drinks > Curated wine cellar featuring boutique wines and exceptional vintage Australian reds Guest comfort > All outside-facing guest cabins with en-suite bathrooms; the majority have a private balcony > Active stabilisers to dampen sea motion > Well-equipped gym > Passenger elevator > Wi-Fi available in all



guest areas

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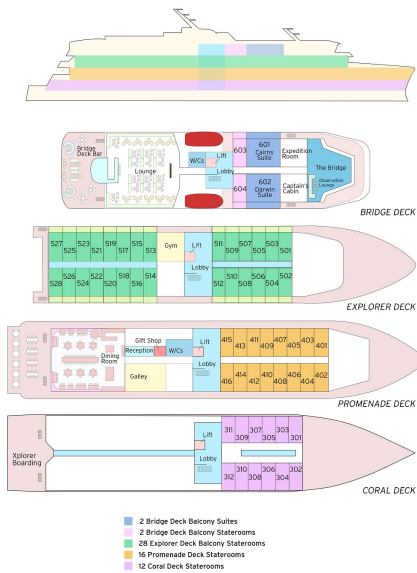
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