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## RAJA AMPAT & CENDERAWASIH BAY EXPEDITION: INDONESIA'S CORAL TRIANGLE

Set sail on the ultimate expedition into the world's richest marine ecosystems - the legendary Coral Triangle and the remote islands of Papua and Raja Ampat. This is more than a cruise; it's a deep-dive into biodiversity and culture, journeying through pristine Indonesian and Papua New Guinean archipelagos accessible only by sea. Your voyage begins in the frontier ports of Wewak and Vanimo before entering Indonesia's vast Papua region, where nature guards stunning geographical wonders. Navigate Cenderawasih Bay to explore hidden gems like Pulau Padaidori, Pulau Roon and the Auri Islands, with the unparalleled thrill of encountering whale sharks near Kwattisore. Continue to the Raja Ampat archipelago, the epicentre of marine life, exploring serene Kabui Bay, dive sites at Pulau Kri and Pulau Mansuar, and the dramatic karst islands and lagoons of Pulau Fam and Pulau Misool. The vibrant underwater world here is unmatched, and you'll be welcomed by island communities connected to the ocean's ancient rhythms. Engage in onboard lectures on marine biodiversity and Papuan culture, refine your skills in photography workshops, and choose from exceptional shore excursions: snorkeling or diving Raja Ampat's pristine reefs, kayaking Misool's limestone lagoons, exploring local markets in Jayapura and Manokwari, and immersing yourself in Cenderawasih Bay's coastal village traditions. Every stop reveals new wonders in nature, heritage and human spirit: an unforgettable adventure in one of Earth's last true wildernesses.



### ITINERARY

Days 0 - 1 Sorong, Papua (Indonesia)

Charter flights to the port of embarkation/ disembarkation (Longyearbyen, Ushuaia, Kangerlussuaq, Nuuk, Honiara, Jayapura and Sorong)

Group return transfers from airport to cruise port and to the hotel (where included)

One night pre-cruise accommodation with breakfast in a 4/5-star hotel (exemptions apply)

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Sorong, located in West Papua, serves as a key transportation and logistical hub in eastern Indonesia. Set along the coast and surrounded by tropical landscapes, the city reflects the dynamic character of this remote region, shaped by maritime activity and regional connections. As the final point of the voyage, Sorong provides a practical gateway for onward travel, marking the conclusion of the expedition and guests' return journey home.

#### Day 2 Pulau Manim, Numfoor, Papua (Indonesia)

Pulau Manim is a peaceful retreat surrounded by coral islets and hidden lagoons. Deserted beaches and lush forests host tropical birds, while its vibrant waters are perfect for snorkeling and diving. Small local communities preserve age-old traditions, from artisanal fishing to stories rooted in the land.

#### Day 3 Pulau Padaidori, Papua (Indonesia)

Pulau Padaidori is one of a cluster of tiny, mostly uninhabited islands and atolls off the northern Papuan coast. This remote stop combines secluded Pacific Rim beaches with a rich, protected marine ecosystem in its calm sapphire waters, where schools of shimmering tropical fish weave amid colourful coral gardens. Mangrove forests shelter snakes and crabs in their twisted root systems and swaying coconut palms decorate white-sand beaches.

#### Day 4 Pulau Roon, Cenderawasih Bay, Papua (Indonesia)

#### Day 4 Pulau Auri, Cenderawasih Bay, Papua (Indonesia)

Nestled in the turquoise waters of Raja Ampat, Pulau Auri is a secluded island where nature reigns supreme. Pristine white beaches meet thriving coral reefs, while tropical forests shelter colorful birds and endemic species. Small local villages

welcome visitors with Papuan hospitality, offering glimpses of traditional life through fishing and handcrafted arts. Beneath the clear waters, sea turtles and schools of tropical fish animate an untouched underwater world.

#### Day 5 Kwatisore, Cenderawasih Bay, Papua (Indonesia)

#### Day 6 Pulau Mansinam, Papua (Indonesia)

Pulau Mansinam is a small island of great historical and spiritual importance, where Christianity and modern education were first introduced to Papua in 1855. Today, the island combines the quiet rhythm of village life with meaningful cultural landmarks, including historic churches and monuments. Overlooking Manokwari Bay with views toward the Arfak Mountains, Mansinam also offers insight into the strong sense of community and living traditions that continue to shape local life.

#### Day 7 Ayu Atoll, Raja Ampat, Papua (Indonesia)

#### Day 8 Kabui Bay, Waigeo Island, Raja Ampat Archipelago (Indonesia)

Kabui Bay on Waigeo Island is the largest of the four in Raja Ampat, with verdant karst islets and rugged cliffs sheltering pristine beaches, hidden lagoons and tranquil shores with turquoise waters. Surreal stalactite caves and serene mangrove forests coexist in this island paradise. Sharks, rays and reef fish glide among clusters of coral rising from the waters, while the dense rainforest hides birds of paradise, cockatoos and maleos.

#### Day 8 Pulau Kri, Raja Ampat (Indonesia)

Nestled in the vibrant heart of Raja Ampat, this small island packs a punch with crystal-clear waters teeming with some of the richest marine biodiversity on Earth. From colorful coral

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gardens to schools of exotic fish, every swim reveals a new wonder. Above water, the island's lush greenery and serene beaches offer a perfect escape into nature's untouched beauty.

Day 9 Pulau Fam, Raja Ampat (Indonesia)

Day 9 Pulau Mansuar, Raja Ampat (Indonesia)

Day 10 Pulau Misool, Raja Ampat (Balbulal Lagoon, Pulau Misool, Raja Ampat) (Indonesia)

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Day 11 Sorong, Papua (Indonesia)

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## YOUR SHIP: MINERVA

**YOUR SHIP:** Minerva

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

The 5 star elegant Scandi-design boutique ship offers you an intimate setting from which you will be fully immersed in all the sights and scenery of your voyage. Introducing SH Minerva Minerva has been designed to journey to off the beaten path destinations and remote polar regions in style and comfort. The ship incorporates a PC5 ice-strengthened hull combined with extra-large stabilisers to make your journey as smooth as possible. Sophisticated Elegance We know how important outdoor space is, so our spacious, relaxing public spaces provide wide open, unobstructed views throughout the ship. The destination will always be in view. Your Wellbeing The safety & happiness of the guests is paramount to the 120-strong crew on board as well as the passionate expedition team who'll be serving up thrilling shore excursions and lasting memories. Cabin Types The 76 cabins including 6 suites have all the amenities you will need to feel comfortable including dressing gowns, hairdryers, personal safes and minibars. The stylish cabins all have desks, a dressing area and comfy seating. En suite bathrooms all feature glass-enclosed rain showers. Wheelchair access Guests who use wheelchairs must bring their own, as we have only a small number of wheelchairs stored

onboard for emergencies. To ensure ease of movement on the ship, wheelchairs and mobility aids must be no wider than 65cm. All mobility or medical equipment brought on board must be capable of being carried safely and must be declared before sailing. To ensure that all guests can safely evacuate during an emergency, guests requiring a wheelchair can only be accommodated in our ADA-accessible cabins. There is an Oceanview stateroom on Vega which is specifically designed to be completely ADA compliant and have a fully operable wheelchair-access wet unit. Vega has two lifts, serving every passenger deck apart from the Stargazing top deck, which is, therefore, more difficult to access, as are the Aft Marina and Swan's Nest forward observation platform. Also, we don't have special equipment to access the swimming pool, jacuzzi, or sauna. Otherwise, the ship is entirely at your disposal. Many of the expeditions ashore in remote places are by Zodiac. Boarding these boats and returning aboard can present challenges for wheelchair users, as can navigating uneven terrain. These challenges are by no means always insurmountable, though, and our highly experienced crew is trained to provide reliable advice and assistance. They will make every effort to ensure wheelchair-using guests enjoy a memorable experience at each destination. Our general guidance, however, is to recommend wheelchair users travel with a companion for their ease and enjoyment. If you prefer to remain aboard, our panoramic interiors and ample open decks ensure an immersive, intimate experience of your inspiring

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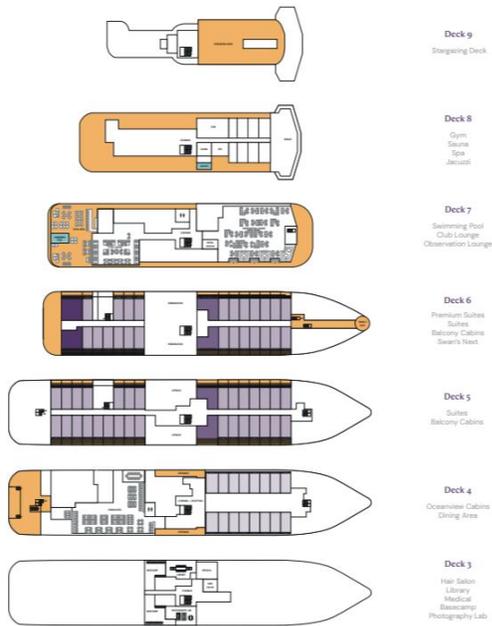
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## PRICING

15-Apr-2027 to 26-Apr-2027

Premium Suite	£13425 GBP pp
Balcony M5	£7715 GBP pp
Suite	£11739 GBP pp
Oceanview D4	£6715 GBP pp
Balcony D5	£7389 GBP pp
Oceanview M4	£7055 GBP pp
Balcony D6	£8055 GBP pp