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### RAJA AMPAT EXPLORER SOUTH CRUISE

Life's Different After Raja Ampat Journey from the Spice Islands to the heart of the Coral Triangle, where ancient cultures, volcanic landscapes, and kaleidoscopic reefs come together in one of the world's most extraordinary marine frontiers. Each day aboard True North invites discovery - diving among black coral forests, exploring sacred caves, meeting the people of remote islands, and walking through rainforest alive with birds of paradise. This is more than a voyage through Raja Ampat - it's a passage into transformation. Because life is different after True North.



#### ITINERARY

##### Day 01 Darwin to Ambon

Your adventure begins in Darwin, where you'll board a private charter to Ambon - gateway to West Papua and the legendary Spice Islands. The True North crew will welcome you aboard as we set sail toward Banda. Settle in with a welcome cocktail and dinner on deck as the ship glides into the twilight, leaving the familiar world behind.

##### Day 02 Banda Islands

Today we step back in time to the fabled Banda Islands - once the epicentre of the global spice trade. Traditional war canoes lead True North into Banda Harbour, where nutmeg and history mingle in the air. Explore Banda Neira's plantation and historic fort, where stories of trade, conquest, and adventure echo through the centuries. Snorkel or dive on a coral-encrusted lava

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flow born from the island's active volcano, Gunung Api, before sunset drinks at Fort Belgica - a 17th-century fortress overlooking the harbour. As the sky glows red over the Banda Sea, you'll feel the past and present collide in perfect harmony.

### Day 03 The Fakfak Coast

Awake to the mysterious beauty of the Fakfak coastline - a remote stretch of jungle, waterfalls, and secret lagoons. Cruise the hidden waterways of the Bomberai Peninsula, watching for hornbills in the canopy and iridescent fish below. Cool off beneath the Mommon Waterfall, where fresh water tumbles from the jungle into the sea, then explore Sebakor Bay's spectacular system of water-filled caves.

### Day 04 Misool & the SE Marine Park

Welcome to Raja Ampat - the "Four Kings," and the global epicentre of marine biodiversity. Here, every moment beneath the surface feels like discovery. Snorkel and dive among the reefs of the SE Misool Marine Park, where schools of fish, soft corals, and giant sea fans thrive in kaleidoscopic colour. Explore Nudi Rock, Wayilbatan Channel, and Boo Windows - three of Raja Ampat's most celebrated sites. In the late afternoon, we'll visit Misool Eco Resort before gathering on Kalig Beach for sunset drinks surrounded by limestone cliffs and the gentle hum of the tropics.

### Day 05 Farondi & Tomolol Islands

Begin the day exploring Farondi Island's spectacular caverns - where light filters through underwater caves in shades of turquoise and gold. Dive among oversized sea fans and swirling fish before cruising through the dramatic limestone formations of Balbulol Island. After lunch, join a guided snorkel through the sacred Tomolol caves - an unforgettable drift through vast

limestone chambers where fresh and salt water merge in silence. As evening falls, enjoy drinks and nibbles aboard an adventure boat as we weave through the Karst Islands.

### Day 06 Gam Island & Cape Kri

An early start takes you deep into the jungle of Gam Island for a once-in-a-lifetime encounter -- the red bird of paradise in full display. Few sights in nature rival this moment. Later, dive or snorkel at Cape Kri, home to the world record for most fish species recorded in a single dive -- 374 in total, documented by ichthyologist Dr Gerry Allen. The afternoon brings exploration of the Dampier Strait and its blue-water mangroves, alive with kingfishers and hornbills. Another perfect day ends with dinner on deck as the sounds of the jungle fade into night.

### Day 07 Penemu & Yeben Islands, Wallace Channel

Today the adventure boats explore Penemu and Yeben - islands of white beaches and clear lagoons. After lunch, cruise through Wallace Channel, a narrow waterway bursting with life. This lush corridor of rainforest, orchids, and butterflies inspired the naturalist Alfred Russel Wallace's revolutionary ideas on evolution. Glide quietly through this living ecosystem, where the connection between land and sea is beautifully complete.

### Day 08 Wofoh Island, Eagle Rock & Aljui Bay

Wake to the black coral forests of Wofoh Island. Snorkel or dive among vibrant coral gardens before heading to Bougainville Strait, where manta rays often gather at Eagle Rock. Swim alongside these graceful creatures as they glide through the water in effortless harmony. In the afternoon, visit the pearl farm at Aljui Bay to learn the art and science behind these luminous treasures. Evening brings a night dive beneath the farm's jetty - a world of wobbegongs, ghost pipefish, and the rare walking

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shark found only in Raja Ampat.

#### Day 09 Wayag Archipelago

Prepare for two unforgettable days in the Wayag Islands -- Raja Ampat's most iconic landscape. Snorkel and dive among reefs that shimmer with life, or take the adventure boats through a maze of limestone peaks rising from turquoise lagoons.

#### Day 10 Wayag Archipelago

Cross the equator in true True North style, celebrated at our famous Equator Party, then spend the next day at our Wayag Beach Party -- a barefoot picnic on the sand, complete with swimming, paddleboarding, and laughter among friends. These are days that stay with you -- bright, wild, and eternal.

#### Day 11 Sorong

Enjoy a final breakfast on board before a private transfer to Sorong Airport for your charter flight back to Darwin. As you leave this island world behind, you'll know that what you've experienced is more than a voyage -- it's a reminder that life will always feel different after True North.

Please note:

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## YOUR SHIP: TRUE NORTH

**YOUR SHIP:** True North

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

The TRUE NORTH allows discerning adventurers to experience wilderness in surroundings more akin to one of the world's most exclusive hotels. Guests are able to take advantage of a number of lavish vantage points including a sundeck, a forward observation lounge, a ship's lounge and an alfresco bar. The ship's naturalist presents interpretative information on plasma screens and, an internet cafe enables convenient communication with the outside world. A popular venue on any North Star cruise, the lower deck dining room offers the ultimate in comfort and uninterrupted vista - large panoramic windows ensure that guests never miss any of the action, even when they are enjoying the 'finest in fine dining'. All cabins feature stylish decor, en-suite facilities, in-house entertainment and satellite telephones. The Explorer Class staterooms and the River Class cabins offer king size beds that can be converted to singles and the Ocean Class twins feature roomy single beds. Multiple expedition boats provide guests with greater opportunity to do "what they want, when they want" and, to add yet another dimension to adventure, most cruise options feature an onboard helicopter! The purpose built TRUE NORTH is able to explore the upper reaches of shallow river systems - guests need only step

out of their cabins to experience wilderness and, the latest in computer controlled motion stabilizers ensures a



comfortable ride.

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## INSIDE YOUR SHIP

### Upper Deck

#### Explorer Class

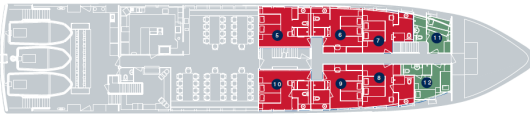
1. Bradshaw
2. Dampier
3. Durack
4. Parker King



### Main Deck

#### River Class & Ocean Class

5. Prince Regent River
6. Mitchell River
7. Berkeley River
8. Drysdale River
9. Hunter River
10. King George River
11. Camden Harbour
12. Lacedpede Islands



### Lower Deck

#### Ocean Class

13. Koolama Bay
14. Montpomey Reef
15. Jackson Falls
16. Kings Cascade
17. Imperieuse Reef
18. Atlantis Bay



### Explorer Class - Stateroom



### Ocean Class - Twin



### Ocean/River Premium Cabin



### River Class - Double



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## PRICING

29-Aug-2027 to 08-Sep-2027

Explorer Class - Stateroom	£23298 GBP pp
River Class - Double	£20798 GBP pp
Ocean Class - Twin	£16498 GBP pp
Ocean/River Premium Cabin	£19298 GBP pp