

## North Maluku 12 Night Itinerary (Ambon to Sorong)

### Day 1: Ambon

Our staff will pick up at the airport and bring you to Aurora for immediate boarding. As soon as all the guests are on board, we will lift the anchor and sail to our first destination.

### Day 2: Nusa Laut and Sarapurana

Nusa Laut has spectacular reefs and wonderful coral gardens. Schools of surgeonfish, big eye trevallies and plenty of reef fish can be found here. For the night dive we will be critter hunting under a pier. The island of Saparua is a great alternative in case the weather conditions are not fine.

### Day 3-4: Banda Neira outer reefs

The waters here are full of fish, reef sharks and tuna. As a small bonus for bird lovers, many species can be observed around the island: brown boobies, red-footed boobies and frigate birds. Pulau hatta / Karang hatta: We will dive both sloping reefs and vertical walls. The current attracts many fish: fusiliers, dogtooth tuna, eagle rays, barracudas and sometimes sharks. On the reef, soft corals, leather corals, big eye trevallies and turtles.

### Day 5: Koon

The small island of Koon has a vertical wall and a slope where the current curls, pushing schools of trevallies, batfish and barracuda in. Reef sharks are common, but the stars of the show are the giant groupers, the largest of which reaches a size of 3m! Quite exciting dives!

### Day 6-8: Misool National Park

So many Islands to visit and so many different dive spots. We will cruise around Jilliet, Iabejet, Walib, Wajil, Jef Pele, Mesenta, Boo etc... The Aurora Crew will assure you as many dives as possible to completely appreciate this wonderful and beautiful area.

### Day 9-10: Farondi

Farondi Islands, about 20km east of Misool, are a popular destination for divers because of the unique seascape: tunnels, caverns and diving to colorful walls.

### Day 11: Fam Island

The Fam Island is the definition of paradise. A combination of stunning landscapes, marvelous coral gardens and an exceptionally rich marine biodiversity.

### Day 12: Arborek

Here we will have the chance to visit a typical fishermen village, but the morning will be dedicated to spot Manta rays, Wobbegong sharks and much more.

### Day 13: Sorong

After a nice breakfast on board, our crew will organize transfers to the Sorong Airport according to your flight schedules. Unfortunately we have to say goodbye but we hope to see you again on board.

**Number of dives:** 34-38 dives including the night dives

**Dive Experience:** experienced Open Water Diver or level 2 (minimum 25 logged dives)

**When to go:** October to April

**Please note that this itinerary is a diving program and can be changed depending on many factors!**