



Family Dragons and Islands of Indonesia

INDONESIA - TRIP CODE FKM

FAMILY

Why book this trip?

Experience the best of Indonesia as we showcase the islands of Flores, Komodo, Bali and Lombok on this family adventure of a lifetime. Travel through paddy fields and thick tropical jungle, stopping to walk through ancient tribal villages that have kept their traditions over thousands of years. Board a boat for three days on the waters off the Komodo archipelago to search for the infamous Komodo dragon, brought to a global audience by Sir David Attenborough. End with time to relax on the golden sand beaches of Lombok.

- **Komodo dragons** - See prehistoric Komodo dragons in their natural habitat
- **Kelimutu Volcano** - Climb Kelimutu Volcano for stunning views of three crater lakes, famed for its ever changing crater lakes that change colour through the day.

- **Traditional villages** - Walk through villages on the unspoilt island of Flores, staying in welcoming homestays along the way.

					
INCLUDED MEALS Breakfast: 13 Lunch: 4 Dinner: 3	TRIP STAFF Explore Tour Leader Boat Crew Driver(s)	TRANSPORT Bus Boat On Foot	ACCOMMODATION	TRIP PACE: Full on	GROUP SIZE: 10 - 16

Itinerary

Itineraries on some departure dates may differ, please select the itinerary that you wish to explore.

Trip information

Country information

Indonesia

Climate

Lying on the equator, Indonesia stays hot all year round, with daytime temperatures in the 80's (26°-28°C). Humidity is usually high. The wet seasons are roughly: Java- October to April; Bali- November to May; starting later the further east you travel. Nights are much cooler in the mountains than on the plains. Sea breezes normally keep the coastal strips of the islands from becoming too uncomfortable.

Time difference to GMT

+7

Plugs

2 Pin Round

Religion

Islam, Christian, Hindu

Language

Indonesian (official), numerous regional dialects, Sundanese, Javanese and some English.

Budgeting and packing

Optional activities

The following excursions and/or activities are usually available and may be arranged locally. Estimated costs are provided below for guidance only, are on a per person basis unless shown otherwise, and may depend on the number of participants. Prices quoted are correct as of the date these tour notes were originally issued but may change at any time due to currency fluctuations. Please note: These activities are booked and paid for direct with the supplier and do not form part of your Explore holiday contract.

A selection of optional activities are listed below to help you budget for your Family adventure. Whilst the basic tour price you pay before you travel includes a great selection of highlights, we have also built in free time to allow you the flexibility to choose from a carefully selected range of additional excursions and activities or take time to relax, the choice is yours. At certain destinations along the way there may be several options to choose from and it may not be possible to fit all the activities in; your Explore Leader will be able to give advice on which are the most suitable for your family.

Day 2: Bali - Surf lesson.

This introductory course covers theory about the basics of surfing, safety essentials, surf awareness, board characteristics, paddling and standing up. You will get to practice these new skills and catch your first small waves. For more confident surfers there are advanced courses available. Lesson starts at 10am and lasts 2.5 hours. IDR 567,000 per person (approx £32)

Day 2: Bali - Bike tour of Ubud.

Explore the beautiful island of Bali on two wheels. Riding past lush rice terraces, historic temples, villages and breakfast overlooking Mt Batur an active volcano. Full day tour, includes an early pick up from your hotel. IDR 500,000 per person (approx £28), lunch included.

Day 2: Southern Bali

Afternoon tour including the Hindu temple complex at Uluwatu and dinner at a beachfront seafood restaurant on Jimbaran Bay. IND 600,000 per person (approx £33), dinner included.

Day 2: Bali - further options are available including a cultural tour of East Bali and a dedicated spiritual temple tour, please speak to your Explore leader for full details.

Day 7: Ruteng. Ninety minute traditional Indonesian massage. IND 190,000 (approx £10)

Clothing

The region is tropical (humid) and days can be very hot. Casual clothes are the most practical, whilst tight fitting garments should be avoided. Please bring long skirts, trousers and shirts to cover yourself fully in order to respect local sensibilities and please bear in mind that short shorts are generally unacceptable. If you have a white shirt or blouse please bring it along for the temple experience, but this is not compulsory. Bring some warmer layers for the time spent at higher altitudes. Light rain gear and/or an umbrella is excellent in sticky, tropical conditions. A sunhat is essential as is swimwear. Long trousers and loose tops in light neutral colours are recommended for the Komodo walking safaris.

Footwear

Comfortable walking shoes, trainers and sandals.

Luggage

20kg

Luggage: On tour

One main piece and a daypack. Remember, you are expected to carry your own luggage - so don't overload yourself.

Equipment

Binoculars for wildlife viewing, torch, water bottle, insect repellent, high factor suncream (at least factor 15), good quality sunglasses and a lip salve with sun protection. You may also wish to bring your own snorkel and mask for snorkelling off Pink Beach.

Tipping

Explore leader

Tipping isn't compulsory, and we work hard to ensure that our leaders all receive a fair wage. You may however, want to recognise a leader that's done a great job or really added to your trip by giving them a tip. We're often asked about the recommended amount. It's a tricky one, and down to personal preference, but we'd recommend between £15 to £20 per person per week as a guideline.

Local crew

In this region, tipping is a recognised part of life across the service industry. Local staff will look to members of the group for personal recognition of particular services provided.

To assist with this your Explore Leader may organise a group tips kitty for included activities and meals, they will then account for kitty use throughout the tour.

For this we suggest £35 per family member.

For all non-included services and meals on your trip please tip independently at your discretion.

International Departure Taxes

Airport taxes for exiting Lombok from the International Airport is Rp 150,000 rupiah for international flights.

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Food and drink

The costs for meals may vary depending upon location, type of restaurant and number of courses eaten and so the prices given are an average guide. Local restaurants located off the beaten track may be less expensive, whereas an upmarket restaurant located in the centre of a major city may charge more.

Lunch price	Dinner price	Beer price	Water price
£5	£9	£3	£0.5

Foreign Exchange

Local currency **Recommended Currency For Exchange**
Rupiah (Rp). GBP will often get the best rates, EUR and USD are also accepted

Where To Exchange

Always check rates first. Banks and moneychangers usually have the best rates. Exchange is also possible at airports. Always keep receipts.

ATM Availability **Credit Card Acceptance**

In major towns. In major towns.

Travellers Cheques

Travellers Cheques are accepted but require the purchase receipt. Well known brands and higher denominations are recommended.

Transport, Accommodation & Meals

Transport Information

Bus, Boat, On Foot

Accommodation notes

We overnight on our private boat in simple shared accommodation, made up of double and single bunk beds in two mixed-sex cabins. Facilities include two toilets and a salt water shower, with a limited amount of fresh water for bathing. You may choose to sleep on deck under the stars as we anchor for the night.

Please also note that due to the remote nature of Bajawa, the region is prone to frequent power cuts. Water here is pump-driven, so on an occasion there is a power cut there may also be no running water.

Essential Information

Government Travel Safety Advice

We strongly recommend that you check your government's travel advisory for up-to-date information and advice about your destination: safety and security, entry requirements, health, local laws and customs. For UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office advice [click here](#).

For more information from Explore about travel advice, [click here](#)

Under 18 immigration guidance

Please note that some countries require proof of parental consent when travelling overseas with under 18s. Please check requirements with the relevant embassy or consular office well in advance of travel if this applies to your party.

Price Guarantee

Once your booking has been confirmed we guarantee the price will not increase, whatever the circumstances. Before booking please ensure you have read our important tour pricing information. [Booking Conditions](#)

Visa and Passport Information

Indonesia: British nationals travelling to Indonesia for tourism purposes can enter the country without a visa for up to 30 days at certain ports of entry including international airports in Jakarta, Yogyakarta, Bali, Medan, Surabaya and Batam, and sea ports in Batam and Bintan. If travelling on a free visa you must also exit via one of these approved ports.

All passports must have at least 6 months validity remaining after departure from Indonesia

If you do require assistance in obtaining a visa then you may be able to apply through Explore's recommended visa service in the UK, Travcour. See www.travcour.com to download the relevant visa application for your trip, if applicable (UK citizens only), along with details of how to apply for your visa through Travcour. The Team at Travcour will be happy to answer specific questions relating to visa applications, please call them directly on 0208 5431846.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you are in possession of a full passport, with the correct validity for your chosen destination.

Booking conditions

Before booking your Explore trip, please ensure that you read both our Essential Information and [Booking Conditions](#).

Transfers

Find out more about [Trip Transfer Terms and Conditions](#) before you book.

Booking a land only package with Explore

Customers who have chosen to book on the 'Land Only' arrangements of our tour, please ensure that you have checked your tour specific 'Joining Instructions' prior to booking your own travel arrangements. Your joining instructions can be found below in the dates and prices information.

You may also be eligible for the Free Explore Transfer.

Joining Tour Abroad

Customers booked on the 'Land Only' arrangements will now receive a Free Transfer, provided you arrive and depart on the tour only itinerary start and end dates. The complimentary transfers will be arranged from the Explore designated airport or train station to your trips joining point, and then back from the ending point to the designated airport or train station. Generally the airport or station that Explore have selected will be the one that is closest to the town or city where the trip starts, or the one nearest to the joining point. It will be either an airport or train station but not both.

The exception to this rule is customers who are booked on a tour where the joining and ending point is at the designated airport or train station.

Free transfers are not available for Self-Guided, Polar, Tailormade or Tours for Churches customers.

If you are not eligible for the Free Transfer then you will need to make your own way through to the joining and ending point. On a majority of our tours Explore will be able to provide a private transfer at

an additional cost. Please ask for a quote at the time of booking.

For more information regarding the Explore Free Transfer [click here](#)

Insurance

It is a condition of booking with Explore that you have adequate valid travel insurance. It is your responsibility to arrange appropriate travel insurance and ensure you have read and understood the full terms and conditions of your travel insurance policy to ensure that you are covered for all activities you intend to undertake whilst on the tour, including all optional activities. Your Insurance Policy must fully cover you for medical expenses and emergency repatriation to your home country. Please ensure your policy includes medical emergency helicopter evacuation in the event of illness or injury and covers the entire duration of your holiday. If you are trekking at altitude please ensure that there is no upper altitude limit which may limit or exclude cover for your trip. The cost of many of our Polar Voyages will exceed the capped amount covered by standard insurance premiums and you will be required to pay an additional premium to cover the full value of your trip. Please ensure that you are covered for the full amount of your holiday cost, as insufficient cover could invalidate a claim under the policy. Medical and repatriation insurance cover is not mandatory for UK residents who are travelling on trips within the United Kingdom.

Read more information about what travel insurance is required.

Flight information

Explore offers a wide range of flexible flying options to make joining and leaving our trips easy. Read more about them [here](#).

Flight Information

You are able to book this tour on a 'land only' basis or as a 'flight inclusive' package. Your flight inclusive package will be fully protected by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) ATOL protection scheme.

Booking a flight inclusive package with Explore

We have a good selection of flights not only from London but from many regional airports around the UK allowing us to compare fares between scheduled carriers as well as low cost and charter airlines. Our dedicated flights team will match the best flight options to your arrival and departure airport.

On our website we display a UK flight inclusive package guide price which is generally based on a London departure. To avoid paying supplements or to secure your preferred flight option, we recommend booking as early as possible, especially for peak travel dates.

Ability to swim

An ability to swim is essential for your safe enjoyment of the water based activities on this trip. If you wish to participate in these activities then we insist that you are able to swim.

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Vaccinations

Nothing compulsory, but we recommend protection against malaria, tetanus, infectious hepatitis, typhoid and polio. Consult your travel clinic for latest advice on Malaria and Zika Virus. Please take preventative measures to avoid mosquito bites - these include mosquito repellent as well as long trousers and long sleeve shirts to cover up when necessary. Although not compulsory, travellers may wish to immunise themselves against Japanese encephalitis. Please check the latest requirements with your travel clinic or doctor prior to departure. The above is not an exhaustive list. Further information regarding

vaccinations and travel health advice can be found by following the NHS and NaTHNaC links at Explore Travel Health and from your local healthcare provider. Visa and vaccination requirements are subject to change and should be confirmed by you before travelling.

Family information

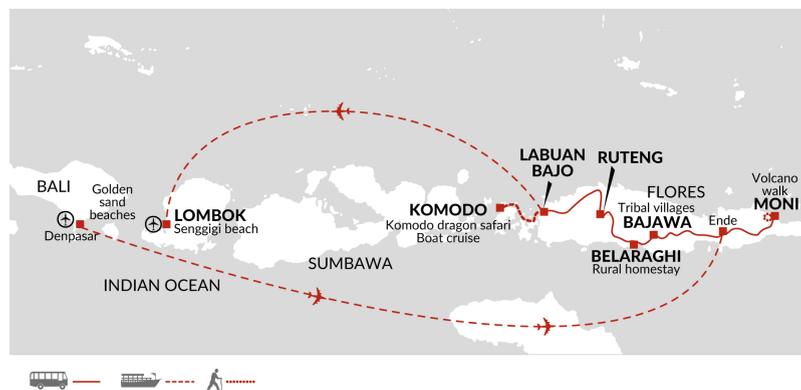


Triple Rooms: This trip allows the option for triple rooms to be included within the booking on all night stops within the holiday except the village homestays in Bajawa and Belaraghi and the Komodo cruise, where we use twin and single berth cabins. If you would like this option please ask our Sales team for further information.

Average Age: As a guide we have identified the actual average age of the children who have travelled on this trip over the last 5 years, to help you decide whether it's the right one for your family. The average age on this trip is 15 years old.

Minimum age: This trip is suitable for children from 11 and upwards.

Additional Information



Why book this trip

This is the perfect trip for families who want to get off the beaten track and experience the diversity of three of Indonesia's many islands. Starting in Bali, we have time to try out a host of optional activities including a surf lesson, mountain biking or take a spiritual temple tour in Ubud. Heading east to the less visited island of Flores experience volcanoes, welcoming homestays, jungle clad hills, wide expanses of white sand beaches and delicious home cooked Indonesian food prepared from local ingredients.

A highlight of the trip is the two night live aboard cruise in the Komodo archipelago in search of the infamous Komodo dragon, we visit two separate islands along the way, with ample time for snorkelling. The trip ends in Lombok, famed for its white sand tropical beaches with the option to extend your stay in the Gili Islands.

This holiday is perfect for adventurous families who are happy to a night on a boat and enjoys being active. And of course you should see a Komodo Dragon along the way!

Reviews



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