

Cruise Itinerary

Komodo & East Sumbawa



Duration: 6 Days / 5 Nights

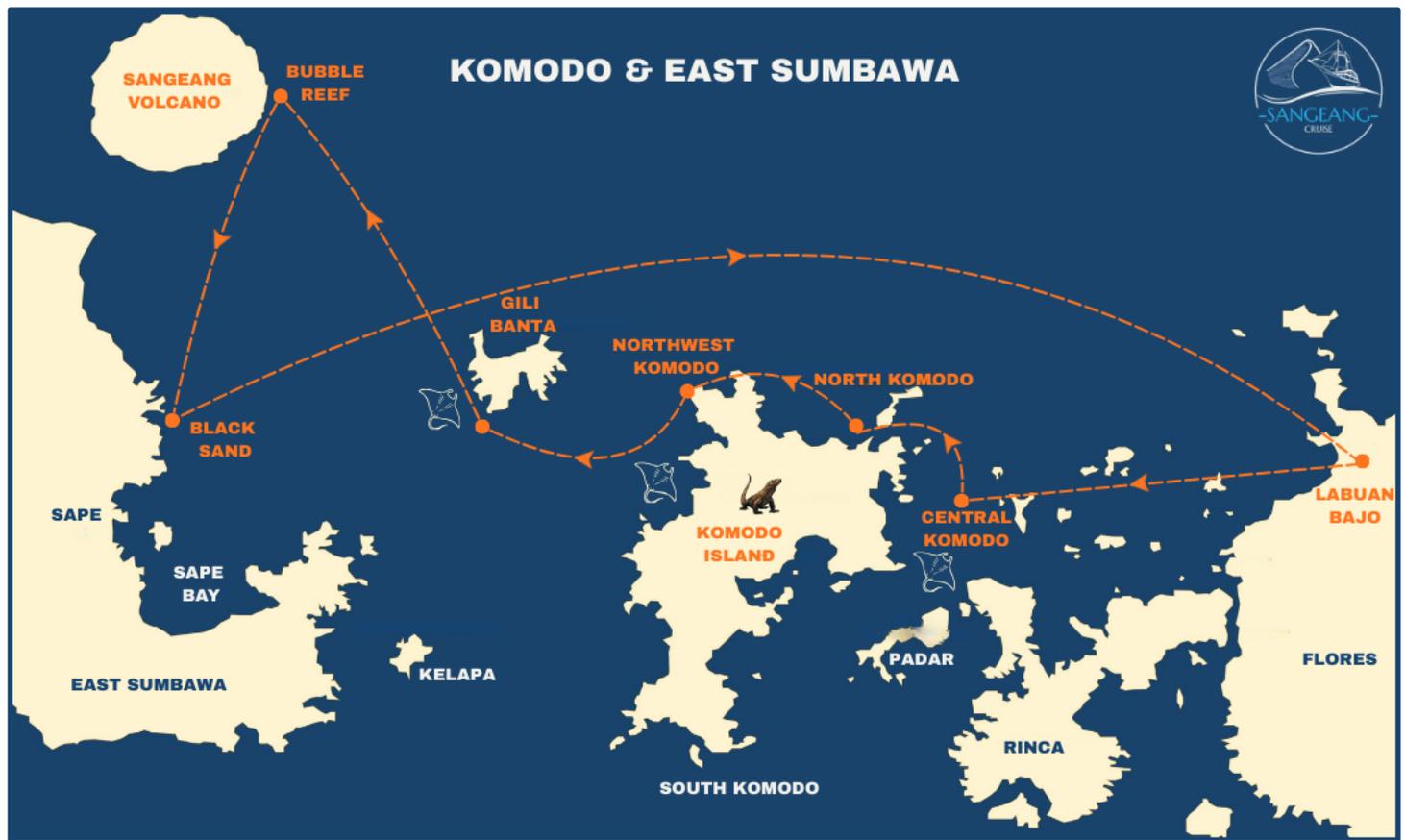
Type: Diving Liveboard (18 Dives). Non-Divers are welcome to join at reduced price.

Embark: 8:00 AM in Labuan Bajo (Flores) or Sape (East Sumbawa)

Disembark: 10:00 AM in Labuan Bajo (Flores) or Sape (East Sumbawa)

Destinations: Komodo (Central, North and Northwest), Gili Banta, Sangeang Island, Black Sand, Sape Bay

Please note: This is a sample itinerary based on favorable weather and sea conditions. In order to guarantee the most safe and enjoyable adventure for our guests, we reserve the right to adapt the schedule without further notice due to unforeseen circumstances, or based on our Cruise Directions or Captains advice.



Schedule (embark/disembark Labuan Bajo)*

<p>Day 1</p>	<p>Embark on your adventure at 8:00 AM in Labuan Bajo, where our crew will warmly welcome you and guide you to the harbor. After enjoying a refreshing welcome drink on board and settling into your cabin, we'll kick off the trip with a safety briefing and boat orientation. Afterwards we'll head to Central Komodo, ready to dive into three amazing dive sites. Central Komodo is known for its vibrant coral reefs, diverse marine life, a big variety of dive site topographies as well as its regular Manta Ray sightings due to a number of cleaning stations in the main channel of Komodo - get ready to go on your first of a couple of a Manta hunts! While Komodo is famous for its exhilarating drift dives through powerful currents, Central Komodo also features a selection of more sheltered dive sites. These are perfect for easing you into the currents, ensuring you feel comfortable and confident as you explore Komodo's underwater world. The day finishes with a night dive in Siaba Besar, a beautiful underwater pinneacle with large coral formations that attract a large variety of macro life. As the day winds down, relax and enjoy your first sunset drink on board while we anchor for the night.</p>
<p>Day 2</p>	<p>We'll kick off the day by diving into some of the highlights of Central Komodo with three additional dives in the morning and early afternoon. Today, we'll visit some of Komodo's most iconic dive sites, including Batu Bolong and Tatawa Kecil, where you'll get acquainted with the renowned Komodo currents. Experience the vibrant fish soup at Batu Bolong, often hailed as of the world's best dive spots, and marvel at the unique topography of Tatawa Kecil, which offers swim-throughs, drop-offs, boulders and many more. Both dive sites attract large fish who play in the current lines, adding an extra layer of excitement. After diving, we'll head north, where we will step ashore Komodo Island for a scenic hike to a famous viewpoint, where you can soak in a breathtaking sunset over Komodo National Park.</p>
<p>Day 3</p>	<p>Experience the thrill of North Komodo with three legendary dives in its exhilarating currents, including the renowned dive site The Cauldron ("Shotgun"), where you'll enjoy a high-adrenaline drift dive through a narrow channel between the two islands Gili Lawa Laut and Gili Lara Darat. You'll also explore the underwater pinnacles of Castle Rock and Crystal Rock, where vibrant coral gardens, big schools of fish as well as Giant Trevallies, Barracudas and Sharks await you. Spend your afternoon relaxing on Sangeang's sun beds or take a swim in the crystal-clear water, before getting ready for your night dive. After an action-packed day, we'll anchor in the tranquil waters of Northwest Komodo, where you can unwind and recharge for the adventures ahead.</p>
<p>Day 4</p>	<p>In the morning we embark on a trekking adventure in in the northwest of Komodo Island to meet the famous Komodo Dragon, the world's largest living lizard, found only in select areas of Komodo National Park. A must-do on your Komodo bucket list! Once back on the boat, we'll set sail towards East Sumbawa. The rest of the day will be spent at Gili Banta, an uninhabited island west of Komodo, known for its scenic viewpoints, stunning sunsets, and untouched nature. Experience the rich biodiversity of the surrounding waters, featuring picturesque coral formations, large schools of fish, reef sharks, and often Manta Ray encounters. We'll enjoy three dives, exploring both the calm sheltered dive sites in Gili Banta's bay as well as exhilarating drift dives around the island. Between dives, relax on the island's beautiful and pristine beaches. Soak in the breathtaking sunset from our boat's sun deck, or join us for a hike to one of the island's beautiful viewpoints. From here, you can witness the stunning sunset over Gili Banta and Sangeang Island, often in solitude given that the destination is less known to tourists than its neighbor Komodo, allowing you to fully appreciate the serene surroundings. As the evening unfolds, enjoy a delightful dinner on board and unwind.</p>



Day 5	Our crew rises early to take the boat north to Sangeang Volcano Island , the namesake of our boat. The morning is dedicated to exploring three incredible dive sites around Sangeang Island, renowned for its bubble reef, where volcanic gases escape from the seabed and create a mesmerizing bubbling effect. You'll have the chance to feel the heated sand from geothermal activities first-hand, marvel at the intensely vibrant coral reefs, and embark on a critter hunt for Rhinopias, Seahorses, and Frogfish amongst the black sandy slopes. With Sangeang's combination of volcanic activity and diverse marine life, you're in for an unforgettable experience at truly unique dive sites. Whether you are a photographer, critter enthusiast, or in search of larger ocean inhabitants like Manta Rays and Eagle Rays, we ensure you an exhilarating adventure. Enjoy your free afternoon with one last sunbath on deck or one last swim in the crystal clear ocean, before we start our night dive at Black Sand , a dive site known to be an incredible critter heaven. Get ready for an unforgettable experience and a true highlight of the cruise, as we hunt for Mimic and Blue-ringed Octopus, Rhinopias, Hairy Frogfish and many more. To express our gratitude for choosing Sangeang Cruise, our crew prepares a special dinner, either on board or at one of the beaches around. As you savor your last night, we'll gently navigate Sangeang back to Labuan Bajo throughout the night.**
Day 6	After one last breakfast on board, an unforgettable journey already comes to end and its time to say goodbye to your new dive buddies and our crew. You will disembark again in the harbor of Labuan Bajo around 10:00 AM. Depending on your plans after the trip, we are happy to assist with airport or hotel transfers.

**This schedule is exemplary for a cruise embarking/disembarking in Labuan Bajo (Flores). For embark/disembark in Sape, the schedule is run vice versa.*

***Optional Disembark in Sape (East Sumbawa). For guests who continue their holidays in Sumbawa, we offer an optional drop off in the harbor of Sape after Day 5's night dive and dinner. Sumbawa is beautiful and still less explored than its neighbors Lombok and Flores. Many hidden gems are waiting, some of our favorites include surfing in Lakey Peak, Whaleshark watching in Saleh Bay and Diving in Moyo Island. Indonesia's international airports Bali, Jakarta and Lombok can be reached via direct flights from either Bima Airport (East Sumbawa) or Sumbawa Besar Airport (West Sumbawa). We are happy to recommend hotels around Sape for your first night back on land and assist with transportation.*

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