



5th June to 11th June 2011. 7 days / 6 nights.

# Borneo & the Orang-utans of Kalimantan

*... escorted by Dr Stephen Van Mil*



## Orang-utans of Kalimantan

with an optional side trip tour extension to see the Komodo Dragons of Indonesia

Have you ever imagined visiting Kalimantan and seeing wild orang-utans up close and personal? On our 'special escorted departure', lead by Dr Stephen Van Mil, you will enjoy a very personal experience in the Borneo wilderness and see this wonderful animal. There's an opportunity to meet

Orang-utan infants at the Care Centre and to chat with volunteers and experts who have devoted their lives to the care and rehabilitation of these amazing animals. It's here where you will learn about the projects that are keeping them alive.

Stephen is a former veterinarian, a dedicated animal lover and a Conservationist. His 'Animal Media' company specialises in all aspects of media involving our wonderful creatures of the world. In conjunction with Fork Films, the award winning *The Last Trimate* (2008) was a world released documentary narrated by Mel Gibson and featuring the amazing life-work of Birute Mary Galdikas and the orang-utans in Indonesian Borneo.



### Highlights

Visit Tanjung Puting National Park, the base of Dr. Galdikas, world renowned Orangutan expert. Dr Galdikas was mentored by Dr Louis Leakey along with Diane Fossey and Jane Goodall. Camp Leakey inside the Tanjung Puting National Park is the site of the longest continuous study by a principal investigator of any non-human wild animal in the history of science.

Visit the care centre normally closed to the public and see how baby Orangutans are given special attention. Participants in this programme are given exclusive access to the Care Centre

Walk through the forests of the Tanjung Puting National Park with local Dayak guides

Cruise the Sekonyer River on a comfortable Klotok river boat

See wild proboscis monkeys and magnificent tropical birds

Meet with the staff and volunteers that make this programme possible and have a chance to ask questions.

Visit a local village and understand the ongoing issue of resource management between people and Orangutans.

Stay at a comfortable rustic river lodge that was built especially for the Great Apes Conference in 1991.

Assured multiple Orangutan sightings at close proximity

All photos are of and courtesy of 2010 tour participants

## Package Cost:

### Land price:

**\$3895.00 per person – twin share**

Single Supplement \$465.00

### Minimum Group Size: 14

### Optional Shopping Tour on final

**day:** Minimum of 4 people to operate. Cost \$45.00 per person

**Airfares:** Contact Maria at maria@adventure-travel.com.au or on 03 - 97551407

### Inclusions:

- Return airfares from Surabaya to Pangkalunbun
- Hotel/Lodge accommodation as specified
- All transfers/transport/tours specified by non air conditioned vehicles and "klotok boats"
- Breakfast in Surabaya and group dinner at the hotel on the first night (drinks not included)
- Group farewell dinner in Surabaya on the last night
- 3 meals a day at Rimba Lodge with breakfast only at the Blue Kecubun
- One visit to the OFI Care Centre
- A component of your tour cost is a direct contribution to the Orang-utan, to their ongoing care, rehabilitation and conservation via the OFI (Orang-utan Foundation International)
- Escorted by Dr Stephen Van Mil
- No Roads local guide from Surabaya to Surabaya

### Exclusions:

- Items of a personal nature
- Drinks, laundry, phone calls
- Applicable visa/passport fees
- Any additional airport taxes
- Tips to drivers/guides/porters
- Travel insurance which is compulsory for this adventure (Contact Maria at maria@adventure-travel.com.au or on 03 - 97551407 for options)
- International airfares to get to Surabaya

For more information or to make a booking on our group tour, please contact Maria Rainone on 03 - 9696 8400 or via email maria@adventure-travel.com.au



## Itinerary

There is an optional pre tour extension, to see The Komodo Dragons of Indonesia, commencing the 1st June. See itinerary on following pages

### Day 1: Sunday 5th June 2011

On arrival at Surabaya airport, you are transferred to the beautiful Majapahit Surabaya Hotel. As people will be arriving at different times throughout the day, your day is at leisure.

We will meet in the evening with Dr Stephen Van Mil and our local guide for a group briefing and dinner at the hotel's restaurant.

**Accommodation:** Majapahit Surabaya Hotel  
**Meals:** Welcome dinner (excluding alcoholic beverages)

### Day 2: Monday 6th June 2011

Today we will fly from Surabaya to Pangkalunbun. Upon arrival we will proceed to Kumai to board traditional "klotok" for the 1/2 hour cruise up the Sekonyer River to our accommodation for 3 nights.

**Accommodation:** Rimba Lodge  
**Includes:** All meals

### Day 3: Tuesday 7th June 2011

After breakfast, we cruise upstream to the tributary "black water" stream that ultimately leads to Camp Leahey (feeding station #1). It is here that we will witness the 2:30pm feeding and have time to walk some of the many trails for possible sightings of orang-utan. We then return to Rimba Lodge for the night.

**Accommodation:** Rimba Lodge  
**Includes:** All meals

### Day 4: Wednesday 8th June 2011

After an early breakfast, we cruise upstream to Pondok Tanggui (feeding station #2) Feeding occurs each morning at approximately 7:30am and time is available for a gentle walk on the 3km loop track and a possible excursion further upstream in search of Proboscis or long tailed Macaque monkey. We then return to Rimba Lodge followed by an afternoon cruise a short way down stream to Tanjung Harapan (feeding station #3) We then again return to Rimba Lodge for overnight.

**Accommodation:** Rimba Lodge  
**Includes:** All meals

### Day 5: Thursday 9th June 2011

After breakfast, we cruise back to Kumai by klotok and then transfer to the OFI Care Centre where we will have the opportunity to see dozens of orphaned orang-utans at various stages of rehabilitation. We will be fortunate to have the staff brief us about the operations of the care centre. We will then continue onto Pangkalunbun for one night's accommodation.

**Accommodation:** Hotel Blue Kecubun  
**Meals:** Breakfast

### Day 6: Friday 10th June 2011

Pangkalanbun to Surabaya  
After breakfast, we will transfer to the Pangkalunbun airport for our flight to Surabaya. On arrival, we are transferred to the Majapahit Surabaya Hotel. Afternoon will be at your leisure.

In the evening we will get together for a final group dinner.

**Meals:** Breakfast & dinner

### Day 7: Saturday 11th June 2011

Departure day. And the day is free before transferring to the airport for your departure flight.

**Optional Shopping Tour:** Minimum of 4 people - Cost \$45.00 per person

### Flight Delays

Domestic flights within Indonesia are subject to delay and/or rescheduling without notice. It is recommended you allow at least 1 or 2 days buffer before scheduling your homeward bound flight in case of delays. In the event your program is delayed or has to be rerouted you will be liable for any additional costs (eg accommodation, air tickets etc) which you must pay in full at the time. On your return to Australia any unused services (i.e. exchange vouchers) will be refunded in full - providing there are no additional arrangements left unpaid or outstanding as a result of any delays or rerouting to your program. Air tickets on domestic/regional airlines (other than Garuda Indonesia) are generally non refundable.

Contact Maria for more information regarding your flight, accommodation & tour options to extend your tour, whether it be travelling to Bali, Singapore or to other parts of South East Asia & beyond.



## Optional pre tour extension: The Komodo Dragons of Indonesia

### 5 days/4 nights

Our objective is to visit the home of the mighty Komodo dragon. The Komodo Dragons sheer size and power is unbelievable growing more than 3 metres in length and weighing over 150kg.

They are the largest lizard still living on Earth and is a very vulnerable species, with only 4,000 to 5,000 living Komodo dragons living in the wild. There are concerns however that there may presently be only 350 breeding females. To address these concerns, the Komodo National Park was founded in 1980 to protect Komodo dragon populations on islands including Komodo, Rinca, and Padar. Later, the Wae Wuul and Wolo Tado Reserves were opened on Flores to aid with Komodo dragon conservation. Volcanic activity, earthquakes, loss of habitat, fire, loss of prey, tourism, and poaching have all contributed to the vulnerable status of the Komodo dragon.

Join us as we visit the home of the Komodo dragon and take some time to relax and enjoy the world class snorkelling and scuba diving around the islands.

#### Day 1: Wednesday 1st June 2011

On arrival at Denpasar airport, you are transferred to the Sofitel Semiyak for 1 night's accommodation. As people will be arriving from all over Australia, your day is at leisure. We will meet in the evening and have a group welcome dinner at local restaurant Mades Warung which has a great atmosphere and even better food.

**Meals:** Dinner (drinks not included)

#### Day 2: Thursday 2nd June 2011:

After breakfast, we are transferred to the airport and fly from Denpasar to Labuan Bajo on the island of Flores. On arrival we are transferred to the Bajo Eco Lodge.

The Bajo Komodo Eco Lodge is a beach side Lodge located near Labuan Bajo. The view out to the Komodo islands from the upstairs restaurant and bar is especially beautiful at sunset. Part of the grounds are set aside as a Coucal (pheasant-like bird) breeding area. We will take a tour to the Python Cave which is inhabited by over a dozen large pythons. Welcome dinner will be held at the Eco Lodge

**Overnight** at the Eco Lodge  
**Meals:** Breakfast, lunch & dinner

#### Day 3: Friday 3rd June 2011:

Today we will motor out into the National Park to see the Komodo Dragons. Along the way we will see a great deal of sea life. On arrival at Rinca, we will take a 3 hour tour with a local guide who will show us the flora and fauna of the island. We will return late in the afternoon so we can see the fruit bats migrate to Flores for their evening feeding. A truly spectacular sight!

**Overnight** at the Eco Lodge  
**Meals:** Breakfast & lunch

#### Day 4: Saturday 4th June 2011:

Today we trek to the Cunca Wulang Waterfalls. We will pass through local villages and visit a place rarely visited. There is a great watering hole for a dip. In the afternoon we will visit a small village near Labuan Bajo for a traditional Caci Dance which involves telling local stories through dance, martial arts and song. Overnight at the Eco Lodge

**Meals:** Breakfast & lunch

#### Day 5: Sunday 5th June 2011:

We visit the mirror caves in the morning before transferring to the airport and flying back to Denpasar, Bali. Tour ends on your arrival in Bali.

**Meals:** Breakfast

This tour connects with our Orang-utans of Kalimantan program- please join us for these amazing expeditions.

## Package Cost:

### Land price:

**\$1829.00 per person – twin share**

Single Supplement \$465.00

### Minimum Group Size: 14

### Optional Shopping Tour on final day:

Minimum of 4 people to operate. Cost \$45.00 per person

### Airfares:

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### Inclusions:

- 1 night's accommodation at the 4 star Sofitel Semiyak inclusive of breakfast and based on twin share
- Dinner at Mades Warung in Semiyak(not including alcoholic drinks)
- All meals and inclusions as per tour itinerary
- Flights from Denpasar to Labuan Bajo return in economy
- Guide in Labuan Bajo for touring
- Touring and transfers as per itinerary
- 3 nights twin share accommodation at Bajo Eco Lodge/ non air-conditioned rooms
- National park fees
- Escorted by Dr Stephen Van Mil

### Exclusions:

- Items of a personal nature
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- Tips to drivers/guides/porters
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- International airfares to get to Denpasar

## Optional extras:

Diving package to include 2 dives per day and possible on day 3 of the itinerary: \$160.00 per person.

Must be pre-booked in advance so please advise if you wish to take this option. You must be a PADI qualified diver.

