

# EXPERIENCE-LED PRIVATE CRUISING SPECIALISTS

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The Ultimate Indonesian Yachts team is passionate about exploring Indonesia's most compelling coastlines. We believe that chartering a private yacht is the best way to uncover the secrets of our blue planet.

Our handpicked collection of luxury and expedition charter yachts offers an unrivalled means of experiencing both land & sea from the comfort of boutique accommodation on the waves. Our yachts combine tradition, elegance and modern conveniences, and each one comes with a skilled crew including an expert captain, a cruise host and a private chef.

We know the islands like the back of our hand and we love planning bespoke adventures to suit you. We take pride in our relationships with clients, yacht owners and agents alike. We take the time to truly know everything about each yacht, from the cruise director's strengths to the cuisine and service onboard.

# RAJA AMPAT

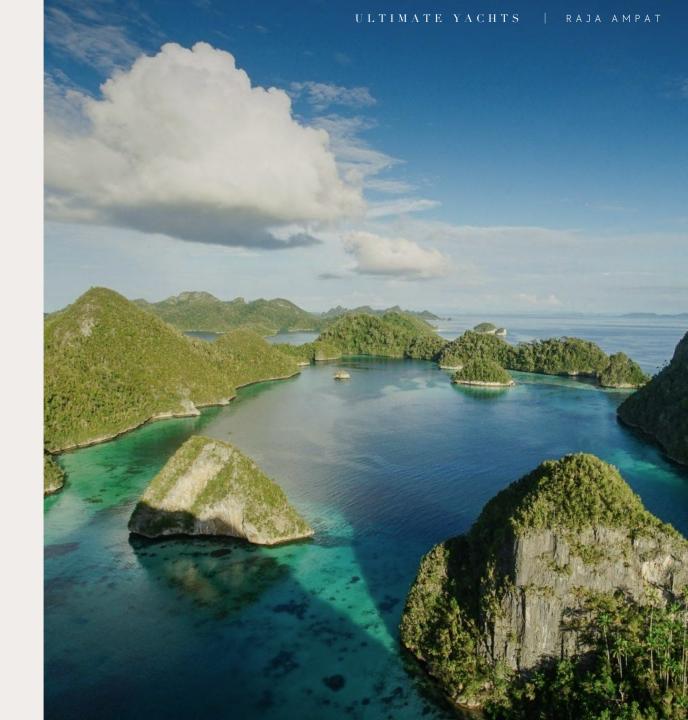


Raja Ampat is located off the northwest tip of Bird's Head Peninsula in West Papua and described as one of the most extraordinary environments on the planet.

The main islands of Misool, Batanta, Waigeo and Salawati are surrounded by 1,500 islands with wild beaches and limestone cliffs plunging into aqua seas.

Raja Ampat comprises a total territory of 9.8 million acres over land and sea, and beneath the surface, it is recognised as the world's most bio-diverse marine ecosystem with over 1,200 species of fish, 550 species of coral, and six of the world's seven species of turtle.

Above water, the islands' cultural heritage is diverse, with prehistoric cave paintings and relics from bygone eras, while recent history is visible in cave bunkers and seabed wreckage from World War II. Intrepid visitors can trek through the jungle to seek out endemic birdlife, visit remote villages, explore sea turtle rookeries and pearl farms or discover mangroves by sea kayak.





#### DAY 1: SORONG & MIOSKON

You will be met at Sorong airport by the yacht's crew and transferred to the harbour, a 20-minute drive. Once you have settled in onboard, the yacht will begin the cruise to Mioskon, a spectacular island where you can snorkel or kayak on mirror still waters along the verdant coastline. Famed for its fish-life and coral slopes, the Kri Peninsula offers some of the most exquisite underwater vistas in Raja Ampat.

#### DAY 2: TAPOKRENG & KRI PENINSULA

Rise before dawn for the best chance of sighting the Birds of Paradise in Tapokreng. The red bird of paradise displays in the canopy of certain bare trees located on the peaks of the hills. On return, have breakfast onboard. We'll spend the day here in the Kri region with its various fantastic dive and snorkel sites. After an action-packed day, soak up the sunset with a cocktail and dinner onboard.

# DAY 3: PENEMU, YEBEN & ALJUI BAY

This morning we'll hike up to the viewpoint in Penemu, and explore the cluster of rocky limestone domes. Draped with tiers of green vegetation, the islets encircle a shallow green bay and a walking trail along the rocky hills leads to a look out with magnificent views of the lagoon and the ocean beyond. We'll carry on to Yeben for a chance to do some dives. This afternoon, pay a visit to the Atlas South Sea Pearl Farm in Aljul Bay. Surrounding their waterfront base is a netted area that can be seen from above where they grow their oysters. Learn the long and delicate process of cultivating pearls outs of oysters in this facility that produces high quality pearls for the international market. Explore underneath the main jetty to find wobbegong sharks, stonefish, hundreds of schooling scads, ghost pipefish, juvenile batfish and much more.

#### DAY 4 & 5: WAYAG

This morning we can dive or snorkel at Black Rock near Kawe, before the yacht continues to Wayag for the next two days. This interminable green island maze comprises the most visually stunning scene in Raja Ampat. A postcard worthy tropical paradise proves a magnificent backdrop for water sports while you explore hidden coves in the shadow of Wayag's sheer limestone peaks. You can climb the peak behind the anchorage for a panoramic view of the azure waterways through the rock formations, and finish the hike with a swim at the white sand beach below. In terms of diving in the general area, there's Two Hump Rock and Figure 8 nearby.

# DAY 6: MANTA SANDY & ARBOREK

Early this morning, there'll be a chance to dive at Citrus Ridge. During breakfast we'll continue to the Arborek area where we will be looking to snorkel with the mantas at Manta Sandy. Depending on the order of the day and flight times, we may also have a chance to snorkel or dive in the Friwin area in the afternoon, being able to visit sites such as Batu Lima or Friwinbonda, both with good opportunities for snorkellers and divers alike. Whatever you choose, we'll make the most of the Dampier Strait, with its gorgeous snorkelling spots and tropical beaches.

# DAY 7: FRIWIN & KALIBIRU

We will spend the morning around Friwin where you can dive at sites such as Blue Magic and Sardine Reef or snorkel at Friwinbonda before we head east to the Kaliburu region. Here, we'll hike to the Blue River – with its impossibly blue, crystal clear water, this is one of Indonesia's special hidden gems.

#### **DAY 8: SORONG**

After a final breakfast on deck, your crew will assist you in disembarking the yacht and transfer you back to the airport to catch your flight home.

