



Indonesia: Sumatra, Java & Bali

22 days, Medan to Candi Dasa

Trip code AEML

What's included

- Your G for Good Moment: Candirejo Village Visit, Candirejo
- Your G for Good Moment: Ngadas Homestay, Desa Ngadas

- Your G for Good Moment: Village Walk, Desa Ngadas
- Your G for Good Moment: Lunch at Ngadas Village, Desa Ngadas
- Your G for Good Moment: Bulian Village Tour, Bulian
- Your G for Good Moment: Bulian Guesthouse Experience, Bulian
- Your Welcome Moment: Meet Your CEO and Group
- Your Foodie Moment: Padang Lunch, Medan
- Your Wellness Moment: Sibayak Hot Spring, Berastagi
- Your Hands-On Moment: Traditional Batik Making, Solo
- Your Discover Moment: Ubud
- Visit to Grand mosque of Medan
- Visit Vihara Gunung Timur
- Trekking and wildlife spotting in Gunung Leuser National Park
- Batak Cooking Class
- Guided Batak Village exploration
- View Sipiso Piso waterfall
- Samosir Island Exploration
- Candirejo Village Visit
- Setumbu Hill Sunrise Hike
- Wanurejo & Borobudur Village Biking Tour
- Mangkunegaran Palace Visit
- Triwindhu Market
- Jodipan Colorful Village Visit
- Mount Bromo Jeep Excursion
- Ngadas Village Walk
- Lunch at Ngadas Village
- Free time in Yogyakarta & Ngadas
- Jatiluwih Rice Terraces Visit
- Ulun Danu Temple Complex Visit
- Banjar Hot Springs
- Singaraja Traditional Market
- Beji Temple
- Bulian Village Tour
- Lemukih Village Trek
- Free time in Mt Batur
- Penglipuran Village Visit
- Pura Gunung Kawi Sebatu Temple
- Free time in Ubud
- Free time in Candidasa
- Transport to/from included activities

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VALIDITY: Valid for all trips departing January 23rd, 2025 and onwards

Itinerary



NOTE: Accommodations vary per departure and are subject to change until tour start date; they are not final and should be used as examples only. Travellers may login to the G Adventures App to view accommodations specific to their departure.

Day 1

Medan

Welcome to Sumatra! Arrive at anytime.



Accommodation

Swiss Belhotel Medan (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

ACTIVITY

Your opportunity to meet your CEO and fellow travellers, and learn more about your tour. Opt to join the group for a local meal afterwards. Don't forget to see the notice in the lobby (or ask reception) for the official time and place to meet up with the group.

Day 2

Medan/Bukit Lawang

No better way to start your Sumatra adventure than a day tour of the biggest city on the island, Medan. Visit the important landmarks, starting at the biggest mosque on the entire island, Al-Mashun Great Mosque. From there, walk to the grand 30-room Maimun Palace. Drive to Vihara Gunung Timur Temple and admire the classic Chinese architecture. Then continue walking through Pajak Ikan Lama historic market before heading to lunch. Together we'll eat like the locals at a Padang restaurant. After lunch and a day of exploring, drive to Bukit Lawang and check into your hotel.



Meals included

Breakfast | Lunch



Accommodation

Ec lodge Bukit Lawang Cottages (or similar)

Lodge



Today's Activities

The Great Mosque of Medan and Maimun Palace Visit

Medan

Visit the Grand mosque of Medan, Al-Mashun. Built in the early 1900's, this beautiful mosque is a mix of Middle Eastern, Spanish and Indian architecture. It was part of the Maimun Palace complex, so after visiting the mosque, walk to the palace and explore the property built by the sultan of Deli in the year 1888 with Malay, Mogul and Italian influences.

Vihara Gunung Timur

Medan

Visit the beautiful Vihara Gunung Timur. This Chinese temple is the largest in the city of Medan and on the island of Sumatra. This temple was built in the 1962 and dedicated to Dongyue Dadi. Enjoy your visit and admire the classic Chinese architecture.

Tjong Afie Mansion

Medan

Visit the "historical jewel in Medan," a 35-room, 2-story mansion built in 1895. It is a registered historical landmark as well as a cultural heritage building and museum.

ACTIVITY

Fill up on an amazing lunch as the locals do in West Sumatra. We'll sit down together for a delicious Padang style meal, where our host will serve a large number of small platters of different dishes. The charm of Padang cuisine lies not only in its range of dishes but also in its serving style, called hidang. Diners are charged only for the platters that have been eaten from; untouched platters are taken away and served to other guests.

Private Vehicle

Medan - Bukit Lawang

3h

85km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Day 3

Bukit Lawang

Today, head off to trek through Gunung Leuser National Park. Sumatra is one of only two islands in the entire world where you can find orangutans in the wild. Enjoy a moderate hike through the largest national park in Indonesia in search of these and other amazing animals. After working up a sweat, cool off while tubing down the river back to the starting point. This evening, join a local cooking class to make traditional cuisine from the Batak Ethnic group.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Accommodation

Ecolodge Bukit Lawang Cottages (or similar)

Lodge



Today's Activities

Jungle Trekking & River Tubing in Gunung Leuser National Park

Bukit Lawang

2h30m-3h

3km

Wander through the jungle of this large national park home to endangered tigers, rhinoceroses, elephants, and orangutans. While your chances of spotting one of these elusive animals may be slim, there are plenty of primates and birds hanging around, especially orangutans. So keep your eyes peeled! The trek is easy to moderate and suitable for all hiking levels. After the 2.5-3 hour hike, enjoy 45 minutes of river tubing.

Local Cooking Class

Bukit Lawang

Take a becak to a local cooking class for dinner. Learn to make famous dishes from the Batak ethnic group in North Sumatra like flavorful fish stew or aromatic rendang chicken and acar campur, a local pickled vegetable salad.

Day 4

Bukit Lawang/Berastagi

Drive from Bukit Lawang to Berastagi and enjoy the scenic ride with stops at Gundaling Hill and a local fruit market. After checking into the hotel, drive to Sibayak Hot Spring for some much deserved time to relax in the volcanic hot spring.



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

Sinabung Hill Hotel (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

ACTIVITY

Relax in the hot springs of Mount Sibayak volcano and admire the stunning surroundings.

Private Vehicle

Bukit Lawang - Berastagi

5h

135km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Day 5

Berastagi/Lake Toba

After breakfast, drive to Dokan Village to visit the Batak ethnic group. The Batak people are from North Sumatra, especially around Lake Toba and have been here for hundreds of year. Take a tour of the beautiful and unique village. Then continue to the breathtaking Sipiso Piso Waterfall on the way to Parapat Harbor. Load into the ferry and cross Toba Lake to arrive to the large volcanic island in the middle of the lake, Samosir Island, for the night. Settle into your hotel, then join your group for dinner together.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Accommodation

Toledo Inn (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Berastagi - Dokan

1h30m

35km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Traditional Batak Village Visit

Dokan

Visit the traditional Karo Batak Village, Dokan Village. The Karo ethnic group of the Batak people are known for the exceptional conservation of their traditions and culture, more so than other Batak groups. Follow your CEO on a tour to see their unique stilted homes, learn about the Karo culture and have the opportunity to meet and talk with the locals.

Sipiso Piso Waterfall

Merak

Admire this stunning plunge waterfall, formed from an underground river. Grab your camera to capture the incredibly green surroundings, rock faces and beautiful plummeting waterfall.

Private Vehicle

Dokan - Parapat

1h

30km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Ferry

Parapat - Samosir Island

1h

Get to the next spot on your route aboard a ferry boat.

Day 6

Lake Toba/Medan

Explore the cultural side of Samosir Island with visits to two of the more prominent Batak villages, Tomok and Ambarita. Visit the Tombs of Tomok and learn about the legend of the king. Explore the breathtaking architecture and unique way of life during a tour and dance performance in Amberita Village. In the afternoon, we'll take a ferry back to Parapat Harbor and then drive back to Medan for the evening.



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

Anara Sky Kualanamu (Medan Airport) (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Tombs in Tomok Village

Tomok Bolon

Take a trip back in time and visit the tomb of King Sidabutar in Tomok, a local Toba Batak Village. The Toba are the largest of the Batak ethnic group today. Learn more about their history, and the legend of the king. See the monument's ornate carvings, and visit others close by, including another royal tomb said to be used as a fertility shrine.

Ambarita Village Visit

Lake Toba

Explore the amazing Ambarita Village, and wander through the traditional Batak tongkonan houses with roofs the shape of boats. You'll see beautifully carved wooden structures, unique stone furniture and have the chance to see their traditional Batak dance performance.

Ferry

Samosir Island - Parapat

1h

Get to the next spot on your route aboard a ferry boat.

Private Vehicle

Parapat - Medan

4h

160km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Day 7

Medan/Yogyakarta

We depart Medan today and fly to Yogyakarta. After arrival, the day is yours. Opt to rest before the next part of your trip, or dive right in and explore the city of Yogyakarta.



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

KJ Hotel Yogyakarta (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Plane

Medan - Yogyakarta

2h45m-3h

1800km

Look! Up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's... yup, it is a plane, actually.

Free Time

Yogyakarta

Enjoy a free afternoon to relax or explore the city of Yogyakarta!

Day 8

Yogyakarta

There's so much to discover in Yogyakarta today! Explore some Javanese temples, bike to rice paddies on the outskirts of the city, or go for a foodie tour and try street food like gudeg (curry made from unripe jackfruit).



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

KJ Hotel Yogyakarta (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Free Time

Yogyakarta

Get out and explore Yogyakarta and its surrounding attractions.



Optional Activities - Day 8

Yogyakarta Becak Tour & Taman Sari

Yogyakarta

Becak is one of the oldest and most traditional forms of transportation in Indonesia. Today, you will discover Yogyakarta's highlight by this traditional transport. Ride through the Alun-Alun Kidul (South Square), the Sultan's Palace and Taman Sari, the Water Castle, once used by the royal family to spend their leisure time. After a delicious lunch, continue your exploration with a visit to Sonobudoyo Museum. This museum collects and keeps important pieces of Javanese tradition. You'll end the day at the famous Malioboro Road for some shopping and local everyday life before returning to your hotel.

Jomblang Cave Tour

Yogyakarta

A hidden gem nestled in the breathtaking landscapes of Yogyakarta, Jomblang Cave offers an extraordinary adventure into the heart of the earth. This unique vertical cave invites you to explore a hidden underground wonderland, illuminated by sunlight. Your journey begins early in the morning. After a scenic 2-hour drive, you'll arrive at the entrance to Jomblang Cave. Before descending into the

depths, you'll be fitted for all required gear and guided by experienced professionals. Then embark on a thrilling descent of 60 meters into the cavern. Once at the bottom, you'll marvel at the breathtaking sight of sunlight filtering through the cave's opening, casting a magical glow upon the subterranean landscape. Explore the mysterious depths and intricate rock formations. After your underground exploration, you'll be pulled back up to the surface, ready to savor a delicious local lunch cooked by the local women in the area before you return back to your hotel.

Village Tour by Colonial Style Bike

Yogyakarta

Cycle through the villages and wave hello to the people you will be passing along the way. You will be stopping at a traditional market and home businesses, all awhile meeting locals, and getting insights into the different facets of local life here in Yogyakarta. A traditional Javanese lunch will be waiting for you after your hard work.

Day 9

Yogyakarta/Magelang

Visit Candirejo Village on the way to Magelang today. Accompanied by a local guide, learn more about this village and why its known as a symbol of Javanese culture. Here you will gain more insight into daily activities, the multiple-crop farming system, and their traditions. After a delicious local lunch, drive to Magelang for the night.



Meals included

Breakfast | Lunch



Accommodation

Puri Asri Magelang Hotel (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Yogyakarta - Candirejo

1h30m

45km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

ACTIVITY

Visit Candirejo, a captivating village sitting among vibrant green fields. Meet friendly residents, and learn all about ancient traditions and Javanese culture. This community directly supports women's empowerment in the Candirejo Ecotourism Village Development. Women play a central role in the home industry sector, which we have a chance to see on this visit. Take home the perfect souvenir – homemade handicrafts and furniture can be found here, including wonderful pieces made of bamboo made by the local women's initiative.

Day 10

Magelang/Solo

We'll rise before the sun today in order to catch a beautiful sunrise atop Setumbu Hill. This easy hike will bring you above the early morning fog for a gorgeous view of the jungly temple topped mountains. After descending, return to the village for an easy biking tour to see its beautiful sites like Borobudur Temple and the traditional market. This evening, drive to Solo.



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

The Royal Surakarta Heritage (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Setumbu Hill Sunrise Hike

Magelang

This is a perfect place for a sunrise, with the temples and jungle encapsulated by fog with a mountain backdrop. The hike to Setumbu is doable for all fitness levels. It can be steep in parts, but it's not too difficult. It takes about 30-45 mins. The trail is a dirt path with some steps.

Wanurejo & Borobudur Village Biking Tour

Magelang

Explore the local villages by bicycle to visit its local businesses, traditional markets and outside around Borobudur Temple. The cycling is on a flat paved village road and total cycling distance is under 7km.

Private Vehicle

Magelang - Solo

3h

90km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Spend the day getting to know the history and traditions of Central Java in Solo, known as the center of Javanese culture. With visits to Mangkunegaran Palace, Triwindhu Market and Laweyan Village, you'll have the chance to see how traditional heritage is still alive today.



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

The Royal Surakarta Heritage (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Triwindhu Market

Solo

Visit the Triwindhu Market. This is a great place to find traditional Javanese items, antiques, textiles, and local handicrafts. If you're interested in souvenirs, this is the place to be! Don't hesitate to bargain a little with the vendors.

ACTIVITY

Learn about the traditional process of Batik-making. Then, have the chance to create your own batik piece, guided by skilled artisans. It's a fantastic hands-on experience and a great souvenir opportunity!

Mangkunegaran Palace Visit

Surakarta

Take in the mix of Javanese and European architecture at this charming palace. Keep an eye out for royalty -- members of the aristocratic family still reside in the palace.

Day 12

Solo/Bromo

After breakfast, continue east to Ngadas Village. On the way, make stops to explore Alun Alun Malang City Square and colorful Jodipan Village. Arrive to Ngadas in the late afternoon. This picturesque village in the foothills of Mt Bromo is known for its Javanese traditions and beautiful nature.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Accommodation

Ngadas Homestay (or similar)

Homestay



Today's Activities

ACTIVITY

Nestled amongst the green hills of the Mt Bromo region, the village of Ngadas is home to a Tengger farming community. Overnight with a local family participating in the community's homestay program, a G Adventures-supported initiative. Learn about the local culture, customs, and traditions from your hosts.

Private Vehicle

Solo - Ngadas

5h

370km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Jodipan Colorful Village Visit

Malang

Grab your camera for a visit to the picture perfect Jodipan Village. Known for its colorful rainbow homes, like the while town is a mural.

An early morning jeep ride is the best way to see the Bromo Crater this morning. Followed by a 45 minute hike to reach Penanjakan Hill view point just in time for sunrise! Admire the oranges and pinks before continuing the hike through the Sea of Sands to the top of Bromo Crater. Enjoy a picnic breakfast at Teletubbies Hill. Return to Ngadas Village for a walking tour (and maybe a coffee?) to see the temples, the tomb of mbah Sedek and the holy forest. Enjoy a local lunch and dinner at the homestay with free time to explore how you wish in between.



Meals included

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



Accommodation

Ngadas Homestay (or similar)

Homestay



Today's Activities

ACTIVITY

Learn more about daily life in Ngadas with a village walk. Take in views of the scenic hills as you walk along, passing farming areas and stopping to visit the local temple, vihara, and mosque.

ACTIVITY

Nestled amongst the green hills of the Mt Bromo region, the village of Ngadas is home to a Tengger farming community. Enjoy a village walk and local lunch at this G Adventures-supported initiative. Take in views of the scenic hills as you walk along, passing farming areas and stopping to visit the local temple, vihara, and mosque. Learn about the local culture, customs, and traditions from your hosts.

Mount Bromo Jeep Excursion

Gunung Bromo

4h

Jump in a jeep and explore the winding landscape of Eastern Java, climbing upwards and outwards towards the grandeur of Mt Bromo to witness a stunning sunrise. Hike to the peak of Mt Bromo, part of the Tengger Calder, the largest volcanic range in the area. A distinct site, the volcano blew its top off completely and is constantly smouldering with white smoke.

Free Time

Ngadas

Enjoy a free afternoon in Ngadas Village.

Day 14

Surabaya/Seminyak

Depart Java and fly to Bali, then drive to Seminyak. Check into the hotel and spend the rest of the day how you'd like! Seminyak is a lively and fun beach town, so relish the chance to enjoy it!



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

Puri Saron Hotel Seminyak (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Plane

Surabaya - Denpasar

1h

Look! Up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's... yup, it is a plane, actually.

Private Vehicle

Denpasar - Seminyak

30m

10km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Free Time

Seminyak

Spend a free evening in the exciting beach town of Seminyak!

Head north this morning as we say goodbye to Seminyak and travel toward Munduk. Our day will be filled with exciting stops along the way, starting with the UNESCO World Heritage Site Jatiluwih Rice Terraces where we can explore the ancient emerald-green fields. The second stop is Baturiti Fruit Market where we can wander through the colorful stalls and try fresh fruits like rambutan and dragon fruit, depending on the season. Continue on to the gorgeous temple in the middle of the lake, at Ulun Danu Temple. Take the scenic route to Munduk with one final pit stop at the Twin Lake photo spot. Arrive to Munduk in the evening, check into the guesthouse and enjoy some free time.



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

Meme Surung Guesthouse (or similar)

Homestay



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Desa Jatiluwih - Munduk

2h15m

48km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle. On the way, explore Baturiti Fruit Market and try some local fresh fruit, and continue on with other awesome pit stops along the way.

Jatiluwih Rice Terraces Visit

Tabanan

1h

Follow your CEO down narrow paths as you explore the UNESCO-protected Jatiluwih Rice Terraces. Stop to enjoy the view as you trek around the area.

Private Vehicle

Seminyak - Desa Jatiluwih

2h

50km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Ulun Danu Temple Complex Visit

Danau Beratan

Bring your camera for this floating temple visit; the captivating Ulun Danu Temple, founded by the King of Mengwi in the 17th century, is one of Bali's most important and most photographed temples.

We're off to our G for Good supported community homestay in Bulian today but not without some adventure along the way. A dip in Banjar Hot Springs is without a doubt the perfect way to start today. From a relaxing moment to some upbeat adventuring, we head to lively and exciting Pasar Anyar Singaraja, a traditional market full of fresh produce and handmade homeware where locals come to haggle. The last stop of today is Beji Temple where we'll explore this historic complex before finally arriving to Bulian in the afternoon. Embark on a village tour and traditional Balinese offering making workshop as you immerse yourself in our homestay in Bulian.



Meals included

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



Accommodation

Bulian Guesthouse (or similar)

Homestay



Today's Activities

Banjar Hot Springs

Munduk

Take a dip at Air Panas Banjar, a centuries-old therapeutic sulfur hot springs bathing spot nestled in lush vegetation in the hills of Bali. It is renowned for its therapeutic mineral-rich waters sourced from a natural volcanic spring. Spend time in the relaxing waters of Banjar's three-tiered pools, each varying in temperature and offering a unique bathing experience. The soothing warmth of the mineral-rich waters is said to alleviate muscle tension and promote overall well-being.

Singaraja Traditional Market

Singaraja

Pasar Anyar Singaraja, also known as Singaraja Traditional Market, is one of the main traditional markets of the area. Once here, you can see first hand what's sold like fresh produce, rice and tobacco, or household necessities like locally made kitchenware and utensils on display across various stalls. For first-timers, the scene here may seem a bit chaotic, with cluttered stalls. But it's one of the best places for bargains, and you might score a unique souvenir like gemstones and jewelry.

Beji Temple

Banjar Pabean

The temple was built in the 15th century during the Majapahit period and is considered to be one of the oldest temples in Bali. The timeworn structures and walls within the temple complex are exquisitely contrasted by the manicured green lawns and tropical gardens. Shrine bases and white sandstone walls are covered in arrays of carvings, inspired by the great Hindu epics with a mixture of characters from fables and legends such as serpents, menacing demons and guardians. The stone staircases and temple gates of Pura Beji temple also feature intact statues. It's a great stopover for lovers of art and ancient architecture.

ACTIVITY

Learn the unique history of this isolated village and why it's sometimes referred to as the "Lost Kingdom" or "The Land of Curse." We'll embark on a tour of the village and get to know the local people as you wander past plantations, schools, and temples. Dress in local clothing and prepare offerings made of leaves and flowers before heading to a spiritual ceremony where you meet a local priest.

Private Vehicle

Munduk - Bulian

2h15m

54km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

ACTIVITY

Bulian Homestay is a community run guesthouse, managed by a strong, dedicated woman of that village, who created an employment opportunity for other women and vulnerable youth of the community, with the hope of preserving their culture and preventing rural urban migration. By supporting this experience you will be directly impacting close to 50 people from the local community and indirectly impacting around 100 people living in the community. Bulian Homestay is a traditional Balinese Style house, converted into a comfortable guesthouse for travelers coming to this quaint village, around 2 hours from Ubud, Bali.

Day 17

Bulian/Kintamani

After a delicious breakfast, we're off to Lemukih Village for the day. Trek through rice paddies, a durian plantation, a coffee plantation and even a natural waterslide that we'll get a chance to enjoy. After lunch in a local warung, we'll continue our trek to visit 2 beautiful waterfalls, where we can swim and relax. Head towards Kintamani, a highland region in Bali known for its stunning volcanic landscapes, like the active Mount Batur and the serene Lake Batur.



Meals included

Breakfast | Lunch



Accommodation

Lake View Kintamani Bali Hotel (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Bulian - Kintamani

1h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Lemukih Village Trek

Bulian

5h-6h

2km

Trek up the 300 stairs from Lemukih Village and enjoy the view of rice terrace fields. Stop at a durian plantation and natural water slide, where of course we will have a chance to slide down the water slide! Trek through a coffee plantation, and stop at a local warung for lunch before continuing to two of Bali's most incredible but still undiscovered waterfalls, Fiji and Sekumpul.

Day 18

Kintamani/Ubud

Don't miss the opportunity to explore Mt Batur at sunrise today! Choose the more active option of trekking to the sunrise point or choose the thrilling jeep sunrise adventure. After breakfast at the hotel, we'll visit the well preserved Penglipuran Village to experience picturesque Balinese culture. Afterwards, stop at the beautiful Pura Gunung Kawi Sebatu Temple on the way to Ubud. In the evening, arrive to Ubud.



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

Champlung Sari Hotel (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Free Time

Batur

A sunrise visit to Mt Batur is a must! Opt to join a trek or jeep adventure this morning.

Penglipuran Village Visit

Bangli

Step into a timeless Balinese village known for its well-preserved traditional layout and culture. Wander its narrow lanes, interact with locals, and take in the authentic cultural atmosphere. Take up the opportunity to purchase locally made handicrafts as souvenirs.

Pura Gunung Kawi Sebatu Temple

Sebatu

Visit Pura Gunung Kawi Sebatu Temple. This serene temple complex is a hidden gem, offering a peaceful escape from the bustling tourist crowds. Explore the ancient carvings, tranquil pools, and lush gardens. Take time to soak in the spiritual atmosphere and admire the intricate details of the temple architecture. It's a wonderful place for reflection and appreciation of Balinese artistry.

Private Vehicle

Kintamani - Ubud

2h

53km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.



Optional Activities - Day 18

Mount Batur Sunrise Trek

Kintamani

7km

Climb to the summit of Mt Batur (1700m), for an amazing sunrise and scenic views. The climb is an experience that will afford anyone who does it a sense of accomplishment and appreciation for the natural beauty this island has.

Mount Batur Sunrise Jeep Excursion

Batur

A jeep tour of Mt Batur at sunrise gives you an adventurous and awe-inspiring start to your day. Cruise on this 2-3 hour tour, with a well-skilled driver who takes you through a rugged, off-road path, passing through fields of volcanic ash, black lava rocks, and offering stunning views of Mount Batur, Mount Agung, and Lake Batur. We'll reach the perfect viewpoint in time for sunrise and head back to the hotel for breakfast.

Ubud is often considered the cultural heart of Bali. Today you have the opportunity to explore however you'd like. From monkey forests, local cooking classes, making spiritual offerings and Balinese village experiences, your options for today are endless.



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

Champlung Sari Hotel (or similar)

Hotel



Optional Activities - Day 19

Medahan Village Happy Local Family Adventure

Ubud

Drive to Medahan Village and enjoy a welcome from the local villages complete with Balinese cake and tea. Take a walking tour of the village, visiting the traditional market, temples, rice paddies and spring. After working up an appetite, sit down for a delicious local lunch before returning to your hotel.

Ubud Spiritual Tour

Ubud

Visit Widya Guna Foundation, a G for Good support project to learn how to make traditional Indonesian prayer offerings. Then visit some of Bali's holiest sites like Gunung Kawi Temple, the tomb of the king. Then visit Tirta Empul spring water temple for a holy bath before returning to Widya Guna Foundation for lunch.

Laplapan Village Cooking Class

Ubud

Visit Laplapan Village in Ubud and join a local cooking class! Make delicious Balinese favorites like sate ayam (chicken satay), pepes ikan (grilled fish in banana leaf) and mie goreng (fried noodles). And don't forget yummy desserts like kolak (boiled banana in caramelized palm sugar). You'll have your own stove, following along as you cook the food you will enjoy for lunch!

After a yummy breakfast, we drive from Ubud to the coast! Arrive in Candi Dasa in eastern Bali this afternoon and enjoy some free time.

While Candi Dasa Beach undergoes construction, we've moved our stay to Padang Bai Beach to ensure you have the best experience. You'll love Padang Bai's gorgeous snorkelable waters and laidback harbour town! Trips to Candi Dasa will resume following the completion of construction.



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

The Ariras Resort (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Ubud - Candi Dasa

1h30m-2h

43km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Free Time

Candi Dasa

Enjoy a free afternoon in the seaside town of Candi Dasa.

Day 21

Candi Dasa

Enjoy the amazing chance to explore Candidasa however you'd like! Opt to join a local Balinese cooking class and learn to make local favorites like Chicken Tum and Gado-Gado. Or take a snorkeling trip to the beautiful Blue Lagoon! The choice is yours.

Today's free day will take place in lively Padang Bai Beach until the Candidasa Beach construction is complete.



Meals included

Breakfast



Accommodation

The Ariras Resort (or similar)

Hotel



Today's Activities

Free Time

Candi Dasa

Spend today exactly how you'd like in Candi Dasa!



Optional Activities - Day 21

Snorkeling the Blue Lagoon

Candi Dasa

Set out for an unforgettable underwater adventure. Located just a short drive from Candidasa, the Blue Lagoon is famous for its crystal-clear waters, vibrant coral reefs, and diverse marine life. You'll swim alongside colorful fish, sea turtles, and unique marine species while exploring the calm, protected lagoon. The area is perfect for both beginners and experienced snorkelers, offering a peaceful and immersive experience in Bali's natural beauty. A must-visit destination for nature lovers.

Refine your culinary skills with an optional Balinese cooking class. Discover the secrets of delicious local cuisine and how to use exotic herbs and spices.

Day 22

Candi Dasa

Depart at any time.

Your trip ends today in Padang Bai Beach, instead of Candidasa.



Meals included

Breakfast

What's included

- Your G for Good Moment: Candirejo Village Visit, Candirejo
- Your G for Good Moment: Ngadas Homestay, Desa Ngadas
- Your G for Good Moment: Village Walk, Desa Ngadas
- Your G for Good Moment: Lunch at Ngadas Village, Desa Ngadas
- Your G for Good Moment: Bulian Village Tour, Bulian
- Your G for Good Moment: Bulian Guesthouse Experience, Bulian
- Your Welcome Moment: Meet Your CEO and Group
- Your Foodie Moment: Padang Lunch, Medan
- Your Wellness Moment: Sibayak Hot Spring, Berastagi
- Your Hands-On Moment: Traditional Batik Making, Solo
- Your Discover Moment: Ubud

- Visit to Grand mosque of Medan
- Visit Vihara Gunung Timur
- Trekking and wildlife spotting in Gunung Leuser National Park
- Batak Cooking Class
- Guided Batak Village exploration
- View Sipiso Piso waterfall
- Samosir Island Exploration
- Candirejo Village Visit
- Setumbu Hill Sunrise Hike
- Wanurejo & Borobudur Village Biking Tour
- Mangkunegaran Palace Visit
- Triwindhu Market
- Jodipan Colorful Village Visit
- Mount Bromo Jeep Excursion
- Ngadas Village Walk
- Lunch at Ngadas Village
- Free time in Yogyakarta & Ngadas
- Jatiluwih Rice Terraces Visit
- Ulun Danu Temple Complex Visit
- Banjar Hot Springs
- Singaraja Traditional Market
- Beji Temple
- Bulian Village Tour
- Lemukih Village Trek
- Free time in Mt Batur
- Penglipuran Village Visit
- Pura Gunung Kawi Sebatu Temple
- Free time in Ubud
- Free time in Candidasa
- Transport to/from included activities

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Is there a travel disclaimer for my itinerary I should review before booking this trip?

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Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.

What is the group leader like?

This G Adventures group trip is accompanied by one of our group leaders, otherwise known as a Chief Experience Officer (CEO). The aim of the group leader is to take the hassle out of your travels and to help you have the best trip possible. They will provide information on the places you are travelling through, offer suggestions for things to do and see, recommend great local eating venues and introduce you to our local friends. While not being guides in the traditional sense you can expect them to have a broad general knowledge of the countries visited on the trip, including historical, cultural, religious and social aspects.

We also use local guides where we think more specific knowledge will add to the enjoyment of the places we are visiting - we think it's the best of both worlds.

How large will the group be?

Max 16, avg 12

What meals are included in this trip?

21 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 5 dinners

What are the modes of transportation on my trip?

Private vehicle, train, plane, walking, biking, jeep, ferry.

Where will we stay during the trip?

Hotel (18 nts), Local Homestay with shared bathroom (2nts), Community Guesthouse (1nt)

Do any exceptions apply to Rooming or “My Own Room” on my tour?

Nights 12, 13 and 16

What kind of accommodation can I expect on this trip?

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What are the joining instructions?

For details of your joining hotel please refer to your tour voucher, G Account, the G Adventures App or contact your travel agent.

If you would like to book an airport Arrival transfer for your tour, please contact our Sales Team or your Travel Agent in advance of travel.

If you have paid in advance for an arrival transfer, a G Adventures representative will be at the airport to meet you. If for any reason you are not met at the airport, please call our local support line. If you are unable to make contact for whatever reason, please make your way to the joining point hotel via taxi.

Please note that day 1 is an arrival day and no activities have been planned on this day.

Upon arrival to your Joining Hotel (note that check-in time will be in the afternoon), look for a note or bulletin board in the reception with a note from your CEO. This note will give the details of your Welcome Meeting on day 1 (usually between 5pm and 7pm), where you will get a chance to meet your CEO and other travellers, as well as learn more about how the tour will run. If you don't see a note, please ask reception for details!

If you are arriving later and will miss the Welcome Meeting, your CEO will leave a note at reception for you with any information you may need, and with morning instructions for the next day.

Who should I contact in case of an emergency?

Should you need to contact us during a situation of dire need, it is best to first call either the G Adventures Local Representative (if one is listed below) or our G Adventures Local Office. If for any reason you do not receive an immediate answer, please leave a detailed message and contact information, so they may return your call and assist you as soon as possible.

AIRPORT TRANSFER

If you have purchased an arrival through G Adventures or if an arrival transfer is included in the cost of your tour, please note that:

Your arrival transfer has been arranged based on flight information provided to us. If you are advised of a flight schedule change or flight cancellation within 48 hours of your scheduled arrival time, please call the emergency contact number to advise of your new arrival flight information. If you do not, we will not be able to rearrange your arrival transfer and you will need to make your own way to the starting hotel at your own expense. If your arrival transfer does not arrive within 30 minutes after you have exited the arrivals area please take a taxi to your start point hotel.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

G Adventures Office Bangkok, Thailand

24/7 emergency number:

From outside Thailand: +66 92 338 9222

From within Thailand: 092 338 9222

G Adventures Local Representative (Indonesia)

Mr. Azhar : +62 813 376 18480

Mr. Edy: +62 811 380 3820

Ms. Periana: +62 811 380 3821

If you are unable for any reason to contact our local office, please call the numbers listed below which will connect you directly with our Sales team who will happily assist you. Hours of operation by region can be found [here](#).

Toll-free, North America only: 1 888 800 4100

Calls from UK: 0344 272 0000

Calls from Germany: 0800 365 1000

Calls from Australia: 1 300 796 618

Calls from New Zealand: 0800 333 307

Outside North America, Australia, New Zealand, Germany and the UK: +1 416 260 0999

What information should I be aware of as the itinerary draws to a close?

If you would like to book an airport Departure transfer for your tour, please contact our Sales Team or your Travel Agent in advance of travel.

What should be on my packing list?

Documents:

- Flight info (required) (Printouts of e-tickets may be required at the border)
- Insurance info (required) (With photocopies)
- Passport (required) (With photocopies)
- Vouchers and pre-departure information (required)
- Visas or vaccination certificates (With photocopies)

Essentials:

- Toiletries (required) (Shampoo, bodywash, soap, etc.)
- Binoculars (optional)
- Camera (With extra memory cards and batteries)
- Cash, credit and debit cards
- Day pack (Used for daily excursions or short overnights)
- Ear plugs
- First-aid kit (should contain lip balm with sunscreen, sunscreen, whistle, Aspirin, Ibuprofen, bandaids/plasters, tape, anti-histamines, antibacterial gel/wipes, antiseptic cream, Imodium or similar tablets for mild cases of diarrhea, rehydration powder, water purification tablets or drops, insect repellent, sewing kit, extra prescription drugs you may be taking)
- Flashlight/torch (Headlamps are ideal)
- Fleece top/sweater
- Footwear
- Hat
- Headphones (Noise-cancelling recommended)
- Locks for bags
- Long pants/jeans
- Moneybelt
- Outlet adapter
- Personal entertainment (Reading and writing materials, cards, music player, etc.)
- Reusable water bottle
- Shirts/t-shirts
- Sleepwear
- Small travel towel
- Sunglasses
- Swimwear
- Watch and alarm clock
- Waterproof backpack cover
- Windproof rain jacket

Health & Safety:

- Face masks (Clients will be only be required to wear a face mask where it is mandated by local regulations.)
- Hand sanitizer
- Pen (Please bring your own pen for filling out documents.)

Warm Weather:

- Sandals/flip-flops
- Sturdy water shoes/sandals
- Shorts/skirts (Longer shorts/skirts are recommended)
- Sun hat/bandana
- Swimwear

What are the visas and entry requirements for my trip?

All countries require a valid passport (with a minimum 6 months validity). Contact your local embassy or consulate for the most up-to-date visa requirements, or see your travel agent. It is your own responsibility to have the correct travel documentation. Visa requirements for your trip will vary depending on where you are from and where you are going. We keep the following information up to date as far as possible, but rules do change and sometimes without warning. While we provide the following information in good faith, it is vital that you check the information yourself and understand that you are fully responsible for your own visa requirements.

Visa information specific to your destination and nationality can be found in our Important Pre-Departure Information page [here](#)

Indonesia:

If you are eligible to apply a tourist e-visa for Indonesia, please follow the below links for further information and application:

[C1 Visa Description and Requirements](#)

[eVisa Application Website](#)

The All-Indonesia Arrival Card is mandatory for all international travelers on arrival at Soekarno–Hatta International Airport (CGK), I Gusti Ngurah Rai International Airport (DPS) and Juanda International Airport (SUB) must be completed online within 72 hours before arrival. Submitting the form in advance generates a QR code required at immigration and customs.

Note: The Arrival Card will be mandatory for all international travelers on arrival at all international airports, all international ports by land and by sea from 1 October 2025. For more information and to complete the application, visit the [Indonesia Immigration website](#).

Bali:

Effective February 14, 2024, Bali will implement the “Bali Tourist Levy” for all foreign tourists traveling to the island. This fee is 150,000 IDR (or \$10 USD). Travellers can opt to pay this fee online or in person upon arrival to Bali. We strongly suggest every traveler pay before arrival to ease your entry and avoid queueing to pay upon arrival. The Balinese Government also highly recommends travellers to pay this fee before arrival to Bali.

Payments made before your arrival into Bali will take place through the “Love Bali System.” After successful payment, the system will provide you with a digital paid notification as proof. Make sure to hold on to that proof as it will be scanned by Bali Officials upon arrival to the island. Pay Tourist Levy [here](#)

If you do not pay the fee before arrival, a cashless payment must be made at your entry point. You will receive a printout proving your payment. This document must be kept safe as entry officials will scan the printout upon entering Bali.

For more information, please click [here](#)

Information is accurate as of April 1st, 2024.

Should I be tipping on my trip?

It is customary in Asia to tip service providers such as waiters, at approximately 10%, depending on the service. Tipping is expected - though not compulsory - and shows an expression of satisfaction with the people who have assisted you on your tour. Although it may not be customary to you, it is of considerable significance to the people who will take care of you during your travels. There are several times during the trip where there is opportunity to tip the local guides or drivers we use. You may do this individually, or your CEO will offer to collect the money and tip as a group.

Recommendations for tipping drivers and local guides would range from \$2-\$4 USD per person per day depending on the quality and length of the service; ask your CEO for specific recommendations based on the circumstances and culture.

Also at the end of each trip if you felt your G Adventures CEO did an outstanding job, tipping is appreciated. The amount is entirely a personal preference, however as a guideline \$8-10 USD per person, per day can be used.

What activities are optional on this trip?

Yogyakarta

- Yogyakarta Becak Tour & Taman Sari
- Jomblang Cave Tour
- Village Tour by Colonial Style Bike

Kintamani

- Mount Batur Sunrise Trek

Batur

- Mount Batur Sunrise Jeep Excursion

Ubud

- Medahan Village Happy Local Family Adventure
- Ubud Spiritual Tour
- Laplapan Village Cooking Class

Candi Dasa

- Snorkeling the Blue Lagoon
- Cooking Class

What do I need to know to about safety and security on my trip?

Many national governments provide a regularly updated advice service on safety issues involved with international travel. We recommend that you check your government's advice for their latest travel information before departure. We strongly recommend the use of a neck wallet or money belt while travelling, for the safe keeping of your passport, air tickets, travellers' cheques, cash and other valuable items. Leave your valuable jewellery at home - you won't need it while travelling. Many of the hotels we use have safety deposit boxes, which is the most secure way of storing your valuables. A lock is recommended for securing your luggage. When travelling on a group trip, please note that your group leader has the authority to amend or cancel any part of the trip itinerary if it deemed necessary, due to safety concerns. Your Chief Experience Officer (CEO) will accompany you on all included activities. During your trip you will have some free time to pursue your own interests, relax and take it easy and explore at your leisure. While your CEO will assist you with options available in a given location, please note that any optional activities you undertake are not part of your itinerary, and we offer no representations about the safety of the activity or the standard of the operators running them. Please use your own good judgement when selecting an activity in your free time. Although the cities visited on tour are generally safe during the day, there can be risks to wandering throughout any major city at night. It is our recommendation to stay in small groups and to take taxis to and from restaurants, or during night time excursions.

Water based activities have an element of danger and excitement built into them. We recommend only participating in water based activities when accompanied by a guide(s). We make every reasonable effort to ensure the fun and adventurous element of any water based activities (in countries with varying degrees of operating standards), have a balanced approach to safety. It is our policy not to allow our CEOs to make arrangements on your behalf for water based activities that are not accompanied by guide(s).

Swimming, including snorkeling, is always at your own risk. [Read more about travel safety](#) for ways to further enhance your personal safety while traveling.

What rules should I know before joining this trip?

Illegal drugs will not be tolerated on any trips. Possessing or using drugs not only contravenes the laws of the land but also puts the rest of the group at risk. Smoking marijuana and opium is a part of local culture in some parts of the world but is not acceptable for our travellers. Our philosophy of travel is one of respect towards everyone we encounter and in particular the local people who make the world the special place it is. The exploitation of people in the sex trade is completely contrary to this philosophy. Our CEOs have the right to expel any member of the group if drugs are found in their possession or if they utilize the services of paid sex workers, in any capacity.

What is Planeterra?

Planeterra International Foundation is a non-profit organization committed to turning travel into impact by helping local communities earn an income from tourism. Planeterra connects underserved local communities to the benefits of tourism by developing and supporting small community-owned businesses. These businesses support Indigenous people, empower women, grant youth access to employment opportunities, and protect the environment. Planeterra also works to ensure these businesses have a thriving customer base by integrating their projects into G Adventures' itineraries globally.

G Adventures is Planeterra's largest corporate donor, covering all operating costs, so 100% of your donation will bring opportunity to people in need.

G Adventures Dollar-a-day Program - Make Every Day Count - Turn your travel into impact with [Planeterra Foundation](#).

Did you know? Most communities around the world do not benefit from tourism. Give back to the places you visit on your travels by creating opportunities for local people to earn an income, and protect the environment.

Make every day count by donating \$1/day for the length of your trip, and join us in empowering the communities you will visit when you travel. 100% of your donation goes directly to Planeterra projects.

How old must I be to join this trip?

You must be 18 to travel unaccompanied on a G Adventures tour. For minors travelling with a guardian over 21 years old, the minimum age is 12.

Are international flights included in this trip?

No, international flights are generally not included in the price of your tour.

However, on some combo tours travelling between two different countries, international flights are included as part of the itinerary and price of the tour. Please speak to your GCO or booking agent for further details.

In addition, check-in times and baggage allowances/restrictions vary by airline and can change at any time. For the most up-to-date information for your flight, please contact your airline. We recommend checking in online in advance to avoid potential delays at the airport.

What should LGBTQ+ travellers know about safety and travel considerations on this trip?

The safety and well-being of all of our travelers is a priority at G Adventures and that includes our travelers who identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community. We recognize that there are specific concerns and questions you may have about your adventure in terms of safety and security. We encourage you to visit our [LGBTQ+ page](#) for useful resources to ensure you feel safe and comfortable throughout the duration of your trip. The Equaldex tool linked on this page can be of particular help when deciding where you may want to visit next.

Dossier Disclaimer

The information in this trip details document has been compiled with care and is provided in good faith. However it is subject to change, and does not form part of the contract between the client and the operator. The itinerary featured is correct at time of printing. It may differ slightly to the one in the brochure. Occasionally our itineraries change as we make improvements that stem from past travellers, comments and our own research. Sometimes it can be a small change like adding an extra meal along the itinerary. Sometimes the change may result in us altering the tour for the coming year. Ultimately, our goal is to provide you with the most rewarding experience. Please note that our brochure is usually released in November each year. If you have booked from the previous brochure you may find there have been some changes to the itinerary.

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