

A Balinese Adventure
09 Days 08 Nights
Nusa Dua – Ubud – Amed – Candidasa – Tenganan Village

Overview:

Enjoy a thrilling outdoor adventure across Bali experiencing up-close some of the must-see natural wonders and ancient sites from mystical volcanoes to tranquil river valleys.

Highlights:

- Cruise and snorkel around the three paradise Nusa Islands
- White water raft along the Ayung River through Ubud's tropical rainforest
- Cycle to Jatiluwih's terraced rice fields, a UNESCO-listed Cultural Landscape
- Fish with local fishermen in Amed Bay onboard a traditional Jukung boat

Destinations visited:

- Nuas Dua
- Ubud
- Amed
- Candidasa
- Tenganan Village

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itinerary!**

Day 1–2: Nusa Dua – Three Nusa Islands | Full-day Island Cruise

One of the planet's top holiday destinations, Bali is amply blessed with tropical natural beauty and unique Balinese Hindu traditions, spirituality and culture evident throughout this wondrous island. We take a full day scenic cruise around a trio of idyllic neighbouring islands – Nusa Lembongan, Nusa Penida and Nusa Ceningan – a short distance, yet a world away, from Bali's bustling southern coastline. The lesser-known, tranquil Nusa Islands boast some of Bali's most dazzling white sand beaches and crystal azure water, teeming with marine life. Glide past towering limestone cliffs and mangrove forests and maybe snorkel alongside manta rays, whales and dolphins.

Day 3: Batukaru Temple - Jatiluwih - Ubud | Cycle Through Rice Fields

Visit 11th century Batukaru Temple elevated on the foothills of Mount Batukara, Bali's second highest volcano. One of the island's most important sacred temples, Batukara houses a multitude of shrines. From here, we cycle mostly downhill on back roads and single tracks through Tabanan Regency and its quintessential jade-green rice fields and farming lands. At Jatiluwih, a UNESCO World Heritage-listed 'Cultural Landscape,' admire Indonesia's most impressive terraced rice paddies dramatically stacked across Mount Batukara's volcanic hillsides. Our cycling tour ends exploring traditional artisan villages surrounding Ubud, the island's artistic and cultural epicentre, in the Central Highlands.

Day 4: Ubud – Ayung River | Raft Through the Jungle

Adventure awaits as we experience an unforgettable white water rafting journey along the Ayung River – the island's longest river – that skewers through Ubud's unspoilt rainforested river valleys. The Ayung is considered Bali's best river for guided rafting trips, suitable for beginners and families; river sections range from calm to exhilarating grade two to three rapids. Paddle past tranquil nature scenes and tall riverbanks engulfed in jungle that reveal hidden waterfalls, rice terraces and swooping Blue Javan Kingfishers.

Day 5: Mount Batur – Kintamani – Ubud | Cycle from a Volcano to the Highlands

In Bali's cooler northeast highlands, enjoy an early breakfast at Penelokan Village, elevated high on an old crater rim. A prime perch for magnificent views of Bali's second most sacred mountain-volcano, Mount Batur and its stunning crater lake, Danau Batur, nestled in one of the world's biggest caldera's. From here, our cycling adventure descends to Ubud on back roads and single tracks through the Kintamani Highlands, peddling past coffee and tea plantations and orange orchards. We stop off at rural villages to participate in farming activities and cycle onwards to Ubud's verdant valleys and centuries-old villages renowned for traditional performance arts.

Day 6: Sidemen – Amed | Explore a River Valley and Water Palace

We head to Bali's far-flung eastern coastal area, the island's most historically rich region, blessed with spectacular countryside and dramatic coastlines devoid of crowds. Trek through Sidemen river valley and its picturesque swathes of pastoral lands and cascading rice fields peppered with traditional villages, with the imposing backdrop of Mount Agung, Bali's tallest mountain-volcano. Meet local villagers and take a hike up to Pura Bukit Tegeh, a hill-top temple for unparalleled views of this enchanting valley. We cycle onwards to Tirta Gangga, an old water palace complex, a sacred spot for Balinese Hindu and regularly used for religious ceremonies.

Day 7: Amed – Candidasa | Fishing Trip in a Jukung Boat

Amed is a quiet stretch of rugged northeast coastline, studded with quaint fishing villages and glistening black sand beaches, in the shadow of Mount Agung. This scenic area is also renowned for some of Bali's best diving and distinctive 'Jukung' fishing boats; traditional wooden outriggers with colourful sails and an omnipresent sight along this pretty coastline. We take a fishing trip for the day onboard a traditional jukung boat with local fishermen, setting sail in beautiful Amed Bay.

Day 8: Tenganan Village | Ancient Village and Culinary Heritage

In east Bali's tranquil hills, we visit Tenganan Village, one of Bali's oldest villages and home to the Bali Aga ('Original Balinese'), a unique ethnic group of descendants of the earliest indigenous Balinese. Formerly one of Indonesia's most isolated societies, today the Bali Aga still practice age-old ancestral and animist beliefs, rituals and traditions that pre-date modern civilization. At Bali Asli, an acclaimed Balinese restaurant-cooking school secluded amidst spectacular rice field scenery, we try our hand at making authentic Balinese recipes on wood-fired stoves. We also learn more about east Bali's celebrated culinary heritage.

Day 9: Departure

Transfer to the airport for onward flight

Inclusions:

- Overnight accommodation is inclusive of hotel tax, hotel service charges and includes daily breakfast
- Private transfers and transportation on tour
- Sightseeing with local English speaking guides (one guide in each city)
- Entrance fees and boat rides
- Meals as specified (meals only, no drinks/ water)
- Cold towels and water on sightseeing days
- Welcome pack

Exclusions:

- Airport Assistance Service
- Separate luggage truck
- Indonesia visa
- Other meals where not mentioned in the program
- Drinks/water at included lunches and dinners
- Other flights & airport taxes
- Hotel early check in/ Late check-out
- Overweight luggage
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Tips & gratuities
- Other services not listed in inclusions

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