



# Snorkeling Expedition in Komodo National Park

April 29-May 12, 2019

*Sea for Yourself®*

Snorkeling Safaris



- ✓ from \$7990 per person (including internal air flight within Indonesia)
- ✓ 14 days / April 29-May 12, 2019
- ✓ the Sea Safari VII has been privately-chartered for the exclusive use of our snorkeling group
- ✓ custom-designed expedition snorkeling itinerary especially for snorkeling
- ✓ comfortable and spacious accommodations aboard the Sea Safari VII
- ✓ snorkel in the heart of the Coral Triangle with its extraordinary marine biodiversity
- ✓ snorkeling instruction from novice to expert
- ✓ marine biology lectures and interpretive sessions



## Trip Overview

### Snorkeling Expedition in Komodo National Park!

Komodo National Park, identified as a global conservation priority area, is located in the center of the Indonesian archipelago between the islands of Sumbawa and Flores. The park itself encompasses three islands: Komodo, Rinca and Padar as well as a multitude of smaller islands. With a total surface area (marine and terrestrial) of over 1800 square kilometers, it contains an unparalleled variety of marine life in its underwater environment.

Upon arrival, we will overnight in Sanur, Bali at the Puri Santrian before flying to Maumere to board our ship. Cruising comfortably aboard the Sea Safari VII, with spacious common areas and en suite cabins, we will have optimal flexibility to explore the miles of hard and soft corals and rich marine life of Komodo National Park. Our daily snorkeling excursions will provide us with the opportunity to explore In one of the top snorkeling destinations in the world. We will look for everything from giant trevallies to tiny brilliantly colored anthias in vibrant coral gardens filled with abundant marine life. More than 1000 species of coral reef fish can be found in Komodo National Park, along with 260 species of reef building coral and 70 species of sponges. In the waters surrounding the major islands of Komodo, Rinca and Padar, we usually find turtles, dolphins, whales and dugongs. During our visit we will also plan time to explore the island where the 10-foot long Komodo Dragons live in the wild.

While Sea for Yourself programs feature snorkeling as the top priority, this particular occasion also provides certified SCUBA divers with excellent diving opportunities. The ship offers a complete complement of tanks, weights, rental gear, and divemaster services.

After our daily snorkeling activities, evenings will be spent enjoying leisurely dinners, marine biology lectures and interpretive sessions.

## Species great and small!

Komodo National Park is located in the center of the Indonesian archipelago, between the islands of Sumbawa and Flores. Established in 1980, initially the main purpose of the Park was to conserve the unique Komodo dragon (*Varanus komodoensis*) and its habitat. However, over the years, the goals for the Park have expanded to protecting its entire biodiversity, both terrestrial and marine. In 1986, the Park was declared a World Heritage Site and a Man and Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO, both indicators of the Park's biological importance.

Terrestrial species on the islands include the Timor deer, wild boar, water buffalo, macaque and civet and twelve species of snake. Some of the species are Australian in origin, including the orange-footed scrubfowl, the lesser sulphur and the helmeted friarbird.

The hot and dry climate of the park and its islands are characterized by savannah vegetation which make it a good habitat for the Komodo dragon, the world's largest lizard and among the world's largest reptiles growing up to 10 feet long and 150 pounds.

But the terrestrial species pale in comparison with life underneath the water. The Park includes one of the richest marine environments on earth including coral reefs, mangroves, seagrass beds, seamounts, and semi-enclosed bays. These habitats harbor more than 1,000 species of fish, some 260 species of reef-building coral, and 70 species of sponges. Dugong, sharks, manta rays, at least 14 species of whales, dolphins, and sea turtles also make Komodo National Park their home.

In the prolific fringing and patch coral reefs along the northeast coast it is possible to find whale sharks, ocean sunfish, manta rays, eagle rays, pygmy seahorses, false pipefish, clown frogfish, nudibranchs, blue-ringed octopus, sponges, tunicates many species of coral.



# Itinerary

## Day 1

Our program begins in the late afternoon when we join our fellow participants in Sanur, Bali for a program orientation at the Puri Santrian Resort followed by a welcome dinner. D

## Day 2

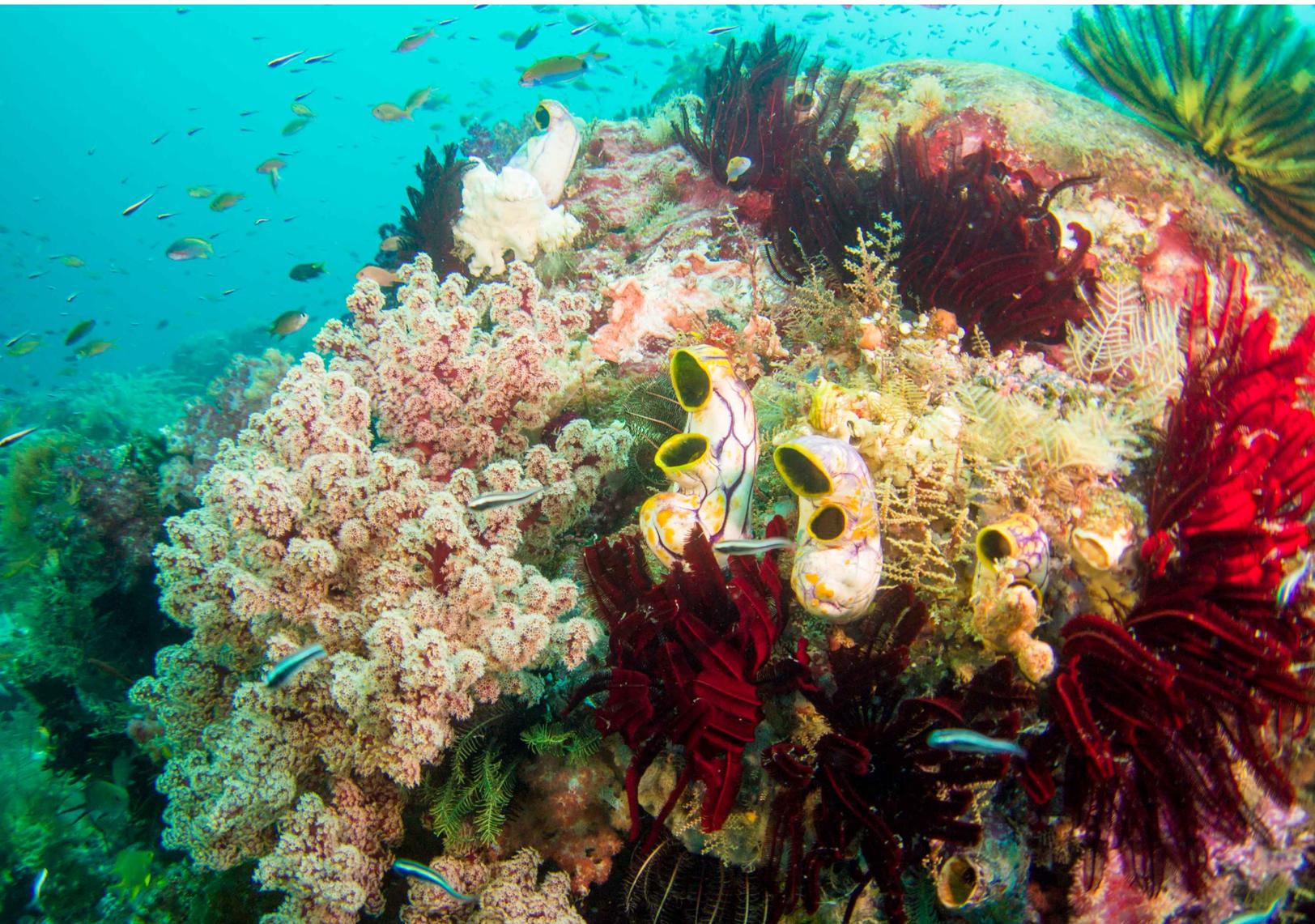
This morning we transfer to the airport and fly to Maumere where we will meet the Sea Safari VII, our expedition ship. After our boat orientation and safety briefing, we will depart for Komodo National Park. B, L, D

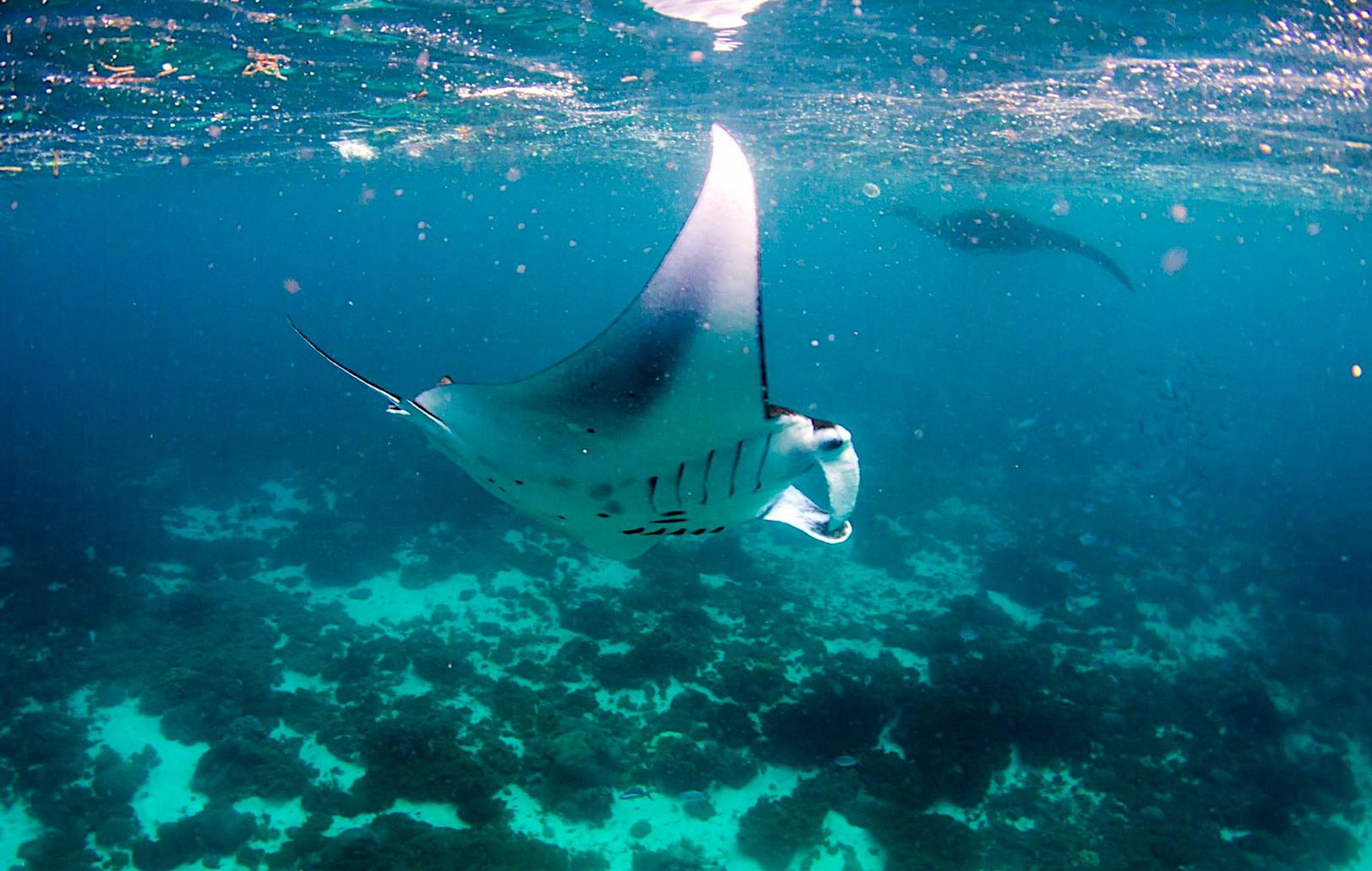
## Day 3

Our itinerary will be determined by conditions at the time of our visit. We will begin by snorkeling sites along the northwestern shore of Flores, including reefs to be found in Pulau Tujuh Belas, another of Indonesia's national parks consisting of 20 islands near Riung.

## Days 4-10

We begin by snorkeling the reefs off Pulau Kamawa and the nearby islands of Seraya Bidadari and Kalong before heading into Komodo National Park and the island of Siaba Besar. The expedition continues by exploring the area around Padar Island and Horseshoe Bay which lies in an ancient caldera between Rinca and Kode Islands. We then head to Komodo where we hope to see Komodo Dragons, the up to 10 feet long and 150 pound creatures the park was designed to protect. Other likely snorkeling sites will include Batu Balong, Tatawa Besar Siaba Kecil, Makassar Reef, Gili Lawa Durat, Gili Lawa Laut, Pulau Satonda off Sumbawa Island, and Angel Reef off Moyo Island.





## Day 11

We spend the morning visiting a Sasak village. Over 85% of the population of Lombok is Sasak and there will be an opportunity to see their distinctive architecture, earthenware pottery and textiles. The afternoon will be spent snorkeling off Lombok Island.

## DAY 12

Gili Air, off the coast of northwest Lombok Island is characterized by sandy beaches fringed with palm trees and abundant coral reefs just offshore. We will spend the day exploring the best snorkeling options from among the many sites that fringe the island: Air Wall, Air Slope, Frogfish Point, Segalah and Malang reef.

Most of the sites we will visit are in the northern part of the park with its wide-coverage of shallow reefs. Please be aware that the expedition nature of our snorkeling activities will mean that conditions at the time of our visit will determine the sites we visit.

In the evenings, back on board ship, enjoy sunsets and stargazing. Throughout the program, our leisurely dinners will be accompanied by lectures and interpretive sessions led by your Sea for Yourself staff.

B,L,D

## Day 13

Disembark in Benoa Harbor and return to the Puri Santrian Resort. After an afternoon on your own, gather in the evening for our farewell dinner. B, D

## Day 14

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flights home. B

*The itinerary on this expedition-style program is flexible and may be subject to change.*

## Accommodations

### Puri Santrian Resort

Sanur, Bali

In Bali we will be staying at the Puri Santrian Resort, located on a 200 meter stretch of white sandy beach of Sanur. Located on the tranquil southeastern end of the island, the resort is only 20 minutes from Ngurah Rai International airport, 15 minutes to town and approximately 35 minutes to Ubud.





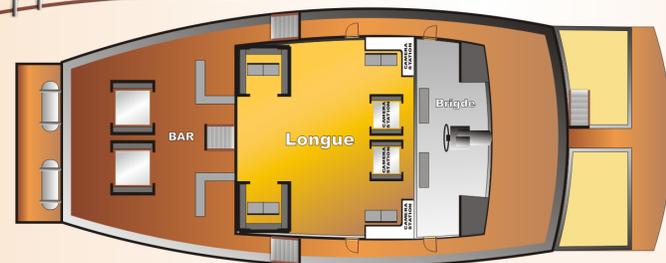
## KLM Sea Safari VII

KLM Sea Safari VII, a Phinisi Buginese schooner designed to support comfortable expedition cruising, is a 37.5 meter double engine steel motor yacht with well-appointed modern facilities, the latest in navigation and dive safety equipment and a professional crew. All cabins are air-conditioned with en-suite bathrooms. Deck state cabins with double beds are on the Middle Deck and deluxe cabins with either double or twin beds are on the Lower Deck. Delicious Indonesian and Western meals are served in the covered alfresco restaurant. The indoor air-conditioned salon is equipped with a TV/DVD with media library. There are two outside areas—a shaded lounge with comfortable seating and a sun deck with cushioned chaise lounge chairs for sunbathing or star gazing. The well-organized diving station offers ample room for suiting up, storing gear, hanging wetsuits and has a camera table.

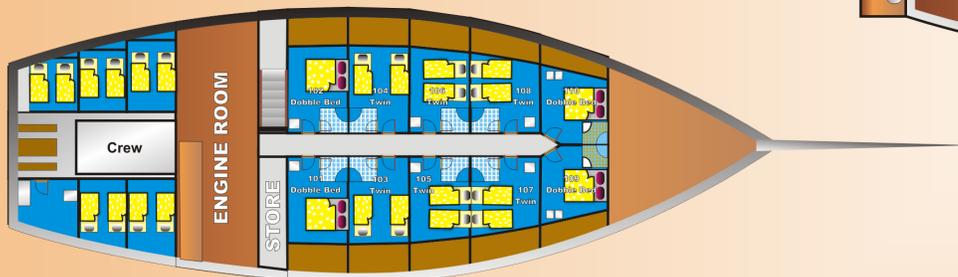




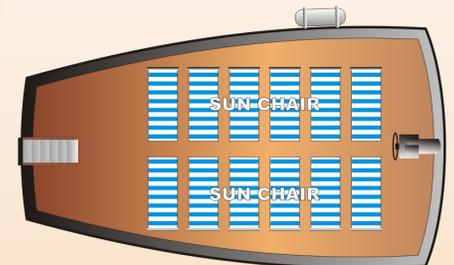
Middle Deck



Upper Deck



Lower Deck



Sun Deck

- Remark :
-  Emergency Exit
  -  Fire Hose
  -  Life raft

# Sea Safari VII



## Trip Details & Prices

### Trip limit

Due to the limited space available for this tour, reservations will be accepted in the order deposits are received. You will be notified when your space is confirmed.

### Program Costs

The cost will be \$7990 per person, based on double occupancy (Lower Deck) and \$8215 per person based on double occupancy (Middle Deck). Price includes internal air from Bali to Maumere. For those requesting a single room an additional supplement of \$850 will be added to the tour cost. Please be advised that single space is limited and subject to availability. If you wish to share a room, we will do our best to find a roommate for you. If, by the time of your final payment, a share cannot be found and space is available, you will be charged a single supplement.

### Deposits & payments

A deposit of \$1000, plus a signed, completed reservation form confirms your registration for the trip. You will be notified when your space on the program is confirmed. Final payment is due 150 days prior to departure.

### Airfare

Sea for Yourself does not issue airline tickets. Trip participants are responsible for making their own air travel arrangements. Please do not purchase airline tickets until your reservation for the program has been confirmed and you have reviewed your travel schedule with our office.

# Trip Preparation

## Skill level

This program will be best enjoyed by snorkelers or individuals who are comfortable being in the water. Our tour leader will gladly provide any needed snorkeling instruction, from floating to free diving. Whenever possible, we will seek out protected water for our snorkeling excursions, but at times there might be moderately swift currents or the surface may be a bit choppy due to wind. Any “hiking” will be easy to moderate.

## Climate and weather

The climate in the Komodo National Park region is tropical. The temperature ranges from 75- 90°F with high humidity. Water temperatures can range from 68°-86°. The wide range of water temperature occurs when trade winds displace warm surface water which is replaced by cooler, nutrient rich water rising from the ocean depths. Currents and tides may necessitate deviations from the daily itinerary. As with any tropical destination, there will always be a chance of rain, mosquitoes when on land, and sand flies.

The snorkeling destinations in this itinerary were selected based on professional assessments of the reefs in May 2018. Please be aware that climatic events, such as coral bleaching, may occur at any time and could adversely affect the reefs. We will work with the crew of the Sea Safari VII to monitor conditions and provide timely updates to participants when relevant.

Please remember that some kind of covering (such as a Lycra suit or even pajamas!) when in the water is highly recommended as protection from sun, occasional stinging zooplankton, and to prevent coral abrasions. While most of our snorkeling will be in warm water, we strongly recommend that you wear a full wet suit and hood to regulate body temperature. At Horseshoe Bay we expect the water temperature to be cooler than elsewhere, but the vibrancy of the sea life at this location is well worth seeing. For this location it will be important to wear a wetsuit that can adequately regulate your body temperature.

## Departure information

After you have reserved space on a trip and the program is confirmed, you will receive information to help you prepare for departure, including airline information to arrange for your international and/or domestic flights, optional supplemental travel insurance information, a complete packing and reading list and other useful information about our destination.

## Insurance

Sea for Yourself provides participants who are U.S. or Canadian citizens with limited medical, accident and evacuation coverage under our group travel insurance policy. We highly recommend the purchase of optional baggage and trip cancellation insurance; information will be sent to registrants. Exclusions for pre-existing conditions may be waived with the prompt purchase of travel insurance.

## The tour fee includes

Group airport transfers within Indonesia, meals as indicated in the itinerary, accommodations as indicated in the itinerary, internal flight, airport taxes on internal flight, marine park entrance fees, all snorkeling activities, guided cultural excursions, local taxes, group gratuities to Sea Safari VII staff, services of the trip leader including any needed snorkeling lessons, marine biology lectures, interpretive sessions, and explanations of Komodo's natural history.

## The tour fee does not include

International airfare to and from Indonesia, increases in international airfare rates, international departure taxes, SCUBA activities, rental gear, medical immunizations or prescriptions, passport fees, accident/baggage/cancellation insurance, individual transfers, excess baggage charges, medical expenses, meals not specified in the itinerary, dishes and beverages not part of included meals, laundry, telephone, internet or fax charges, room service, and other items of a purely personal nature.



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## Reservation Form

### Snorkeling Expedition in Komodo National Park

I/We wish to hold \_\_\_\_\_ spaces on the Snorkeling Expedition in Komodo National Park, April 29-May12, 2019. Enclosed please find my/our deposit check of US\$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$1000 per person, made payable to Sea for Yourself)

Name 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(as it appears on passport)

Name 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(as it appears on passport)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

(If using a P.O. Box, please also include a street address)

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Accommodations:

- Double/Twin sharing with (List name of accompanying person if not shown above.) \_\_\_\_\_
  - Upgrade to Middle Deck cabin (\$225 per person/double bed only)  
**Upgrades are limited and subject to availability**
- Single (**not guaranteed and very limited**) with single supplement of \$850
- Share (to be assigned; not guaranteed; if share is unavailable, single supplement will apply)

Waiver of Liability: I have read the schedule of activities and other information in the Sea for Yourself: Snorkeling Expedition in Komodo National Park tour materials and recognize and accept all risks thereof. I understand and agree on behalf of myself, my dependents, heirs, administrators, and assigns to abide by the conditions set forth under "Liability/Responsibility" and to release and hold harmless Sea for Yourself and any of its officers, employees, agents, licensees, or representatives from any and all liability for delays, injuries, or death, or for the loss of or damage to property, however occurring, in relation to this Sea for Yourself program scheduled for April 29-May 12, 2019. By signing this, I also certify that I do not have any mental or physical condition that would create a hazard for myself or other passengers.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Each participant must sign this waiver.

Please send your completed reservation form and deposit to Sea For Yourself, 729 College Ave, Menlo Park, CA 94025. Fax: (650) 323-1201 Phone: (650) 322-1494 Email: info@seaforyourself.com

## Terms & Conditions

A deposit, plus a signed, completed reservation form will confirm your registration for one of our programs or extensions. You will be notified when your space on the program is confirmed. Final payment will be due 150 days before departure.

### Cancellations & refunds

If it becomes necessary for you to cancel your trip, notice of cancellation must be received in writing at Sea For Yourself, by email, fax or postal mail. At the time Sea For Yourself receives your written cancellation, the following per-person penalties will apply: Full refund less a per person handling fee of \$500 if cancellation is made 150 days or more prior to trip departure. No refunds will be granted for cancellation less than 150 days prior to trip departure, unless the trip departs full and your space is resold. Once the trip has departed, there will be no refunds for any unused portions of the trip. Cancellation could cost you as much as 100% of the tour cost. In the event the tour is undersubscribed or sold out, you will be notified and receive a full refund of any payments you have made. No refunds will be given for unused portions of the trip.

### Possible land & fuel cost increases

Our prices are based upon the prevailing rates made far in advance of the trip's departure. While we will do everything possible to maintain our prices, if land or fuel costs increase significantly prior to departure, it may be necessary to increase these costs. While we reserve the right to institute such an increase, since 1995 it has not been necessary to do so on any of our programs.

### Liability and responsibility

While Sea for Yourself, Inc. endeavors to choose the best suppliers available, we do not have the right to control their operations and they are subject to the laws of the state or country where the service is provided. As such we make the travel arrangements described via Sea for Yourself Services upon the express condition that Sea for Yourself, Inc., and its own agents and employees, shall not be liable for any damage, delay, loss, accident, bodily injury or death, or other irregularity that may be caused by the defect of any vehicle or the negligence or default of any company or person engaged in carrying out or performing any of the services involved in Sea for Yourself tours. Nor does Sea For Yourself, Inc. accept responsibility for losses or expenses due to sickness, weather, strikes, wars, or other such causes. Any such losses or expenses must be borne by the participant.

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## Trip participant responsibility

As a condition to acceptance of enrollment, participants must read, agree to, and sign, the Waiver of Liability statement provided as part of the trip reservation. Participants have the responsibility to sign up for a trip appropriate to their abilities and interests. Our program materials provide information on skill level, local conditions and other information that will help you make an informed choice. We would be happy to discuss any of our trips with you to assist you in making a decision. Participants should be in good health and able to participate in the activities described in the program itinerary and are responsible for being familiar with the pre-trip information provided by Sea for Yourself, including information about equipment and clothing appropriate for the trip.

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