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Raja Ampat THE LAST PARADISE

Rated as one of the Top 10 dive destinations in the world!
There is no place quite like it for scuba divers and is at the top of
most divers bucket list.



If there is any place on this world where a scuba diver can see almost everything from a Manta ray to an Octopus to a Sea Horse to a huge school of fish and a Turtle, Raja Ampat is one such place.

Raja Ampat is one of the most magical scuba diving destinations you can imagine and famous for its diving experience.

Raja Ampat is on the western tip of Papua in Indonesia. Voted as the richest Reef in the world by National Geographic in 2007, this group of 612 islands is home for most of the world's coral reefs bio-diversity and rare species of marine life. Many new species have been discovered in recent years in the area and passionate underwater photographers come from all over the world to discover this gem.

Raja Ampat Marine life

Raja Ampat is considered a major epicenter of marine bio-diversity. With over 500 corals (three fourths of all known), more than 1,000 species of fish live in these waters. In fact, one famed ichthyologist, Dr. Gerald Allen, counted over 280 fish species on a single dive! It's no wonder this region is reputed to have the greatest diversity of marine life on earth.

Wobbegong sharks are a fairly common sight, once you know where to look for them in the larger coral commies. The Epaulette shark is a small harmless carpet shark that appears to walk on the ocean floor with its fins.

Nudibranchs - you will see tons of nudibranchs.

Pygmy Seahorses - There are several species of pygmy seahorses and they are fairly common in the area.

In Raja Ampat, the beauty is everywhere, above and below the surface. Islands are truly spectacular, covered by lush jungle and surrounded by pristine reefs. For those interested, there are many islands with abundant opportunity for birding and some spectacular opportunity for nature and landscape photography too.



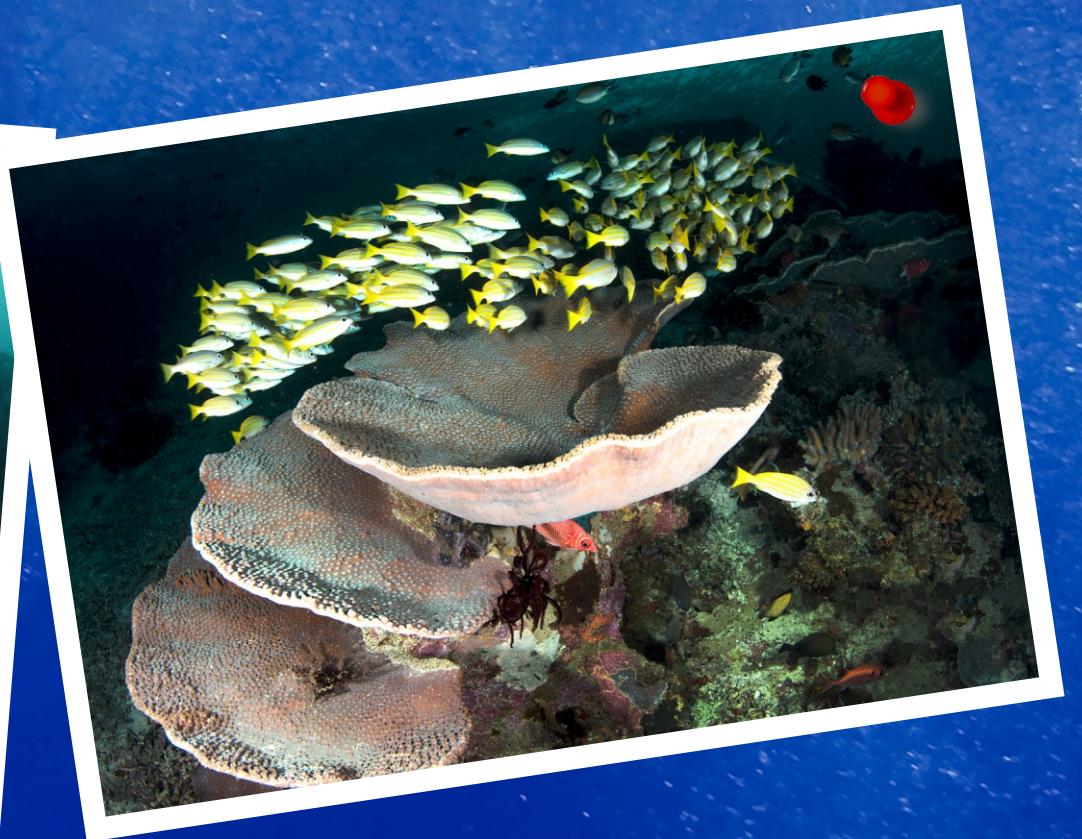
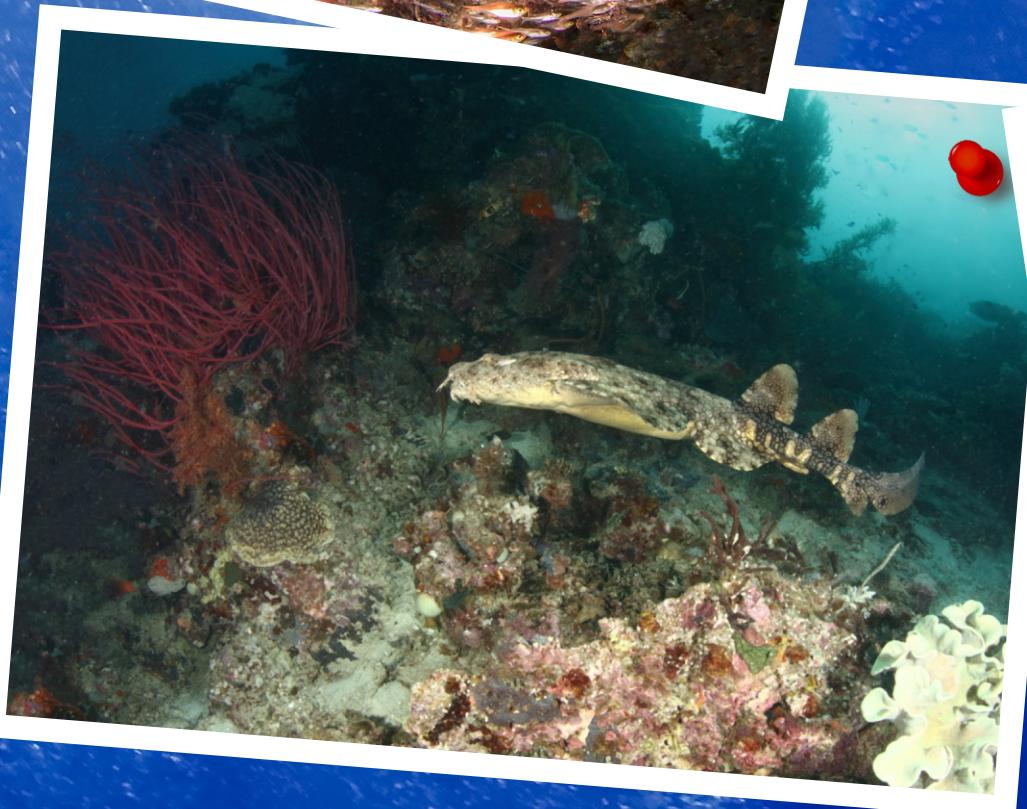


Dive Sites in Raja Ampat

Raja Ampat is relatively an unexplored area with many islands and are still far from human habitation. Only few liveaboards and dive resorts offer diving facilities with stay in Raja Ampat. Contact us for best of the arrangements there.

Few of the major areas with good dive sites are: Sorido Bay and Kri Island, Sardine reef & Chicken reef, Misool Island, Waigeo Island and "The Passage", Triton Bay.

To mention few memorable dive sites: Mioskun, Blue magic Sardine reef, Melissa's garden, Keruo channel, Cape kri, Arborek jetty!





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Best time to visit

The best time to visit Raja Ampat is during the dry October-April period which is by contrast the rainiest period in western and central Indonesia. Because of Raja Ampat's tropical climate, rain can be unpredictable, although much less frequent during the dry season. This group of 612 islands is home for many new species which have been discovered in recent years and passionate underwater photographers come from all over the world to discover this gem.

How to reach

The nearest major airport to Raja Ampat Islands is the mainland at the city of Sorong. There are direct flights from Jakarta, Makassar and Manado. All of which are transfer points for international flights. Multiple daily flights come from Jakarta, the largest city in the Papua province.

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