

TRIP AT A GLANCE

Departs

July 10, 2025

Returns

July 21, 2025

Duration

12 days/11 nights

Cost

\$7700/diver \$8470/diver - Master Cabin

Deposit

- \$750 required at sign-up to reserve space
- \$2000 due February 1, 2025
- Balance due 4/01/25
- No refunds after January 1, 2025

Included

- Accommodations (double occupancy)
- Meals on board
- Use of tanks and weights
- Diving
- Airport Transfers (Arenui)

You Provide

- Air transportation Airport transfers
- Daily underwater park fee
- Port Fees
- Park and Diving Fees
- Travel Insurance

Borneo - Arenui Liveaboard

Our journey will start in Palu, Central Sulawesi and end in Tarakan, located on Tarakan Island, Borneo. Tarakan is one of the major cities in northern Borneo, close to the Malaysian border from Sabah, Malaysia.

This 12 day, 11 night cruise takes us through the Makassar Strait from Palu to Tarakan in the Northeast of Borneo. This means we get to experience very distinct dive areas, all in one cruise. Leaving Palu, we follow the coastline to see the many picturesque islands and bays. Under the Dutch colonial government, Donggala was the main town and port in Central Sulawesi. After the main harbor was destroyed, ships needed to use the harbor in Palu, on the other side of the bay. Since then, Palu became the regional capital. We can expect to dive large reefs with immense soft and hard coral coverage, incredible pelagics, including sharks on almost each dive.

When then continue towards the Borneo coast, a number of incredible coral reefs and islands grow to the surface from the depths. Nutrient rich currents bring up big fish from the deep into shallower waters, allowing us to see them pursuing reef fish in hope of catching a meal.

Each island has its own unique character. We can see entire schools of manta rays at Sangalaki that are drawn here to feed on plankton. As well as turtles, Derawan has elusive treasures to be found; here we search for hidden

critters. Maratua hosts massive marvels, such as sharks, barracudas and more mantas! At Kakaban island, plunge into the saltwater lake full with non-stinging jellyfish in the middle of the island. We will dive the incredible walls encircling the island of Kakaban. In the shallow waters around Samama, we scan for an abundance of macro critters, hiding in plain sight.



For more information, or to sign up, call 630.833.8383

