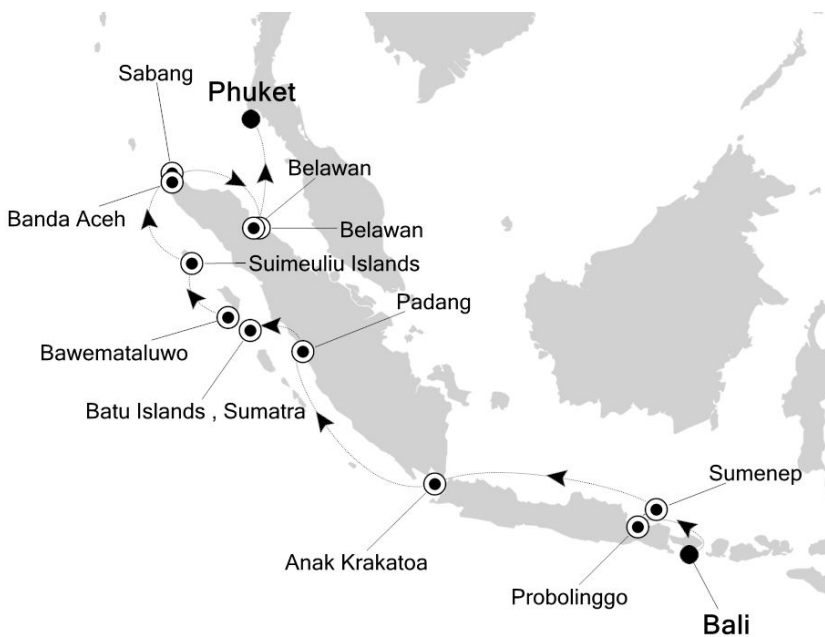


BALI to PHUKET

Asia Expedition Cruise



This exciting semi-circumnavigation of Sumatra and Java is an explorer's dream come true. The crystal clear waters of new destination Batu Island are ideal for a morning's snorkeling safari, while beachcombers may prefer the black sands of Anak Krakatoa. Anthropologists will delight at meeting the King of Bawemataluwo, while urbanites will no doubt enjoy sipping sundowners in beautiful Phuket.



DATE: Sept 9, 2018

DURATION: 14 DAYS/13 NIGHTS

EMBARK: Bali, Indonesia

DISEMBARK: Phuket, Thailand

SHIP: Silver Discoverer **FROM:**

\$7,200*

BOOK BY May 31, 2018 – Reduced Business Class Air, or FREE Economy Class Air roundtrip, plus pre or post hotel* and transfers.

Day 1 — Bali, (Benoa)

Bali really is as alluring as everyone says. This island, slightly bigger than Delaware, has it all: beaches, volcanoes, terraced rice fields, forests, renowned resorts, surfing, golf, and world-class dive sites. But what sets Bali apart from other nearby tropical destinations is Balinese tradition, and villagers dedicated to celebrating it. The hundreds of temples, dances, rituals, and crafts linked to their ancient Hindu faith aren't a show for tourists, but a living, breathing culture in which visitors are warmly received by the Balinese, who cherish their own identities.

Day 2 — Probolinggo

Probolinggo is a beautiful and enchanting city on the north coast of East Java, Indonesia. It is located on one of the major highways across Java, has a harbour filled with fishing vessels and is surrounded on the landward side by the Probolinggo Regency, but is not part of the regency. Probolinggo is home to the Javanese, Maduranese, Pentalungan (descents of Java and Maduranese) and Tenggerese, who still practice their centuries-old customs and traditions. Probolinggo is bordered by the imposing Mount Semeru, Bromo and Argopuro mountain group, and lined with lovely beaches to the north.

Day 3 – Sumenep

Sumenep is sleepy town located on the eastern side of the island of Madura. Sumenep and the surrounding areas are home to a number of traditional arts and crafts – among them the production of Keris (daggers), batik, woodcarving of the Karduluk style, and the Muang Sangkal dances. Sumenep is also known for timeworn villas and historic buildings including the Sumenep Great Mosque and the Palace (Keraton) of Sumenep. The island of Madura may be most famous for its bull races, which are opened with the performance of Saronen, a traditional Madurese music.



Day 4 — At Sea

Days at sea are the perfect opportunity to relax, unwind and catch up with what you've been meaning to do. So whether that is whale watching from the Observatory

Lounge, writing home to your loved ones or simply topping up your tan by the pool, these blue sea days are the perfect balance to busy days spent exploring shore side.



Day 5 — Anak Krakatoa

In the Sunda Strait of Indonesia lies an area that was witness to one of the most devastating volcanic eruptions in historical times. Anak Krakatoa is a volcano that first emerged from the sea in 1930 and has grown continuously since the 1950s. The active nature of the volcano is the ultimate decider of whether or not a landing can be made on the black sand beaches of the island. Krakatoa's active fumaroles, lava flows, beautifully colored rocks and the volcano itself are all stunning.

Day 6 — At Sea

Day 7 — Padang, Sumatra For Cupek

Padang is part old port town, and part modern capital of West Sumatra. Dutch colonialists traded coffee and spices from the harbor starting in the 17th century. Driving out from Padang one can reach Cupek, a Minangkabau village in Sumatra's interior. The ancestral homelands of the Minangkabau, devout Muslims, are centered in West Sumatra's lush highlands and stretch as far as the seashore. They claim the world's largest matrilineal society and ownership of a family's property—their homes, rice paddies and the like—passes from mother to daughter.

Day 8 – Batu Islands, Sumatra

The Batu Islands are an archipelago of roughly 50 islands located off the west coast of Sumatra. The islands have a close cultural and governmental connection with the famous Nias Islands. The islands are generally low and forested, mostly with coconut palms for copra production, and some forest products. Many of the islands are framed by exquisite beaches studded with palm trees and surrounded by vibrant and clear aquamarine water. The Batu (or Telos) Islands are located

on the equator and are known worldwide to surfers for the special waves found along their shores.

Day 9 – Bawemataluwo

The local village of Bawemataluo is found in the Nias Islands where the islanders were once said to be fierce. Traditionally, passing through various stages of growth for a child or juvenile required that animals be slaughtered or enemies killed. Therefore young men prepared to become warriors at an early age. One of the preparations was stone jumping, a ritual where youngsters jumped over 1.5 to 2-meter (5 to 6.5 feet) high stone towers. Once a boy could jump over the stone tower, it signified that he was ready to assume the responsibilities of a man.

Day 10 — Simeulue Islands, Sumatra

With some of the highest biodiversity of anywhere in the entire Asia-Pacific region, the small island group of Simeulue is as yet unspoiled and undeveloped. Located at the northern tip of Sumatra off the west coast, the islands are part of Aceh province. Several earthquakes have rocked this region in recent years; one in particular is reported to have raised part of the islands about 2 meters, or 6 feet, up out of the water.

Day 11 — Sabang, Pulau WE / Banda Aceh

Sabang is the largest city on the island of Weh or Pulau Weh. Weh is a small, active volcanic island, just northwest of Sumatra. It's at the northern end of the Indonesian Archipelago and at one time, was a coal loading station for ships passing between Europe and Asia. Today, the island is known for its ecosystem and much of its surrounding sea and inland areas have been declared as wildlife protection areas by the Indonesian government. Pulau Weh attracts visitors seeking underwater diving, hiking through the volcanic mountains and relaxation by the beach.

Banda Aceh, the capital of Banda Province with a population of over 200,000 people, was severely hit by a tsunami in 2004. Since this tragedy, the community has resurged both in terms of cultural revival and building. The Blang Padang Park and Tsunami Museum were constructed as memorials to all the nations that helped Aceh after the terrible earthquake and tsunami. The city was originally built in the late 15th century and was a stop for hajj pilgrims traveling by sea to Mecca. It has been a thriving and strategic port in the Indian Ocean ever since.

Day 12 — Belawan, Sumatra

Sumatra is the fourth largest island in the world. Although not known for the rich archaeological sites that distinguish Java, Sumatra offers magnificent natural landscapes. The port serves as our gateway for Medan and Lake Toba,

Southeast Asia's largest lake, which lies about 120 miles from Belawan. Sumatra is also vital to Indonesia's economy, with over 60% of the country's total production coming from the island. Belawan is one of the busiest ports in Indonesia. Exports include minerals, oil, palm oil, rubber, tea and tobacco.

Day 13 — Belawan for Gunung Leuser National Park

Gunung Leuser National Park covers more than 3,000 square miles in northern Sumatra, Indonesia, straddling the border of North Sumatra and Aceh provinces. It is named after Mount Leuser (10,230 feet), and includes a wide range of ecosystems. Most of the park is mountainous. It was declared an UNESCO World Heritage site “Tropical Rainforest Heritage of Sumatra”, because of its unique biodiversity, with more than 120 species of mammals, 190 species of reptiles and amphibians, 350 species of birds and 4000 plant species.

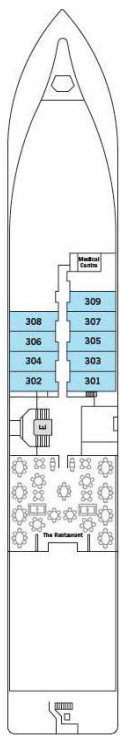


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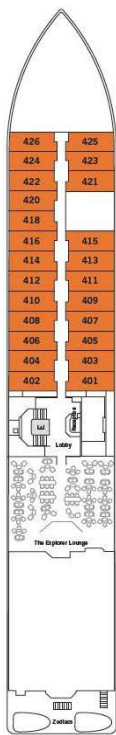
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Vista Suite	\$15,500
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Explorer Suite	\$7,200



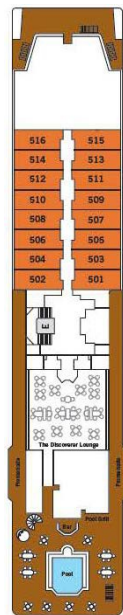
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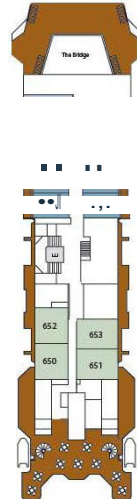
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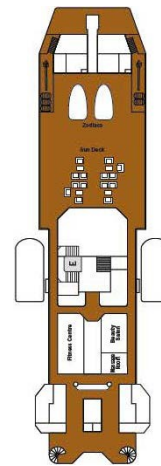
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The Discoverer lounge



DECK 6
The Bridge



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Lounge Room
Fitness Centre
Sun Deck

SUITE CATEGORIES

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SPECIFICATIONS

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