



Raja Ampat Aggressor

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Itinerary:	Derawan Islands
Adventure Schedule:	7 nights — Tanjung Batu, Indonesia round-trip
Yacht Local Name:	M/Y Raja Ampat Aggressor
Home Port:	Tanjung Batu, East Kalimantan, Indonesia
Season:	September to May (the Raja Ampat Aggressor does not operate Derawan itineraries June through August)

Aggressor Adventures Reservation Office

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Quick Reference Summary

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Arrival & Transfers

Item	Details
Recommended Airports	Kalimarau Airport / Berau Airport, Berau, East Kalimantan (BEJ) — ~2 hours by car from Tanjung Batu
Arrive By	Arrive one day early — reaching Berau typically requires multiple connecting flights. If arriving on charter start day, arrive at BEJ before 9 am
Check-In / Out Window (from the yacht)	Check-In: 12 noon at Tanjung Batu (charter start day) Check-Out: 8 am on the last day
Transfers:	Included — Complimentary on charter start/end days from the partner hotel in Berau or directly from Berau airport

Deadlines & Documents

60 Days Before Departure	Review Diving Medical Form (if doing scuba training). Make a doctor's appointment if needed.
14 Days Before Departure	Aggressor's Guest Information System registration due. Confirm any special requests.
7 Days Before Departure	Aggressor must submit guest passport details to Indonesia National Park Authority for the diving permit. Final passport details and GIS must be complete by this date — no name changes after this point.
3 Days Before Departure	Submit the All-Indonesia Arrival Card online at allindonesia.imigrasi.go.id (within 72 hours before arrival in Indonesia).
Item	Details
Passport	Valid ≥ 6 months beyond trip.
Guest Info System (GIS)	Complete all sections ≥ 14 days before departure.
All-Indonesia Arrival Card	allindonesia.imigrasi.go.id — within 3 days (72 hours) before arrival in Indonesia
Diving Medical Form	Required if doing any SCUBA training courses.
Dive Certification Card	Required for all divers (+ Nitrox if applicable).

Fees & Payments

Item	Details
Port / Park Fee — Derawan Islands (Tanjung Batu round-trip)	\$250 USD per person
Payment Methods	Cash (Indonesian Rupiah, Euro, or US Dollars), Visa, MasterCard

On Board Highlights

- All rooms A/C with private bath
- Power: 220V (Type C and F plugs), 110V (multi-type plugs)
- Meals: full breakfast, lunch buffet, dinner served; snacks provided between dives
- Beer & wine included — bring preferred spirits from your home country
- Smoking → bow of the yacht only. No smoking inside the yacht or on the dive deck.

Diving Essentials

- 7-night: 19–22 dives, including night dives
- Up to 4 dives per day. Recreational diving only.
- All dives are made from two dive tenders — drift diving is common
- Tanks: 80 cu ft DIN/yoke adaptable provided; 100 cu ft tanks available by request
- Nitrox available (extra fee)
- Nearest hyperbaric chamber: Balikpapan (Kalimantan)

1. BEFORE YOU GO

Passports

Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months after your trip ends.

Indonesia National Park Authority requires Aggressor to submit each guest's passport details 7 days before departure to process the diving permit. No name changes can be made within 7 days of departure. Passport details are taken from the GIS — failure to complete the GIS will result in denied boarding.

Children traveling: Some countries have special rules for children leaving the country. Check your government's travel website for requirements.

Visa

Indonesia requires all travelers to have a valid passport. Most nationalities can use the Indonesia Visa on Arrival (e-VOA), available online or at the airport. The e-VOA costs approximately USD 35, is valid for 30 days, and can be extended once.

You are responsible for:

- Getting the correct visa for Indonesia
- Having documents to re-enter your home country
- Checking visa rules for any connecting flights

Where To Check:

- USA citizens: www.travel.state.gov
- Other countries: Contact your foreign affairs office or embassy

All-Indonesia Arrival Card (Required)



Complete the All-Indonesia Arrival Card at allindonesia.imigrasi.go.id within 3 days (72 hours) before arrival in Indonesia.

Required Forms

You need two things before you can dive and a third if you plan to do scuba training:

1. GUEST INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)

What: Aggressor's online cruise application forms, including waiver and travel details

When: Complete 14 days before departure

How: You'll receive a link by email. If you didn't get it, contact reservations.

Include your flight arrival time or hotel name in the GIS.

2. DIVE CERTIFICATION CARD (C-CARD)

What: Your diving certification card

Bring: The physical card or digital proof

Note: If diving with Nitrox, bring your Nitrox certification card as well.

3. MEDICAL FORM (RSTC) (Only if doing scuba training)

What: Diving Medical History Form

When: Required only if you plan to take a scuba training or certification course during your trip.

How:

- Download the form now at <http://www.aggressor.com/RSTCMedical.pdf>
- Answer all questions honestly
- The form will tell you if your answers require a doctor's approval.
- If no doctor approval is needed, you can sign it yourself
- Print it and bring it to the yacht

ALREADY HAVE ONE? If you have a medical form signed by a doctor in the last 12 months, you can use that instead.

There are no doctors once the yacht leaves the dock. If you need a doctor's signature and don't have it, you cannot participate in any SCUBA training classes.



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- An incomplete or Missing GIS will result in denied boarding and possible trip cancellation without refund.
- You cannot dive without a certification card.
- You cannot participate in SCUBA training courses without a medical form.

Travel & Health Insurance

Aggressor Adventures strongly recommends all guests purchase insurance to protect your investment and health.

SUGGESTED COVERAGE:

- Travel Insurance (Trip Cancellation and Interruption)
- Dive Insurance (Dive Accident and Medical)
- Equipment Insurance

CONSIDER ADDING:

- "Cancel For Any Reason" (CFAR) upgrade - extends coverage beyond traditional policies without the constraints of "covered situations".
- "Liveaboard Rider" upgrade - addresses liveaboard-specific issues such as missed dives due to illness, weather, or accidents to others, which impact your experience and more.

These policies provide financial security if unexpected events occur.

Get quotes: www.aggressor.com → Insurance for options.

2. PREPARING FOR YOUR ADVENTURE (2-4 WEEKS BEFORE)

Recommended Packing

Travel light. Space on the liveaboard yacht is limited.

LUGGAGE: Use soft luggage, such as duffel bags (not hard suitcases), for easy storage in your room.

CLOTHING TO BRING:

- Lightweight, comfortable sportswear
- Swimsuits
- Light sweater or jacket for evenings
- Walking shoes for time ashore
- Sunglasses and hat

Dress code: Always casual and informal

ESSENTIALS:

- Sunscreen (reef-safe recommended)
- Sunglasses
- Hat
- Walking shoes

PACKING CHECKLIST: Use this QR code to grab a free Packing Guide. It's a simple checklist that makes sure you bring everything you need for your adventure. No more forgotten essentials!

Electronic Devices

Personal Electronics are welcome:

Cameras, phones, satellite phones, computers, tablets, and e-readers

The following devices are prohibited:

Underwater Scooters | Prohibited.

Electric Surfboards | Includes e-foils, jetboards, powered surfboards, and similar devices.

CHECK WITH AIRLINE: Some airlines have restrictions on lithium batteries in checked bags. Check your airline's rules before packing.

Required Dive Equipment

All divers are required to have the following equipment. You may either bring your own or rent on board.

- Mask
- Fins
- Snorkel
- Buoyancy Compensator (BCD)
- Regulator with an Alternate Air source and a visible pressure gauge
- Dive Computer
- Tank (provided)
- Weights (provided)
- Weight belt (provided)
- Wetsuit

Personal Equipment

Mark each piece of your personal gear with waterproof paint or tape. Equipment can look similar — make sure yours is clearly labeled.

Guests should also consider additional personal safety equipment such as:

- Dive Alert
- Nautilus Rescue Radio
- Whistle
- Mirror
- Surface Marker Buoy (SMB) with reel

WHY SMB & REEL ARE RECOMMENDED:

If you surface away from the main yacht, your surface marker helps the yacht staff to track your location for pickup. You are encouraged to practice deploying yours before the trip or on the initial check-out date.

Airline Travel & Checked Bags

WHAT TO CARRY ON THE PLANE: Pack these in your carry-on bag (NOT checked luggage):

- Passport and travel documents
- Dive certification card
- Medical form
- Money and credit cards
- Prescription medications
- One change of clothes (including swimsuit)
- Basic toiletries

Why? If your checked bag is delayed, having essentials in your carry-on means you can still dive on Day 1. Once the yacht leaves port, it cannot receive deliveries until it returns.

CHECK YOUR AIRLINE'S RULES: Different airlines have different limits for:

- Number of bags
- Weight limits
- Size restrictions
- Extra fees

BUSY SEASON RESTRICTIONS:

- Some airlines reduce luggage allowance during high season (December - April).
- You might only get one checked bag instead of two.

DIVE GEAR FEES:

- Many airlines charge extra fees for dive equipment.
- Check if your airline offers a "sports equipment" allowance.

Communication with Home

Before departure: Share your itinerary with family

Emergency contact: +1-706-664-0111 available 24/7

In port (embarkation day/departure day): Most cell phones will work if they have international roaming or data.

At sea: SeaFi Internet is available for purchase

Cell phones will work sporadically based on distance from towers.

Return day: Most cell phones will work if they have international roaming or data.

Tip: Send a "heading out for 6 days" message embarkation day evening so family knows you may be offline by choice.

Green the Fleet

Contribute to the Green the Fleet sustainability initiatives. Here are a few reminders to keep in mind as you get ready for your adventure:

- Avoid traveling with single-use plastics.
- Remove packaging from any new purchases before traveling.
- Travel with a refillable water bottle for hydration.
- Use rechargeable batteries whenever possible. Plan to bring home used batteries so they can be properly disposed of.
- Use an environmentally friendly or ocean-safe sunscreen.
- Be environmentally conscious in everything you do.

3. GETTING THERE

Arrival Airports

Airport	Code	Distance / Time	Notes
Kalimarau Airport / Berau Airport, Berau, East Kalimantan	BEJ	~2 hours by car from Tanjung Batu	

Recommended Arrival Times

Arrive one day early — reaching Berau typically requires multiple connecting flights. If arriving on charter start day, arrive at BEJ before 9 am

Transfer Options

Included — Complimentary on charter start/end days from the partner hotel in Berau or directly from Berau airport

Pickup Point	Time Window
Berau hotels and Berau Airport (BEJ) — ~2-hour car transfer to Tanjung Batu	10 am, charter start day

Port and Dockage Details

Formal marinas and docking facilities are not available — the yacht will be moored or anchored offshore, and diving tenders transfer guests to and from the vessel.

Pickup from Berau: 10 am (charter start day). Check-In: 12 noon at Tanjung Batu. Yacht Departs: 1:30 pm (the cruise to the Derawan Islands takes approximately 6 hours). Check-Out: 8 am on the last day.

4. ON BOARD LIFE

Accommodations & Services

Room / Type	Configuration	Bath	Size
Master Stateroom	Queen bed OR queen bed + twin bunk	Private en-suite	~80 sq ft / 7.5 sq m
Deluxe Staterooms	L-shaped twin beds	Private en-suite	~80 sq ft / 7.5 sq m

Electricity

220V (Type C and F plugs) in common areas; 110V multi-use plugs in cabins; camera/strobe charging station provides 110V

Meals

Indonesian feasts and local cuisine alongside international dishes. Breakfast cooked-to-order; lunch buffet-style; dinner elegant plated service; snacks mid-morning and mid-afternoon. Beer & wine included — bring preferred spirits from your home country (high duty on liquor in Indonesia). Bar closed while the yacht is in port.

If you have special medical dietary restrictions, please note them in your GIS reservation and discuss them with the yacht chef upon boarding so they can properly prepare to meet your needs.

Specialty dietary items may have limited availability on board. For strict dietary needs:

- Bring critical items with you (gluten-free pasta, specific protein powders, etc.)
- Discuss options with chef on Day 1
- Be flexible - ingredients may not match exactly what you eat at home.

Beverages

Complimentary beverages include:

- Fruit juices
- Soft drinks

- Iced water and iced tea
- Coffee
- Limited selection of local beer and wine

For other alcohol and spirits, you are encouraged to bring your special brand with you or purchase locally before boarding.

Drinking and diving do not mix. Once you consume alcohol, you become a sunbather until the next day.

Communications / Internet

Onboard satellite communications device for emergencies. The yacht is in cellular range occasionally, where cellular-based WiFi Internet (3G and above) connectivity (email) becomes available, depending on your service provider and the yacht's location. Communication services are charged based on data usage (airtime); email service (if available) is restricted to text-only messages.

Ship's Boutique

- There is a small on board boutique offering assorted t-shirts and other items.
- Your bill for on board services and boutique items will be settled on the last day of diving.
- After returning home, if you still want boutique items, please visit the Aggressor online boutique at aggressorboutique.com.

Fees & Taxes (Pay on Board)

Fee	Amount	Notes
Port / Park Fee — Derawan Islands (Tanjung Batu round-trip)	\$250 USD per person	



USD bills must be crisp, undamaged, and recent-series; worn or older bills may be refused or surcharged.

Prices subject to change by government authorities without notice.

USD bills must be brand new, unfolded, unmarked, crisp \$100 banknotes dated after 2006 — otherwise a 5% fee applies.

If you already hold a valid Raja Ampat Marine Park Entry Permit (the "MPA tag," valid 12 months from purchase), inform the reservations office at least 10 days before your trip and bring the permit on board; otherwise the standard port fee will be charged on board.

Bring some Indonesian Rupiah (IDR) — overweight baggage charges at the airport must be paid in local currency.

Fees are paid onboard at the end of your trip during checkout. Travelers' checks and personal checks cannot be accepted.

Entertainment

There are a variety of nightly entertainment options:

- Diving videos
- Movies
- Marine life identification and destination presentations

The yacht offers a collection of movies and TV shows that can be watched in the salon or in your room. If you have a favorite movie, digital slideshow, or video to share, bring it along!

A small library of marine life identification books is also available for reference.

Special Occasions

If you will be celebrating a special occasion — such as a birthday, anniversary, honeymoon, wedding, or your 100th dive — please let the staff know so they can help celebrate.

Notify the reservations office before traveling so the staff can be informed in advance.

Gratuities

- Staff gratuities are not included in the charter.
- Gratuities are voluntary and should be based on the quality of service provided by the staff.
- When settling your account on the final evening, the captain will have an envelope for gratuities that will be divided equally among the staff
- Payment can be made by cash (USD or Cash (Indonesian Rupiah, Euro, or US Dollars), Visa, MasterCard), Visa, or MasterCard.

Health & Medications

The Raja Ampat Aggressor has a first aid kit on board, including oxygen and an AED.

Motion Sickness: Consider bringing over-the-counter motion sickness medication if you think you may need it. Consult your doctor about prescription options such as the transdermal patch or Scopace tablets. Currents and winds can cause moderate movement of the yacht at times.

Medication Storage:

The yacht and its staff cannot accept any medication brought on board for safekeeping, including those requiring refrigeration. Guests needing temperature-sensitive medication should travel with a cooling case or a small cooler with blue ice packets. The staff will gladly store and recharge blue ice packs but cannot accept responsibility for proper care or storage of medication. Medication must be kept in your room.



Drones are permitted for recreational use, subject to Indonesian regulations (max 150 m altitude, daylight only, at least 15 km from airports, and respect for local customary "sasi" zones). Underwater scooters and electric surfboards (e-foils, jetboards, powered surfboards, and similar devices) are prohibited.

5. DIVING INFORMATION

Diving Operations

In the Derawan Islands, all dives are conducted from two dive tenders — drift diving is common. The yacht anchors or moors near dive sites, and tenders ferry small groups to and from each site; a staff member accompanies each tender group in the water. Recreational, non-decompression diving only — no technical diving, rebreathers, or double tanks.

19-22 per 7-night adventure (including night dives) total. Up to 4 (including night dives) per day. Night diving offered.

Typical Schedule

Day	Activity	
Charter Start Day	10 am pickup from Berau hotels and Berau Airport (BEJ), 2-hour car transfer to Tanjung Batu; 12 noon boarding; 1:30 pm stateroom orientation, gear setup, safety briefing; yacht departs for Derawan Islands (~6-hour cruise)	
Day 2	AM: initial dive briefing; check-out dive followed by 2 more dives plus optional night dive	
Middle Days	Eat, Sleep & Dive — up to 4 dives per day (including night dives); fresh snacks between dives and 3 hot meals daily	
Day Before Departure	1-2 morning dives; yacht returns to Tanjung Batu in the early evening; farewell cocktail party and dinner on board	
Charter End Day	8 am continental breakfast; check-out and complimentary transfer to Berau Airport or hotel (~2-hour car transfer)	

Dive Supervision

- Diving is not just an activity; it's a passion for exploring the underwater world. That's why the dive program is built around empowering you and your buddy to take control of your diving experience.
- While in the water, you and your buddy are in charge.
- Every dive starts with a thorough briefing from the dive staff, covering site

conditions, points of interest, and safety procedures.

- As certified divers, you and your buddy are responsible for planning and carrying out your dives while respecting your experience limits and those set by the briefing and your certification agency.
- Divers are not directly supervised - each buddy team manages their own dive.
- If you surface early, only your buddy team surfaces – other divers may continue their dive per the plan and briefing.

Equipment Storage

- Each guest will be assigned a designated seat on the dive deck and a personal locker or cubby to store items.
- There are rails and hangers for wetsuits.
- Freshwater showers are located on the back deck for post-dive comfort.
- Warm towels are provided after each dive.

Wetsuit Rentals

Rentable — Standard tanks: 80 cu ft aluminum, DIN/yoke adaptable valves; air fills included. 100 cu ft large-capacity tanks available by request. Nitrox 32% available for certified divers (extra fee). Surface Marker Buoys (SMBs) and reels are NOT available for rent on board — you must bring your own (SMB with reel is required for every diver; dives are tender-based with drift diving common). Other rental equipment is readily available: mask, fins, snorkel, BCD, regulator system, dive computer, dive light, large-capacity tank, Nautilus Rescue Radio, wetsuits, U/W cameras. Wetsuits rentable, but you are strongly encouraged to bring your own for fit and thermal comfort. A reef hook is recommended for some of Maratua's channel dives (strong currents).

Itinerary Details

The Derawan Islands itinerary departs and returns to Tanjung Batu, exploring an archipelago of 31 islands off the eastern coast of Borneo in the Celebes Sea. Located on the western edge of the Coral Triangle, the Derawan archipelago is exceptionally biodiverse — home to 872 species of reef fish, 507 species of coral, and protected wildlife including five giant clam species, two sea turtle species, and the land-based coconut crab. After boarding at Tanjung Batu, the yacht

cruises approximately 6 hours to reach the diving grounds.

All diving is from two dive tenders, with a mix of drift dives, wall dives, caves, and macro sites. Highlights include:

- Sangalaki: Year-round population of green turtles and feeding manta rays. The island has a turtle nursery run by the local government, and whale sharks are frequently seen offshore.
- Maratua Atoll: Signature dives at "The Channel" and "Big Fish Country" with tornadoes of barracuda, grey reef sharks, thresher sharks, schooling eagle rays, and turtles. Maratua has at least 13 known caves with hundreds more unexplored.
- Kakaban Island: Famous for its non-stinging Jellyfish Lake — a unique snorkeling experience — plus thrilling cave dives and walls.
- Talisayan: Whale shark encounters at the bagans (traditional fishing platforms) where whale sharks feed on sardines released by fishermen.
- Pulau Panjang & Pulau Derawan: A macro photographer's paradise with satomi pygmy seahorses, sea dragons, ghost pipefish, frogfish, blue-ring octopus, harlequin shrimp, and tiger shrimp.

7-night trip: 19-22 dives, including night dives. Average dive estimates depend on weather conditions and crossings.

Diving Conditions

Water: 82-86°F (28-30°C) — 3mm wetsuit and hood recommended

Visibility: Generally good, often 60-100+ feet (18-30+ meters); can vary at channel sites and macro/jetty sites

Season	Conditions
Peak Season (October–April)	Water 82–84°F (28–29°C); air 78–86°F (26–30°C). Calmer seas, best visibility (often 80–100+ feet / 25–30+ meters). 3mm wetsuit and hood recommended.
Shoulder (May / September)	Water 83–85°F (28–29°C); air 79–87°F (26–31°C). Variable conditions, occasional plankton blooms (good for mantas). 3mm wetsuit recommended.
Off-Season (June–August)	Water 84–86°F (29–30°C); air 80–88°F (27–31°C). The Raja Ampat Aggressor typically does not operate during these months due to seasonal winds; the yacht repositions to other regions.

Scuba Training

Enhance your education while on board an Aggressor yacht!

The courses available include:

- Advanced Open Water Diver (SSI or PADI)
- Enriched Air / Nitrox Courses (SSI or PADI)

Course fees are due once on board and after the instructor confirms your course. The training agency providing your course will depend on your instructor's affiliations.

A diver participating in scuba training will need to complete a medical history form. Please be sure to review the form prior to traveling and ensure you do not need a physician's signature.

Photo & Video

Photography: The yacht offers photography coaching while on board. The Raja Ampat Aggressor has a camera table with low-pressure air hoses and a dedicated charging station for your camera and video equipment.

As a safety precaution, all lithium-ion batteries must be charged outside at the camera station and cannot be charged inside the yacht.

Video Service: The Video Professional can capture your diving adventure on board the Raja Ampat Aggressor to share with family and friends.

The video of the week (including all guests and staff) is available for an additional fee. See www.aggressor.com for current pricing.

Nearest Chamber

Facility	Location / Notes
Hyperbaric chamber, Balikpapan	East Kalimantan

Prohibited Diving Activities

The following diving activities are not supported and prohibited on Aggressor Liveboards

- Use of Spear guns, Hawaiian slings or collecting of any kind are not permitted.
- Solo Diving
- Use of double tanks
- Decompression or Technical Diving
- Touching, chasing, or disturbing marine life of any kind.



Not supported / prohibited: spear guns, Hawaiian slings, or collecting of any kind; solo diving; double tanks; underwater scooters; electric surfboards (e-foils, jetboards, powered surfboards, and similar devices); decompression or technical diving; touching, chasing, or disturbing marine life of any kind.

6. AFTER YOUR ADVENTURE

Check-Out Time

8 am on the last day

Check-out time is 8:00 am for all guests. At this time, all guests and their luggage must be off the yacht, so staff have adequate time to prepare for new guests arriving in just a few hours. If you are making your own transfer arrangements, please ensure that you are picked up at or before check-out.

Departure Schedule

Complimentary transfers are provided on the charter end day to Berau Airport (BEJ) for guests with departing flights (~2-hour car transfer) or to a local Berau hotel for guests extending their stay. Plan departure flights from BEJ accordingly — allow extra time for the 2-hour transfer from Tanjung Batu to Berau.

Post-Adventure Extensions

For any guest choosing to extend their stay, the staff will be happy to organize tours, so you have time to off-gas and enjoy the land sights. All tours are at an additional charge and are highly recommended.

Guest Surveys

You will receive a detailed survey via email three days after your adventure ends. (If you've completed back-to-back adventures, you'll receive one survey for each.) Aggressor Adventures truly values guest feedback and integrates it into the continuous improvement of Aggressor programs.

Many amenities and experiences you enjoyed during your adventure were inspired by guest suggestions. Your feedback is sincerely appreciated as it helps Aggressor enhance operations and exceed future guest expectations.

Your survey also offers a valuable opportunity to recognize exceptional staff performance. These evaluations directly influence staff recognition programs, awards, and promotions. The staff is dedicated to making your adventure

memorable, and your feedback helps celebrate their outstanding service. The time you take to provide thoughtful responses is greatly appreciated and helps maintain the highest standards of the Aggressor experience.

Stay Connected

Each week, the previous charter's Adventure log is uploaded to the website. Feel free to visit www.aggressor.com and check the Adventure log for water temperature, visibility, and sightings.