

DEPARTURE TRIP TO BALIEM VALLEY, YALI & TREE HOUSE TRIBES IN PAPUA

DAY 01: JAKARTA or BALI ARRIVAL & CONNECT TO JAYAPURA

Arrival at International airport of Jakarta or Bali and connect by night flight to Jayapura the capital of Papua. The flight available from Jakarta to Jayapura i.e. 21.00, 22.00, 23.00 hours, and from Bali available only at 01.25 AM

DAY 02: JAYAPURA ARRIVAL (D)

Arrival at Sentani airport of Jayapura, met by our guide then transfer to hotel, after lunch visiting the local market in Sentani to see the people selling their garden products and drive around the Sentani town, afternoon back to hotel dinner at Mickey restaurant in the town and overnight stay at hotel.

DAY 03: JAYAPURA - WAMENA & JIWIKA (pig feast) & WAMENA (B,L,D)

After breakfast in the early morning, drive to Sentani airport for leaving to Wamena by Trigana flight in 35 minutes. On arrived in Wamena airport short transfer to Baliem Pilamo hotel for check in, then proceed to visit Lani traditional village in Napua and stop at Sinatma traditional market . Lunch will served at Mas Budi restaurant. After lunch drive to the north of Baliem valley to Jiwika to see the old Mummy and the Dani pig feast and dance. Late afternoon drive back to Baliem Pilamo Hotel for dinner and overnight stay.

DAY 04: WAMENA & KOSAREK - SERKASI (B,L,D)

After breakfast, ready to fly with Missionary charter flight to Kosarek in the morning. Kosarek is home of Yali & Mek people up in the southeast of Wamena. The flight take about 30 minutes, 3 minutes before your landing you can see local people around the landing strip with curious eyes. Kosarek area was opened by Missionary in 1970's but the people still keep the traditional alive. They practiced cannibalism all at once great farmers and live in the remote area which is difficult to get contact with others places. We have time to organize porters until get ready leaving for Serkasi to stay over night. After passed Walsaldek village and Tenkomne river and up to Wiring hill about 2 hours. Lunch box have served, dinner and overnight at Local house.

DAY 05: SERKASI & PIMOHON & TELAMBELA (B,L,D)

Going down to Tipson waterfall it is 60 m and going up to Isril and Jenggu mountains about 3 hours. Then going down again to cross traditional hanging bridge on Lilom river for lunch. After lunch going up to Pimohon village on the hill and another 2 hours you will arrive in Telambela for dinner and overnight stay at Bible Teacher's house.

DAY 06: TELAMBELA (B,L,D)

Today is the highlight of your journey and relaxing day, your guide arranges Pig feast and dance. All the Yally people who participate during ceremony no one of them with western cloths and you can join with them for dance too. Lunch we will served local food with grill pig. At noon you can explore the village nearby.

DAY 07: TELAMBELA & MEMBAHAM (B,L,D)

After breakfast, going down to Tumolo's river and up to Punum village to view surrounding scenery. And down again to Walom small waterfall to soak your aching bones in not polluted water. The scenery on the entire trekking is amazing you also can hear or sometimes watch the Birds of Paradise or Cockatoos on the way and have a great adventurous feeling. Lunch box have served, dinner and overnight at Local house.

DAY 08: MEMBAHAM & HELARIKI (B,L,D)

Leaving Membaham after breakfast, today is longest trek up and down thru jungle and cross Puldam river then going up to Osonggobak mountain in 1 hour, then going down again to cross traditional hanging bridge on the Obalege river for lunch. After lunch visit Osonggobak village then 1,5 hours later you will arrive in helariki village for dinner and overnight stay.

DAY 09: HELARIKI - ANGGURUK (B,L,D)

Going down to Obahek river about 2 hours with its difficult trek and steep river bank down and really dangerous one. Lunch we will served side of river, after lunch climb to Angguruk thru the Yally garden in another 2 hours. After arrived in angguruk you can explore Angguruk surrounding nearby or visit local hospital which built by Missionary. Dinner and overnight stay at Missionary guest house.

DAY 10: ANGGURUK & YANIRUMA & TREE HOUSE HAMLET (B,L,D)

Depart by charter flight to Yaniruma. The flight usually need about 1 hour one way. Upon arrival at Yaniruma (Yaniruma is the starting point to see the tree house tribes), we will need to report to the local chief and organize our porters. Afterward we start by paddling canoes to cross Sekom and Dairam Hitam river. Then trek in 3 hours to a hamlet. On arrival usually the tribe come to greet and welcoming us. Overnight at shelters or tents.

DAY 11 & 13 EXPLORE THE TREE HOUSE ACTIVITIES

We will spend these 04 days trekking is some of the most pristine lowland rain forest in the world. Along the way we will

try and stay with the various tribes those inhabit the region. The Korowai are more territorial than the neighboring Kombai. And the Korowai Batu is even more so. These tribes still practice cannibalism, and they can be aggressive. Don't worry they won't eat us. It is ritual cannibalism among the tribe, sometimes walk over the log or fallen tree and crossing the river with or without bridge. This is the tropical rain forest in the vast-green lowland of South Irian Jaya or Papua, there are many exotic things to be discovered and experienced but with a great deal with mosquito, swamp, heat and high humidity (85 - 100%). Our trek in the forest will support by our local porter who carry our bags or gears and will love to help you to do some difficult section of the trip when you need. We arrive in Dambol in the noon, and will meet the first Korowai family on their tree house. Korowai is a nomad people who always move from one place to another at least once every 3 years. They were not live in large group, that at every location of the tree house we only see 2-4 tree house built side by side. The Korowai also a great hunter who hunted pigs, Cus-Cus, birds most of their time in life. After we met the Korowai and family on their tree house, we may interact with them help by our guide and experience their life. Overnight at our tent or at shelter we build near the tree house soon after we arrive. During the time with Korowai we can follow their daily activities: hunting, setting trap of wild pigs, gathering Sago flour, fishing in traditional way.

DAY 14: HAMLET - YANIRUMA (B.LD)

We will trek back to Yaniruma where the plane dropped us off. Before we arrive in Yaniruma we will stop at Dairam Kabur river for fresh swim and clean up our dirty bodies from the mud. Afternoon arrive in Yaniruma, dinner and overnight missionary house.

DAY 15: YANIRUMA & WAMENA - JAYAPURA (B.L.D)

Return to the civilization in Wamena. Depart by chartered flight to Wamena and then by the scheduled Trigana flight to Jayapura. Upon arrival in Jayapura we will do sightseeing tour to visit World War II monument, Museum, souvenir shops. Late afternoon drive to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

DAY 16: JAYAPURA & DEPARTURE TO JAKARTA or BALI (B)

After breakfast, transfer in time to Sentani airport for leaving to next destination.

Included in the trip:

All accommodation as per above program, English speaking guide, local porters and cook, all transportation during the trip of lands and rivers, donations, entrance fee, porter fee at airport, full board meals as mentioned in the program, ceremonies, traveling permit, domestic flights from Jakarta or Bali to Jayapura (Return) and local flight from Jayapura - Wamena & Jayapura and charter small missionaries flight from Wamena to Kosarek and Angguruk & Yaniruma and Yaniruma & Wamena

Excluded in the trip:

Travel insurance, excess baggage, International flight, airport tax as not mentioned in the program, entry visa to Indonesia, all expenses occurred due to the flight cancelled or other causes beyond our control. Beverages, laundry, personal expenses.

Domestic and local flight schedules:

- JAKARTA & JAYAPURA is daily flight with two transit airports
Night flight Departure and arrival at 09.00PM-06.45AM, 09.50PM-07.10AM, 10.PM-07.55AM.
Day flight Departure and Arrival: 05.00AM-02.00PM, 06.00AM-03.00PM
- BALI & JAYAPURA daily flight with one time transit available only and 01.25AM-07.55AM
- JAYAPURA & JAKARTA daily flight with one time transit available at 10.35AM & 04.30PM transit in TIMIKA & BALI
- JAYAPURA & WAMENA daily flight 4 times a day.
- Charter missionary's flight available from Monday until Saturday

Advices:

Travelers are required to bring 3 pieces of photograph size 4x6 and copy of passport (must be valid at least six month) and visa to arrange the traveling permit, these documents can be brought by you and submit them to us upon arrival in Sentani airport of Jayapura.

The weather in the highland is cold while in the low land is hot and humid it is recommended to bring with you such as mattresses, mosquito net, rain coat, hat, plastics and medicine against malaria.

Check the above schedule trips, and please submit your time, beside our fixed schedule we also accept special request, you may be want to traveling with your family or friends we can make a fix program for you, you only need to let us know how many days you spend and which tribes you want to visit.

Trip Schedule 2009:FIRST TRIP: Start on February 13th & 28th 2009

SECOND TRIP: Start on April 10th & 25th 2009

THIRD TRIP: Start on May 16th – 31st 2009
FOURTH TRIP: Start on June 2nd – 17th 2009
FIFTH TRIP: Start on July 1st – 16th 2009
SIXTH TRIP: Start on September 1st – 16th 2009

Net Prices for both years (2008 & 2009) minimum 4 participants as below:
4 - 6 Persons based on the above itinerary on sharing room USD, 3.300
7 – 10 Persons based on the above itinerary on sharing room USD, 2.850