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**Thank you for choosing Komodo Dancer for your live-aboard dive vacation. Our crew looks forward to your visit.**

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## OVERVIEW

### WHERE IS THE KOMODO NATIONAL PARK IN INDONESIA?

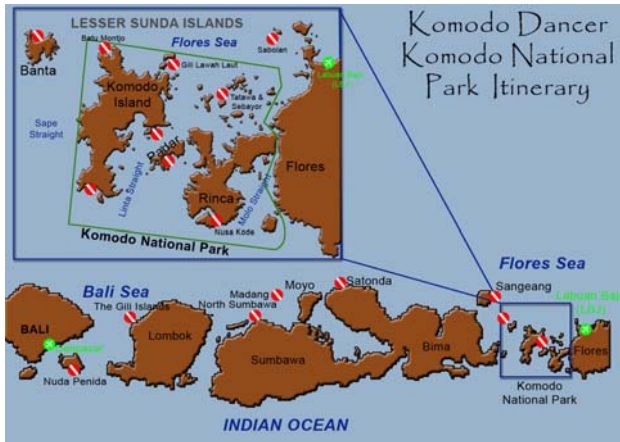
The Komodo National Park is part of the Republic of Indonesia and is located 8 to 9 degrees south of the equator between Java on the West and Lombok and the rest of the Lesser Sunda Islands (Sumbawa, Flores, Sumba and Timor) on the East.



### WHAT KIND OF DIVING IS FOUND IN THE KOMODO NATIONAL PARK?

Komodo Dancer visits dive sites between Bali and The Komodo National Park, part of the Lesser Sunda Islands. Any time of the year this area of Indonesia offers good diving. Visibility may vary from season to season but 10 to 30 meters (35 to 100 ft.) can be expected at most dive sites.

Komodo Dancer offers both 8 Day / 7 Night and 12 Day / 11 Night cruises featuring an enhanced itinerary that allows guests more time diving, more time in the signature area of the Komodo National Park and an opportunity to explore the newly discovered area of the Sangeang Islands. To achieve this, each sailing of the Komodo Dancer will be a one way cruise that will either begin in Bali and end in Komodo National Park or will begin in Komodo National Park and end in Bali.



Many of our guests are avid photographers who like nothing more than hunting out weird and wonderful critters on the reef and sand. As part of the newly expanded Komodo Itinerary we have added two locations to the west of the Komodo National Park – Sangeang, an island volcano to the north of East Sumbawa and Bima Bay, an inlet that meanders down to Bima town on Sumbawa. There are two specific sites in both of these areas that are producing a dazzling array of rare creepy crawlies on a regular basis – “Estuary” on Sangeang and “Fuzzy Bottom” at the entrance to Bima Bay.

### IN WHAT TIME ZONE IS BALI LOCATED?

The Indonesian archipelago is spread over three time zones. Central Indonesia Standard Time covers East and South Kalimantan, Sulawesi, Bali and Nusa Tenggara, and is 8 hours ahead of GMT

### WHAT LANGUAGES ARE SPOKEN ON BOARD?

There are about 583 languages and dialects spoken in the archipelago. Bahasa Indonesia is the national language. In all tourist destination areas English is the number one foreign language. Our crew will converse in English with the guests.

### WHAT WEATHER CONDITIONS CAN I EXPECT IN KOMODO

The Komodo National Park is a destination that offers great diving year round. The area is much drier than Bali (shown in the table) and lies within one of the driest regions of Indonesia. A wetsuit is necessary, though some people choose more thermal protection (a 5mm suit) to ensure continued core temperature warmth throughout their visit.

	Air Temp. High/Low	Water Temp. High/Low	Avg. Rain Days
January	88 / 76 f 31 / 24 c	Water temperatures vary by location in Komodo National Park, rather than seasons.	13
February	88 / 76 f 31 / 24 c		11
March	88 / 76 f 31 / 24 c	Northern Areas 77 / 84 f 25 / 259 c	9
April	88 / 76 f 31 / 24 c		7
May	87 / 75 f 30 / 24 c		4
June	86 / 75 f 30 / 24 c	Middle Areas 75 / 82 f 24 / 28 c	3
July	85 / 74 f 29 / 23 c		2
August	85 / 74 f 29 / 23 c	Southern Areas 72 / 82 f 22 / 28 c	1
September	87 / 74 f 30 / 23 c		1
October	88 / 75 f 31 / 24 c		5
November	88 / 76 f 31 / 24 c	9	
December	88 / 77 f 31 / 24 c	8	

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### WHAT CURRENCY IS USED?

Rupiah (IDR) is the official currency. It is advisable to exchange currency at banks, as the most favorable exchange rates may not be obtained elsewhere. Most banks are open Monday to Friday. It is recommended that you exchange enough for island tipping and small pocket change. Major credit cards are accepted by most restaurants, hotels, car rental companies, and shops. Travelers checks are accepted everywhere.

### WHAT DOES MY KOMODO DANCER PACKAGE INCLUDE?

All staterooms are air-conditioned and fitted with private toilets, showers and sinks. Breakfast (cooked to order), buffet lunch and an elegant meal at dinner with table side service are served daily in addition to fresh mid-morning and mid-afternoon snacks. Beverages (non-alcoholic and local beer) are complimentary while onboard. Bathrobes and some toiletries are available for your use onboard. The yacht is equipped with hairdryers in each stateroom. Linens are changed mid-week and fresh towels are placed in each stateroom daily as needed. Filled tanks, weights and weight belts are included.

### FOR WHAT ADDITIONAL EXPENSES WILL I BE RESPONSIBLE?

No air transportation is included in the Dancer package. An airport departure tax must be paid at the airport when leaving. Please see the latest rate schedule for departure tax amount. Dive instruction, dive and photo equipment rentals and "Boatique" purchases must be settled onboard prior to departure. Acceptable methods of payment include: US Dollars, local currency, Traveler's Checks, or Credit Cards (AMEX, Visa or MasterCard). Personal checks are not accepted. Crew gratuities are not included.

### A BRIEF HISTORY OF INDONESIA

The name Indonesia has its roots in two Greek words: "Indos" meaning Indian and "Nesos" which means islands. It is an appropriate description of the archipelago as there are estimated to be a total of 17,508 islands, of which only about 6,000 are inhabited, stretching for 5,150 km between the Australian and Asian continental mainland and dividing the Pacific and Indian Oceans at the Equator.

The islands and people of Indonesia constitute the fourth most populated nation in the world. As a democratic republic, Indonesia is divided into 27 provinces and special territories and classified geographically into four groups. Bali is part of the Lesser Sundas, a chain of small islands stretching eastward.



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A rich history of kingdoms, conquests, colonialism, trade and natural disasters has bequeathed it with an exhilarating kaleidoscope of cultures and traditions, people, languages and religions, aspirations and problems, and the dramatic scenery of changing landscapes. It is the combination of the friendly people, the natural attractions, the great variety of things to see and do, and the year-round pleasant climate that make this such a desirable vacation destination. And then there is Bali's special "magic", which is difficult to explain.

### A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE KOMODO NATIONAL PARK

Komodo National Park was established in 1980 and was declared a World Heritage Site and a Man and Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO in 1986. The park was initially established to conserve the unique Komodo dragon (*Varanus komodoensis*), first discovered by the scientific world in 1911 by J.K.H. Van Steyn. Since then conservation goals have expanded to protecting its entire biodiversity, both marine and terrestrial.

The majority of the people in and around the Park are fishermen originally from Bima (Sumbawa), Manggarai, South Flores, and South Sulawesi. Those from South Sulawesi are from the Suku Bajau or Bugis ethnic groups. The Suku Bajau were originally nomadic and moved from location to location in the region of Sulawesi, Nusa Tenggara and Maluku, to make their livelihoods. Descendents of the original people of Komodo, the Ata Modo, still live in Komodo, but there are no pure blood people left and their culture and language is slowly being integrated with the recent migrants.

Little is known of the early history of the Komodo islanders. They were subjects of the Sultanate of Bima, although the island's remoteness from Bima meant its affairs were probably little troubled by the Sultanate other than by occasional demand for tribute.

## TRAVEL INFORMATION

### HOW DO I GET TO THE KOMODO NATIONAL PARK?

Most guests arrive into Bali by air. Bali's International Airport, Ngurah Rai, (airport code DPS) in Denpasar will be your final destination.

Komodo Dancer departs and/or returns to Benoa Harbor near Denpasar.

No matter which itinerary you are on, you will need to arrive in Bali and overnight in a hotel the night before embarkation as boarding and or domestic flights out occur in the morning. A second hotel overnight is recommended at the end of your cruise prior to departing on your international flight home. This is a required overnight on the Bali-Komodo one-way itinerary as domestic flight times back to Bali do vary.



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If you need assistance with your flight arrangements, be sure to contact Dive Easy Travel, Peter Hughes Diving's travel specialist; at 1-800-9DANCER or 305-669-9391 for the most competitive airfares.

### WHAT TRAVEL DOCUMENTS WILL I NEED?

You are required to possess a passport valid for at least six months from the date of arrival and have proof of return or onward ticketing. Your passport should have at least two blank pages in it in order to facilitate passing through immigration.

You may also require a Visa. You may qualify for a free Visa or a Visa on arrival depending on your citizenship. Please contact your local Embassy or Consulate for your destination or review the requirements one of the many travel visa information websites.

### WHAT SHOULD I KNOW ABOUT CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION?

At the airport, customs formalities are usually quick and trouble free. Tourists are allowed articles for use during their stay. These include items of personal adornment, wearing apparel, toilet requisites and any portable articles which someone can reasonably be expected to use during their stay.

### HOW DO THE DOMESTIC FLIGHTS WORK?

Depending on your itinerary you will either have a one way domestic flight from Bali to Labuan Bajo, or from Labuan Bajo to Bali, or if on the East of Flores itinerary a round trip ticket from Bali to Maumere. The Komodo Dancer will schedule domestic flights and purchase a ticket for each guest (roughly 2 weeks before departure) as part of their services (this is in addition to the charter fee), however, in doing so, Komodo Dancer is only acting as an agent for the airline and is not responsible for, and can accept no responsibility for, cancellations, delays or problems caused by the air carrier. Domestic air rates are subject to change until the time the airline ticket is purchased.

We recommend two hotel nights be built into your travels. One upon arrival between the international and domestic legs, and one on your journey home between the domestic and international legs. Should a flight delay (or baggage delay) be encountered in either direction, your domestic and international airline tickets are not "linked", and as such, no compensation or assistance would be offered by the airline. The only financial protection available would be Trip Interruption and Cancellation insurance.

Each passenger is required to pay an airport tax upon check in. Payment can only be made in local currency. The Bali Airport Tax (DPS) is 30.000 Rupiahs, Labuan Bajo Airport Tax (LBJ) is 10.000 Rupiahs and the Maumere Airport Tax (MOF) is 6.000 Rupiahs, and the You will want to be sure to have some local currency before you being your domestic flights.

On itineraries where guests must fly domestically in order to meet up with the Komodo Dancer there are several options for obtaining your airline tickets once you arrive in Indonesia. Options of ticket delivery (1) Deliver to the hotel where they are staying; (2) They meet one of KD staff at the airport 2 hours before flight; (3) Pick up at the Komodo Dancer office in Bali; (4) Have the tickets collected by their agent in Bali if they have one.

### WHAT LUGGAGE RESTRICTIONS DO I NEED TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT?

For international flights, please check with your carrier about weight restrictions and any other restrictions on the content of your luggage. No matter which direction you are sailing, you will also be flying on a domestic Indonesian air carrier. Guests are encouraged to pack as light as possible as these aircraft do have strict weight restrictions. The individual luggage allowance on

these flights are 44lb (20kg) per person. Luggage in excess of this weight is charged at a per kilogram per segment rate determined by the particular airline being used. (A connecting flight would have two segments.) However, please be advised there is no guarantee that any excess luggage (especially that above 45kg) will actually travel on the same flight as the guest. This in turn could result in luggage not making it to the guest in time for the charters departure or an international flight home.

#### WHAT TRANSFERS ARE INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE:

**Bali to Komodo Itinerary:** The three transfers included in your package are: (1) from Bali's airport to your hotel, (2) From your hotel to the Komodo Dancer in Bali, and (3) from the Komodo Dancer to the airport in Labuan Bajo for your flight back to Bali.

**Komodo to Bali Itinerary:** The three transfers included in your package are: (1) From your hotel in Bali to the airport for your domestic flight to Komodo, (2) From the Labuan Bajo Airport to the Komodo Dancer, and (3) From the Komodo Dancer back to either the Bali airport or your hotel.

**Please Note:** All transfers in Bali from the airport to your hotel or the Komodo Dancer to your hotel are only hotels in Kuta (Tuban, Legian, Seminyak, Kerobokan), Denpasar, Sanur, and Jimbaran areas.

#### WHAT ARE THE EMBARKATION AND DISEMBARKATION TIMES?

**Bali to Komodo:** Transfer to the Komodo Dancer from the hotel is scheduled for approx. 8:00 am. All guests should stand by in the hotel lobby at least 20 minutes prior to ensure a timely transfer. The Komodo Dancer usually departs the dock at approx. 9:00 am depending on baggage, sea and weather conditions. If you decide to use a taxi service for any reason, we highly recommend that you use only the blue taxis that are very reliable and a very good value.

**Komodo to Bali:** If you are flying to Komodo National Park to meet the Komodo Dancer transfers to the airport are between 6:00 am and 7:00 am depending on the flight times. A representative from Komodo Dancer will contact you or leave a message at your hotel with the exact departure time.

#### HOW DO I GET FROM THE BALI AIRPORT TO OUR HOTEL?

If you are sailing on our Bali to Komodo voyage this is one of your included transfers. If you are on our Komodo To Bali voyage—this transfer is not included in your package, however you may either purchase a transfer through PHD in advance or make arrangements directly with your hotel.

Once you have claimed your luggage and cleared customs and immigrations, please look for an agent holding a Komodo Dancer sign or a sign with your name on it. A transfer company has been hired to meet and greet our Komodo Dancer guests who have arranged this transfer in advance.

Bali International Airport is just a 15-30 minute ride to the areas where the local hotels are located.

#### HOW DO I GET FROM THE HOTEL TO KOMODO DANCER OR THE AIRPORT FOR MY DOMESTIC FLIGHT?

**Bali to Komodo:** This transfer is included in your package. However, for guests choosing to make their own way to the Komodo Dancer (on Bali-Komodo Itineraries), the yacht is located near the public terminal of PELNI in Benoa Harbor. This is after the entrance of the harbor, the third street to the left (the first is Bounty, the second Bali Hai; do not take these!) In front of the terminal building you will meet and greet with the Komodo Dancer crew. There is parking space available.

**Komodo to Bali:** For guests on this itinerary, your package transfer will take you to Bali's airport where you will board a domestic flight to Labuan Bajo to meet the Komodo Dancer.

#### WHAT DO WE DO ON THE DAY WE DISEMBARK?

The Komodo Dancer returns to port on the morning that you disembark the yacht. Final disembarkation will occur between 8 am – 1 pm at the end of the charter.

**Komodo to Bali:** Guests on this itinerary will receive a transfer to either the airport or their local hotel. For those guests with a late flight home, our crew will happily make arrangements for a day room at a local hotel (additional fee applies). Guests who choose to extend their stay on Bali for a few nights will be transferred back to the local hotel.

**Bali to Komodo:** Guests on this itinerary will be transported to the Labuan Bajo airport for a domestic flight back to Bali. If necessary, additional transfers from the Bali airport to your hotel can be purchased ahead of time.

**All Guests:** For any guest choosing to extend their stay our staff will be happy to organize tours to give you time to off gas and enjoy the land sites that Bali has to offer. All tours are at an additional charge, but are highly recommended.

#### HOW DO I ARRANGE FOR PRE AND POST CHARTER HOTELS AND TRANSFERS?

Dive Easy Travel™, Peter Hughes in-house travel agency has already done the legwork for you and created several packages that will fit most of your needs. Custom packages are also available. Please inquire with us if your schedule will permit.

#### DO I NEED TRIP INSURANCE?

We strongly recommend that each guest purchase comprehensive accident, medical, baggage and trip cancellation and interruption insurance when space is reserved. Trip insurance will protect you from financial disappointment if you are prevented from making your scheduled trip due to illness or family illness, or in the event that unforeseen circumstances prevent the airline or yacht from making its scheduled trip. In an event where it is necessary to cancel or interrupt a charter due to weather or any matter beyond the control of Peter Hughes Diving, there will be no refund or credit issued. We also recommend diving accident insurance. Please inquire with our reservation office for assistance.



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## ON-BOARD

#### IF I AM TRAVELING AS A SINGLE, WILL I HAVE A ROOMMATE?

All rates are quoted on a share basis; therefore, unless you require a guaranteed single room and pay an additional supplement, you will very likely be sharing your stateroom with one other guest of the same gender.

#### WHAT TYPE OF FOOD IS PREPARED?

Meals prepared by our onboard chef consist of an international mix with a local flair. If you have any special dietary requirements, please advise our US office as soon as possible so we can adequately prepare to meet your needs. Certain special dietary and beverage requests may not be available on a consistent basis due to the remote nature of this location.

#### WHAT KINDS OF BEVERAGES ARE AVAILABLE?

The Komodo Dancer's selection includes fruit juices, soft drinks, plenty of iced water, tea and coffee and a limited selection of local beer. One glass of wine is served with dinner. Fresh milk may not be available, although UHT long life milk is provided onboard. We recommend that you purchase any special brands of alcoholic beverages that you may want to consume onboard at the Duty Free Shop at any airport. We encourage you to consume lots of non-alcoholic liquids during the week to avoid dehydration. **REMEMBER: ALCOHOL AND DIVING DO NOT MIX.** For your safety, we recommend that the consumption of any alcoholic beverage be delayed until your dive day is complete.



Deluxe Stateroom

#### A WORD ABOUT ALCOHOL

The importation of alcoholic beverages in Indonesia is strictly controlled by the government through quota restrictions. Locally produced beer has no restrictions. In accordance local cultural customs and regulations only local beer is provided and one glass of wine is served with dinner as part of your Komodo Dancer package. At all other times, additional alcoholic beverages (based on availability) including bottles of imported wines and drinks containing spirits may be purchased through the ships bar.

There are no corkage or bottle charges imposed for guests who choose to bring their own alcohol on board for personal consumption. Customs regulations allow foreign tourists arriving into Indonesia to bring with them 1 liter of alcohol per adult. If you have a favorite alcoholic wine or spirit that you would like to consume on your upcoming cruise, we encourage you to bring it with you.

While customs in Indonesia is laid back and friendly to tourists, the importation limits are enforced. All checked and carry-on bags are x-rayed when clearing customs, so bottles and containers are easily identified by Customs Officers. Any tourist who attempts to circumvent the import limits opens themselves up to a very inconvenient situation with government officials.

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### WHAT ELECTRICAL CURRENT IS AVAILABLE?

The electrical current on Komodo Dancer is 220 volts. Guests may wish to bring a converter for the use of small appliances in your stateroom. There is a charging station in the Salon which offers access to both 110V and 220V power along with outlets for US, European and UK sockets. In all of Indonesia 220 volts is the standard.

### HOW MUCH SHALL I PACK?

Please plan to travel light, as on all live-aboard dive yachts, space is limited. We recommend that you pack your gear in soft luggage such as duffel bags for easy stowage and to add to your comfort in your cabin, leave those large, rigid suitcases at home. Clothing should be lightweight, comfortable sportswear and bathing suits are a must. A light sweater or jacket is ideal for the evenings. Dress aboard is always casual. Light clothing that reflects the sun is best, and a hat is a recommended. Evening dress is informal. Additional items you may want to bring are sunscreen, sunglasses, walking shoes for your time on shore. Hairdryers are provided in each cabin. We recommend you pack your regulator, dive computer, mask, bathing suit and change of clothes and essential items in your carry-on bag. This will make it easier in the event your luggage is delayed. Please check with your airline as to what weight restrictions will apply to your carry-on and checked luggage.

### WILL THERE BE ANY OPPORTUNITIES TO GO ASHORE DURING THE CRUISE?

Komodo is famous for its 'dragon'. *Varanus komodoensis* is a lizard locally called 'ora', the largest monitor lizard in the world. You have the opportunity to go on land and do a 2-hour walk on Komodo. Experienced park rangers will show the natural habitat of this fascinating predator. The trek usually starts around 7:30 am, the best time to find the dragon.

### WHAT IF I AM PRONE TO SEA SICKNESS?

Currents and winds may cause moderate movement of the yacht at times. If you have a tendency toward seasickness we strongly urge you to bring some over-the-counter motion sickness medication or consult your doctor about prescription brands, such as the trans-dermal patch or Scopace tablets. Chewable ginger tablets or capsules of powdered ginger have also proved to be effective.



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### WHAT IF THERE IS AN EMERGENCY ONBOARD?

All Dancer crews are trained in first aid and diving accident management. Each yacht is equipped with a complete first aid kit and a high capacity oxygen system. Each yacht also has direct contact with the closest hyperbaric chamber. Since emergency transportation and treatment cost is the responsibility of each guest, we strongly recommend that you dive conservatively and obtain special insurance for divers from Divers Alert Network, Dive Assure or similarly ranked company.

### HOW CAN MY FAMILY CONTACT ME IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY AT HOME?

Your family may contact you in the case of a medical emergency by calling our Miami office at 1-800-932-6237 or 305-669-9391 during business hours (8 am – 6 pm EST weekdays and 9 am – 5 pm EST on Saturdays). If outside of our operating hours, you may call our emergency cell phone number, 305-778-8004. Please reserve calling this number for emergencies only.

### TELECOMMUNICATIONS, MAIL, AND E-MAIL

Check with your local cell phone provider for service while visiting the Dancer yacht and it's destination. Each Dancer is equipped with Satellite based phone and email for emergency communications.

### IS SMOKING PERMITTED?

A designated area on the back of the outdoor lido deck is available for smoking. Smoking is not permitted in any other area for any reason.

### IS THERE ENTERTAINMENT ONBOARD?

The Dancer has a multi-system TV/VCR unit for videotape and video camera playback, a compact disc player, a DVD player and stereo in the main salon. If you have a favorite movie, slide show or a video to share, we encourage you to bring it along! You may also bring your own favorite music CD's or DVD's. A small library of "books for exchange" is maintained onboard, as well as fish identification books for reference.



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### HOW CAN I CELEBRATE A SPECIAL OCCASION?

Our crew is delighted to help you celebrate any special occasion onboard including birthdays, anniversaries, honeymoons or weddings. Kindly advise our US office at least 30 days prior to departure so that we can adequately prepare.

### IS IT CUSTOMARY TO OFFER A GRATUITY TO THE CREW?

Aboard Dancer Fleet yachts, gratuities are not included. We prefer that our guests reward our crew based on performance. If the crew performs to your expectations, we suggest that a gratuity of approximately 10%-15% of the published package price be considered normal aboard a live aboard dive yacht. Payment of gratuities is entirely at the discretion of the guest. It is policy on all Dancer Fleet yachts to equally divide all collected gratuities among the crew. Payment of gratuities can be by cash, traveler's checks, or credit card (AMEX, MasterCard or Visa).

### HOW CAN I PAY FOR MY EXPENSES AND PURCHASES ONBOARD?

Each Dancer yacht has a small, onboard "Boatique" which sells a selection of logo clothing, custom jewelry, sundries, diving accessories, batteries, logbooks, etc. A crew member will gladly assist you with your purchases at any time during the week. The US Dollar, local currency, Traveler's Checks or credit cards (MasterCard, AMEX, or Visa) are accepted onboard. Personal checks are not accepted.

## DIVING OPERATIONS

### HOW MANY DIVES WILL WE DO EACH DAY?

We will offer three to four dives per day (depending on itinerary), including a night dive and 2 on the last day (weather and sea conditions permitting).

### WHAT PAPERWORK WILL I NEED FOR DIVING?

Please bring your Charter Application, certification card and log book for verification of your dive training and experience. You will be required to complete and sign a standard release and waiver form prior to your arrival. Please remember that you alone are responsible for determining your medical and physical fitness to dive or to take part in any other activities during this trip. **DIVING ACTIVITIES ARE CONDUCTED AT YOUR OWN RISK.** We take no responsibility with respect to your determination. If you have any questions concerning your medical or physical fitness to dive or take part in any such activities, please consult your personal physician.

### HOW WILL WE DIVE FROM THE KOMODO DANCER ?

**TENDER DIVING IS THE RULE RATHER THAN THE EXCEPTION.** All dives will be made from 2 dive tenders. Guests get on board without full dive gear. Guests will then don their gear at the dive site. For divers who require special assistance we will endeavor to provide it. Backward roll entry from the tender is the most convenient way to enter the water. Our crew will hand down cameras and other equipment. To re-board the tenders, guests may remove their gear in the water and hand it up to our staff and simply climb aboard by way of a ladder secured to the gunwale of the tender.

For your safety, it is mandatory for each diver to carry an emergency SMB (safety sausage), Dive Alert (personal air horn), and mini-strobe light on all dives. If you do not bring any one of these devices with you they are available for rent on board, however, quantities may be limited. If you do not possess these items, please notify our office prior to departure.

### ARE THERE ANY LIMITATIONS OR RESTRICTIONS ON THE DIVING?

All diving on board the Komodo Dancer should be within the limits and standards of their certification agency. All dives should be planned no-decompression dives. Solo diving and Rebreather diving is not permitted.

### CAN I EARN ADVANCED DIVING CERTIFICATIONS OR SPECIALTIES ON BOARD?

Several diving specialty courses are offered on the every Dancer yacht, but it is necessary to give at least one month notice to Peter Hughes Diving in advance of your charter date to ensure that an instructor will have the time available and that all required paperwork is complete. **IMPORTANT:** If you intend to receive diving instruction onboard, you must complete a medical statement in advance and return it to Peter Hughes Diving prior to the departure date. A doctor's note will be required if you answer yes to any of the questions on the medical statement. A list of available courses and prices is located on our website.

### ARE NITROX FILLS AVAILABLE?

Every Dancer is equipped with Nitrox facilities. Nitrox fills of up to 32% are normally available to all certified Nitrox divers for an additional charge. Nitrox Dive Profiles must be planned and executed with a Nitrox compatible computer. It is recommended that the planned PO<sub>2</sub> level be set within the limits of your certifying agency. All Nitrox fills must be analyzed by the divers using the mix and logged prior to each and every dive. Oxygen analyzers available for use by guests while onboard will be calibrated a minimum of one time per day by a crew member. Nitrox certifications are usually available onboard to all certified open water divers for an additional charge.

### WHAT DIVING EQUIPMENT WILL I NEED TO BRING?

Equipment provided aboard the Komodo Dancer includes tanks (80 cu. ft. aluminum with yoke style "K" valves), weights and weight belts. Divers will also need the following equipment:

#### Basic Required Diving Equipment For Each Diver

- Regulator with alternate air source
- Depth and Pressure Gauge
- Dive Computer
- Buoyancy Compensation Device (BCD)
- Mask / Fins / Snorkel
- Wetsuit / Light Skin
- Night Dives: We require at least two light sources on a night dive.

#### Recommended (Additional) Dive Equipment

- Chemical (Cyalume) light sticks
- Dive Light with extra batteries or charging source

### WHAT SAFETY EQUIPMENT DO I NEED TO HAVE?

We suggest that you bring your own to ensure compatibility with your personal equipment. The Komodo Dancer has a limited supply available for rental by our guests.

#### Mandatory Surface Safety Equipment For Each Diver

- Dive Alert (Air Horn)
- Inflatable Safety Sausage (redundant)\*
- Personal Mini-Strobe

#### Additional Recommended Surface Safety Equipment

- Whistle
- Signaling Mirror

### ARE DIVE GEAR AND PHOTO/VIDEO GEAR AVAILABLE FOR RENT?

Every Dancer has a limited amount of diving equipment available for rent, so it is critical that you advise our US office staff in advance if you decide you want to rent gear. We offer ScubaPro BCD's with Dive Alerts and ScubaPro regulators. The photo shop offers digital cameras housed in an underwater housing.

### I AM A PHOTOGRAPHER – WHAT CAN I EXPECT

Photo opportunities are abundant and no matter what system you have. Guests who are shooting digital photography may view their images on either of the two computers, a PC and a MAC, we provide in the salon for your use.

Camera Tables: Every Dancer has a camera table built into the dive deck for your use.

Charging Stations: There is a charging station for your use with 110V power available.

Rinse Buckets: There is a "cameras only" rinse bucket for the exclusive use of photographers onboard.

All divers are required to have a buddy with them at all times. When on a drift dive, photographers are expected to stay with the body of the group on their tender. You may move away from the group within reason – providing that the divemaster leading the dive is kept in sight at all times. You will not be permitted to separate from the group or carry your own drift line.

### CAN I FISH OR SPEARFISH?

Fishing and spear fishing are not available. Spear fishing equipment is prohibited onboard the diving yacht.