

Planeta First

Solidarity ecotourism

Bali road trip tour

Three weeks across Bali: Ubud's temples, sunrise on Mount Batur, diving at Tulamben, cycling the Gili Islands and four days with a sea turtle conservation project on Nusa Penida.

Indonesia 3 weeks **From €2,490 per person**

The tour

This three-week road trip takes in the whole of Bali at an unhurried pace. It begins in **Ubud**, the island's cultural heart, with its temples, markets, rice terraces and traditional dance, then heads north to **Lovina**, follows the coast to **Tulamben** and **Amed**, and carries on east to **Padang Bai**.

The second half of the trip is spent by the sea: a few days on the **Gili Islands**, cycling the coastline and snorkelling over the reefs, then a final stop on **Nusa Penida**, where you spend four days with a local sea turtle conservation project. Free afternoons and a free day leave room to explore on your own terms.

It suits travellers who want to see Bali from more than a sun lounger: on foot, by bike and on the water, with local guides and real encounters, well away from mass tourism.

What makes it different

- Sunrise from the top of Mount Batur
- Snorkelling and cycling on all three Gili Islands
- Temples, Jatiluwih rice terraces and Kecak dance around Ubud
- A discover scuba dive on the Liberty wreck at Tulamben
- Four days with a turtle conservation project on Nusa Penida







Day by day

Day 1: Arrival in Ubud

Airport pick-up at the agreed time, transfer to Ubud and check-in. Free time, then dinner.

Day 2: Central Ubud

Visit the Monkey Forest, Ubud Market and Ubud Palace. In the evening, a Kecak dance performance.

Day 3: Tirta Empul and Gunung Kawi

In the morning, a water blessing at Tirta Empul temple and a visit to Gunung Kawi temple. In the afternoon, a coffee plantation, then free time.

Day 4: Cycling from Kintamani

A bike tour starting from Kintamani village. Free afternoon and a film night.

Day 5: Mount Batur

An early-morning hike up the Batur volcano. Balinese massage in the afternoon and a welcome dinner in the evening.

Day 6: Jatiluwih and on to Lovina

The UNESCO-listed Jatiluwih rice terraces, Lake Beratan and Banyumala Waterfall, then transfer to Lovina.

Day 7: Lovina's dolphins

A sunrise boat trip to watch dolphins, with snorkelling. Visit Brahmavihara temple and the hot springs, then a Balinese dance class in the evening.

Day 8: To Tulamben

Transfer to Tulamben and a wild swim at Aling-Aling Waterfall.

Day 9: The Liberty wreck

A discover scuba session from Tulamben beach to see the Liberty wreck, then time to explore the area.

Day 10: Amed

A day in Amed snorkelling in clear water and relaxing on the beach, then free time.

Day 11: To Padang Bai

Transfer to Padang Bai, stopping at the Berina rice terraces and Tirta Gangga water palace.

Day 12: Rafting and Blue Lagoon

White water rafting on the Telaga Waja river, then Blue Lagoon beach.

Day 13: Over to the Gili Islands

Fast boat crossing, check-in and free time. Later on, a bike ride, sunset and the night market.

Day 14: Snorkelling the three Gilis

A boat trip to snorkel the reefs around all three islands, then free time on the beach.

Day 15: Gili Meno and Gili Air by bike

Explore Gili Meno and Gili Air by bicycle, then dinner at sunset.

Day 16: Free day

A day to enjoy the Gilis as you please, then get ready for the final leg.

Day 17: Nusa Penida

Transfer to Sanur and boat to Nusa Penida. Introduction to the sea turtle conservation project and training.

Day 18: With the turtles

A full day on the project, morning and afternoon sessions. Free evening.

Day 19: Crystal Bay

Morning on the project, afternoon at Crystal Bay beach and a bonfire in the evening.

Day 20: Back to the sea

A turtle release in the morning and a snorkelling trip around Nusa Penida in the afternoon.

Day 21: Departure

Breakfast and end of the trip.

The programme may change depending on the weather and local conditions.

On site

Accommodation

Hostel and hotel accommodation along the way: Ubud, Lovina, Tulamben, Padang Bai, the Gili Islands and Nusa Penida.

Meals

Breakfast is included every morning from day 2. Dinner is also included in Ubud and Lovina (days 1 to 7) and on Nusa Penida (days 17 to 20); from Tulamben to the Gilis (days 8 to 16), only breakfast is provided.

Arrival

You arrive at Bali airport on a Sunday and are met at the agreed time, then transferred to Ubud. The trip ends on the Saturday, day 21; the return transfer is not included.

Departures

Several departures a year, to be arranged with the team

Included

- ✓ Airport welcome and transfer
- ✓ Hostel and hotel accommodation
- ✓ Meals as set out in the programme
- ✓ All activities in the programme
- ✓ 24/7 support and supervision
- ✓ A donation to the local project

Not included

- × Flights
- × Travel and repatriation insurance
- × Return transfer

Ready to go?

The Freepackers team arranges your trip and answers your questions, with no commitment.

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Prices and dates are indicative as of 31 October 2026 and confirmed by the team when you enquire.