



Explore Lombok.

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INDONESIA | 5DAYS / 4NIGHTS

Route: Round-trip from and to Bali


Type of tour: Culture and nature

TOUR OVERVIEW

Explore the lush wilds of Lombok over five scintillating days in this island far off the beaten track. Lombok is to Bali what Bali itself is to Indonesia, a magical and remote tropical paradise. If that wasn't exotic enough, Lombok has dozens of glistening gems just a few minutes' boat ride off its coast in the form of the Gili islands, an Eden-like archipelago of unspoiled and pristine islands where there is no motorised transport. Discover Lombok with us, meeting its friendly people and learning about their culture, crossing to the pristine Gili Nanggu to relax in its crystal-clear turquoise waters and then immersing yourself in the misty rainforests of Lombok itself before returning to Bali.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

DURATION: 5 days / 4 nights



Start & finish destination
Denpasar, Bali

Destinations

1. Senggigi, Lombok
2. Gili Nanggu, Lombok

Village life: Visit a traditional Sasak community to meet the island's native people, and then learn about local handcrafts in two other villages

Kuta beach: Relax in the tropical bliss of the white sands of this stunning bay surrounded by nothing but nature

Gili Nanggu: Enjoy a day in this virgin islet of unspoiled beaches and dense palm rainforests – and not a car to be seen

Jungle jaunt: Head inland to visit the Pusuk forests and its monkey inhabitants and behold the majestic Sendang Gile falls

DON'T MISS

Pottery: Lombok is renowned for the quality of its handcrafted pottery and nowhere more so than Banyumulek

Snorkelling: Catch sight of the multicoloured tropical fish and coral in the waters off Gili Nanggu

Spiritual sojourn: Villagers in Bayan practise the Waktu Telu religion, which combines aspect of Islam and Hinduism

DAY BY DAY

DAY 1 | BALI – LOMBOK

A guide will pick you up from your southern Bali hotel and you will be transferred to Denpasar's Ngurah Rai Airport to catch a domestic Garuda Indonesia airlines flight to Lombok. Arrive at Lombok's Bandar Udara Airport, where you will be met and transferred to your selected hotel. On the way to the hotel, the tour guide will brief you on the programme for the coming days.

- **Overnight in Senggigi on a bed-and-breakfast basis.**

DAY 2 | SENGGIGI – SASAK VILLAGE – BANYUMULEK – SUKARARA – SENGGIGI (100km – 3 hrs)

After breakfast at the hotel, depart with the guide to enjoy a full day tour of the island. Lombok is about the same size as Bali but is far less developed and thus maintains a more original feel. The landscape consists of **large palm forests and long stretches of white, sandy beaches** with the gentle waves of the turquoise seas lapping against them. In Lombok, you

will encounter the way the inhabitants have lived since time immemorial. The native islanders are the **Sasak**, and most of them still live in traditional houses called 'sade'. In a typical village, you will see how these houses are designed: they enclose an interior platform raised about a metre off the ground. The dwellings are made from a mixture of clay, dung and straw, which have been polished to a high gloss. The roof is thatch and the walls are made from bamboo or palm leaf ribs. The village also has many of the pile-supported, bonnet-shaped rice barns (lumbungs) which are the symbol of Lombok. After this enchanting visit, continue to **Banyumulek pottery village**. Lombok is famous for its pottery and in Banyumulek you can see first-hand how the pottery is made. The pottery is for everyday use, simple in design, primitive in style and it would make a great souvenir. The village of **Sukarara** is renowned for its weaving, and here traditional **songket cloth is hand woven with gold and silver thread** on simple looms. The helpful local women will happily demonstrate to you how it is done. After these interesting insights into local Lombok culture, it's time to relax in the quiet surroundings of the indescribably beautiful **Kuta beach**, where you can relax on the pristine white sands and enjoy the beautiful tropical scenery before returning to your hotel for the evening. Lunch will be at a local restaurant (optional).

- **Overnight in Senggigi on a bed-and-breakfast basis.**

DAY 3 | SENGGIGI – GILI NANGGU – SENGGIGI (160km – 4 hrs)

Lying off Lombok are dozens of paradisiacal islets, known as the Gilis, which mean 'islands' – and no visit to Lombok is complete without a trip to at least one. So right after you have enjoyed your breakfast, we will depart for a **full day tour to Gili Nanggu**, one of the lesser-known and more secluded of the isles. The brief crossing on an outrigger boat to Gili Nanggu will be from Lembar harbour or the coastal village of Tawun. Gili Nanggu a virgin island, which has been virtually untouched by modernity – **there are no cars or motorbikes**. Dense rainforests cover almost every inch of land that isn't the beach that completely surrounds the isle. The super white sands and the clear turquoise waters will entice you to sunbathe and enjoy a cooling swim. Snorkelling offers you the opportunity to discover the colourful underwater world, with **beautiful corals and tropical fish**. You could not be further removed from everyday life than you are in Gili Nanggu. Lunch will be at a local restaurant (optional). After this unforgettable experience, return to hotel in late afternoon with the rest of the day free.

- **Overnight in Senggigi on a bed-and-breakfast basis.**



DAY 4 | SENSIGGI – PUSUK FOREST – SENDANG GILE WATERFALL – BAYAN – SENSIGGI (215km – 7 hrs)

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before venturing inland to discover the natural beauty of Lombok with a waterfall tour. This programme takes you to explore the majestic mountain scenery in the north of the island. The first visit is in the west, to the **Pusuk forest**, which is inhabited by tame monkeys. Afterwards, continue by the long stretches of white sandy beach towards the **Sendang Gile waterfall**, where you can enjoy the natural scenic beauty and the tranquillity of this unspoiled environment. The last visit brings you to the **Bayan**, a village where the inhabitants still follow a religion called Waktu Telu (in contrast to predominantly Hindu Bali, most of Lombok is Muslim). Waktu Telu is a mixture of Islam and Hindu, which makes this a very **unique and interesting religion**. In the afternoon, you have time at leisure in the hotel. Lunch and dinner at a local restaurants are optional.

- **Overnight in Senggigi on a bed-and-breakfast basis.**

DAY 5 | LOMBOK – BALI

Savour one final breakfast at the hotel before being picked up at hotel lobby at a pre-arranged time by the guide. You will be transferred to Lombok Airport for your return flight to Bali. On arrival, you will be taken to the hotel of your choice to enjoy the rest of your stay.

- **Breakfast included.**

END OF SERVICES

INCLUDED

TOUR GUIDE:

- Local English-speaking guide throughout the tour

ACCOMMODATION:

- Four nights' accommodation in a standard room as indicated in programme

MEALS:

- Daily breakfast at the hotel and cold mineral water

TRANSPORT:

- Air conditioned vehicle and return transfer by boat to Gili Nanggu

ENTRANCE FEES AND ACTIVITIES:

- Donations and admission to attractions and cold face tissues

NOT INCLUDED

- Return airfares for Bali to Lombok with Garuda Indonesia airlines for about USD 125.00 per person (price subject to change without prior notice)
- Airport tax
- Optional tours
- Personal account at hotel
- Tips

RECOMMENDATIONS

Comfortable and light clothing is the most suitable for travelling in Indonesia. Visitors should not wear sleeveless shirts, shorts, short skirts or skimpy clothing when visiting places of worship, religious or official buildings. Shoes should be removed before entering a temple or private house. Sun protection, sun glasses, a hat and mosquito repellent can be very useful during your stay.