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West Papua Trek & Orangutans

DEPARTS:
July 11, 2012

COST PER PERSON:
\$5900*

INCLUDES:

- Internal flights and transfers.
- All accommodation: double or twin share (single supplement available on request).
- Most meals (as per itinerary).
- Experienced Canadian guide who has visited and trekked in the Papuan highlands on many occasions.
- Local English speaking guide, cook and porters.
- Village fees, tips, travel permits and entrance fees to the orangutan sanctuaries.

*Note - price is subject to change due to currency fluctuations or increases in flight or other costs.

When you join us on this trip you will experience an unforgettable adventure in a destination rarely visited by Westerners.

The tour commences with a tour of Jakarta then we fly to Borneo (Kalimantan) to enjoy a two-night boat trip up the Sekoyner River where we will see proboscis monkeys and have very special visits with orangutans.

After this we fly to the eastern island of Papua (the western half of Papua New Guinea) and will trek for six days through an incredible, rarely-seen and untouched highland landscape.

Our route follows the trade paths of the villagers who continue a lifestyle unchanged for thousands of years. At night we will camp or stay in guest houses at villages along the track and enjoy the hospitality of people who rarely meet Westerners. A pig feast ceremony will be prepared just for us on our final night on the trek.

This tour will be led by Elizabeth Menzies (right), a world-renowned artist with an abiding love for West Papua. Elizabeth, who lectures on the tribal groups of Papua for the Indonesian Heritage Society, has led 14 travel groups to the island since 2000. Her collected photographs of the region are the subject of her latest exhibition and accompanying book.

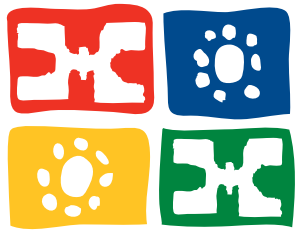
This is a once-in-a-lifetime trip that shouldn't be missed.



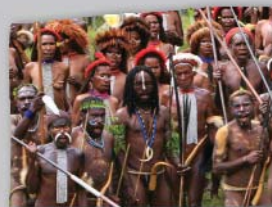
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Itinerary

Date	Activity	Overnight
WED July 11 DAY 1	Arrival into Jakarta and proceed to the hotel. You will be met by your tour leader, Elizabeth Menzies and a pre-trip meeting will be arranged for that evening.	Jakarta hotel
THUR July 12 DAY 2 (B)	Early morning we will depart the hotel by bus (about 8:30 am, after breakfast) and we will visit the Jakarta National Museum. Elizabeth will give us a guided tour lasting about 1.5 hours. After that, we will be heading down to the docks to watch boatmen unload traditional Buginese schooners that have arrived with goods from the outer islands of Indonesia. It will be possible to take a small canoe across the harbour to see a traditional fishing village. Later, depending on the time, we can visit Chinatown where there is a wonderful temple and wet market.	Jakarta hotel
FRI July 13 DAY 3 (B,L,D)	This morning we head to the airport early to catch our flight to Kalimantan. We will arrive shortly before noon. Upon arrival we will meet our local guide and be transported to the waiting boat called a Klotok. Once aboard, we will enjoy lunch and hopefully we will be in time for our first orangutan encounter at Camp Harapan feeding station. Slowly we travel up the river and enjoy the antics of proboscis monkeys along the riverbank. Overnight on-board sleeping under mosquito nets on the remote Sekonyer River.	River boat Kalimantan
SAT July 14 DAY 4 (B,L,D)	After our glorious sleep under the stars, we will visit an early morning feeding at Camp 2, and then slowly travel up the river to Camp Leaky. After lunch on the boat, we will again see another feeding at Camp Leaky as well as tour the information centre. Late afternoon we travel back down the river to wonderful jungle accommodation at Rimba Lodge, where we will overnight. Dinner will be by candlelight on the dock at Rimba Lodge.	Rimba Lodge Kalimantan
SUN July 15 DAY 5 (B,L)	We say goodbye to our wonderful boat crew and return to town and transport to the Orangutan Care Centre. Founded by Dr Birute Galdikas, the Care Centre visit will be a fabulous highlight of your trip. We will visit the forest playgrounds for the young 2-3 year old orphan orangutans and you will learn about rehabilitation. We will spend about 2 hours here, then travel to airport where we take our flight back to Jakarta.	Jakarta hotel
MON July 16 DAY 6 (B)	Free day in Jakarta. Our hotel is located in the central area, very close to a very large shopping mall and other tourist sights. Or you can simply rest at the swimming pool. We will have a late afternoon departure for the airport to catch a 9 pm flight to Papua.	On plane
TUES July 17 DAY 7 (B,L,D)	Our flight arrives early morning to Jayapura and we catch an onward internal flight for 50 minutes to the small town of Wamena located in the Baliem valley. In the afternoon we can spend some time having a nap, or looking around the local market or villages nearby.	Wamena hotel
WED July 18 DAY 8 (B,L,D)	After breakfast at the hotel, we load up all the group, porters and gear and head out by vehicle to Kurima. From Kurima we start by crossing a suspension bridge across the Baliem River and hike up through sweet potato fields, passing some traditional villages along the way. From Dogum to Hitugi the path is quite easy, but long (about 4-5 hours) and the scenery is beautiful. Picnic lunch is served and overnight in Hitugi in village houses.	Village house Hitugi
THUR July 19 DAY 9 (B,L,D)	After breakfast we hike down to Soyokosimo village for about 1.5 hours, passing the Mugi River. Then we trek up again to reach Userem for 3 more hours, passing some traditional villages along the way. The views along the way are spectacular. Picnic lunch is along the way.	Camping Userem
FRI July 20 DAY 10 (B,L,D)	Today we hike up and down for about 2 hours to Lubuk river where we can have a rest and soak our feet in the river. Then we hike another 2 hours up to the hilltop where we have a wonderful view of the valley and then about 1 hour down to Wesagalep village.	Camping Wesagalep
SAT July 21 DAY 11 (B,L,D)	We start off this morning by hiking down about 2 hours to the Baliem River and then cross another suspension bridge. Up again for 2.5 hours to reach Wamarek village where we have dinner and spend the night in tents.	Camping Wamarek
SUN July 22 DAY 12 (B,L,D)	After our breakfast we hike the last 3 hours uphill to Ibiroma village and then it is another easy one hour walk to Klise village. We settle into our huts and have the afternoon to enjoy mixing with the locals, or take another short hike if you would like to do more trekking.	Camping Klise
MON July 23 DAY 13 (B,L)	This morning we enjoy sharing in the pig feast ceremony that the villages will prepare for us. We will see them start fires without matches, and roast the pig and vegetables in pits before we enjoy our pig-feast lunch. After lunch, we will walk back towards Kurima, where we catch our vehicles for the ride back to Wamena.	Wamena hotel
TUES July 24 DAY 14 (B,L)	After breakfast we travel to the airport for our one-hour flight back to Jayapura, the capital city of Papua. We are transported to Lake Sentani and will enjoy a fish lunch at the local lakeside restaurant before taking a short boat ride to visit Ayapo and Assey islands, where traditional bark cloth is made and displayed. Later we drive to Jayapura and visit the Museum of Anthropology before arriving at the splendid Swiss Bell hotel for the evening.	Swiss Bell hotel Jayapura
WED July 25 DAY 15 (B)	After breakfast, we transfer to the airport for our flights onward to either Bali or Jakarta.	End of tour



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Our philosophy

At Icon Adventures we are serious about responsible travel. We aim to respect the culture of the communities we visit and protect the unique environments in which they live. Above all, we want to ensure that your travel experience is unforgettable for all the right reasons.

Our team receives ongoing training to ensure high levels of environmental care. From off-setting carbon emissions to packing-out rubbish, our aim is to minimise the environmental impact of your visit.

We recognise that we have an opportunity to make a positive economic impact on the communities we visit. We always choose locally owned operators/suppliers who employ local people and offer reasonable working conditions and payment to local staff.

Icon Adventures supports a number of outstanding local community projects which promote environmental conservation, education and sustainable economic development.



Extra information

Vaccinations: Please consult your nearest travel doctor for the most up-to-date recommendations for vaccinations for travelling to Indonesia. Your travel doctor may also recommend that you take anti-malarial medication.

Essential items to bring: Comfortable hiking boots, backpack, sleeping bag rated to zero degrees Celcius and sleeping mat. Sunscreen is very important because the clear air of the highlands can quickly lead to sunburn. If you are taking certain anti-malarial tablets, these can make your skin more sensitive to the sun. A broad-brimmed hat is also very important.

Trip difficulty

Papua trekking is medium to difficult in nature. You need to be able to 'rough it' and get off the beaten path. Generally trekking will be no more than six hours per day with some steep sections to negotiate.

Accommodation during the Papua section will be simple hotels in the towns and tenting on the trek (tents are provided).

Kalimantan will be a combination of sleeping under mosquito nets on the boat on a remote river and one night at a Jungle lodge.

No hiking skills needed for Kalimantan section.

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Booking form

To secure your spot on the West Papua Trek & Orangutans commencing on July 11, 2012 please complete this form and fax it to: **07 3103 4606**

Or post to: **Icon Adventures, PO Box 1121, Toowoomba QLD, 4350**

For booking information or specific enquiries about this itinerary, please contact **Chris Ramsey on 0439 208 303.**



A percentage of profits from this tour goes to our local projects

- West Papua Trek & Orangutans @ \$5900* per person (twin share)**
- Please advise me of single supplement options**

PASSENGER 1

PASSENGER 2

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HOME ADDRESS

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EMAIL
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EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER

SIGNED: PASSENGER 1 PASSENGER 2
DATE

Please send your deposit of \$1500 per person to secure your booking

Payment options (please tick preferred option):

- Cheque:** Please make cheques payable to Discover Africa (postal address is at the top of this form).
- Direct deposit:** Discover Africa Icon, BSB: 013 533, account number: 480 560 778 (ANZ, Bendigo). Please use your surname and the code WP0712 as the reference when making a direct deposit.
- Credit card:** We accept credit card payments over the phone. Please call Laura on 0423 204 551 (a small fee applies).

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