



RAJA4DIVERS

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# TRAVEL TIPS

## GENERAL

**Vaccinations:** There are no recommended vaccinations for Indonesia but please consult your doctor for advice.

**Money:** IDR (Indonesian Rupiahs) are required for travel money, excess baggage charges, National Park entrance fees, dinner in Sorong at the end of your stay and other personal expenses.  
You can order IDR at your bank or change cash into IDR with a money changer in the international arrivals hall at the airport.  
Please note: There is NO exchange bureau in Sorong!  
At the resort all prices are in Euro.  
You can settle your bill in Euro, USD, CHF or IDR.  
**Please note that unfortunately we are not able to accept payment by credit card or traveller's cheques at the resort.**

### Indonesian Immigration Laws:

Indonesia has abolished the paid visa on arrival at almost all international airports for residents of most countries. This means that citizens of these countries can remain in Indonesia for 30 days without a visa. Please find detailed information on Indonesian immigration laws [here](#).  
Your passport must be valid until at least 6 months after your departure from Indonesia.

**Hand luggage:** Please carry a pullover or warm jacket in your hand luggage. It can be very cold in the air-conditioned airports and on domestic flights - don't risk CATCHING A COLD!

**Luggage:** It's always a good idea to label and lock your check-in luggage items.

## TIME

To benefit from more daylight, we have our own 'island time' on Pulau Pef, so the sun only sets at 7.30pm instead of 6.30pm.

### PULAU PEF – TIME:

**GMT +10**



<b>Eastern Indonesian time:</b>	<b>GMT +9</b>	Sorong, Ambon, Raja Ampat
<b>Central Indonesian time:</b>	<b>GMT +8</b>	Ujung Pandang (Makassar) Bali, Manado, Singapore
<b>Western Indonesian time:</b>	<b>GMT +7</b>	Jakarta

## OUTWARD JOURNEY

### **Jakarta**

- Friday and early Saturday:
- Arrival at Jakarta International airport, passport control, baggage collection.
  - Possible change of terminal for the onward journey to Sorong. Transfer between terminals by sky train, taxi or bus takes about 15 minutes.
  - We recommend you book a hotel room if you have several hours in Jakarta. It feels good to take a break from your journey, rest and have a shower.

FM7 Hotel Jakarta: The FM7 Hotel Jakarta is located about 15 minutes from the international airport (depending on traffic). The hotel shuttle is free of charge and can be booked in advance.

To return to the airport, please book your shuttle or taxi at the reception. [www.fm7hotel.com](http://www.fm7hotel.com) or [www.agoda.com](http://www.agoda.com)

- **Check-in two hours prior to departure**

Please note:

Construction work is currently being carried out at Jakarta airport which is why arrival and departure terminals may change at short notice. Please consult one of the information desks regarding the current situation, as well as the location of the sky train or transfer bus.

### **Ujung Pandang, Makassar**

- Friday/early Saturday:
- Arrival at the international airport in Ujung Pandang/Makassar, passport control, baggage collection
  - We recommend you book a hotel room if you have several hours in Ujung Pandang/Makassar. It feels good to take a break from your journey, rest and have a shower.

Ibis Budget Hotel: the Ibis Budget Hotel is located directly outside the arrivals hall on the right-hand side. It offers simple rooms with a shower and a toilet: [Ibis Hotel](#)

- **Check-in two hours prior to departure**

Please note:

Announcements are typically difficult to understand in the airport building and departure gates may change at the last minute, so keep an eye on the monitors. For more detailed information, ask one of the airport staff to make sure you are at the correct gate.

### **Manado**

There is no hotel at Manado airport but there are some nearby. Please arrange your own hotel bookings, wake-up calls and check the latest international flight information.

- **Check-in two hours prior to departure**

## Arrival in Sorong

- Luggage:** After picking up your luggage in Sorong, the baggage is collected by representatives of Raja4Divers and taken to the transfer boat at the harbour.
- Money:** There is no exchange bureau in Sorong. You will find ATMs at the airport. Please note that only limited amounts can be withdrawn.
- Breakfast:** Representatives of Raja4Divers will accompany you to the hotel by taxi where an extensive breakfast buffet awaits you. You will then be transferred from the hotel to the harbour around 10am.
- Boat transfer:** The boat trip from Sorong to Pulau Pef takes approx 3.5 hours, depending on weather conditions. Water and small snacks are provided on board and there are mats to sleep on if you would like to take a rest.

### Please note:

The Raja4Divers transfer boat to Pulau Pef will wait until 12pm at the latest in the case of delayed flights, which according to the flight timetable, should have landed before 9.30am.

In case of flight cancellations or longer delays, you will have to organise a private boat transfer or take the next ferry to Waisai (capital of Raja Ampat), from where Raja4Divers can pick you up at the charge of € 450 per boat.

We therefore recommend a good travel insurance!



## RETURN JOURNEY

- Friday afternoon:**
- The boat transfer from Pulau Pef to Sorong is scheduled for approx. 3pm (after lunch). You will be transferred directly to the hotel in Sorong for an overnight stay. Room, breakfast buffet and airport transfers are included the rate. Please note that dinner is not included.
- Saturday morning:**
- Transfer to the airport Sorong by Raja4Divers.

## PACKING LIST

<b>Airport</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> You will need at least one completely empty page in your passport for the visa stamp. <input type="checkbox"/> Your passport must be valid until at least 6 months after your departure from Indonesia. <input type="checkbox"/> Extra IDR cash for excess baggage charges. Depending on the airline, route and aircraft type, the rate will be up to IDR 350,000 per kilo excess luggage. The stipulated allowance is usually 20 kg, sometimes only 10 kg per person. It is always worth mentioning that you are carrying dive equipment. Depending on the airline, a part or even the entire dive luggage will be transported without surcharge.
<b>Resort</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In order to register you with the local authorities, we will need your passport and <b>2 passport</b> pictures on your arrival at the resort. <input type="checkbox"/> IDR 1,000,000 per person in cash for the National Park fee unless you have a valid tag from a previous trip. This will be organised by the resort. <input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries (shampoo, soap and insect repellent are provided by the resort), medication, e.g. broad-spectrum antibiotics, painkillers, anti-diarrhoeal, laxatives, antihistamine, decongestant, antibiotic ointment, rehydration sachets, hydrocortisone cream, cold & flu medication, swimmer's ear drops, antibiotic eye drops, antimalarial if required. <input type="checkbox"/> Camera, binoculars, head torch, laptop & peripherals, coral-friendly sunscreen (available at the island store), hat, light waterproof windbreaker for occasional rain showers, flip-flops and sturdy walking shoes/sandals. <input type="checkbox"/> EUR, IDR, USD or CHF in cash for souvenirs, rental gear, alcoholic beverages and other drinks at the Pef bar – to be paid <b>in cash</b> at the resort at the end of your stay
<b>Diving / Snorkelling</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Dive/snorkel gear. Limited rental stock: please notify us at the time of booking if you wish to rent equipment. <input type="checkbox"/> For your own convenience, we recommend you bring your own soft gear (wetsuit, mask, snorkel, fins and booties). <input type="checkbox"/> Our aluminium tanks are DIN-tanks with INT adaptors – no need to bring your own adaptor. <input type="checkbox"/> A dive certification card is mandatory for all certified divers. An Enriched Air Certification card is mandatory for all divers using Nitrox. <input type="checkbox"/> A letter of clearance from your hyperbaric doctor if you are over 65 years of age, have previously experienced DCS (decompression sickness) or suffer from an illness with a potential influence on diving. <input type="checkbox"/> A diving insurance covering an emergency evacuation is mandatory for all divers. Please bring your insurance card or any other document of proof. <input type="checkbox"/> Spare diving items, batteries and chargers.

And if you find a bit of space in your suitcase, we would be very grateful for some 'firewater' for our Pef Bar: Sapphire Gin, Jack Daniels, Campari, Pernod etc. from the duty-free shop. It goes without saying that we will reimburse you for your expenses.

Wines and spirits are very difficult to find in our part of Indonesia and/or are extremely expensive. But with the help of our guests we can offer reasonable prices at the Pef Bar.

The limit to import alcohol is 1 litre per person, regardless of the alcoholic content. Please note there is no duty-free shop at the arrival in Indonesia.

Tasty salami, a piece of cheese, chocolate and strong 110l dustbin bags (no joke) are always very welcome too.



## CONTACT INFORMATION

While there is no mobile phone signal on Pulau Pef, the team on the island can be reached by e-mail via satellite internet at [resort@raja4divers.com](mailto:resort@raja4divers.com).

Here are the addresses and telephone numbers of Raja4Divers in Sorong:

### Raja4Divers Sorong Office

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English - Doris:  
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[info\\_de@raja4divers.com](mailto:info_de@raja4divers.com)

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[info\\_fr@raja4divers.com](mailto:info_fr@raja4divers.com)

The Raja4Divers team is looking forward to welcoming you soon on the jetty of Pulau Pef.



## Sampai jumpa

[www.raja4divers.com](http://www.raja4divers.com)



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