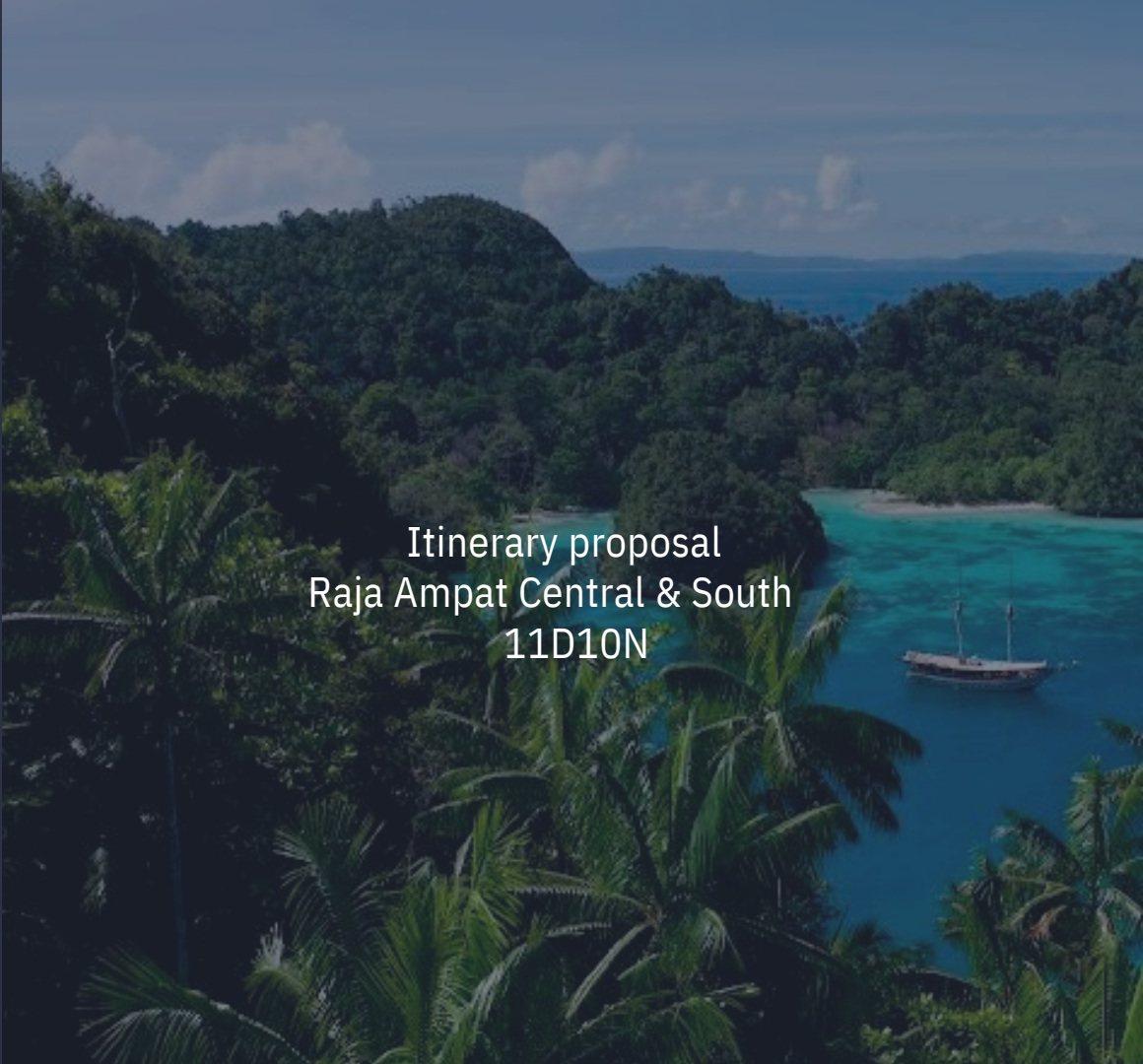


A scenic photograph of a tropical bay, likely in Raja Ampat, Indonesia. The water is a vibrant turquoise color, and a small sailboat is visible in the distance. The surrounding land is covered in dense, lush green tropical forest, with palm trees prominent in the foreground. The sky is a clear, pale blue with a few wispy clouds.

Itinerary proposal
Raja Ampat Central & South
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Day 1 : Embarking Sorong

Be picked up at your hotel or Sorong Airport and settle into your yacht that you will be calling home for the next few days. We will begin our cruise south towards one of the most preserved part of Raja Ampat, Misool, where the marine biodiversity is uncommon with some of the highest concentrations in the world.



Day 2 : Daram Islands

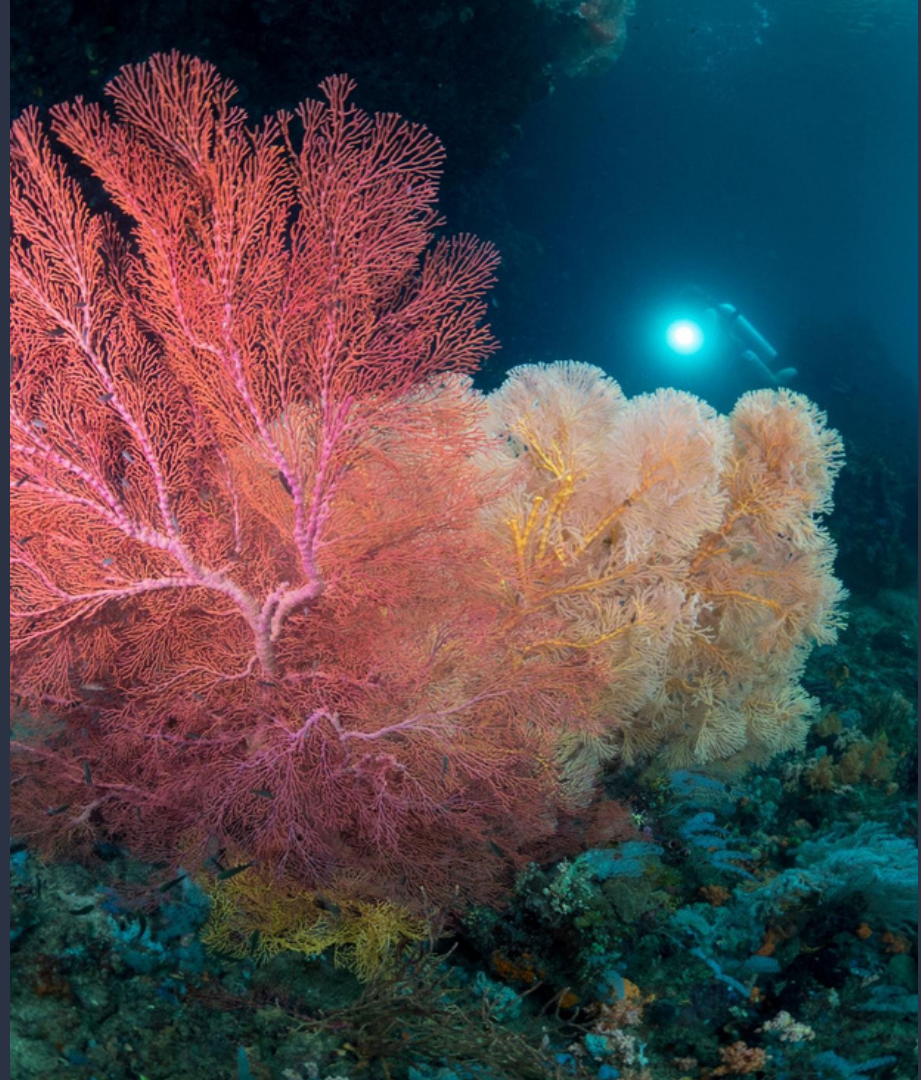
The Daram Islands are the easternmost island group in the Misool area. Thanks to a strict no-fishing policy, you will be able to see some of the most impressive sea fan forests and soft corals known to the world. With easy snorkeling and diving, sites such as Andiamo or Candy Store are truly psychedelic underwater wonderlands where barracudas gliding above the pygmy seahorses are a common sight.



Day 3 : South-East Misool

Swim round the famous dive sites of Fiabacet with some of the highest concentrations of biodiversity in the world, a true story of successful conservation, thanks to the talented and friendly local park rangers who are happy to meet you on the white sandy beaches of Yillet Island. At high tide, you may encounter the local population of juvenile black tip sharks.

South East Misool is one of these extremely rare places where dreams and reality merge, with scenery as lush and dramatic above the water as below.



Day 4 : Wayil & Surroundings

Feel the love around you after climbing to get a bird's eye view of the famous heart-shaped blue lagoon encircled by the vibrant coral reefs. After this excursion you will have the opportunity to take a speed boat tour, your snorkel or your kayak to get lost in the maze of rocks and channels of Wayil Islands.

Here lie some of the most iconic and lush dive sites of Raja Ampat: Wedding Cake, Four Kings or Neptune's Fantasea. End your day with your flashlight on to explore the dark side of the reef: night dive or snorkeling session!



Day 5 : Balbulol & Farondi

Misool North Eastern line of islands is a natural labyrinth made of cone-shaped rocks, sheer cliffs and hidden pools. At the right time of year, you may enjoy a truly exhilarating experience by swimming in one of the inner lagoons that hosts up to thousands of stingless jellyfish, offering fantastic photo opportunities for undersea photo lovers.

You will also be able to explore the above and underwater caves of the area where nudibranchs, rare mollusks and crustaceans crawl on the rich soft coral cover. In the afternoon, your dedicated crew will arrange a tour in one of the numerous labyrinthic limestone caves of Misool area, antequely hosting local rituals.



Day 6 : Piaynemo

At this Western tip of Central Raja Ampat, discover Keruo Channel and Melissa's Garden, where you can observe the most impressive shallow coral gardens on the planet.

In between dives, you can also enjoy surface activities like kayaking, or walk up to the top of the hill above the Star Lagoon and look down on its hundreds of limestone rocks.

Some hidden rock-pools are just waiting for you to float in them - sheer heaven!



Day 7 : North Batanta

The northern shores of Batanta are full of small seamounts with exceptional diving, some with busy Manta rays cleaning stations, others with large colonies of Bumphead parrotfish.

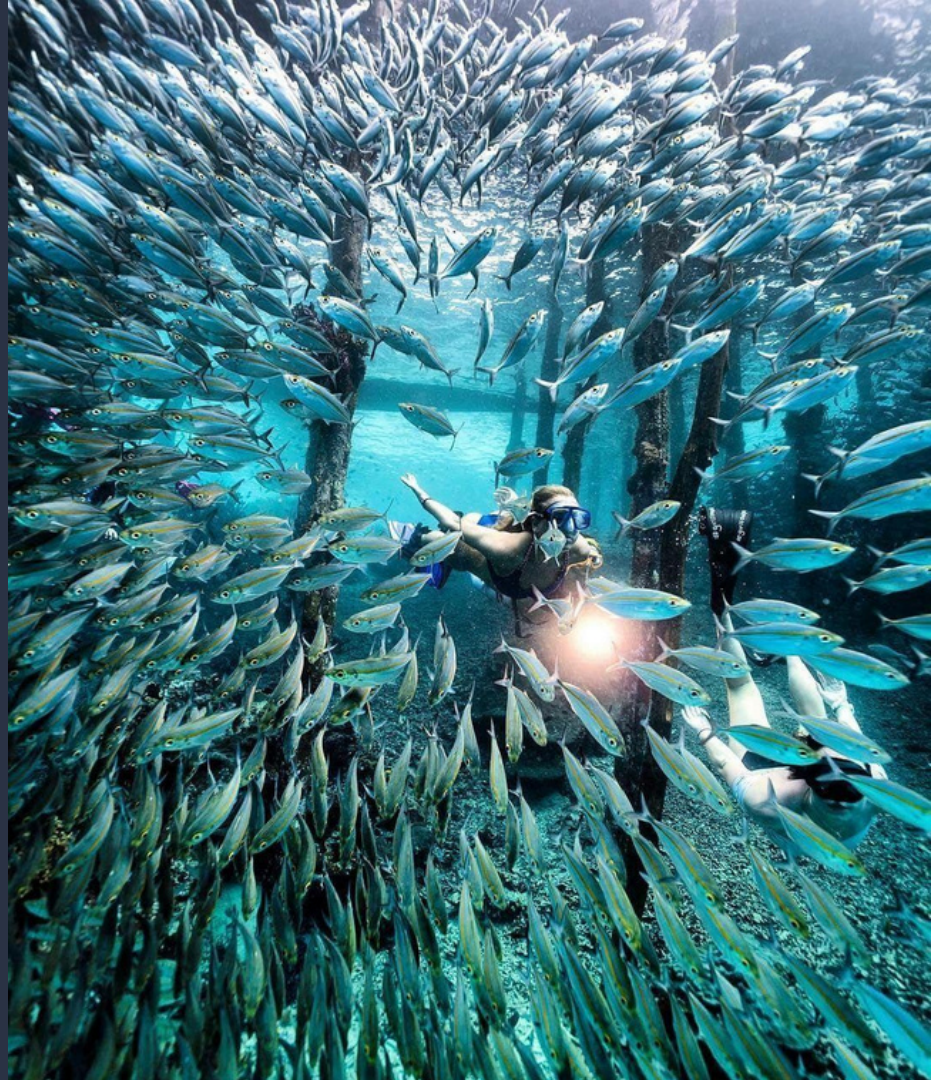
Just a few miles away, witness history in the form of a well barnacled WW2 Japanese aircraft which plunged in 30m of water 75 years ago. Relax on the deck at sunset as you sail to Central Raja Ampat and the Dampier Strait.



Day 8 : The Dampier Strait

Wake up and visit Arborek a pretty Papuan village and experience some world-class snorkeling under their jetty, while probably being watched by some of the local smiling children! You will then have the opportunity to swim and relax on a white sand bank, the perfect spot for a souvenir photo shoot !

During the afternoon, you will enjoy Manta Sandy cleaning station and then head to Sawandarek Jetty, another spectacular snorkeling site in the area. Schools of snappers, sweetlips, jacks, barracudas, bumphead can often be seen just under the jetty!



Day 9 : Cape Kri & Birds of Paradise

An early wake up and a short hike would allow you to witness the mating ritual of rare endemic Red Birds of Paradise. After breakfast, you will snorkel or dive at Cape Kri, surrounded by turtles, sharks, parrotfishes and many more. Heading back South, you will relax on the upper deck as you head toward Pulau Wai. There, you will have the chance to dive a WW2 plane wreck or glide with the resident Manta Rays.

For the adventure seekers, we propose a short boat ride and hike to a local waterfall hidden in the jungle, before your last dinner under the stars.



Day 10 : Kalibiru & The Waterfalls

In the early morning, you will sail east to Mayalibit Bay. A short speedboat ride will take you through the lush Papuan jungle all the way to 'Kali Biru' – a natural spring where you can bathe in crystal freshwater, surrounded by the incredible nature of the bay - well protected by its local and dedicated community. You will therefore enjoy a small waterfall hidden in the jungle with 3 different levels, the perfect and safe place to explore with kids.

After this experience, you will spend the rest of the afternoon on the island of Mioskon where it's not rare to see fruit bats flying at sunset. Later that evening, you will sail back to Sorong to arrive early morning.



Day 11 : Sorong & Farewells

After your last delicious breakfast and bidding farewells, our crew will arrange your transfer to your hotel or airport and your return trip back home, your head filled with unforgettable memories of the trip of a lifetime.

