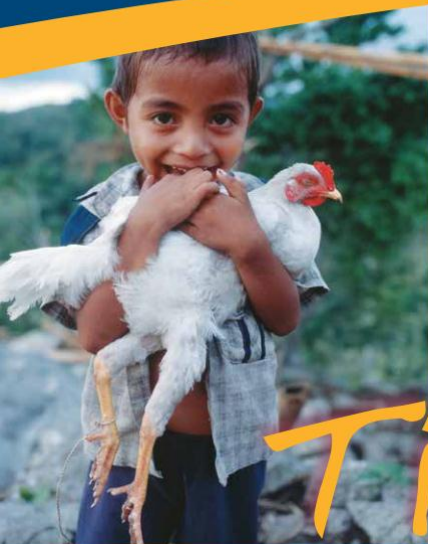


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Timor-Leste

8 DAY MAGICAL NATURE OF TIMOR-LESTE

You will encounter through the untouched natural beauty of Timor-Leste, starting with discovering Timor's second largest city, Baucau. The city has many old Portuguese buildings, traditional markets and unspoilt beaches. Take a boat ride to seek the rich marine birdlife and if you are lucky be followed by a pod of dolphins. The journey takes you also to Venilale as well as the beautiful hot springs of Vaicano.

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DAY 1 Singapore – Dili – Baucau (D)

14.15hrs Upon arrival at Nicolau Lobato International Airport, be met by our Island Explorer staff and proceed to Baucau, Timor-Leste's second largest city. The 3 hour drive offers spectacular views of the coastline and rugged cliffs. The city has many old Portuguese buildings, traditional markets and unspoilt beaches. The climate is cool and pleasant.

OVERNIGHT Eco Lodge.

DAY 2 Baucau – Venilale – Loi Hunu (B/D)

08.00hrs Breakfast at the eco lodge.
09.00hrs The morning begins with a boat tour to see the rich marine birdlife of the Baucau coast where there will be an opportunity for you to see dolphins and snorkel or swim in crystal clear ocean water. After lunch, continue with a brief introductory tour of Baucau before continuing the drive to Venilale (28km south of Baucau), where you will see Japanese bomb shelter tunnels dug by the locals during WWII. Next stop is Vaicana Hot Springs about 8km from Venilale.

17.00hrs Expected to arrive at Loi Hunu, check in at the lodge.

OVERNIGHT Wailakurini lodge.

DAY 3 Loi Hunu (B/D)

08.00hrs Breakfast at the hotel.
Request the lodge to prepare a packed lunch (at own expense).
Your journey commences with exploring Lekirika Mana Cave at Bui Lo Mountain (2 hours up and 1,5 hours down). At the entrance, there are about 14 caves altogether structured in two levels. Local villagers believe that the caves have an extension a few kilometres along the Bui Lo mountain range. Please bring torch light as it's extremely dark inside the cave.

OVERNIGHT Wailakurini lodge.

DAY 4 Loi Hunu (B/D)

08.00hrs After breakfast, easy trek to spectacular waterfall. Afternoon attend traditional cooking lesson.

OVERNIGHT Wailakurini lodge.

DAY 5 Lou Hunu – Viqueque – Com (B)

09.00hrs Depart to Viqueque the largest stronghold of the Fretilin political party, learn the struggle of the locals from Viqueque from our guide.

The tour continues with a stop at the Ira Bere waterfall at Uato Carbau before continuing on to Com.

OVERNIGHT Com.

DAY 6 Com – Jaco Island (B)

07.00hrs Breakfast at the hotel.
08.00hrs After breakfast depart to Tutuala passing through several large villages and numerous tombs line the roadside, identified with sacrificial totems of buffalo horns. Catch a glimpse of the local spirit house where the community gathers. Stop at the Portuguese Poussada before a short trek to the famous rock paintings - Ilikere-kere dating back 3,500 years (25min trek). Take a trip to beautiful and pristine Jaco Island on an outrigger. Late afternoon head back to Tutuala Beach.

OVERNIGHT Tutuala.

DAY 7 Tutuala – Dili (B)

08.00hrs Breakfast at the Lodge.
10.00hrs Return to Dili.
OVERNIGHT Hotel in Dili.

DAY 8 Dili – Singapore (B)

07.00hrs Breakfast at the hotel.
08.30hrs Prior to your departure to Singapore, experience the Dili City Tour. The tour begins with a stop at the Jesus Statue (Cristorae) located atop Cape Fatucama on the eastern tip of Dili. Then drive pass the Palacio de Governo, Casa Europa, Motael Church, the Farol Lighthouse, Cathedral of Immaculate Conception, the Presidential Palace and a short stop at the Tais market. Continue the tour to visit Tasitolu Peace Park, where the three salt lakes are being established as a park and reserve. The final stop is the Pope John Paul II monument sitting remarkably high offering a peaceful view of the area. This statue commemorates his visit to Timor-Leste in October 1984.
12.30hrs Transfer to airport for your departure flight to Singapore.

NOTE TO TRAVELLER:

It is most important to be flexible, stay positive and willing to accept all challenges that arise. In developing countries remote area, please do not compare with the standards you are used to back home. The trek to the rock painting - Ilikere-kere although short it's quite challenging as it's very steep. Ensure proper comfortable shoes and bring plenty of drinking water.

The drive especially from Viqueque to Uato Carbau via Beacu is very challenging. There are deep river crossings that become impossible during rainy season. The guide will decide if it's safe to continue the journey or drive via north coast to Com.

Prepare yourself to experience the very basic things of life!!

PACKING LIST

Clothing:

- ✓ T shirt / light short sleeve shirt
- ✓ 1 light jacket
- ✓ Socks
- ✓ Long / quarter pants
- ✓ Poncho
- ✓ Swimming costume
- ✓ Trekking shoes/boots

Equipment:

- ✓ Torch light
- ✓ Camera
- ✓ Batteries for camera/small electronic
- ✓ Travel adaptor
- ✓ Beach mat

Miscellaneous:

- ✓ Hat

- ✓ Sunglasses
- ✓ Sunblock
- ✓ Insect repellent
- ✓ Lip balm
- ✓ Medicine
- ✓ Personal hygiene items
- ✓ Water container
- ✓ Towel & toiletries