

FROM CAPITAL TO COAST: JAKARTA TO UBUD

14 DAYS / 13 NIGHTS



I. HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore the dynamic capital city of Jakarta, where you'll visit historical sites, museums, and monuments, gaining insights into Indonesia's rich heritage and diverse culture.
- Experience the awe-inspiring beauty of Yogyakarta's ancient temples, including the magnificent Candi Borobudur and the majestic Prambanan Temple complex, both UNESCO World Heritage sites.
- Witness the magical sunrise over the otherworldly landscape surrounding Mount Bromo, one of Indonesia's most iconic and breathtaking natural wonders. Experience the thrill of exploring this active volcano and its surrounding sea of sand.
- Immerse yourself in the artistic and spiritual heartland of Bali in Ubud, where you'll discover vibrant markets, ancient temples, and lush rice terraces. Experience the unique charm and tranquility of this cultural hub, surrounded by breathtaking natural beauty.

II. ITINERARY

DAY 1

Welcome to Jakarta

Welcome to Indonesia! Upon your arrival at Jakarta's bustling Soekarno-Hatta International Airport, our friendly representative will be there to greet you. Enjoy a comfortable transfer to your hotel, allowing you to relax and unwind after your journey. As you settle into your accommodation, take in the sights and sounds of this vibrant city, known for its rich history, diverse culture, and bustling streets.

DAY 2

Jakarta to Bogor

Today, embark on an immersive exploration of Jakarta, Indonesia's dynamic capital city. Begin your day with a scenic drive past some of Jakarta's most iconic landmarks, including the majestic National Monument and the historic Presidential Palace. Dive into the depths of Indonesian history and culture with a visit to the National Museum (please note: closed on Mondays), where you'll discover a treasure trove of artifacts and exhibits showcasing the nation's heritage.

In the afternoon, venture north to the charming city of Bogor, nestled amidst lush greenery and rolling hills. Along the way, soak in the picturesque scenery as you pass through quaint villages and verdant landscapes. Upon arrival in Bogor, check into your hotel and unwind from your journey, ready to explore more of West Java's beauty tomorrow.

DAY 3

Botanical Garden and Tea Plantations in Puncak

Wake up to the tranquil ambiance of Bogor and prepare for a day of natural wonders and cultural discoveries. Begin your morning with a visit to the renowned Bogor Botanical Garden, one of the oldest and most extensive botanical gardens in Southeast Asia. Stroll through lush pathways lined with exotic flora and fauna, immersing yourself in the beauty of nature.

After exploring the botanical garden, embark on a scenic drive to the picturesque Puncak highland, renowned for its breathtaking tea plantations and cool mountain air. Wind your way through emerald-green tea fields, pausing to admire the sweeping vistas of rolling hills and mist-covered mountains. As the day draws to a close, return to Bogor and relax in the comfort of your hotel, reflecting on the day's adventures.

DAY 4

Exploring Bandung's Natural Wonders

Embark on an early morning journey to Ciwidey, a charming hill town renowned for its natural beauty. Ascend through winding roads flanked by lush forests to reach Situ Patenggang, a serene lake nestled amidst rolling hills. Marvel at the tranquil waters and lush surroundings, soaking in the peaceful ambiance of this hidden gem. Continuing your adventure, visit Kawah Putih, a stunning crater lake with surreal turquoise waters and volcanic landscapes. Explore the otherworldly terrain before returning to Bandung for cultural experiences, including traditional puppet theatres and vibrant markets. Immerse yourself in the historic charm of Braga and Asia Africa before retiring to your hotel for the night.

DAY 5

Train Journey to Yogyakarta

Bid farewell to Bandung as you embark on an enchanting train journey to Yogyakarta, a city steeped in history, culture, and tradition. Board the executive train and settle into your comfortable seat as you traverse the scenic landscapes of Java, passing through lush countryside, quaint villages, and majestic mountains.

Arrive in Yogyakarta and be greeted by the warm hospitality of this charming city. Check into your hotel and take some time to relax and rejuvenate after your journey. With the remainder of the day at your leisure, you'll have the opportunity to explore Yogyakarta's vibrant streets, bustling markets, and historic landmarks at your own pace.

DAY 6

Borobudur Temple and Cultural Heritage

Begin your day with a visit to Borobudur, the largest Buddhist temple in the world and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Marvel at its intricate stone carvings and towering stupas as you explore its terraces and galleries. Continue your cultural journey with visits to the nearby temples of Mendut and Pawon, each offering its own unique insights into Indonesia's rich history and heritage.

DAY 7

Discovering Yogyakarta's Royal Heritage

Embark on a fascinating exploration of Yogyakarta's royal heritage. Hop aboard a traditional becak (rickshaw) for a leisurely ride to the Keraton, or Royal Palace, where you can stroll through its elegant courtyards and learn about Javanese culture and history. Continue your journey to the Tamansari Water Castle, an enchanting complex of gardens, pools, and pavilions once used by the sultan and his concubines. Afterward, delve into the art of batik making and visit the majestic Prambanan temple complex, a masterpiece of Hindu architecture.

DAY 8

Train Journey to Bromo

Embark on a scenic train journey from Yogyakarta to Mojokerto, where you'll be greeted by stunning views of Java's countryside. From there, continue your adventure by car as you travel through picturesque landscapes of rolling hills and lush forests to reach the majestic Mount Bromo. Along the way, soak in the beauty of Java's heartland, passing through quaint villages and fertile farmlands.

DAY 9

Sunrise at Mt. Bromo and Journey to Kalibaru

Rise before dawn for an unforgettable sunrise experience at Mount Bromo. Travel by jeep to the rim of the Tengger Caldera and witness the first light of day illuminating the breathtaking landscape below. Afterward, return to your hotel for breakfast before setting out on a scenic drive to Kalibaru. Along the way, enjoy lunch at a local restaurant and take in the sights and sounds of Java's countryside.

DAY 10

Cultural Immersion and Transfer to Ubud

Immerse yourself in the rich cultural traditions of Kalibaru with visits to local coffee, clove, and cacao plantations. Learn about the traditional methods of processing these crops and enjoy a demonstration of traditional dances performed by local children. Afterward, embark on a scenic ferry crossing from Java to Bali, where you'll continue your journey to the cultural heart of Ubud.

DAY 11

Relaxation in Ubud

Enjoy a leisurely day, exploring its charming streets, vibrant markets, and lush landscapes. Take a stroll through the town center, visit local art galleries, or relax at a traditional Balinese spa. Whether you choose to immerse yourself in cultural experiences or simply unwind amidst the natural beauty of Ubud, you're sure to find plenty of opportunities for relaxation and rejuvenation.

DAY 12

Exploring Ubud's Cultural Heritage

Delve deeper into Ubud's rich cultural heritage with visits to ancient temples, traditional markets, and local artisan workshops. Explore the intricately carved stone temples of Goa Gajah and Gunung Kawi, or wander through the vibrant stalls of the Ubud Art Market. In the afternoon, take part in a traditional Balinese cooking class or enjoy a scenic rice terrace walk, soaking in the beauty of Bali's countryside.

DAY 13

Farewell in Ubud

Your journey through Indonesia concludes today. Spend your final morning in Ubud at your leisure, exploring the town's attractions or simply soaking up the laid-back atmosphere. If you wish to extend your stay in Ubud, we can arrange additional accommodation. Departure transfers are provided for those returning home.

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Tour extensions: pre-tour or post-tour extensions are available, which would include accommodation and private transfers, please speak to Focus Asia travel consultant for further details.
