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Cruise Details

Name:	Discover the Heart of the Pacific
Reference:	EMERALD2T08051028-2
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Xara
Regions:	Pacific
Departs On:	05 Oct 28
Departs From:	Darwin, Northern Territory
Arrives On:	28 Oct 28
Arrives At:	Port Moresby
Cruise Nights:	23
Total Vacation Days:	24

Itinerary

Day 1: Darwin, Northern Territory (Australia)

Your adventure begins in Darwin, the tropical capital and gateway to the Northern Territory. Here you'll board your luxury Emerald yacht and set sail to explore the captivating waters of Indonesia. Please book your flight to arrive into Darwin prior to 02:00 PM.

Arrives On: 05 Oct 28

Day 3: Kai Islands (Indonesia)

Welcome to the Kai Islands. Known for their powdery white sand, considered to be some of the softest in the world, and crystal-clear turquoise waters, the Kai Islands offer an idyllic tropical setting with a sense of remoteness and untouched beauty.

Arrives On: 07 Oct 28

Day 4: Triton Bay (Indonesia)

Part of the Coral Triangle, Triton Bay is a remote and largely untouched paradise celebrated for its extraordinary marine biodiversity and dramatic coastal scenery. Towering limestone karsts rise from calm, protected waters, while beneath the surface lies a thriving ecosystem of vibrant coral gardens and abundant marine species. Its isolation enhances the sense of discovery, offering a rare glimpse into one of Indonesia’s most pristine underwater worlds.

Arrives On: 08 Oct 28

Day 5: Pulau Koon (Indonesia)

Pulau Koon is a secluded island sanctuary surrounded by some of the healthiest coral reefs in the region. Crystal-clear waters reveal a kaleidoscope of marine life, from colourful reef fish to larger pelagic species. With its untouched beaches and tranquil atmosphere, the island embodies a sense of pure remoteness, where nature remains largely undisturbed.

Arrives On: 09 Oct 28

Day 6: Fak Fak, Irian Jaya (Indonesia)

Fak Fak is a regional coastal town in West Papua that serves as an important gateway to the surrounding islands and coastal areas. Primarily a centre for local administration and trade, it offers insight into everyday life in Indonesia’s eastern provinces. As a stop along your immersive journey, Fak Fak provides a sense of regional context and continuity as you sail toward the remote natural highlights of Raja Ampat.

Arrives On: 10 Oct 28

Day 7: Misool, Raja Ampat (Indonesia)

Misool is one of the crown jewels of Raja Ampat, renowned for its labyrinth of limestone karsts, hidden lagoons and dazzling turquoise waters. Beneath the surface lies one of the richest marine ecosystems on Earth, with pristine coral reefs teeming with life. The archipelago’s remote location and protected status contribute to its reputation as a world-class destination for both natural beauty and biodiversity.

Arrives On: 11 Oct 28

Day 8: Raja Ampat Islands (Indonesia)

Pulau Penamu is famed for its elevated viewpoints that reveal sweeping panoramas of Raja Ampat’s iconic karst seascape. From above, clusters of jungle-covered islets rise dramatically from luminous blue waters, creating one of the region’s most unforgettable vistas. The island’s rugged terrain and grand outlooks make it a highlight for appreciating the scale and beauty of this remote

archipelago.

Arrives On: 12 Oct 28

Day 9: Raja Ampat Islands (Indonesia)

Wayag stands as the visual icon of Raja Ampat, where dramatic limestone formations scatter across crystal-clear waters in a breathtaking natural display. Its panoramic viewpoints offer sweeping vistas of verdant islets and winding lagoons, often regarded as among the most spectacular in Indonesia. The sense of scale and untouched beauty here defines the essence of the region.

Arrives On: 13 Oct 28

Day 10: Raja Ampat Islands (Indonesia)

Wofoh Island offers a serene and intimate setting within Raja Ampat, surrounded by shallow turquoise lagoons and vibrant coral reefs. Its calm, clear waters and quiet beaches create a peaceful atmosphere, ideal for experiencing the natural harmony of this remote island environment.

Arrives On: 14 Oct 28

Day 11: Kri Island (Indonesia)

Situated at the heart of Raja Ampat’s biodiversity hotspot, Kri is known for its exceptionally rich marine life and thriving coral ecosystems. The surrounding waters are among the most species-rich on the planet, with an abundance of reef fish and pristine coral formations just below the surface, making it a true highlight of the region.

In the afternoon, visit Gam Island, a dense tropical jungle with flourishing coral reefs, creating a diverse and immersive natural environment. The island is home to unique wildlife and offers a strong sense of remoteness, where lush landscapes meet vibrant underwater ecosystems in one of Raja Ampat’s most captivating settings.

Arrives On: 15 Oct 28

Day 11: Gam Island (Indonesia)

Arrives On: 15 Oct 28

Day 12: Sorong (Indonesia)

Welcome to Sorong, the bustling gateway to West Papua and the famed Raja Ampat archipelago, where vibrant port activity meets lush tropical landscapes and rich marine biodiversity. Blending its role as a dynamic regional hub with access to some of the world’s most

pristine islands and coral reefs, Sorong offers a captivating introduction to your journey. In the afternoon, you'll be welcomed on board your luxury Emerald yacht, ready to embark on your next voyage.

Arrives On: 16 Oct 28

Day 13: Ayu Atoll (Indonesia)

Discover Ayu Atoll, a remote coral atoll defined by pristine white-sand beaches, turquoise lagoons and exceptionally rich marine biodiversity. With very limited human presence, it offers a rare sense of isolation and untouched natural beauty above and below the surface.

Arrives On: 17 Oct 28

Day 14: Amsterdam Island (French Southern Territories)

Manokwari is a coastal city on the edge of West Papua, set between forested hills and the sea. As a regional capital, it blends local culture, history, and access to nearby natural landscapes, offering insight into life along Indonesia's eastern frontier.

Arrives On: 18 Oct 28

Day 15: Manokwari, Irian Jaya (Indonesia)

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Arrives On: 19 Oct 28

Day 16: Cenderawasih Bay (Indonesia)

Discover Cenderawasih Bay, one of Indonesia's largest marine parks and a globally significant biodiversity hotspot. Its calm, protected waters are known for coral reefs, rich marine life, and seasonal whale shark encounters, which occur under natural conditions and are not guaranteed. The bay offers exceptional opportunities for marine exploration in a remote and pristine environment.

Arrives On: 20 Oct 28

Day 17: Cenderawasih Bay (Indonesia)

Enjoy your second day discovering Cenderawasih Bay.

Arrives On: 21 Oct 28

Day 19: Jayapura, Irian Jaya (Indonesia)

Jayapura is the capital of Indonesia’s Papua Province, set around a sheltered harbour and framed by lush, hilly terrain. The city offers a fascinating blend of indigenous Papuan culture and modern Indonesian life, with traditional villages, vibrant markets, and striking handicrafts such as bark cloth and intricate wood carvings. You may explore Lake Sentani, enjoy panoramic views of the bay, and experience the warm hospitality of local communities.

Arrives On: 23 Oct 28

Day 19: Vanimo (Papua New Guinea)

Arrives On: 23 Oct 28

Day 20: Wewak (Papua New Guinea)

Wewak is a coastal town on Papua New Guinea’s northern edge, combining World War II heritage, local markets and coastal scenery. It offers a window into everyday life in one of the country’s more remote and culturally diverse regions.

Arrives On: 24 Oct 28

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The Sepik River is one of Melanesia’s most culturally significant river systems, flowing through dense rainforest and remote villages. Renowned for its strong artistic traditions, ceremonial practices, and deeply rooted community life, the river offers a rare insight into one of the world’s most enduring living cultures.

Arrives On: 25 Oct 28

Day 23: Lae (Papua New Guinea)

Your Melanesian luxury yacht cruise adventure comes to an end in Lae, Papua New Guinea’s key gateway between the country’s coastal and inland regions. From here, you’ll be transferred to the airport for your included flight from Lae to Port Moresby, then transferred to a hotel for your overnight stay.

Arrives On: 27 Oct 28

Day 23: Port Moresby (Papua New Guinea)

Arrives On: 27 Oct 28

Day 24: Port Moresby (Papua New Guinea)

Set along the shores of the Coral Sea, this fascinating city offers a unique blend of traditional cultures, colonial history and modern development. After breakfast, you'll be transferred to the airport for your flight home or onward travels, taking with you cherished memories of your extraordinary journey through some of the world's most remote and remarkable waters. This itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such, Emerald Cruises cannot guarantee the cruise will be operated unaltered from the itinerary stated above.

Arrives On: 28 Oct 28

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