



*5th April to 11th April , 2025*

# **Borneo & the Orangutans of Kalimantan**

*... escorted by Kobe Steele, OAM*



## *Borneo Orangutans Eco Tour*

Have you ever imagined visiting Kalimantan and seeing wild orangutans up close and personal? On this special escorted eco tour, led by Orangutan Foundation International Australia's Founder & President, Kobe Steele, you will enjoy a very personal experience in the Borneo wilderness.

You will spend time along river ways and walking through the forest looking at some of the most amazing wildlife on the planet, including proboscis monkeys, Bornean bearded pigs and hornbills.

You will visit the world famous Camp Leakey, and witness firsthand the amazing work of Dr Birute Mary Galdikas.

You will have the privilege to meet orangutan infants at the Orangutan Foundation International Care Centre, where you can chat with staff who have devoted their lives to the care and rehabilitation of these amazing critically endangered animals.

You will come away with insights into one of human's closest living relatives and have a wildlife experience that others only dream of.







## Itinerary

### Day 1: Saturday, 5th April, 2025

You have arrived in Jakarta. You will make your own way to the FM7 Hotel (airport hotel). As people will be arriving at different times throughout the day, your day will be at leisure. You will meet at 4.30pm with Kobe Steele in the hotel for a group briefing.

**Accommodation: FM7 Hotel, Jakarta**

### Day 2: Sunday, 6th April, 2025

Today we will take an early morning flight from Jakarta to Pangkalanbun, Kalimantan. Upon arrival we will proceed by car to Kumai to board traditional klotok boats for a 2 hour cruise up the Sekonyer River to our jungle accommodation. After lunch, we will cruise a short way downstream to Pondok Harapan (feeding station #3).

**Accommodation: Rimba Lodge, Tanjung Puting National Park**

### Day 3: Monday, 7th April, 2025

After an early breakfast, we will cruise upstream to Pondok Tanggui (feeding station #2). Feeding occurs each morning with time afterwards for a gentle walk on the 3km loop track & an excursion further up river in search of proboscis & long tailed macaque monkeys. In the afternoon we will take a special canoe trip deep into the rainforest.

**Accommodation: Rimba Lodge, Tanjung Puting National Park**

### Day 4: Tuesday, 8th April, 2025

After breakfast, we will visit the local village then cruise upstream to the tributary "black water" stream that ultimately leads to Camp Leakey (feeding station #1). Here we will witness the afternoon feeding & have time to walk many trails for possible sightings of orangutan.

**Accommodation: Rimba Lodge, Tanjung Puting National Park**

### Day 5: Wednesday, 9th April, 2025

After breakfast, we cruise by klotok back to Kumai and then transfer to the OFI Care Centre near Pangkalanbun, where we will have the opportunity to see dozens of orphaned orangutans at various stages of rehabilitation. We will be fortunate enough to have the staff brief us about the operations at the Care Centre.

**Accommodation: Grand Kecubung Hotel, Pangkalanbun**

### Day 6: Thursday, 10th April, 2025

We will visit one of the soft release sites for orangutans who have graduated from OFI's rehabilitation program & are earmarked for release back into the wild.

**Accommodation: Grand Kecubung Hotel, Pangkalanbun**

### Day 7: Friday, 11th April, 2025

Today you will take an afternoon flight from Pangkalanbun to Jakarta where our trip ends (flight time to be confirmed).

NB - this itinerary is subject to change.

### Flight Delays

*Domestic flights within Indonesia are subject to delay and/or rescheduling without notice. It is recommended you allow a decent buffer before scheduling your homeward bound flight in case of delays (no less than half a day) as this occurs quite regularly.*

*In the event your program is delayed or has to be rerouted, you will be liable for any additional costs (eg. accommodation, air tickets etc.) which you must pay in full at the time.*

*Air tickets on Indonesian domestic/regional airlines are generally non-refundable.*



## Package Cost:

Land Price:

AU\$4,100.00 per person - twin share\*

Single Supplement: add AU\$300.00\*

Maximum group size: 18

International Airfares: Not included.

Inclusions:

- Return airfares from Jakarta to Pangkalanbun in Borneo
- Hotel/Lodge accommodation as specified
- All transfers/transport & tours as specified including vehicles and klotok boats
- Meals at Rimba Lodge & Grand Kecubung Hotel
- A visit to the OFI Care Centre
- A component of your tour cost is a direct contribution to the orangutans; to their ongoing care, rehabilitation and conservation via Orangutan Foundation International (OFI)
- Escorted by OFI Australia's President, Kobe Steele, OAM
- Ranger fees, police registration handling fees, airport porters, national park charges including park entrance fees, permits & camera charge

Exclusions:

- Items of a personal nature
- Drinks, laundry, phone calls
- Applicable visa fees
- Any additional airport taxes
- Tips to guides/drivers/cooks/porters
- Travel insurance with COVID cover which is mandatory for this adventure
- Dinner in Jakarta on Saturday night
- International airfares to and from Jakarta

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**\*These prices are valid as of July, 2024.**

**However, they are subject to change should there be a significant fluctuation in the Australian dollar currency conversion between now & April, 2025.**

# Highlights

- Visit Tanjung Puting National Park, the base of Dr Birute Galdikas, world renowned orangutan expert. Dr Galdikas was mentored by Dr Louis Leakey along with Dian Fossey and Jane Goodall. Camp Leakey, in Tanjung Puting National Park, is the site of the longest continuous scientific study by a principal investigator of any wild animal.
- Visit the OFI Care Centre, normally closed to the general public, where orphaned orangutans are cared for and taught everything they need to know to one day thrive in the wild. This is a rare and unique opportunity to see OFI's rehabilitation and conservation work behind the scenes.
- Walk through the forests of Tanjung Puting National Park with local Dayak guides.
- Cruise the Sekonyer River on a comfortable klotok river boat.
- See proboscis monkeys and magnificent tropical birds in the wild.
- Meet with OFI staff and have a chance to ask questions.
- Visit a local village and understand the ongoing issue of resource management between people and orangutans.
- Stay at a comfortable rustic river eco lodge that was built especially for the Great Apes Conference in 1991.
- Assured multiple orangutan sightings at close proximity.





# Borneo Orangutans Tour

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## Booking Form

**Please complete this booking form and return it with a deposit of AU\$1,000 per person to initiate your reservation.**

Travel insurance with COVID cover is mandatory on this tour. You will be supplied with travel insurance & indemnity forms to complete one month prior to departure. There are also compulsory inoculations & medical tests necessary for this trip. A signed medical form from your doctor will be required as proof, also one month prior to departure.

### ***I wish to reserve a place: (please tick)***

- AU\$4,100 per person, twin share room\*
- AU\$4,400 per person, single occupancy\*

### ***Contact Information***

**Please complete all personal details as per your passport.**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City & State: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel (AH): \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_

Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

### ***Travelling (and/or sharing twin room) with:***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**A separate application form must be completed for each individual.**

### ***Emergency Contact***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship To You: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you any special dietary needs  
eg: vegetarian, gluten free etc.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt Size: please circle size below

Mens S M L XL 2XL

Ladies 8 10 12 14 16/18  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Please scan & email a copy of your passport with this form.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## ***Your Payments - Deposit and Full Payment***

A deposit of AU\$1,000 per person is required at the time of your booking along with this completed booking form and a scanned copy of the front page of your passport. The deposit can be paid by bank transfer.

Credit card facilities are not available.

Full payment is required anytime up to but no later than Friday, 31st January, 2025.

The deposit is refundable up to and including Thursday, 30th January, 2025.

If preferred, full payment can be made at the time of booking.

Bank Deposit:

Westpac Bank

Account Name - K K Steele

BSB No - 732294

Account No - 528559

Reference - Your name

In the event that this ecotour does not proceed, all deposits and payments will be fully refunded.

In the event that you need to withdraw from the tour, refunds will apply up to but not beyond Thursday, 30th January, 2025.