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TRACKING SUMATRAN TIGER AND WILD ORANGUTANS

Destination: *Kunung Leuser national park. Sumatra. Indonesia*

Dates: *June 13-June 29 2023*

Prices: *Group tour: €2,200 per person. Flights not included*



WHAT MAKES THIS TRIP SPECIAL?

- *Surpass yourself, and live an adventurous journey, on a 12-day route, sleeping and feeling every day the jungle itself.*
- *Enter the equatorial jungle territories, difficult to access, where one of the last 400 Sumatran tigers lives, along with one of the rarest mammals on the planet, the*



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Sumatran rhinoceros. Not to mention wild orangutans, Asian elephants and clouded panthers.

- Be immersed in a tracking expedition, carried out by professionals and the best connoisseurs of the habitat of one of the last virgin areas of the planet.

- In addition, travel in a sustainable way and help the association Ibu Bumi Orangutan

<http://www.ibubumiorangutan.org/> focused on:

- Conservation programmes.

- Development of sustainable rural activities / farmers' livelihoods.

- Human-wildlife conflict resolution

- Environmental education

The rainforest offers a paradise of diversity, but is often isolated from our sight and senses. Knowledge of this ecosystem is vital. Immerse ourselves in it through our experts, and live the experience of being in a remote place, in an equatorial jungle that offers coexistence with emblematic species such as the tiger, the rhinoceros or the Asian elephant. It will allow us to have the best chance of detecting them and live a wonderful experience in nature.

You will learn how to do this with visual and auditory tracking techniques, as well as those native to the area, as we will also be accompanied by local trackers. Observation, searching for clues and listening at different points will test your senses, as you will be part of the team and you will track, feel and help to take field notes, record information or even lead the tracking at some points together with the professional trackers. Tracking tigers is a fascinating combination of science and technology and doing it in Sumatra itself is a unique opportunity.

GUNUNG LAUSER NATIONAL PARK

8000 square square kilometres, 150 km long, over 100 km wide. It is considered the largest wilderness area in Southeast Asia.

350 species of birds, 194 species of reptiles and amphibians, and 129 of Sumatra's 205 mammal species live in this spectacular national park.



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*Its forests are considered the last stronghold for a number of endangered mammals, and possibly the last viable populations of the Sumatran orangutan (*Pongo abelii*), the Sumatran tiger (*Panthera tigris sumatrae*), the Sumatran elephant (*Elephas maximus sumatranus*) and the Sumatran rhinoceros (*Dicerorhinus sumatrensis sumatrensis*).*



SHORT SUMMARY OF THE TRIP

Day 0: Departure from airport of origin.

Day 1: Arrival at Medan airport. Pick up by private taxi and drive to Selamat Pangeran (3 hours). Overnight and dinner at Ibu Imu Orangutan.

Day 2: Rest day to be used for different activities of the Foundation

Day 3: Transfer by taxi Bahorak-Ketambe, where our team of local guides will be waiting to take us deep into the Gunung Leuser National Park for 12 days. Overnight in huts on the edge of the jungle.



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Day 4-15: We will start our 12-day expedition in one of the most significant habitat territories of the Sumatran tiger, and gradually move deeper and deeper into the jungle, looking for orangutans, siamang, gibbons, lorises or the Malayan bear. The tiger's territory will be monitored once traces of its presence are found. The Sumatran tiger will be monitored by camera traps along the entire route. We will also have guard posts and tree camps to optimise the search for the Sumatran tiger.

Together with our local guides you will be able to discover other wildlife species that inhabit this diverse ecosystem and hopefully track down tiger poachers, the clouded leopard and the very rare Sumatran rhino.

We will also go on night drives with the aim of spotting the beautiful lorises.

Day 16:

Return to Ketambe. Night in guesthouse. Party with local dance and traditional menu.

Day 17:

Return to the airport

English, French and Spanish is spoken

