Murex RESORTS

OCEAN GARDENER



SAMPLE PACKAGE

OCEAN GARDENER
FULL CORAL RESTORATION COURSE

28 Night, Combo Manado - Bangka

August 01 - 29 2027

5 Nights Manado / 23 Nights Bangka
40 Guided Boat Dives Air

BASIC PACKAGE	STANDARD PACKAGE
US$5,419	US$7,390

Price is per person based on double occupancy
Package Details, see page 6

Dear Guests,
Dive Two Destinations, One Incredible Adventure

Explore the best of North Sulawesi's underwater world with a dive trip that takes you from Manado -> Bangka and earn your comprehensive Coral Restoration Full Certificate by completing our weekly, specialized modules. Start with Bunaken's thriving hard coral reefs and diverse marine life, then head to Bangka for its vibrant soft corals and stunning pinnacles. With seamless resort-to-resort boat transfers, there's no need to pack and unpack your gear– just dive, learn, and enjoy the journey.

This thoughtfully designed package combines North Sulawesi's unmatched coral diversity with friendly-luxury service, ensuring a fun, flexible, and stress-free experience.



COURSE OUTLINE

OCEAN GARDENER FULL CORAL RESTORATION COURSE

Earn your comprehensive Coral Restoration Full Certificate by completing our weekly, specialized modules.

Below is the full week by week schedule. This course is designed for people that want to work anywhere around the world on coral reef restoration projects. It provides you with critical knowledge to maximize the success of your projects based on our 25 years of experience raising corals, so you can contribute to marine conservation and make a difference!

Week 1 – Coral Biology and Identification

Introduction to coral biology, differences between hard and soft corals, differences between Small and Large polyps Hard corals, and different colony shapes

Week 2 – Coral Nursery Management

Focuses on coral gardening and the importance of on-going coral nursery management. We will review the various coral predators, pests and threats to a coral nursery that you should look our for to maximize the success of your coral nursery.

Week 3 – Reef Restoration Techniques

We will explore a variety of techniques, analyzing their unique pros, cons, and appropriate application scenarios. You will then have an extensive opportunity to practice deploying each method in detail.

Week 4 – Reef Monitoring Techniques

Gain proficiency in essential monitoring techniques for tracking restoration progress. The module will cover methods like Rapid Reef Assessment (RRA), Photogrammetry, and Quadrant Transects, giving you the tools needed to accurately determine site health.

Day 1 | Arrival Day

Our staff will welcome and escort you to our resort. The car journey time is between 45 minutes to 1 hour. Upon arrival at Murex Manado you'll be greeted with a welcome drink & snack. We will show you to your room for a quick refresh before a welcome briefing. Dinner is served at 7:00 PM.



Day 2 | First Day of Diving

Coffee is available starting from 5:30 AM and breakfast is served from 7:00 AM. Our boat departs at 8:00 AM for 2 dives in the Bunaken National Park. Today you will start you Coral Identification course



Day 3 - 5 | Coral ID Course

Boats depart at 8:00 AM and we will return to Bunaken for 2 more morning dives. Lunch is served at the resort. The afternoon is used to the theory part of your course and your instructor Vincent will do presentations and workshops

Day 6 | Manado to Bangka

This morning you'll make your boat transfer from Murex Manado to Murex Bangka Resort. During the boat transfer you'll make 2 dives along the way. The dive sites are between both locations and are not often accessed by other resorts. Different sites and more coral species to spot.



Day 7 - 27 | Diving Bangka

Diving around Bangka will be a mix of shore & boat dives. We will spend a lot of time exploring the nursery sites where you will be exposed to the various coral restoration techniques used all around the world – from small coral reef fixes to massive planting. During this time you will do the 3 other parts of the course: **Coral Nursery Management**, **Reef Restoration Techniques** and **Reef Monitoring Techniques**. During the last 3 days we will do a rapid reef assessment and explore coral reefs further away from the resort.





Note: Your package includes 32 guided boat dives / shore dives at Murex Bangka. The instructor will allocate and plan your dives accordingly.



Day 28 | Final Day

We plan morning dives and return to the resort for lunch. In the afternoon you will finish your course and in the evening we will celebrate with festivities and an amazing BBQ dinner on the beach.



Day 29 | Farewell

You may want to complete your stay with a relaxing full body massage before you pack to go home. According to your flight time, we'll transfer you back to the airport and wish you a fond farewell and safe travels!

OUR SERVICE PHILOSOPHY

Bunaken • Bangka • Lembeh
PASSPORT TO PARADISE
Indonesia

Dive Your Way, Every Day
At Murex Resorts, your holiday is all about relaxing, fun, and unforgettable moments. With flexible dive schedules, you choose your adventure—early morning starts, leisurely afternoons, or full-day trips complete with lunch onboard or on a secluded beach.

From the moment you book to your last dive, we'll work with you to tailor an itinerary that showcases North Sulawesi's incredible marine diversity.

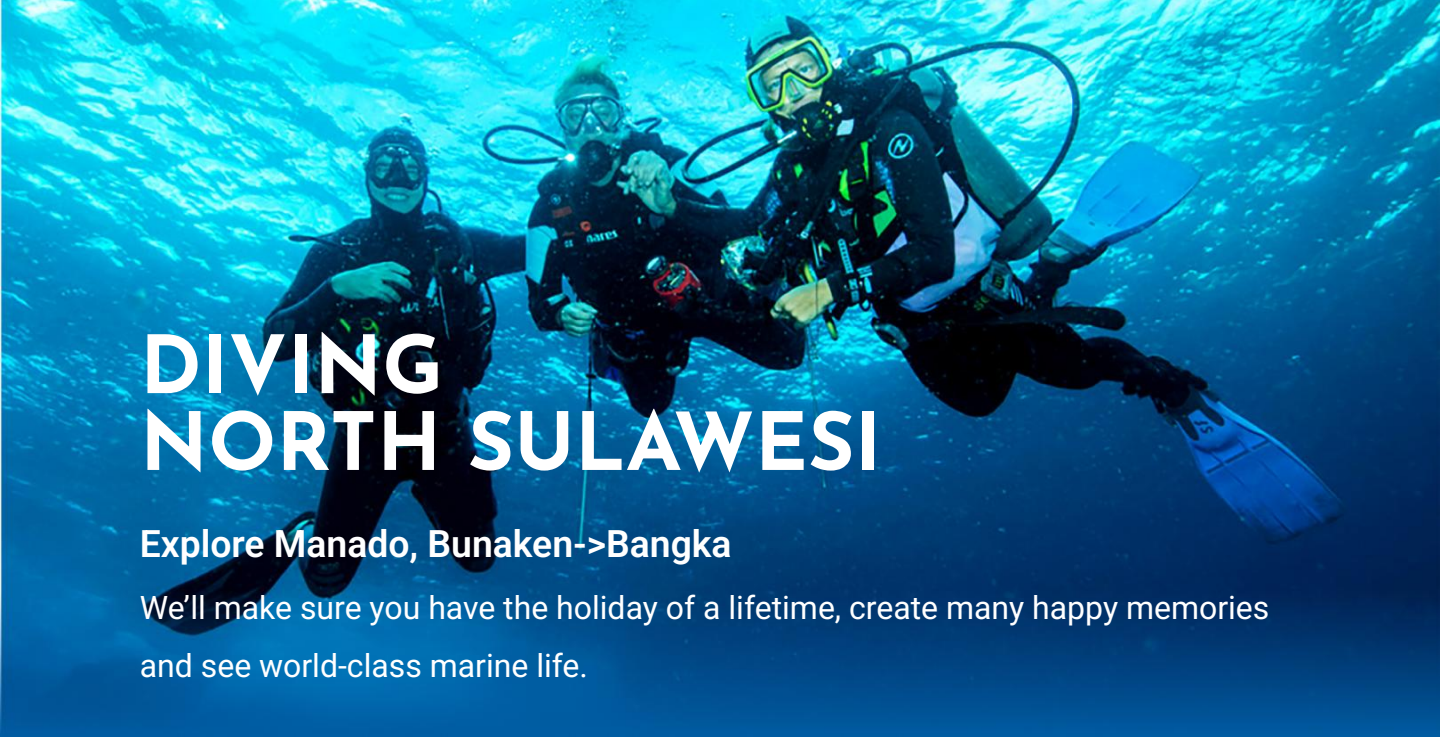
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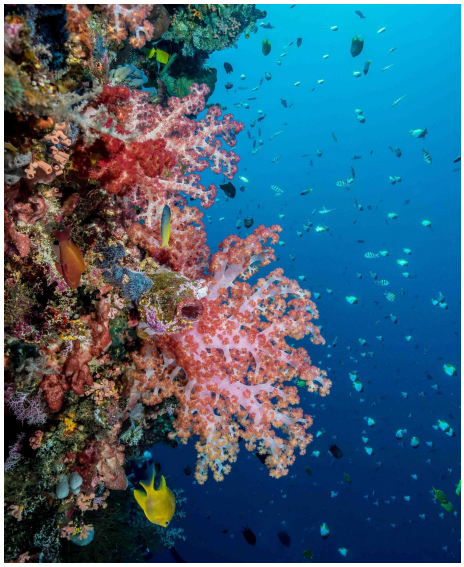
DIVING NORTH SULAWESI

Explore Manado, Bunaken->Bangka

We'll make sure you have the holiday of a lifetime, create many happy memories and see world-class marine life.

Murex Manado / Bunaken

Stunning walls and hard corals. Lose count of the number of turtles in a single dive. Look out for reef sharks, schooling fish, sea snakes, passing eagle rays, sting rays, abundant critters and macro life, and resident dolphin and pilot whale pods alongside the boat.



Murex Bangka

Bangka dive sites are a sensory overload where the pristine reefs are teeming with life. Pelagics and critters, Bangka has it all!



Unique species include dugongs, dolphins and pilot whales, several species of pygmy seahorse, harlequin and tiger shrimps, blue ring, mimic, reef and wonderpus octopus, ghost pipefish, Ambon scorpionfish, frogfish, turtles, reef sharks, eagle rays, tuna, great barracuda, schooling fish including snappers, fusiliers, cardinals and mackerel.



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Standard Accommodation

$7,390	**Room category** Standard Oceanfront at Bangka Deluxe Cottage at Manado

Basic Accommodation

$5,419	**Room category** Staff Housing at Bangka Manager Housing at Manado

Included:

- 5 nights accommodation at Murex Manado based on double occupancy
- 23 nights accommodation at Murex Bangka based on double occupancy
- 8 guided boat dives in Bunaken
- 32 boat / shore dives in Bangka
- Boat transfer with 2 dives along the way
- Arrival airport escort service (upon exiting the terminal) & return airport transfer
- All meals & snacks (when staying in staff housing lunch is staff lunch)
- Unlimited drinking water, coffee & tea; taxes; free WiFi
- Full rental dive equipment for the duration of the course
- All instructor & course fees

NOT included:

- Additional boat dives
- Dive Surcharges including night, bonfire & blackwater dives
- Soft drinks or alcoholic beverages
- Additional snacks or speciality coffees
- Private Guide Services
- Bunaken National Park Entrance fee IDR 160,000
- Bangka Conservation Fund Donation
- Land Tours
- Spa treatments