GEEO ITINERARY

X-BALI w/ TRAVELING TEACHERS - Summer

Day 1: Kuta Arrive at any time.

Arrive at any time. There are no planned activities until a welcome meeting around 6:00 p.m. for an orientation/overview to go over the details of your trip. Check the notice board in the hotel lobby to confirm the time and place of the meeting. Head out for an optional welcome dinner with the group to explore the exciting paradise of Kuta with your tour leader and fellow travelers. Stop in a local bar or enjoy your favorite drink on the beach and toast to new adventures and friends as the sun sets.

Day 2: Kuta (B) Take it easy in beachside Kuta. Learn to surf, relax on the beach, or head to one of the nearby towns.

Enjoy a day to take it easy in beachside Kuta. Relax on the beach or head to a nearby town. You can book a half-day surf class through GEEO 90 days before departure if you choose. Learn to surf or sharpen your skills with a lesson on some of Bali's best waves for beginner and intermediate surfers. The friendly instructors and guides at Mojosurf take you to the day's best locations (depending on the weather conditions), where you'll catch amazing surf breaks in some of Indonesia's most stunning environments. All equipment is included, along with transportation to and from your accommodation. In the evening, take in the town's nightlife on the dancefloor or by the waves at a beachside bar.

Day 3: Kuta/Kubutambahan (B, L, D) Breathe in the beautiful scenery en route to Kubutambahan before stopping for lunch at a community development project. At night, soak in the views and lush jungle vibes at a charming Balinese village guesthouse.

It's off to Kubutambahan today via private vehicle. On the way, enjoy lunch at the G Adventuressupported Bali Community Training Lunch Program. This initiative supports and assists people living with disabilities in Bali to find independence and meaningful employment through training in the hospitality sector. In Hindu-Bali, it is a societal belief that being born with a disability is a product of "bad karma." Our partners are working in the community to break down these stereotypes, and provide resources, training, and education to adults living with disabilities to gain independence and confidence, and find employment within their community. Fully managed and operated by individuals living with disabilities, enjoy a delicious traditional Balinese buffet lunch prepared by the organization while learning more about this initiative that empowers individuals through skills and employment training. All proceeds from this lunch support the organization's training, education, advocacy, and outreach programs, as well as resources such as wheelchairs and three-wheeled mopeds. Tonight, soak in the views and lush jungle vibes at a charming guesthouse, located in a Balinese village. Start your night by watching the sunset over the lush landscape. Approximate travel time: 3 hrs 15 min by private vehicle

Day 4: Kubutambahan (B, D) Get ready to liven up your tastebuds with a Balinese cooking lesson. After, you can trek around the village, visit a waterfall, swim in a natural spring, or stop by a nearby dragon fruit farm.

Enjoy a half-day of free time to explore the area and take part in optional activities. Then, discover the secrets of delicious local cuisine with a cooking demonstration and meal. Join the women of the village as they prepare a traditional Balinese meal, and learn about regional spices and techniques. Afterward, sit down for dinner and savor the meal you helped prepare. Later, you can trek around the village, visit a waterfall, swim in a natural spring, or stop by a nearby dragon fruit farm.

Day 5: Kubutambahan/Ubud (B) This morning's free for you to explore or relax. Later, check out Ubud and visit the picturesque Gitgit Waterfall or Pura Taman Saraswati, a Balinese Hindu temple with stunning lotus ponds.

Check out a nearby waterfall or local temple with a free morning in Kubutambahan. Then, discover one of the island's most beautiful locales with a visit to Gitgit waterfall. Snap some photos at the viewpoint before heading down to the base of the falls. Chill out and enjoy the lush green surroundings and opt to take a dip in the blue water before traveling on to Ubud. Start exploring Ubud with a free evening or book an optional Kecak Dance Performance or the Puri Lukisan Museum (see details in the "Costs" section below). Approximate travel time: 3 hrs 30 min by private vehicle

Day 6: Ubud (B) Take a walk through the lush Monkey Forest. In the afternoon, take advantage of this happening spot with free time in Ubud. Opt to raft, cycle, take a cooking class, or chill out with some yoga.

Today is full of possibilities. Start the day at the monkey forest, a sanctuary for the long-tailed Balinese monkey. Keep your valuables close as these cheeky creatures are bound to grab anything that isn't nailed down. During your unscheduled afternoon, you may choose to take a yoga class, relax with a massage, try babi guling (whole roast suckling pig), or visit the holy springs of Tirta Empul to cleanse your body and spirit. Be sure to save some room for some delicious healthy eats — they're abundant here. Tonight, wrap up your time in Ubud with a traditional Kecak dance performance.

Day 7: Ubud/Gili Trawangan (B) Spend the day on the beautifully laid-back island of Gili Trawangan today.

Travel from Ubud to the island of Gili Trawangan today. Slow it all down with relaxing at a beachfront bar, stopping for photos at the Gili Trawangan swing, and — best of all — enjoying walking around freely (the island doesn't allow motorized vehicles). The rest of the day is yours to explore. Approximate travel time: 1 hr by private vehicle, 2 hrs by boat

Day 8: Gili Trawangan (B) Spend another free day in paradise and then celebrate the end of an amazing journey with your fellow travelers with a big night out.

Chill out by the beach or opt for a snorkeling excursion during your free day. Explore the island by bicycle, or just kick back on the beach. Don't forget to catch your last marvelous sunset of the trip on the west side of the island before your evening beach celebration. Settle into a laid-back beach bar and enjoy a drink on us during your last night out with new friends. You might reminisce about your favorite life-changing adventures, go for a night swim, or see where the night takes you.

Day 9: Gili Trawangan (B) Today, it's time to say goodbye to your group of newfound friends as the program ends. Be sure to sneak in some last-minute photos and cheers before you head on your way.

Our program ends today. Want to take the hassle out of getting back to Bali? Book the Bali Express posttour Extra. This nifty post-tour Extra includes a fast boat and land transfer to get you back to Kuta. Onward flights from Denpasar airport must not depart earlier than 20:00 (8:00 pm) on departure day when booking this extra. <u>Speak to the GEEO team</u> to book. Want more adventure? Book two or more GEEO trips in the same year and receive a discount! GEEO will give you 10% off of the lesser value program(s) (up to 3 programs). If you don't see a program that interests you that pairs with this trip, but still would like to extend your time abroad, let us know. We will work with you to find a non-teacher trip from our tour operator's much larger catalog. Even better, if you are an educator we can still offer you a discounted price on the trip you choose!