
GEEO ITINERARY

Java, Indonesia

Day 1: Jakarta Arrive in Jakarta at any time. Meet your group for a welcome meeting around 6:00 or 7:00 p.m.

Arrive in Jakarta at any time. Due to the potential for flight delays or cancellations, we recommend that you plan to arrive at least a day in advance. This will also give you time to adjust to the time difference and overcome any jetlag. We can book extra hotel nights for you in Jakarta before and/or after the trip. Please note that check-in at the hotel is usually around 2:00-3:00 p.m. There are no planned activities until an intro meeting around 6:00 or 7:00 p.m., usually in the hotel lobby. Check for a sign or ask at the reception desk about the exact time and location of the group meeting. Please make every effort to arrive in time for this meeting. If you are delayed and will arrive late, please inform us. Your tour leader will then leave you a message at the front desk informing you of where and when to meet up tomorrow. After the meeting, you might choose to get dinner at a nearby restaurant with your traveling companions and your tour leader to further get to know one another.

Day 2: Jakarta/Bandung (B) Enjoy a guided city tour of Jakarta. In the afternoon, depart for a scenic drive to Bandung. Opt to see the angklung orchestra.

Tour Jakarta and see the former Batavia area, where Jakarta began before it grew to its current size. Visit the Sunda Kelapa Harbour — once the main port of the Sunda Kingdom, it's now a bustling port full of Makassar schooners. We then settle in for a scenic drive to Bandung, surrounded by volcanic peaks and tea plantations. You will have free time in the afternoon in Bandung. You can opt to go to the angklung orchestra, a unique musical treat. Be moved by beautiful melodies at this traditional bamboo instrument concert performed by children. Approximate travel time: 3 hrs by private vehicle

Day 3: Bandung/Yogyakarta (B) Board a morning train to Yogyakarta, steeped in ancient ruins and culture. On arrival, opt to go on a cycling tour or take in a Ramayana dance performance.

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Day 4: Yogyakarta (B) Visit the Prambanan Hindu temple complex, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and wander through the remains of some 244 temples. Spend the afternoon at leisure.

Tour Prambanan, the largest Hindu temple complex in Java, and learn about the history of the temples. This UNESCO World Heritage Site was built between the eighth and tenth centuries. These 244 temples now stand as one of the most outstanding works of Hindu art. View their intricate design, particularly on the Shiva temple. Spend the afternoon at leisure.

Day 5: Yogyakarta (B) Visit Borobudur, the largest Buddhist sanctuary in the world and another UNESCO World Heritage Site. Later, enjoy free time to continue exploring Yogyakarta.

Take in the stunning artistic and architectural marvel that is the Buddhist Temple complex of Borobudur, a not-to-be-missed World Heritage Site. Learn about its interesting history and restoration; the site lay undiscovered under layers of volcanic ash until 1815, when Sir Stamford Raffles, then Governor of Java, ordered the area to be cleared. Spend time exploring the pyramid-like complex, admiring the intricate carvings, and come away with a deeper understanding of Buddhist culture here. Later, enjoy free time to

continue exploring Yogyakarta. Approximate travel time: 1.5 hrs by private vehicle

Day 6: Yogyakarta/Ngadas (B, D) Continue the journey across the agricultural heartland of Java to Ngadas, a village in the scenic Mt. Bromo region. Experience the local culture with a community homestay.

Continue the journey across the agricultural heartland of Java. Nestled amongst the green hills of the Mt. Bromo region, the village of Ngadas is home to a Tengger farming community. Overnight with a local family participating in the community's homestay program, a G Adventures-supported initiative. Learn about the local culture, customs, and traditions from your hosts. Approximate travel time: 7-8 hrs by train

Day 7: Ngadas/Malang (B, L) Start early today for a pre-dawn walk across the “sea of sand” to Mt. Bromo. Watch the sunrise over the crater’s rim. Head back to Ngadas for lunch before exploring more of the village on an included walk. Later, travel to Malang for the night.

Start early today (approximately 2:30 am) for a roughly 30-minute pre-dawn walk across the “sea of sand” to Mt. Bromo (2,392m), one of the most spectacular sights in Indonesia. Watch the sunrise over the crater’s rim, popular with both tourists and the local Buddhist Tenggerese, who can be seen giving offerings to receive blessings from the Supreme God Hyang Widi Wasa. Head back to Ngadas for lunch. Then learn more about daily life in Ngadas with a village walk. Take in views of the scenic hills as you walk along, passing farming areas and stopping to visit the local temple, vihara, and mosque. Later, travel to Malang for the night. Approximate travel time: 2 hrs by private vehicle

Day 8: Malang/Sanur (B) Drive from Malang to Surabaya airport for a short flight to Sanur, a serene seaside town on the island of Bali. Spend the afternoon on the beach, and cheers to a beautiful sunset.

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Day 9: Sanur (B) Depart at any time or join GEEO's Bali trip to see more of the island.

There are no planned activities today, so you may depart Sanur at any time. If you wish to extend your stay in Sanur, consider booking post-tour accommodation with us. Or continue exploring more of Indonesia during [GEEO's Bali program](#). Please note that check-out time from the hotel is usually mid-morning, but luggage storage services are available at the reception desk. Want more adventure? Book two or more GEEO programs in the same school year and receive a discount! GEEO will give you 10% off of the lesser value program(s) (up to 3 programs per year). If you would like to extend your time abroad but don't see another GEEO program that interests you, let us know. We can work with you to find a trip from our tour operator's much larger catalog. Their tours are open to the general public and not designed specifically for educators, but we can still offer you and your travel companions a discounted educator price on any additional tours that you book.