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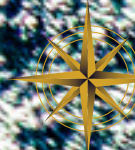
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## South Raja Ampat, Misool, The Bomberai Peninsula & Central Raja Ampat

This intriguing new cruise route takes Dewi Nusantara from Sorong, the principal departure port for the Raja Ampat islands, all the way down south to explore the seldom dived sites of the Bomberai Peninsula. Along the way, we will be able to explore some of the very best scuba diving regions that eastern Indonesia has to offer.

### Misool

Our first port of call is Misool, the most southerly of the famed Raja Ampat islands. As many of our guests already know, Misool is overflowing with some of the world's most iconic and well-known dive sites.

### The Bomberai Peninsula

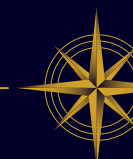
Sailing further south, we come to the sprawling Bomberai Peninsula, where a wealth of brand new marine adventures await. Offshore, there are numerous newly discovered seamounts literally buzzing with marine life. Closer to the peninsula's dramatic coastline, there is plenty more to see, along with some very intriguing surprises.

### The Pisang Islands

The Pisang Island group is now much more than just a waypoint between Raja Ampat and Triton Bay. Dewi Nusantara's personnel have had the fortunate



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opportunity to extensively explore the area's scuba diving potential and discover a whole host of exciting new sites.

### The Sagewin Strait, South-West Batanta

And now for something completely different. The critter diving sites on the south side of Batanta Island, facing the Sagewin Strait, are fast gaining mythical status. The sand and gravel slopes are the perfect habitat for the weird and wonderful small creatures that make Indonesian scuba diving so special.

### Get On-Board with Dewi Nusantara

We have crafted this exceptional new itinerary to offer our guests an unparalleled opportunity to explore the diverse marine environments of eastern Indonesia while admiring some of the world's most breathtaking landscapes. Aboard Dewi Nusantara, guests will embark on an extraordinary expedition, visiting iconic dive sites and discovering exciting new adventures along the journey.

Begin your next scuba adventure on board the Indonesian archipelago's premier liveaboard and experience the best that Indonesia has to offer, along with Dewi Nusantara's outstanding service, exceptional facilities, and her highly experienced crew.

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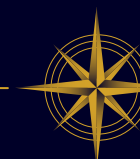
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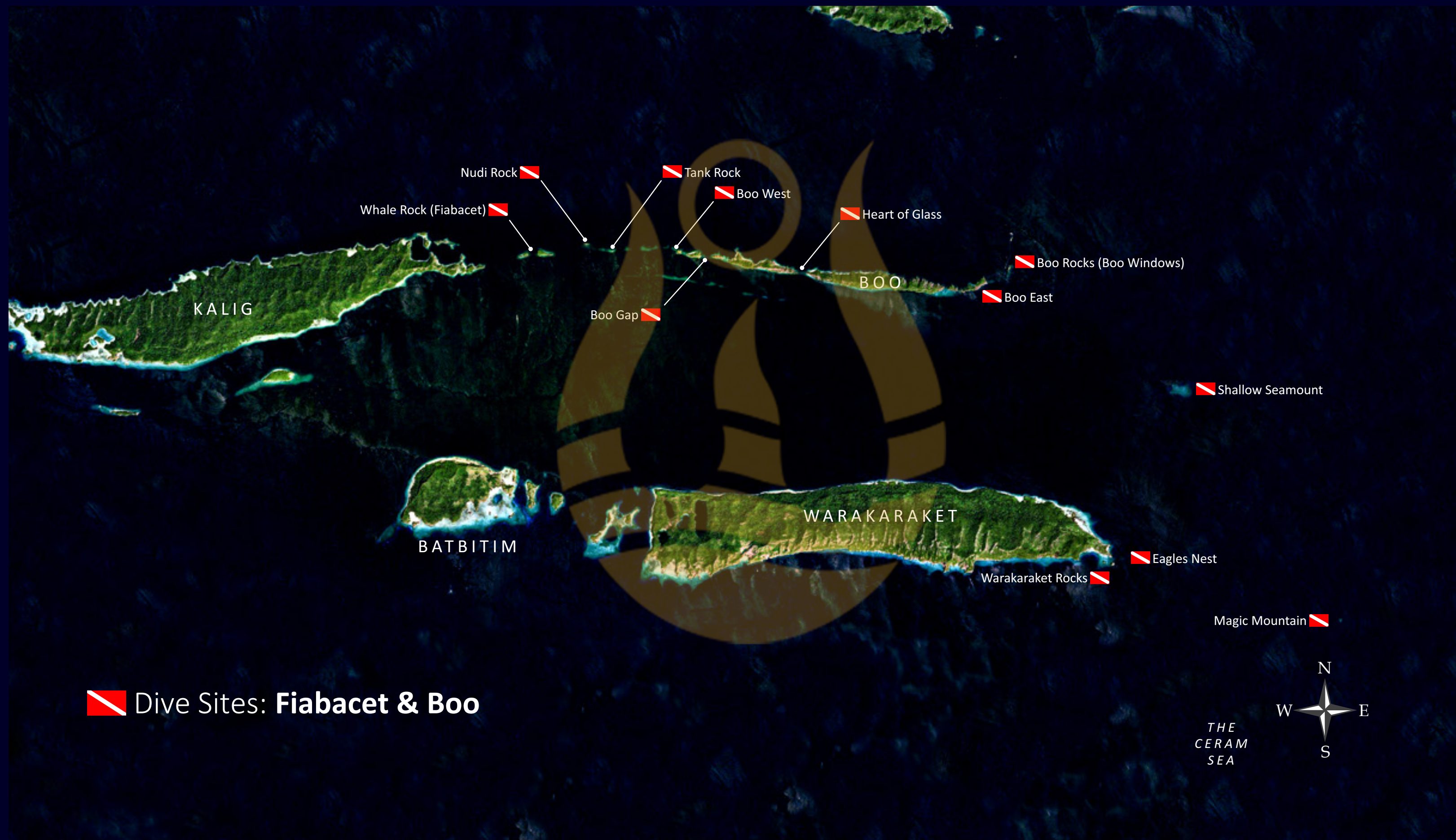
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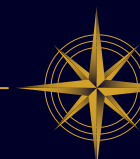
The dive sites in and around Fiabacet and Boo are, without exaggeration, among the most exceptional not only in Raja Ampat and Indonesia, but arguably across the entire planet. This remote corner of the Coral Triangle offers a truly world-class underwater experience that continues to captivate even the most seasoned divers.

Beneath the surface, the southern region's deep ocean floor rises dramatically into a stunning marine landscape - an intricate maze of ridges, seamounts, and channels. This unique topography acts as a natural funnel for the nutrient-rich currents flowing in from the open ocean. As these currents surge over and around the rock and reef formations, they feed the vibrant coral ecosystems, igniting an explosion of life and colour that is nothing short of breathtaking.

Each dive site here offers its own distinct wonders, but they all share an extraordinary level of biodiversity. Divers are treated to scenes of immense beauty: clouds of schooling fish so thick



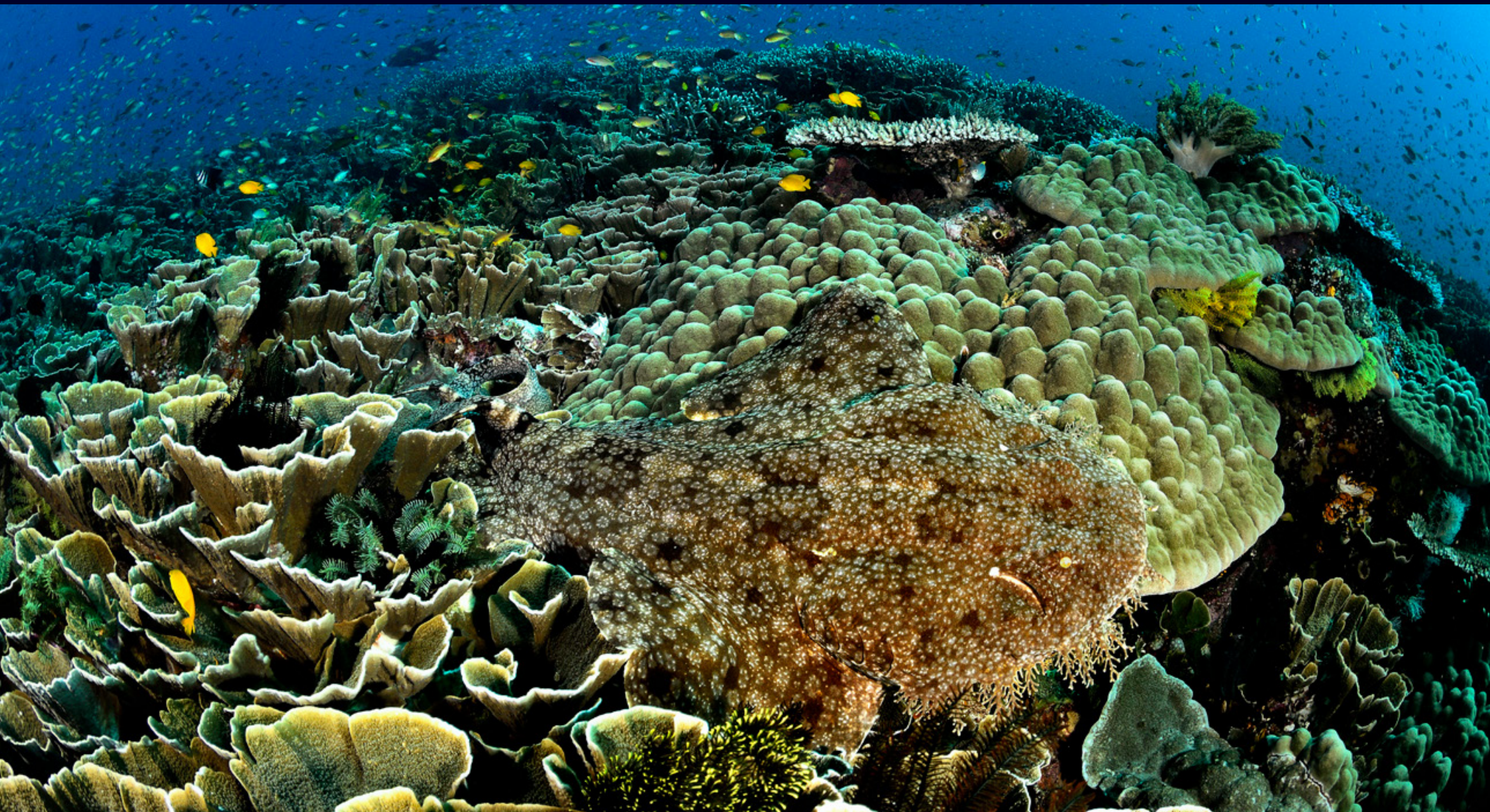
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they can obscure the reef behind them, kaleidoscopic coral gardens teeming with life, and an ever-present sense of awe. It's not uncommon to spot grey, white-tip, and black-tip reef sharks weaving through the masses, accompanied by formidable pelagic predators like dogtooth tuna, Spanish mackerel, giant trevally, and the graceful, sweeping forms of mobula rays as they hunt amid the chaos of baitfish.

Many of the most celebrated sites cluster around striking karst limestone outcrops and along the rugged shores of Boo and Kalig Islands. Here, the dynamic currents and nutrient-rich upwellings from the Ceram Sea to the south nourish the reefs, sustaining an ecosystem of remarkable abundance and resilience, as well as a magnet for marine life.

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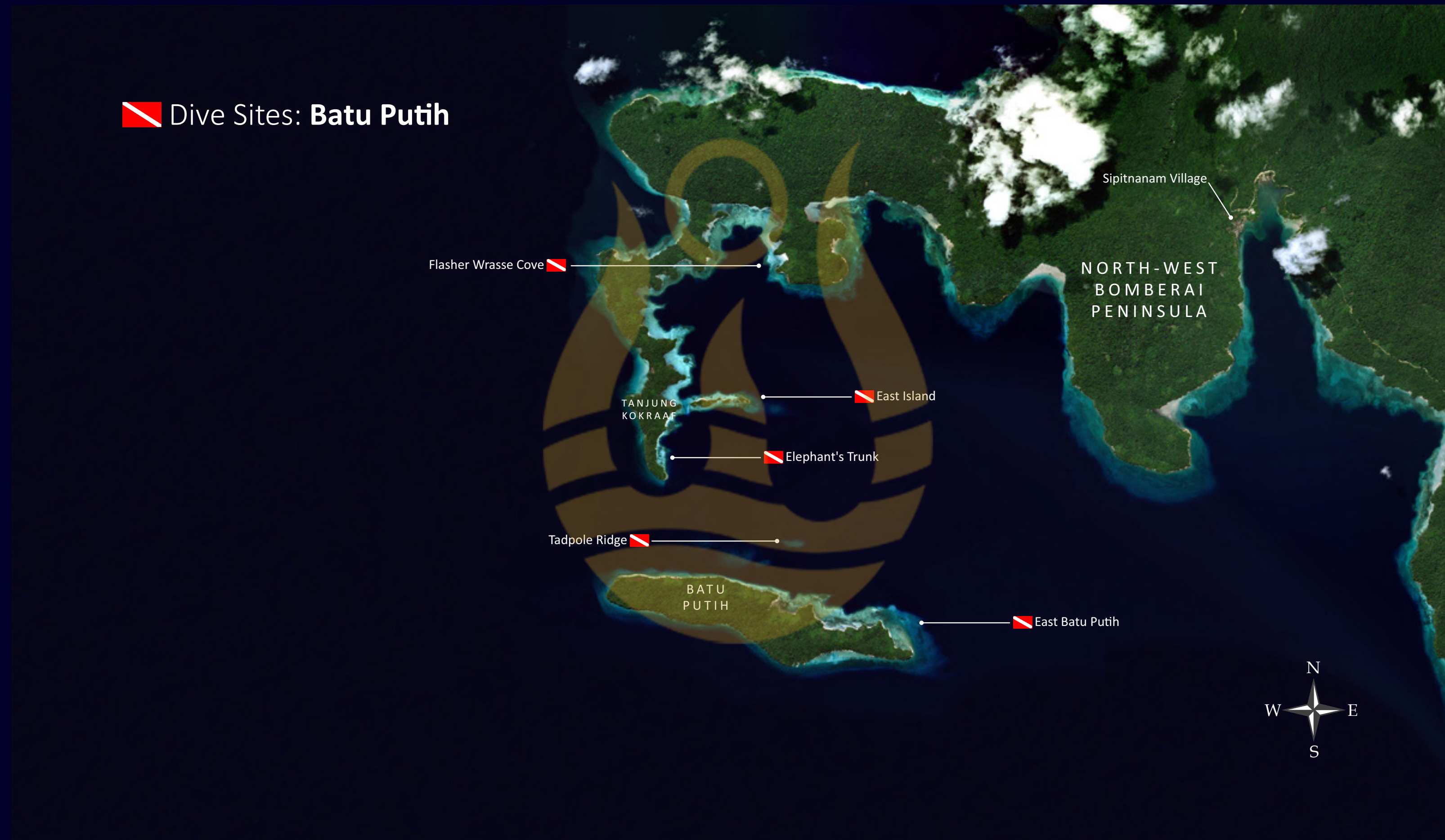
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## Batu Putih

The Batu Putih dive sites are all clustered around the south side of the north-western corner of the Bomberai Peninsula. This is a well-protected area with numerous bays and inlets around the anchorage which are perfect for kayak exploration. For Dewi's adventurous divers the reefs that border the complex coastline are literally buzzing with colourful marine life and feature dazzling coral beds.

During a recent reconnaissance mission by Dewi Nusantara's exploration team a number of dive sites were discovered around the islands and shoals. These consist of mostly level and sloping reefs, however, there were some good critter spots and a fairly lively seamount.

Batu Putih is seldom visited by any yachts at the time of writing, but it is only a matter of time before it becomes a dive hotspot, along with the rest of the Bomberai Peninsula.



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## Teluk Sebakor

Teluk Sebakor extends deep into the western coastline of the Bomberai Peninsula, framed by Tanjung Turkanggur to the north and Tanjung Tongerai to the south. This vast bay is a stunning mosaic of shallow reefs, winding waterways, and dense mangrove forests that transition into the untamed interior of Papua. Scattered within its waters, the islands of Karas, Taburuasa, and Faur hold immense potential for new dive site discoveries.

However, the standout sites at Sebakor lie offshore - its spectacular seamounts. Recently discovered, these underwater mountains rival Indonesia's most renowned dive sites. West of Karas Island, which acts as a natural barrier for the bay, two remarkable seamounts - Great Expectations and Lucky Thirteen - have quickly gained recognition. Towering from the depths, they attract massive schools of fish and frequent visits from larger pelagic species, offering breathtaking encounters for divers.



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Closer to Karas Island's shoreline, Knucklehead delivers equally thrilling underwater experiences, featuring swirling columns of barracuda, impressive Napoleon wrasses, and an abundance of macro life for critter enthusiasts. Further south, the Tongerai headland reveals an uncharted diving frontier where oceanic manta rays, whale sharks, and even the elusive Omura whale have been spotted gliding above vibrant reefs. The surrounding karst islands create a maze of narrow waterways, concealing secluded sandy coves backed by lush rainforest - an unspoiled paradise both above and below the surface.

Back up in the northern reaches of the bay, inside the Turkanggur headland, a true topside highlight is the shoreline bat cave. Bordered by two fine white and beaches, this magnificent rocky cathedral offers easy access for tenders to glide over its shallow blue waters. Inside, a colony of screeching bats clings to the walls and ceiling, while at the cave's mouth, a striking blue hole plunges 50 metres into the rocky sea floor - a mesmerising sight for explorers above and below the surface.

With its pristine reefs, diverse marine life, unexplored dive sites, and exciting topside excursions, Teluk Sebakor stands as one of Indonesia's most exciting new frontiers for scuba divers seeking adventure in truly untouched waters.

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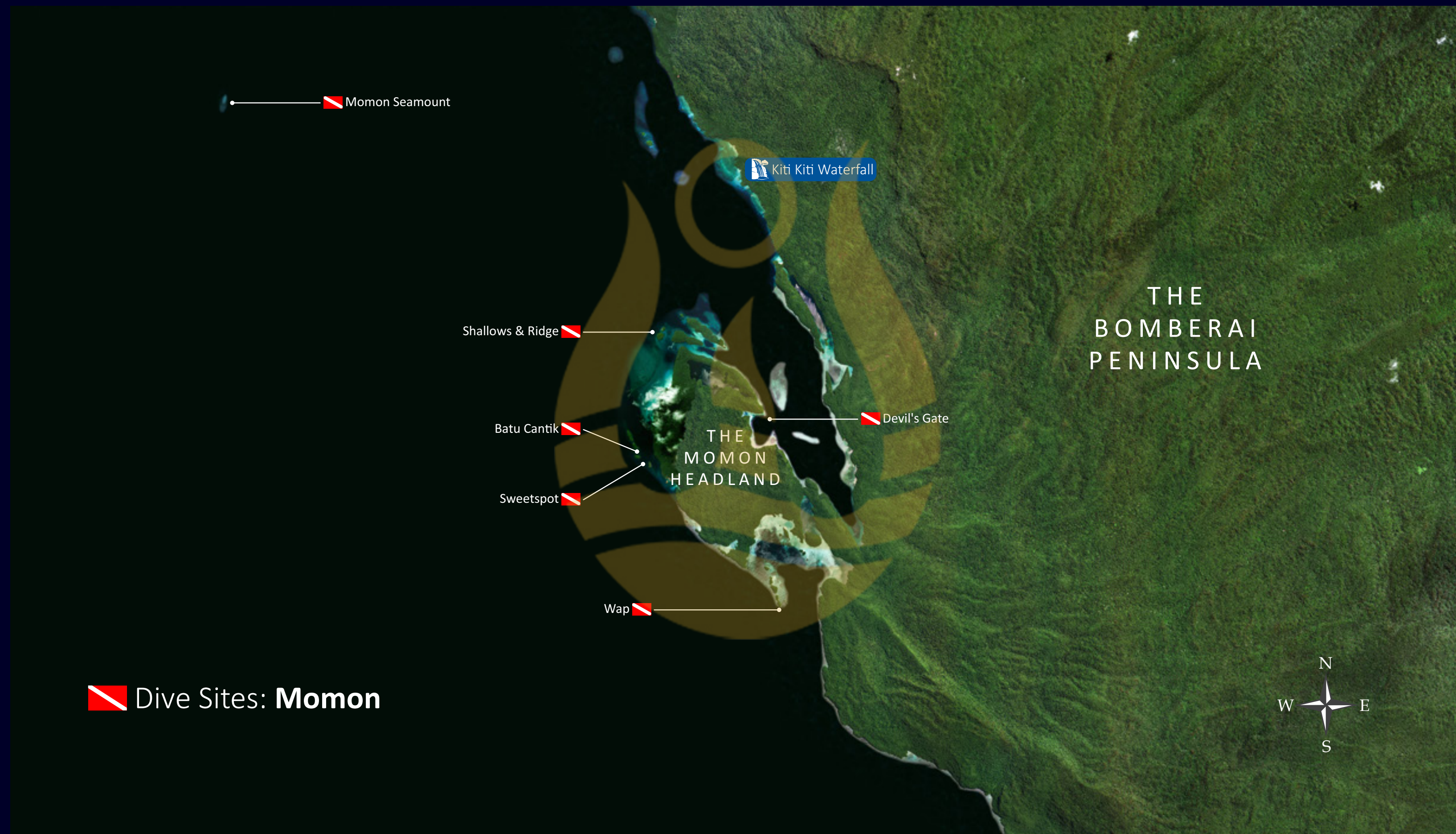
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## The Momon Headland

Scuba diving along the rarely travelled coastline of the Bomberai Peninsula is legendary, and the sites at Momon are no exception. The reefs surrounding the small islands around the headland are proving to hide some prolific dive sites, as well as some very unusual marine life sightings.

One such site, the spectacular Batu Cantik, is centred around a set of small rocky islands that run parallel with the mainland shore. As well as being a great site for critter spotters, Batu Cantik has also produced some wonderful, and rare, marine life sightings, such as guitar sharks and absolutely huge groupers.

For open water excitement, six nautical miles directly to the west, lies a vast marine mountain that rises up to within 10 metres of the ocean's surface. Stretching for hundreds of metres before sloping off into the depths, it is possible to encounter several different species of shark, manta rays, and huge schools of fish over the dense, undulating coral fields that cover the northern edges of the seamount.



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When it comes to scenic topside attractions, Momon is hard to beat. The star of the show is the spectacular Kiti Kiti waterfall that thunders directly into the sea from the high forest above. This natural wonder stems from a fast-flowing river that originates up in the Bomberai highlands before terminating in glorious fashion amongst towering trees and primordial rocks at the shoreline. Easily spotted from miles offshore, the falls can be approached with a tender. Explorers who are feeling adventurous can then jump into the ocean and swim to the plunge pool for a refreshing cold shower.

The water pouring over the edge creates a transparent curtain of fresh water. Tucked in behind is a small, protected rock ledge; swimmers can enter this space and take photographs through the screen of rushing water for an unusual image of the ocean beyond. Swimming out from behind the waterfall is like swimming down a white-water river. A word of warning though: the water plunging down from the falls is significantly cooler than the ocean it flows into.

The forest above the falls can be a little tricky to explore up-river as there are no trails to follow, but there are some spooky caves and tree-shrouded lakes. It is also possible to spot some unusual wildlife, such as endemic tree kangaroos and flightless cassowary birds.

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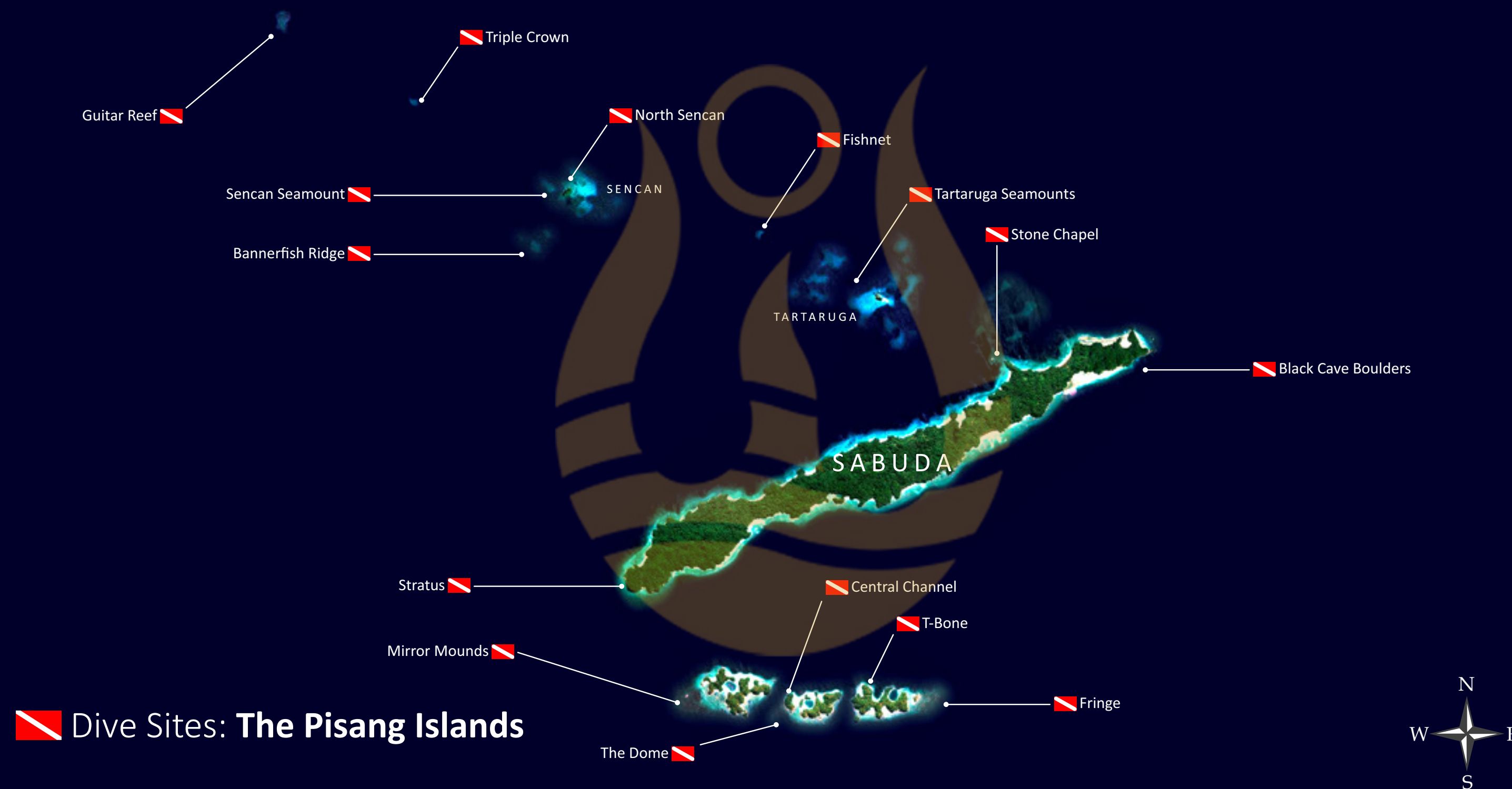
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## The Pisang Islands

The Pisang Islands are situated on their own in the Ceram Sea, only 62 nautical miles from the south-east Misool archipelago and 24 nautical miles from the north-western corner of the Bomberai Peninsula.

The healthy reefs and abundant marine life make these anchorages much more than just a waypoint for dive yachts transiting between Raja Ampat and Triton Bay. The dive sites here include large schools of reef fish, occasional manta ray flypasts, wonderful macrolife, and some magnificent marine topography, all of which combine to make the Pisang Islands a remote underwater paradise.

Sabuda, the largest island in the group, divides the dive environment into two sections: the north side is home to numerous newly explored seamounts, while the south side boasts spectacularly colourful coral reefs teeming with critters.



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## Wayil

The Wayil dive sites are mostly clustered around the western end of Wayilbatan Island. Comprising multi-peaked seamounts, karst island ridges, and exciting passages, they all feature abundant coral growth and a wealth of both pelagic and reef-dwelling marine life.

At Wayil, there is something for every level of diver. These include easy and pretty reef sites, majestic open-water seamounts, and gentle drift dives that flow down some of the most otherworldly marine seascapes imaginable.

One of the most popular sites is “The Four Kings.” This incredible underwater experience takes place in open water, west of the anchorages, where an astonishing four-peaked seamount rises from the deep sea floor. This massive rocky marine structure acts as a magnet for all manner of marine life, large and small.



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## Jef Pele, Lili & Kepotsol

The large island of Jef Pele, as well as the nearby Lili and Kepotsol groups, do not suffer from the concentration of divers and yachts that now visit the anchorages and marine attractions further east. However, they do feature some excellent diving opportunities.

The north-western edge of Jef Pele is home to Kaleidoscope Ridge, the anchorage's signature site. This is a fine example of Raja Ampat's underwater world, with a dizzying array of corals and marine life, both large and small. This impressive coral-covered ridge's incredible underwater architecture combines with a deeper seamount, attracting some of the larger animals that inhabit the abundant reefs and seas of the Misool region. Jef Pele's complex coastline, as well as the numerous offshore islands further south, allow for more dive site exploration.

The sites at Lili and Kepotsol, just under two nautical miles north of the Jef Pele shoreline, share the same amazing marine life and coral characteristics as those around the more well-known anchorages. The scope for new discoveries is considerable, especially in the Kofani group, situated between Lili and Kepotsol.



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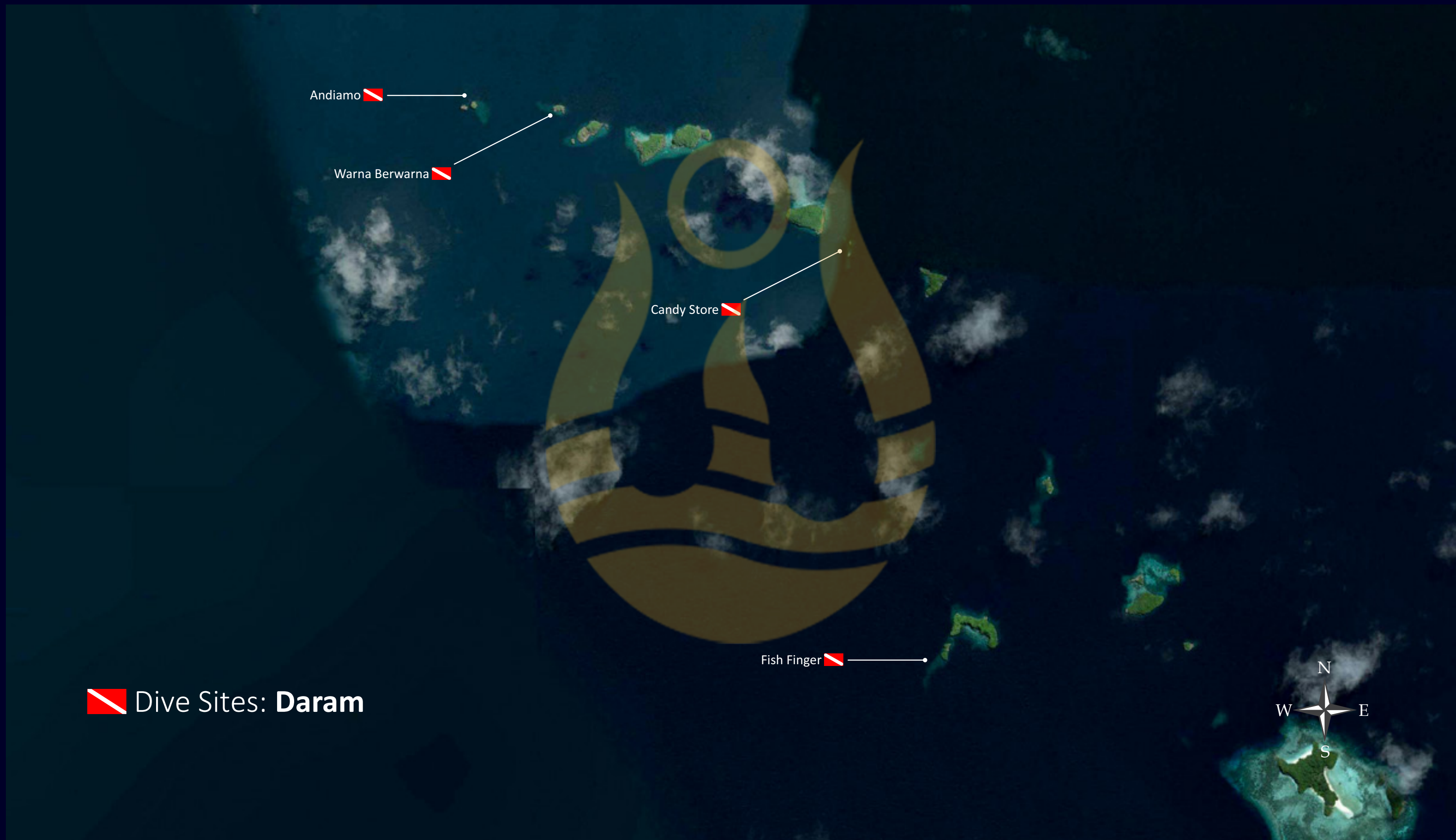
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## Daram

The large island of Daram marks the easternmost boundary of the Misool region. The vast majority of the dive sites are not located around the island itself, but rather a short distance to the north-west. They are undoubtedly some of the most astonishing and colourful in the entire area.

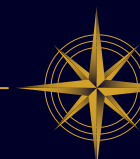
Small collections of karst islets, located along the eastern end of a long island line that extends away from the east side of Misool, are the focal point for most of the site. Many of them boast incredibly abundant coral reefs and jaw-dropping topography. They are also home to so much marine life that, at times, it defies description.

The anchorages and sites are vulnerable to adverse sea and weather conditions due to their remote location. However, if the weather and sea conditions are favourable, the diving here is some of the very best that Raja Ampat has to offer. In addition, there are numerous opportunities to find many more new sites around these iconic rocky islands and ridges.



 Dive Sites: **Daram**

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## The Sagewin Strait, Batanta

While the southern side of Batanta may lack the postcard-perfect vistas that are often synonymous with Raja Ampat, it more than makes up for it beneath the surface. This area is renowned among seasoned divers and underwater photographers as one of the region's premier destinations for discovering bizarre, elusive, and utterly fascinating marine critters.

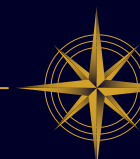
Most diving activity in this part of Raja Ampat has traditionally focused along the south-western coastline of Batanta Island, rather than further up the strait or along Salawati's opposing shoreline. This focus has yielded some of the most rewarding critter-hunting dive sites in the archipelago. Yet, this stretch of coastline continues to surprise - new dive sites and previously undocumented marine species are still being discovered, often in the most unassuming locations.

These dive sites are typically found around a series of sheltered bays and the vibrant coral reefs that extend from their edges. Beneath the surface, the



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seabed is composed of a mix of sand, gravel, and rubble, interspersed with isolated coral bommies that serve as havens for macro life. Above water, narrow strips of dark-sand beaches line the coast, giving way to steep forested slopes that rise dramatically into the tropical canopy.

The surrounding highlands of both Batanta and Salawati receive substantial rainfall, much of which flows down through streams and rivers, eventually draining into the Sagewin Strait. This steady influx of freshwater mixes with the nutrient-rich saltwater currents moving through the channel, creating the perfect environment for unique marine life to thrive. It's this interplay of freshwater outflow and oceanic movement that cultivates the ideal conditions for critter diving.

Thanks to these naturally rich habitats, the south-western shores of Batanta - particularly those within the Sagewin Strait - have earned a special place in the hearts of macro enthusiasts and underwater photographers. With each dive, this enigmatic stretch of coastline continues to reveal new secrets, cementing its reputation as a must-visit site for those in search of Raja Ampat's more mysterious and unusual marine residents.

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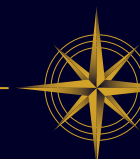
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## Cruise Notes

- **Flexible Itineraries:** Our cruise routes are intentionally adaptable. Throughout the journey, the captain and cruise director continuously assess sea conditions, weather, and tides to ensure the best possible experience. Guest preferences for specific dive sites are always considered whenever feasible.
- **More Than Is Listed:** The locations featured in these itineraries represent only a portion of what's possible. Numerous additional anchorages and activity options are available along the way, making each voyage truly unique.
- **Simplified for Clarity:** The destinations shown in our presentations are not necessarily listed in the order they will be visited. They are organized for clarity and to help guests visualize the overall routing.
- **Extended Stays:** If a particular anchorage offers exceptional experiences, guests may opt to linger a bit longer. The captain and cruise director have the flexibility to accommodate such preferences, provided they align with the overall cruise schedule.
- **Overnight Passages:** To maximize daylight hours at our most spectacular destinations, longer transits between anchorages are typically conducted overnight.
- **Escape the Crowds:** With the exception of embarkation and disembarkation points, our itineraries are carefully crafted to avoid congested areas and busy commercial ports, allowing for a more tranquil and immersive experience.
- **Beyond the Dive:** Many of our anchorages offer more than just diving and snorkelling. Guests can enjoy kayaking, stand-up paddleboarding, and occasional visits to local villages and cultural sites — adding even more richness to the journey.



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