



— WILDLIFE & NATURE · NORTH SUMATRA, INDONESIA

# Into the Wild Heart of *North Sumatra*

*Volcanoes, ancient lakes & orangutan encounters — a seamless journey through one of Indonesia's most extraordinary landscapes.*

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# Volcanic landscapes, ancient lakes, and pristine rainforest — all in one journey.

North Sumatra offers one of Indonesia's most diverse and rewarding travel experiences. Over seven days, this itinerary takes travelers from the cool highlands of Berastagi and a sunrise trek on Mount Sibayak, to the vast caldera of Lake Toba and the cultural heart of Samosir Island.

From there, the journey continues deep into the rainforests of Gunung Leuser National Park for an unforgettable orangutan trekking experience — one of the rarest wildlife encounters on earth.

Carefully paced and fully supported by experienced guides and private transport, this journey is designed for travelers seeking nature, culture, and wildlife in a seamless and well-balanced adventure.

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VOLCANIC TREKKING

ALL-INCLUSIVE

PRIVATE TRANSPORT

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*From volcanic crater to jungle floor — one of  
Indonesia's most complete natural journeys.*

ABOUT THE JOURNEY

## North Sumatra

BERASTAGI · LAKE TOBA · GUNUNG  
LEUSER · INDONESIA

## TODAY'S PROGRAMME

## 08:00 – 11:00

- Arrival at Kualanamu International Airport (KNO)
- Meet & greet with English-speaking guide
- Drive to Berastagi Highlands

## 12:00 – 13:00

- Lunch at local restaurant

## 13:30 – 16:30

- Visit Aek Nauli Eco Forest
- Nature walk & conservation explanation

## 17:00

- Check-in hotel in Berastagi
- Free time to enjoy the mountain atmosphere

DAY ONE

# Arrival in Berastagi

MEDAN → BERASTAGI HIGHLANDS

## HIGHLAND ARRIVAL

Berastagi sits at 1,300m above sea level — cool air, volcanic peaks on the horizon, and some of Sumatra's finest produce at the local market.

## TODAY'S PROGRAMME

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### 02:30 – 06:30

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- Early morning transfer to trailhead
  - Sunrise hike to the summit of Mount Sibayak
  - Volcanic crater & panoramic views at dawn
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### 07:00 – 09:00

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- Descend & breakfast at local café / lodge

### Afternoon

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- Free time & optional hot spring visit
- Visit local fruit market

DAY TWO

# Mount Sibayak Sunrise

ACTIVE VOLCANO · 2,212M

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#### BEFORE DAWN

*The 02:30 departure is worth every second — reaching the crater rim as the sun breaks over the Karo Highlands is something you will not forget.*



DAY THREE

# To Lake Toba

BERASTAGI → PARAPAT · LAKE TOBA

## TODAY'S PROGRAMME

### 08:00 – 09:00

- Breakfast & hotel check-out

### 09:00 – 11:00

- Drive to Sipiso-Piso Waterfall
- Short walk & photography at the falls

### 12:00 – 14:00

- Continue to Lake Toba (Parapat)
- Lunch en route

### 15:00

- Check-in hotel at Lake Toba
- Free time by the lake

## THE LARGEST VOLCANIC LAKE

Lake Toba formed from a supervolcanic eruption 74,000 years ago — at 100km long, it is the largest volcanic lake on earth.

## TODAY'S PROGRAMME

## 08:00 – 09:00

- Breakfast at hotel

## 09:00 – 16:00

- Ferry across to Samosir Island
- Explore Batak villages & heritage sites
- Visit the stone chairs of King Siallagan
- Lunch on the island

## 16:30 – Evening

- Return ferry to Parapat
- Relax at Lake Toba



DAY FOUR

## Samosir Island

BATAK CULTURE · LAKE TOBA CALDERA

## BATAK HERITAGE

Samosir Island is the cultural heartland of the Batak people — ancient stone thrones, traditional longhouses, and stories that stretch back centuries.



DAY FIVE

# Into the Rainforest

LAKE TOBA → KETAMBE · GUNUNG LEUSER

## TODAY'S PROGRAMME

### 07:00 – 16:00

- Scenic full-day drive into the remote rainforests of Gunung Leuser National Park
- Lunch en route

### 16:30

- Check-in at jungle lodge, Ketambe
- Trekking briefing with ranger
- Time to rest and prepare for tomorrow's jungle trek

## DEEP IN LEUSER

*The Ketambe Research Area is one of the oldest orangutan research stations in the world — the forest here has been protected for decades.*

**TODAY'S PROGRAMME****08:00 – 14:00**

- Orangutan trekking with licensed ranger
- Observe orangutans & wildlife in their natural habitat — ethical, non-intrusive encounters
- Picnic lunch in the jungle

**Afternoon**

- Free time & river rest
- Debrief with ranger — share the day's sightings



DAY SIX

# Orangutan Trekking

GUNUNG LEUSER NATIONAL PARK

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**ETHICAL ENCOUNTERS**

*All treks follow strict conservation protocols — maintaining safe distances and minimising human impact on the orangutans and their habitat.*



DAY SEVEN

# Return to Medan

KETAMBE → MEDAN · DEPARTURE

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## TODAY'S PROGRAMME

**07:00 – 16:00**

- Drive back to Medan City
- Lunch en route
- Transfer to Kualanamu International Airport
- A final farewell after days of shared adventure in Sumatra's wild heart

## UNTIL NEXT TIME

Seven days, two volcanoes, one ancient lake, and an orangutan in the wild. Sumatra does not let go easily.

→ END OF JOURNEY · MEDAN AIRPORT

— WHAT'S INCLUDED

# Trip Inclusions

## TRANSPORT & ACCOMMODATION

- ✓ Airport pick-up & drop-off in Medan
- ✓ All private land transport throughout the journey
- ✓ 2 nights accommodation in Berastagi
- ✓ 2 nights accommodation at Lake Toba
- ✓ 2 nights at jungle lodge, Ketambe
- ✓ Ferry to & from Samosir Island
- ✓ All national park & entry fees

## GUIDES, MEALS & ACTIVITIES

- ✓ English-speaking guide throughout
- ✓ Licensed ranger for orangutan trekking
- ✓ Mount Sibayak sunrise trek
- ✓ Aek Nauli Eco Forest nature walk
- ✓ Samosir Island cultural tour
- ✓ All meals throughout (3x daily)
- ✓ Picnic lunch in Gunung Leuser jungle



### WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMITMENT

*All orangutan trekking is conducted under ethical, non-intrusive guidelines with licensed rangers — in full respect of the animals and their habitat.*