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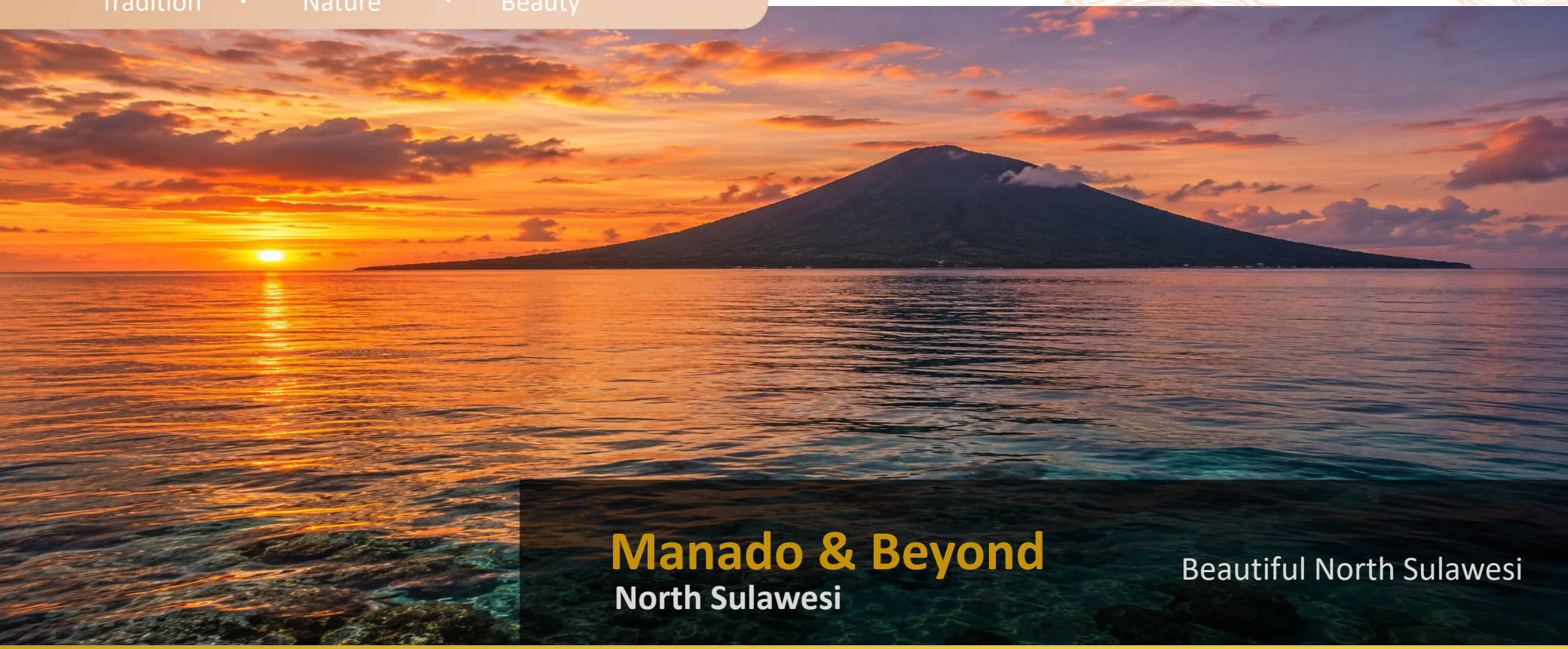

# Manado & Beyond

## North Sulawesi

Beautiful North Sulawesi

# Manado and Friends (4d/3n) : Tangkoko and Tomohon

## Day 1: Manado - Tangkoko (-/L/D)

Arrive at Sam Ratulangi International Airport in Manado, where you will be welcomed by our local team. Begin with a short tour of Manado city center, the capital of North Sulawesi, known for its coastal setting, diverse cultural influences, and vibrant local life. Continue to a traditional market, where you can observe daily activities and discover a variety of tropical fruits, vegetables, spices, and local products commonly used in Minahasan cuisine. Lunch will be served at a local restaurant before departing for Tangkoko Nature Reserve, a protected forest area known for its rich biodiversity and endemic wildlife. In the afternoon, enjoy a guided forest trek in search of the iconic Sulawesi tiny spectral tarsier, various tropical bird species and endemic natural forest trees. The late afternoon offers opportunities to observe wildlife as the forest becomes more active towards dusk. After the trek, relax to the serenity of lush jungle at your accommodation.

## Day 2: Tangkoko - Tomohon (B/L/D)

Early morning departure for another guided trek through Tangkoko Nature Reserve, when the forest is particularly active with birds and other wildlife. Explore the tropical lowland forest in search of the endemic Sulawesi crested black macaque, Sulawesi hornbills, kingfishers, and other native bird species. The morning provides an excellent opportunity to observe wildlife in its natural habitat while learning about the unique biodiversity and conservation efforts of North Sulawesi. Return to the accommodation for breakfast and check out, then depart for Tomohon, a highland town surrounded by volcanic mountains and fertile agricultural landscapes. Along the way, visit Waruga, an ancient Minahasan burial site featuring traditional stone sarcophagi used by the Minahasa people before the widespread introduction of Christianity. These distinctive stone tombs, often decorated with carvings, offer an insight into the ancestral beliefs and burial traditions of the region. Lunch will be served en route or at a local restaurant. After lunch, continue to Mount Mahawu for a scenic trek to the volcanic crater rim, where panoramic views of the surrounding highlands, nearby volcanoes, and the coastline can be enjoyed on clear days. Along the journey, enjoy the changing scenery from tropical coastal lowlands to the cooler mountainous region of Minahasa. Arrive in Tomohon in the afternoon and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Free program and overnight in Tomohon.

## Day 3: Tomohon - Minahasa Tour (B/L/D)

Early After breakfast, depart for a full-day tour exploring the natural beauty and cultural heritage of the Minahasa Highlands. Begin with a visit to Tomohon Extreme Market, also known as Pasar Beriman, a traditional market famous for its unusual variety of meat, including bats, snakes, and forest rats, reflecting distinctive aspects of local Minahasan food traditions. The market also offers fresh vegetables, tropical fruits, spices, and other local products, providing an interesting glimpse into everyday life and culinary culture. Continue to Woloan Village, known for its traditional wooden houses built on stilts, where local craftsmen construct houses using techniques passed down through generations. Proceed to Lake Tondano, the largest lake in North Sulawesi, surrounded by mountains, rice fields, and farming communities. Lunch will be served at a local restaurant overlooking the lake. In the afternoon, visit Pulutan Village, known for its traditional pottery-making industry, where local artisans continue to produce handmade clay pottery. Next, we will visit Ranolewo hot spring in Langowan. In the afternoon to Lake Linow, a volcanic lake famous for its changing water colors caused by volcanic minerals and sulfur. Enjoy a cup of coffee or tea with the peaceful highland scenery before returning to Tomohon in the late afternoon. Free program and overnight in Tomohon.

## Day 4: Tomohon to Bunaen (B/L/-)

After breakfast and check out from the hotel, depart from Tomohon and drive to Sam Ratulangi International Airport in Manado. Along the way, enjoy the scenic highland landscapes of Minahasa as the journey descends towards the coastal lowlands of Manado. Upon arrival at the airport, proceed with check-in for your onward flight to the next destination.

# Full Manado (6d/4n) : Tangkoko, Tomohon & Bunaken

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## Day 4: Tomohon - Bunaken (B/-/-)

After breakfast and check out from the hotel, depart from Tomohon and drive towards Manado, passing through the scenic Minahasa Highlands with views of volcanic mountains, farming villages, and lush tropical landscapes. Upon arrival in Manado, transfer to the harbour and continue by boat to Bunaken Island, part of Bunaken National Park and one of Indonesia's most renowned marine conservation areas. The island is surrounded by crystal-clear waters, vibrant coral reefs, and steep underwater walls supporting an extraordinary diversity of marine life, including tropical reef fish and sea turtles. Upon arrival, transfer to your accommodation for check-in and lunch. The remainder of the afternoon is free at leisure to relax at the resort, enjoy the peaceful island atmosphere, or take in the beautiful coastal scenery overlooking the Sulawesi Sea. Free program and overnight in Bunaken.

## Day 5: Bunaken Sea Safari (B/-/-)

In the morning depart by boat for a full-day marine adventure exploring the beautiful underwater world of Bunaken National Park. Enjoy snorkeling at several selected sites around Bunaken Island, where colorful coral formations provide a habitat for hundreds of species of tropical reef fish, sea turtles, and other fascinating marine creatures. The steep underwater walls offer excellent opportunities to observe the vibrant marine ecosystem, with coral gardens and schools of fish visible beneath the surface. In the afternoon, continue snorkeling at another reef site or enjoy time relaxing on the boat while taking in the surrounding sunset. Return to the resort in the afternoon and free program.

## Day 6: Bunaken - Manado Airport (B/-/-)

Breakfast and then check out from the resort, transfer by boat from Bunaken Island to Manado harbour. Upon arrival, continue by private vehicle to Sam Ratulangi International Airport of Manado for your outbound flight to the next destination