



fravel and expeditions in Kalimantan





# come2Borneo

From humble beginnings as a two-person home-office operated by Melysa Charlex (Sulawesi, Indonesia) and Norberto Rodríguez Sánchez (Canary Islands, Spain), Come2indonesia.com has just celebrated its 10 years of traveling and organizing trips in sustainable ways throughout the country and has become a tour operator with several offices in this vast archipelago.

After 8 years organizing trips in Borneo and with the need to further improve the boats, service and increase control of our trips, we have opened a new office in Pangkalan Bun, Central Borneo, which we called come2borneo

Come2Borneo.com has 5 Klotok boats and a team of more than 30 people. We are taking the adventure trips in the National Park to a new concept where sustainability, ecology, photography, community involvement, safety and satisfaction of our travelers will be the number one priority. Our licensed local guides, environmentalists with a dense knowledge of flora, fauna and local history, will be the face of Come2Borneo and will be responsible for meeting beyond your expectations in this wild destination, such as the Tanjung Puting National Park, Borneo.

## HELP US TO PROTECT THE JUNGLE

Although our commitment to the environment and the preservation of traditions extends throughout the country, we have decided to make an extra effort in our trips in Borneo and try to be the most sustainable operator in the entire National Park.

We are witnesses that in many places tourism does not go hand in hand with sustainability, and this is where we are different.

We promote controlled tourism where we reduce our impact on the environment by using biodegradable products, reducing the use of plastics and avoiding palm oil products.

But not only us, YOU ARE ALSO part of the improvement of the National Park because of the price you pay coming with us, 10 Euros are automatically donated to environmental programs.

We collaborate with the community directly by hiring local labor, buying food in the local market every morning, boosting the economy of the area or opening new routes every year along with our guides giving more contribution to the community.

A part of these actions, we join the influence that tourism makes by sharing their photos in social networks of life in this Park, teaching thousands of people how important is the survival of these animals. It is a way to get the Government to put more actions on reducing deforestation and other negative effects to the Park.

## WHY WE ARE DIFFERENT?

We renew all our boats and routes in January 2019! We have increased the quality and comfort for our clients, maintaining the adventure and maximizing the time of our trips! This way we can assure you that you will have the best experience.



#### **Plus:**

- You are contracting with a legal company directly at your destination, without intermediaries and with 24/7 emergency service in Spanish.
- We collaborated in activities of social economic boost in Borneo.
- 70% Local Borneo products, purchased directly from the Market in the morning at the beginning of the tour, they will make the best meals of your trip in Indonesia.
- Half-yearly training to our guides and boat crew with high tourism standards.
- · Local and licensed guides.
- Fresh water to bathe! Not from the river!
- Plugs for battery chargers

#### **Our new commitments:**

- Empower the women of the cooks association of Pangkalan Bun, teaching them to make meals without the use of Palm Oil and to produce and sell Reusable Bags, among other activities to get them to maintain income during the months without tourists.
- We add a new and unique detail to our klotoks so you can refresh yourself after the walks in the jungle. We replace the use of towels that must be washed with products harmful to the environment, by biodegradable towels made of bamboo fibers.

## **OUR TRIPS**

An experience beyond your expectations

- Discover the wildlife from the comfort of our boats
- Enter the jungle in search of Orangutans, Birds and Reptiles
- Crocodiles, Proboscis monkeys and Kingfisher will be usual neighbors in the river.
- Enjoy what will be possibly the best food of your trip in Indonesia
- Witness the orangutans' presence and history be their salvation.
- Get carried away by the knowledge of survival in the jungle of our guides.
- Live a night in a Dayak House
- Wake up to the sound of the jungle
- Dinner between the romantic lights of the fireflies



## 3DZN ORANGUTAN TOUR



DAY 1 : PANGKALAN BUN - KUMAI PORT - TANJUNG HARAPAN DAY 2 : PONDOK TANGGUY - CAMP LEAKEY DAY 3 : KUMAI PORT - PANGKALAN BUN



## 4D3N ORANGUTAN TOUR



DAY 1 : PANGKALAN BUN - KUMAI PORT - TANJUNG HARAPAN DAY 2 : PESALAT - CAMP LEAKEY DAY 3 : PONDOK TANGGUY - CAMP LEAKEY DAY 4 : KUMAI PORT - PANGKALAN BUN



## 5D4N ORANGUTAN & DAYAK TOUR



DAY 1 : PANGKALAN BUN - KUMAI PORT - TANJUNG HARAPAN DAY 2 : PONDOK TANGGUI - CAMP LEAKEY - TREKK DAY 3 : KUMAI - PANGKALAN BUN - BAKONSU VILLAGE DAY 4 : BAKONSU DAYAK VILLAGE - PANGKALAN BUN DAY 5 : HOTEL - PANGKALAN BUN AIRPORT



## ALSO IN BORNEO...

You can combine your experience with the Orangutans with:



A few days of luxury in Maratua



Relaxation and diving in Nunukan



Swimming among jellyfish that do not sting in Kakaban



**Bamboo-rafting in Loksado** 



## **OUR TEAM**

Our team consists of experienced nature-lovers. Our office employees and management team work with a lot of passion for Borneo and the travel industry. We love to arrange every small detail of your trip. Our job is to research for the best hidden spots and to give you an experience of a lifetime. Borneo, the culture and the community are the basis of this experience;



**Norberto Rodriguez Sanchez**, Norberto moved to Indonesia in 2006. He came to pursue his marine adventure and got a chance to work as a cruise director in alive aboard and started a new episode in his life. Having traveled to most eastern part of Indonesia by the sea, he could not stop praising the beauty of not only the underwater world but also the variety of cultures of Indonesia which rarely been touched by civilization and mass tourism. The chance to sail Indonesia for years takes him to places with no airport and no road, places that can only be reached by boat. Norberto's fluency in Bahasa Indonesia makes him easily merge into the culture and way of living of the Indonesian, as well as understanding better this giants mix culture country. His background as the cruise director also brought him to understand many details that most of the time forgotten. Norberto has spend months and months traveling around Indonesia to get in touch personally with the people .



**Melysa Charlex**, Norberto's other half, have traveled to most part of Indonesia since she was very young. Her passion of traveling and knowing new places, cultures and peoples help her to understand more of the art of traveling. Just as her other half, Melysa also spent months and months to travel around Indonesia, meeting the best people, photographing the best amazing landscape, knowing the best routes to Being a traveler herself, when it comes to the adventure and culture, she will share you the secret to keep your feet moving even when your heart rate could not keep up. With experiences she has injoining international conferences, organizing events and trips for people from around the globe, when it comes to travel plan and you need someone to talk to, she will become as a friendly travel advisor. She will give you options, reference, recommendation, and if needed, her personal opinion is also available in order to get a clear image of what the guests are going to deal with.



**Yuli**, Meet Yuli! Yuli was born in Bali, and start her career in tourism industry in 2012. vShe joined Come2Borneo as a Sales and Reservation staff. She travelled multiple times to Kalimantan and she really loves Tanjung Puting National Park. This makes her very suitable for helping with planning your dreamtrip to Kalimantan!

### **COME2BORNEO NATURE GUIDE**



**ISai**, Isai was born in 1982 in Kalimantan and grew up in a small dayak tribe deep inside the jungle of Kalimantan. Since he became a guide he has been living in Pangkalan bun. Before he became a guide, he lived deep in the jungle, collecting tree sap and rattan to sell. As part of a Dayak family he was always connected to nature and he calls the jungle his home. Every day he had to find a way to survive, finding his own food and medicine from jungle resources. Isai is really excited to share his knowledge about the jungle, the animals and tribe culture to all the foreigners tourist. He has been working as a tour guide in Tanjung-Puting National Park since 2008 and during his time as a guide he learned to speak English and Spanish and he always tries to learn something from every new language, he also speaks a few words of Dutch and French! Isai is always up for a joke and is told with a lot of passion about the history of the jungle and how you can survive in it!



**Opi**, Opi was born in Kumai, Kalimantan, on the 30 Agustus 1987. He loves to play volleyball, to read a good book and travelling through Indonesia. He started working in the National Park 2008 as a captain assistant. He became a licensed guide in 2015, after he taught himself English. He did this by listening and speaking to the guest. He used to work as a teacher helping kids and driving taxi around Pangkalan Bun. Opi is very confident, hard worker and loves to talk. He is a true leader and knows a lot about boating, easy to adapt to changes, find solutions to problem and improvising. He is a really good storyteller. He speaks the local language, Bahasa Indonesia and he is fluent in English and tries to learn Spanish.



**Udin**, Udin was born in Lombok, on 12 oct 1987 and moved to Kalimantan with his parents when he was just a kid and has been living there ever since. He started working as a guide by accident, he broke his ankle at his old job, and wasn't able to work there anymore. Opi, his fellow guide, suggested him to go back to the port and work in a klotok. He remembered spending his childhood fishing and helping his parents collecting log from the river, this was something he loved to do, so he took Opi's advice. He started to work at Rambo Satu. He spend the first six months working serving food and talking to guests. After these 6 months of training, he started a new carrier as a guide. Two years after that he had his first Spanish guests and he had no experience at all with the Spanish language, but he was prepared, he brought his dictionary onboard and tried to understand as much as possible and tried to start a conversation in spanish. It was not easy but the guests appreciated his effort. He learned a lot of new words over the years and now he is really thankful that he found his passion in this guiding world.

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**Ujang**, He was born in Kumai, Kalimantan on 06 November 1993. Before he became a nature Guide he used to be an logger and a miner and he loved to go fishing. After watching a lot of documentaries about animals, he bought a camera and start making bird pictures, then he realized that being in nature makes him happy, so he quit his job and started looking for a job as a guide. His strength is that he knows more about birds than any other guides, he loves to smile, speaks Indonesian, Local Language, English and a bit of Spanish...

His dream is to someday be able to travel outside of Borneo. Explore other places abroad and bring his camera along... He still love to relax in the rivers, fishing and bringing home his own dinner. He also likes to learn languages, he is very open to new people....



#### **Ambo**, Ambo Tuwo was born in April 1978 in Kumai, Kalimantan.

After finishing school in 2000, he started to work as a volunteer in the National Park. He started working at Rimba Eco-Lodge in 2004, where he was learning English and learning everything a guide needs to know. He has been a guide ever since. Since 2007, he has been helping local tour operators in the National Park. In 2009 he started building his own boats and started his own company. In 2018, Come2Borneo and Ambo merged their companies and Ambo started to work for Come2Borneo as Operational Planner. He loves nature and Tanjung Puting National Park and tells about it to his guests with passion.



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