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Travel Guide

## GENERAL INFORMATION

# Bali Island



Among 17,500 islands across the Indonesian archipelago, Bali is one of the 33 provinces of the Republic of Indonesia, the largest archipelagic country in the world. Indonesia is divided into three time zones and Bali follows the Central Indonesia Time which is eight hours ahead of GMT.

The island is home to the vast majority of Indonesia's small Hindu minority. 93.18% of Bali's population adheres to Balinese Hinduism, while most of the remainder follow Islam.

Bali is also the largest tourist destination in the country and renowned for its highly developed arts, including dance, sculpture, painting, leather, metalworking and music.

Also known as the Land of the Gods, Bali appeals through its natural beauty of looming volcanoes and terraced rice fields that exude peace and serenity.

Bali daytime temperatures can vary from 20 to 33°C all year round. Heavy rain showers and high humidity from the west monsoon can be felt from December to March. Days are consistently sunny with rains arriving in the late afternoon, passing swiftly. June to September boasts a low humidity and can be cooler in the evenings.



Due to its tropical atmosphere, Bali style is generally informal. Choose clothing in lightweight fabrics and colors to keep you cool in the humidity. Sunscreen is a must, while a hat and sunglasses will prove useful as well.

 **GETTING AROUND BALI**  
**TRANSPORTATION**

Public transportation isn't a big thing in Bali, with people either walking or taking private cars or taxi. It is fairly easy to find a driver or taxi for hire from your hotel. If you hire a taxi along the streets, do insist that they turn on the taxi meter before you start your journey as some drivers may negotiate for an inflated fixed rate.

As for the preferred taxi company, try to take Blue Bird Taxis as they are reputed to be the most honest taxis in Bali while everybody else can be a hit or miss.

Uber is also available in Bali hence you can use the app for taxi booking. Currently, besides cashless payment modes, Uber Bali is also accepting the Cash option as an alternative payment mode.

There are also two local alternatives to Uber: GrabTaxi and Go-Jek. Both companies are giving Uber a run for their money in Southeast Asia, and are accessible from both iOS and Android devices. For the really adventurous among you, try GoJek! Getting through traffic is much faster (and exhilarating) on the back of a motorcycle!



## BALINESE DON'TS

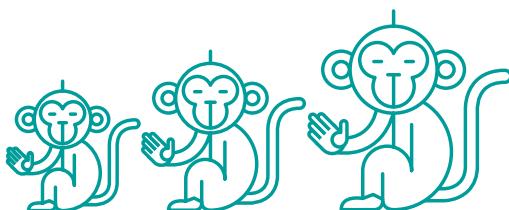
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**DON'T** Drink tap water. Choose bottled water. It's best not to drink the tap water in Bali, but this shouldn't be too much of an inconvenience as bottled water is cheap and plentiful.



**DON'T** Touch people's heads. Touching people's heads is a big no-no and one practice you should always remember in Bali. The Balinese believe that the head is the most sacred part of the body. An action like ruffling a child's hair is considered highly impolite.



**DON'T** Attempt to tease or outsmart wildlife. There have been sightings of monkeys and monitor lizards within the resort. They are generally harmless but do avoid teasing, provoking or feeding them.

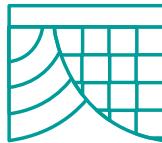


# BALINESE DOS

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**DO** Watch where you step. As you walk down the Balinese streets you'll notice tiny fragrant parcels made from palm leaves everywhere. They are offerings to the Gods and are often adorned with flowers and incense. These little sachets are normally placed in front of doorways and often directly on the pavement. Do avoid stepping on these offerings as it will be considered disrespectful.



**DO** Cover up in temples. It is expected that visitors dress and act modestly when entering the temples. This includes covering up for both men and women, and a sarong or scarf is the ideal way to do this. Be aware, however, that not all temples loan out sarongs, so take one with you if you're not dressed suitably. Also, for the ladies, do refrain from visiting temples if you are menstruating.



**DO** Haggle - not too hard. Haggling is expected in the shops and markets, but be careful just how hard you push the Balinese. They expect a little bargaining but if you're pushing a hard bargain over a small amount of money, it's generally best to give in. It's likely that these smaller amounts mean more to them than they do you, so always try to find that balance when seeking a good deal.



**DO** Avoid hole-in-the wall money changers. Many money changers advertise better rates and have hidden commission charges, be sure to ask about any commission imposed before the exchange transaction. Always count the cash you receive carefully. Some money changers on Bali are notorious for sleight of hand tactics that leave you with less Rupiah than you're supposed to get.



# DENPASAR AIRPORT ARRIVAL

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## > TRANSPORTATION FROM THE AIRPORT

Once you step out into the International Arrival Hall, there will be many drivers offering taxi or private car services, soliciting for business.

There is an official airport taxi booth located at the international arrival terminal, just after the arrival exit through the glass sliding doors and before the Duty free shopping arcade.

## > IMMIGRATION CUSTOMS CLEARANCE

An especially important reminder: please confirm whether or not you need to apply for a visa before your trip to Bali, or if you can purchase a Visa on Arrival.

For US passport holders, there will be visa exemption for tourism purpose only. On your Immigration Form and at the Immigration Counter, kindly indicate your purpose of visit as 'Leisure' or 'Tourist' to be exempted from applying for Visa on Arrival. Otherwise, a Visa on Arrival application will cost USD\$35.00.

Payment is to be made at this booth first, and you will be given a receipt. Following which, one of the taxi drivers will lead you to the designated taxi. Please use local taxi/ hotel transport instead of Uber from the airport.

Near this Taxi booth, there is also a Telkomsel booth where you can buy a pre-paid SIM card for calls and internet data package. Please note that only unlocked network phones may work with different SIM cards. While it's possible to unlock phones at the airport, it will be easier and less stressful if you unlock them before you travel.

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This travel website has some useful information:

<http://www.nomadicmatt.com/travel-blogs/smartphones-for-travel/>



# ACCOMMODATION AYANA & RIMBA RESORT

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The award-winning AYANA Resort and Spa Bali is a world-class destination resort located on 90 hectares of cliff-top land perched above Jimbaran Bay, just 10 kilometers from Bali airport. AYANA's majestic sunsets and ocean-front views are complemented by white-sand beach and shared facilities as Bali's only integrated resort with RIMBA Jimbaran Bali.

With full access to all dining and recreation at both AYANA and RIMBA and complimentary resort shuttle, guests enjoy the most extensive on-site facilities of any resort in Bali. There are 15 restaurants and bars including the famous Rock Bar; exclusive private beach; 11 swimming pools; world-class Spa with Aquatonic Seawater Therapy Pool and Spa on the Rocks treatment; golf-putting and fitness center.



## RECOMMENDATIONS LEISURE WITHIN AYANA RESORT

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### AYANA ROCK BAR

[www.ayanaresort.com/rockbarbali](http://www.ayanaresort.com/rockbarbali)

Located on natural rocks 14 meters above the Indian Ocean at the base of AYANA Resort and Spa Bali's towering cliffs, this innovative open-top Bali bar is the island's most glam sunset and after-dark destination.

Soak up the chic ambience and superstar views as the rhythm of the spot-lit ocean merges with the funky tunes vibing from the DJ booth carved into the cliffface. Please note the Rock Bar Bali has a dress code.



### UNIQUE ROOFTOP BAR & RESTAURANT

Offering dramatic 360-degree views across the Uluwatu Hills to the south-east and sunset over the Indian Ocean to the west, UNIQUE is a chic pool club by day, evolving into a spectacular spot for Bali sunset cocktails and dinner high above the treetops. The stylish decor and relaxed ambience make UNIQUE perfect for all-day lounging and dining.



# RECOMMENDATIONS: LEISURE WITHIN AYANA RESORT

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## WARUNG KUBU

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Located on the cliffs above AYANA private Bali beach, this casual 'warung' offers panoramic ocean and sunset views. Warung Kubu serves freshly-grilled satays, jagung bakar (Balinese-style sweet corn on the cob), burgers and hotdogs, along with a selection of cocktails, fresh young coconut and ice-cold beer.



## SPA CAFÉ

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Conveniently located within Thermes Marins Bali Spa, this Bali restaurant enables you to stroll over between spa treatments and enjoy light spa cuisine while still leisurely attired in your kimono and slippers.



## OTHERS

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Other than the above listed leisure spots, AYANA Resort offers a full range of other outdoor and leisure activities which includes Yoga, Cooking Class, Golfing, Tennis and even a Perfume Making Class. Or you can simply hit the ground running on a scenic 1.5 kilometre trail winding through the Resort. To explore the complete list of activities within AYANA Resort, please visit <http://ayanaresort.com/en/activities>



## OTHER NOTES

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### AYANA PRIVATE BEACH – KUBU BEACH | 9am – 7pm

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This private stretch of beach is available exclusively to guests of AYANA Resort. As this is a cliff-side beach, this makes it unsuitable for water sports. During high tide, the waves can be quite strong and certain areas of the seabed are rocky as well. The beach is only accessible by foot, via a flight of 197 steps hence do expect some walking before you can reach the beach.



### BEACH SAFETY

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Only few beaches have coast guards. Beware of underflow and riptides at the beach, and always swim between the flag markers. Red flags are erected on dangerous beaches. If you see a red flag do not attempt to swim because currents can sweep you out to sea



### TSUNAMI WARNING

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AYANA is one of the Tsunami Ready certified Hotel in Bali, where there is an internationally recognized and audited evacuation plan with specific procedures set in place by the Hotel.



# RECOMMENDATIONS: SIGHTSEEING



## TANAH LOT TEMPLE

Braban

+62 361 880 361

7am – 7pm



## ULUWATU TEMPLE

Pecatu, Nusa Dua Peninsula

9am – 6pm



## GARUDA WISNU KENCANA (GWK)

Jl. Raya Uluwatu, Ungasan, Badung

[www.gwkbal.com](http://www.gwkbal.com)

+62 361 700 808

8am – 10pm



## NUSA LEMBONGAN

Nusa Lembongan is a small island off the southeast coast of the main island of Bali. Quickly becoming one of Bali's most popular attractions, this island paradise is a world away from the hassle and hectic pace of South Bali. Neither hawkers nor traffic mar the magnificent scenery; this is a fine place to just put your feet up and relax. Main activities include surfing, diving and snorkeling. The water is some of the clearest you will find anywhere, and a vivid aqua blue in colour.



# RECOMMENDATIONS: LEISURE AROUND SEMINYAK

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## KILO BALI

Jl. Drupadi No.22, Kuta, Kabupaten Badung

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Kilo is situated on the beautiful shores of Bali, along the Jalan Drupadi stretch in the vibrant Seminyak district. Kilo Bali offers Kilo's signature dishes, but also presents specials that are created with local ingredients and produce in mind. The menu is helmed by Chef Manel and Chef Hans, who look to transform the sharing experience while captivating the diner's imagination and palate. Distinguished by unconventional and modern minimalist architecture that challenges the traditional landscape, Kilo Bali offers a quiet respite away from all the hustle and bustle.



## LA FAVELA

Jl. Kayu Aya No.177X, Seminyak  
[www.lafavela.com](http://www.lafavela.com)  
+62 361 730 010  
12pm – 3am

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## LA LAGUNA

Jl. Pantai Kayu Putih, Berawa  
+62 361 474 1214  
11am – 11pm (Mon – Sat)



## RECOMMENDATIONS: LEISURE AROUND SEMINYAK

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### LA LUCIOLA

Jalan Kayu Aya, Kerobokan | 9am – 12am

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This is one among Seminyak's most renowned beachfront dining icons, sharing the Petitenget vicinity with the namesake temple. The restaurant serves brunch, lunch and dinner, offering a menu that features international fusion and Mediterranean cuisine on two airy levels of a unique thatched roof tavern. From here, your dining experience is complemented by great ocean and sunset views beyond a coconut grove and the restaurant's own dappled green lawn.



### MADE'S WARUNG

Jl. Raya Seminyak, Banjar Seminyak | 10am – 12am

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One of Bali's most established and recognized restaurant for local Indonesian food, with a menu that also includes a wide variety of international selections.



## RECOMMENDATIONS: LEISURE AROUND SEMINYAK

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### MAMASAN

Jl. Raya Kerobokan #135, Br. Taman | 12pm – 3pm & 6pm – 12.30am

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Mamasan is one of award winning Chef Will Meyrick's Bali-based restaurants. This loft-style venue with kitchen, bar and lounge attracts a fancy international crowd. Step into colonial Britain in Shanghai during the 1920s, with marble top mah-jong tables and oversized tan leather chesterfields, in a purpose designed industrial high ceiling warehouse. Chef Meyrick's expansive menu showcases an eclectic array of creations representing the diversity of Southeast Asian and Indian cuisines.



### MIRROR

Jl. Petitenget #106, Seminyak  
[www.mirror.id](http://www.mirror.id)  
+62 811 3993 010  
11pm – 5am (Wed – Sat)



### OLD MAN'S

Jl. Batu Bolong Beach, Canggu  
+62 361 84159  
7am – 10pm



# RECOMMENDATIONS: LEISURE AROUND SEMINYAK

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## POTATO HEAD BEACH CLUB

Jl. Petitenget No. 51B, Seminyak | 11am till late

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Potato Head Beach Club is recognised by Condé Nast Traveller as one of the best holiday destinations in the world and acknowledged as a true institution in Bali. Designed by acclaimed architect, Andra Matin as a modern take on the Coliseum, it features a towering façade that is crafted in its trademark of mismatched 18th century teak shutters collected across the Indonesian archipelago. The beachfront bar and its 500-square meter lawn leading to an infinity pool are all housed inside a state-of-the-art amphitheatre.



## REVOLVER ESPRESSO

Jl. Kayu Aya / Gang 51, Seminyak  
[www.revolverespresso.com](http://www.revolverespresso.com)  
+62 851 0099 4968  
7am – 6pm

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## THE STRAW HUT

Jl. Sari Dewi No.17, Seminyak  
[www.thestrawhut.com](http://www.thestrawhut.com)  
+62 361 736 750  
7.30am – 11pm

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## WARUNG ITALIA

Jl. Kunti 2, Seminyak  
+62 361 737 437  
7am – 11pm

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## WOOBAR

Jl. Petitenget, Seminyak  
[www.wretreatbali.com/WOOBAR\\_BALI](http://www.wretreatbali.com/WOOBAR_BALI)  
+62 361 3000 106  
10am – 1am



# RECOMMENDATIONS: LEISURE AROUND UBUD



## BEBEK BENGIL

Jl. Hanoman, Padang Tegal, Ubud  
[www.bebekbengil.com](http://www.bebekbengil.com)  
+62 361 974 589  
10am – 11pm



## CASA LUNA

Jl. Raya Ubud, Ubud  
[www.casalunabali.com](http://www.casalunabali.com)  
+62 361 977 409  
8am – 11pm



## JOHN HARDY DESIGNER HANDMADE JEWELLERY

Jl. Raya Mambal, Br. Baturning #1, Ubud  
[www.johnhardy.com](http://www.johnhardy.com)  
+62 361 469 888  
9am – 4pm



## THE MONKEY FOREST

Jl. Monkey Forest, Ubud  
[www.monkeyforestubud.com](http://www.monkeyforestubud.com)  
+62 361 971 304  
8.30am – 6pm



# IDEAS FOR SOUVENIRS

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## BALI SARONG

Bali sarongs are distinct from others as they feature a fringe on two sides. Shoppers can choose between traditional Balinese geometric designs or modern beach-inspired patterns. It is not only a great souvenir to take home but also serves multiple purposes such as, to cover your legs for temple visits or using it as a beach towel. Beautiful Balinese sarongs can be purchased at markets or in stores all over Bali.



## BALINESE HANDICRAFTS

The Balinese people are very creative. They have been trained for centuries in making beautiful handicrafts for temples and palaces of their kings. Paintings, wooden sculptures, metal and even silver handicrafts are iconic to Balinese crafts heritage.



## BALINESE KINTAMANI COFFEE

Kintamani coffee has a unique flavour not found in any other coffee. Using the plantation system known as 'intercropping', coffee trees are planted in terraced fields alongside other crops such as citrus, cocoa and various vegetables. The effect is a slightly acidic coffee flavour due to its mixture with the scent of citrus.



## SOUVENIR SHOPS

### KRISNA OLEH-OLEH

Jl. Nusa Indah. No. 77 Denpasar Bali  
| 8am – 10pm daily

### BALI COLLECTION NUSA DUA

Jalan Nusa Dua, BTDC Complex Nusa Dua  
| 10am – 10pm daily

### SUKAWATI ART MARKET

Jl. Raya Sukawati, Ubud | 8am – 7pm daily

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