



Trip #23 – 2017 | Tuesday 3rd October to Friday 13th October, 2017
Signature Itinerary | Diving Kimbe Bay Reefs, Witu Islands, Fathers Reefs
Walindi | Walindi
10 nights | 8.5 dive days

Pricing Ensuite Twin/Double Cabin - US\$4,800 per person
Ensuite Single Cabin - US\$5,280 per person

Inclusions 10 nights ensuite accommodation on board MV FeBrina as reserved, all meals and snacks, unlimited tea and coffee, final night dinner at Walindi Plantation Resort, 8.5 days diving, 4 or 5 dives per day, filled tanks, weight belt and weights, return airport transfers to and from Hoskins airport/Walindi, light laundry service daily. Note that Environmental and Safety Fees are not included in the trip cost, however will be added to the invoice to be paid in advance as noted.

Not included Flights, bar expenses/soft drinks, nitrox, equipment hire, any meals taken at Walindi prior to boarding MV FeBrina or after disembarkation from the boat, souvenirs or items of a personal nature, gratuities. Please note that 10% GST applies to all purchases made within Papua New Guinea.

Additional Costs **Environmental and Safety Fees** - \$60 per person, to be paid with trip cost in advance of arrival. Note that E&S Fees are subject to change and payable at current rate at time of final payment.

Nitrox – available as a package for all dives during the trip = \$270 per person (ex GST) or \$10 per casual fill. Please advise if you would prefer to pay in advance.

Equipment Hire – Limited dive equipment and sizes are kept on board for hire. Please check on availability prior to arrival. If needed, gear hire can be arranged from Walindi Resort with advance notice.

Alcohol/Bar – Local beers are available on board for a cost of PGK8 (SP) and PGK9 (SP Export). Softdrinks are available at a cost of PGK5 each (please advise in advance if you have any preferences). Wine is available by the bottle or glass (costs depend on wine type). We recommend that you bring your favourite spirit duty free for consumption on board, some spirits are available however they are quite expensive in Papua New Guinea. We do recommend that once you start drinking for the day, you cease diving for that day.

Payment can be made with credit card (Mastercard/Visa/Amex), or with cash in AUD, USD, PGK or Euro.

Bar prices are subject to change and payable at current rate at time of voyage.

These additional costs are current as at 2016 and are subject to increase for 2017.

Please note that 10% GST applies to all purchases made on board MV FeBrina and at Walindi Resort once you are in Papua New Guinea.

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Dive Itinerary **Signature Itinerary** includes Kimbe Bay reefs, Witu Islands and Fathers Reefs.

Kimbe Bay is home to stunning reefs with those brilliant coral formations you see in all the classic Walindi pics. Beautiful and dramatic sea mounts, coral laden walls and lush coral gardens are all a feature of Kimbe Bay diving, along with myriad fish and invertebrate life the reefs sustain.

Witu Islands are a group of islands, volcanic in origin, situated to the north west of Kimbe Bay. The diving is a mixture of sea mounts rising from deep waters to within metres of the surface (such as Lama shoals), beautiful coral arches and great night dives in the black sand bays of the islands. Lots of interaction with the locals trading fresh fruit and veg out of their canoes too.

Fathers Reefs are a series of off shore reefs, also volcanic in origin. The underwater topography is startlingly different with dramatic reefscape, arches and swim throughs. Being offshore, these reefs also attract pelagic activity such as sharks, rays, turtles, schools of barracuda, jacks etc.

Our dive guides have been with us for many years and they know the dive sites very well. They have amazing eyes and can point out many creatures that might not normally be seen.

Departure Details

MV FeBrina will depart from Walindi Wharf at approximately 6:00pm on Tuesday 3rd October 2017. The closest airport to the departure point is Hoskins airport and there are daily flights with Air Niugini and Airlines of PNG from Port Moresby to Hoskins.

For guests arriving into Hoskins airport on 3rd October, flights will be met by the Walindi Resort shuttle bus and guests transferred to FeBrina at the Walindi Wharf. The drive from Hoskins airport to Walindi is approximately 50 minutes and a chance to take a look at the surrounding countryside ... especially fascinating if you are a first time visitor to Papua New Guinea.

For guests transferring from Walindi Resort, boarding is from 4:00pm. Luggage will be collected from the resort by FeBrina crew during the day. Guests are welcome to use the Walindi Main House facilities after check out from the resort and while waiting for boarding time.

Diving begins first thing Wednesday 4th October 2017.

Disembarkation Details

Diving finishes before lunch time on Thursday 12th October 2017 and MV FeBrina comes into Walindi Wharf in the afternoon. While the crew wash and dry all dive gear, guests have the option of taking a look around the resort and gardens, or alternatively arranging for a sight seeing tour out of Walindi Resort if they wish (at their own expense). FeBrina will tie up at Walindi Wharf overnight, guests remain accommodated on board. Dinner will be a farewell BBQ at Walindi Resort with the crew (included in the trip cost).

Disembarkation is prior to 9:00am on the morning of Friday 13th October, 2017 at Walindi. Airport transfers will be arranged to meet outgoing flights from Hoskins airport on 13th October. For those with early morning flight, early continental breakfast is provided prior to early transfer. For those with later departures, guests are welcome to use the Walindi Resort Main House facilities until their airport transfer.

For guests staying on at Walindi Resort, transfer of your luggage to your resort accommodation will be arranged during the morning.