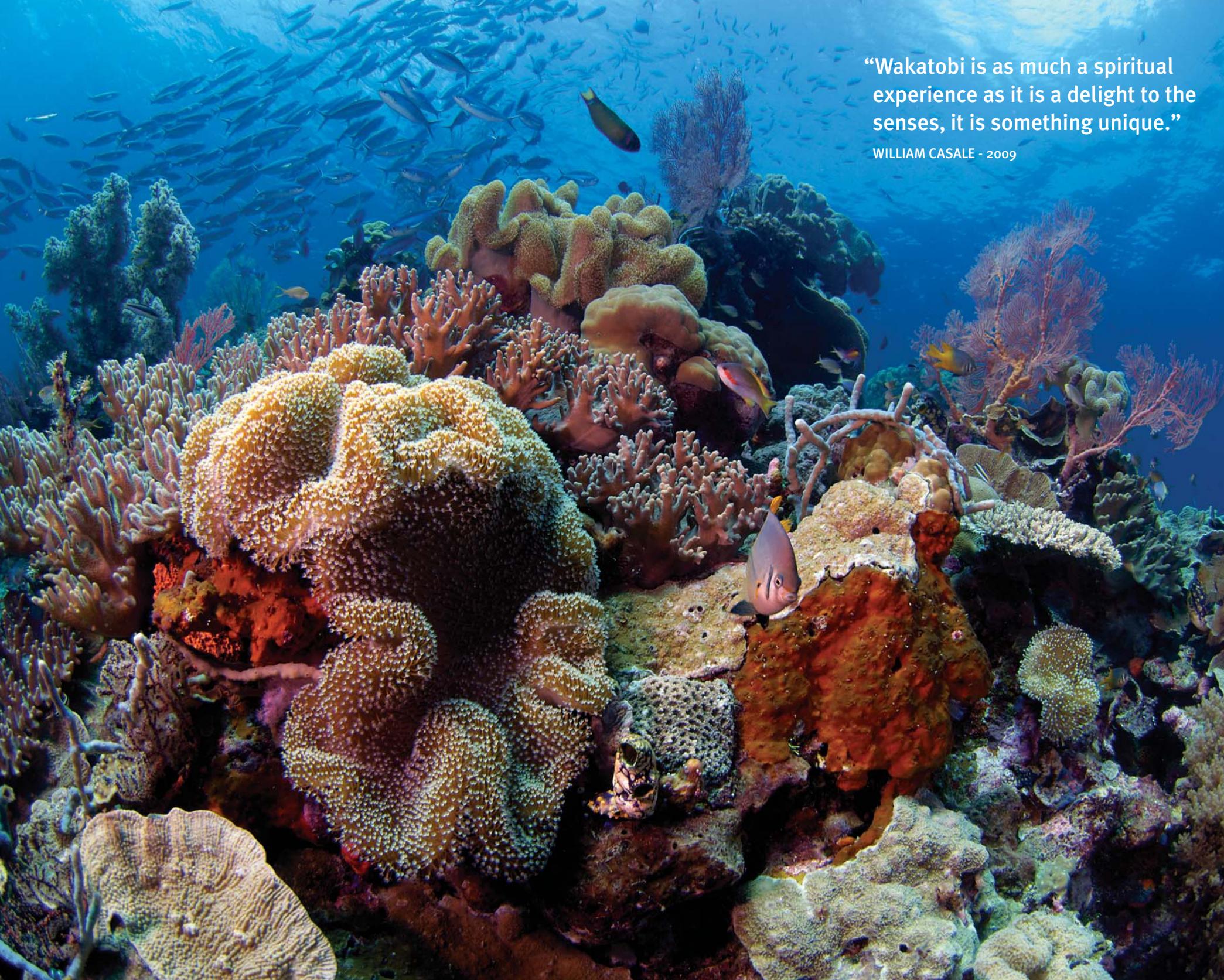




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DIVE RESORT

A vibrant underwater scene featuring a diverse coral reef. In the foreground, a large, textured coral formation is visible, with a grey and yellow tang fish swimming near its base. The reef extends into the background, where a massive school of small, silvery fish swims across the frame. Various other smaller, colorful fish are scattered throughout the scene.

"Wakatobi is as much a spiritual experience as it is a delight to the senses, it is something unique."

WILLIAM CASALE - 2009



WELCOME TO WAKATOBI DIVE RESORT, a remote and exclusive resort located in an Indonesian archipelago blessed with the planet's most pristine and prolific tropical reefs. Immerse yourself in a symphony of marine life among healthy, colorful coral seascapes and an incredible array of creatures of all shapes and sizes. It's all here, in one place...called Wakatobi. Be our guest in a resort built by divers for divers who are able to appreciate what Jacques Cousteau called "probably the finest diving site in the world" – a view since echoed by the testimonials of hundreds of divers from all over the world. Wakatobi and Pelagian Dive Yacht are where you can experience the dive vacation of your dreams.





WAKATOBI DIVE RESORT



THE ADVENTURE BEGINS ONLY A FEW STEPS FROM THE RESORT'S WHITE POWDER BEACH where a lush drop-off stretches along several distinct dive sites. Lionfish, clownfish, rays, batfish, crocodile fish, jawfish, ghost pipefish, waspfish, schooling jacks, turtles, mandarin fish, leaf fish and several species of pygmy seahorse inhabit a reef resplendently abloom with life. Just around the corner you can even see mating mandaring fish from time to time. Brilliant soft corals, oversized gorgonians, vibrant sponges and delicate tunicates in every hue create an intricately woven tapestry of color and texture. At night, the resort's famous House Reef (page 9), one of the world's best shore dives, explodes in a flurry of activity.



“This is an incredible place that truly values the conservation of the habitat. Forget all of your other diving experiences. Wakatobi is a lifestyle choice, one that we will be adopting on future dive trips”

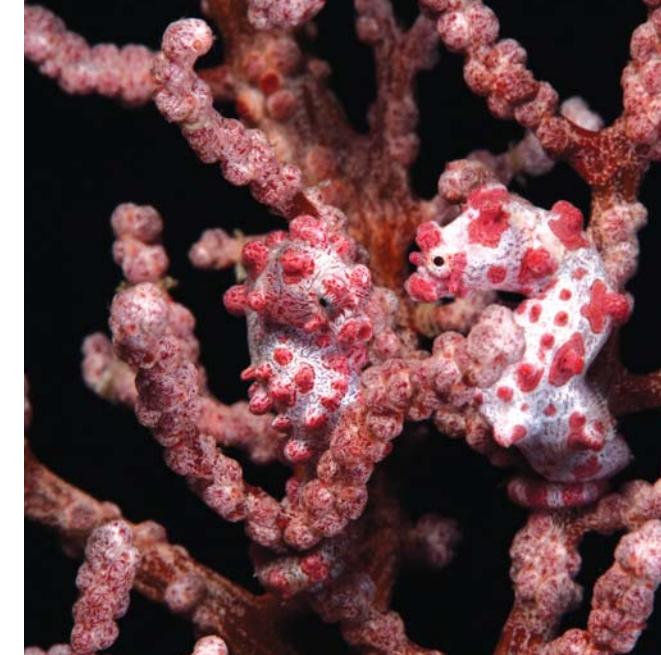
EILEEN AND STEVE BROWN - 2009



A close-up photograph of two cuttlefish on a vibrant coral reef. The cuttlefish on the right is the focal point, its body covered in intricate brown and white vertical stripes. Its large, expressive eye is looking directly at the camera. Behind it, another cuttlefish is partially visible, also displaying similar striped patterns. The coral reef in the background is composed of various types of coral, including soft corals with long, finger-like tentacles and harder corals with more solid, rounded structures. The water is a clear, translucent blue.

“Nature often holds up a mirror so we can see more clearly the ongoing processes of growth, renewal, and transformation in our lives.”

MARY ANN BRUSSAT



UNPARALLELED FREEDOM To DIVE, SNORKEL AND EXPLORE. With such amazing reef life just fin-kicks away, and total freedom to dive day and night, some guests choose to profoundly explore the four mile long House Reef. Wakatobi also boasts a three-to-one staff to guest ratio, and our attentive staff are at your beck and call to assist with your every need. Whether it's about making your diving effortless; or your rest, recreation, and fun more pleasant, they are there for you. At our resort, you'll have exclusive access to more than four dozen dive and snorkel sites in the pristine waters surrounding the island. If you're a serious diver, this is your place. Even if all you want to do is snorkel and enjoy the island, this is still your paradise.





Experience a unique mix of luxury, personalized service and remoteness. Built and managed by an international group of dive professionals, and founded on the principles of sound, sustainable eco-tourism, Wakatobi is a multiple award-winning resort that offers guests all the creature comforts of the modern world in a secluded, unspoiled setting. This intimate, comfortable and finely tuned retreat accommodates only a few dozen guests in a mix of seaside bungalows and villas, all of which are cooled by ocean breezes, fans and air-conditioning. Serving as a base for your natural explorations our well-equipped and meticulously managed dive center offers the whole range from snorkeling to Nitrox and advanced technical diving.



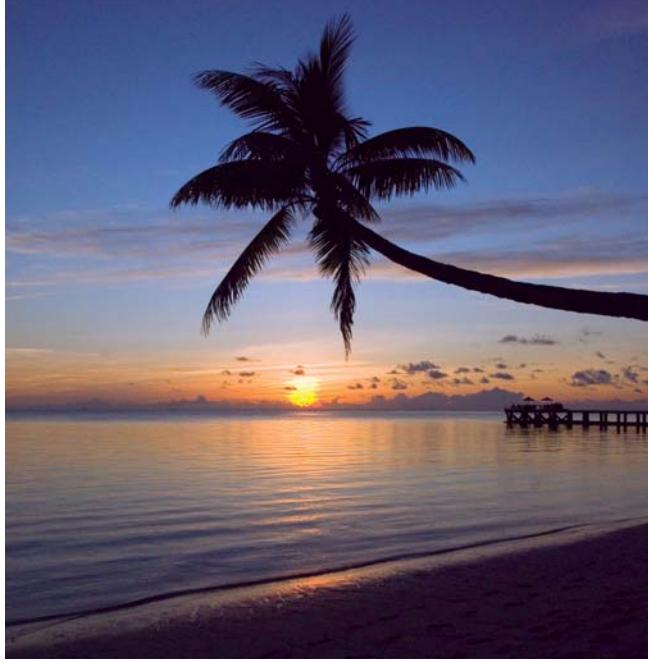
“After 38 years as an instructor
and world traveler it is hard to
WOW me. I've been WOWed! ”

JEANNE SLEEPER - 2009



“I have been fortunate to have traveled my entire life for pleasure and business—six continents and at least 50 countries. I routinely travel in what can only be described as extreme first class in every way. Nonetheless, it was not until I arrived at Wakatobi that I experienced the perfect vacation.”

JUDD BURSTEIN - 2009



SAVOR THE WARM HOSPITALITY OF WAKATOBI DIVE RESORT. From its stunning natural assets – wide ocean views, soothing sunsets and brilliant, star-studded skies – to its generous facilities and attentive staff, it's easy to see why Wakatobi has achieved premier status among well-traveled divers. From the moment you arrive in Bali to rendezvous with our private air charter you will be greeted by one of our representatives and enjoy the most comprehensive service and care possible. We will make you feel truly welcome, and every member of our team will endeavor to make your private flight to, and stay on our island, effortless and carefree. It's a one-of-a-kind vacation experience you'll cherish long after you've returned home.





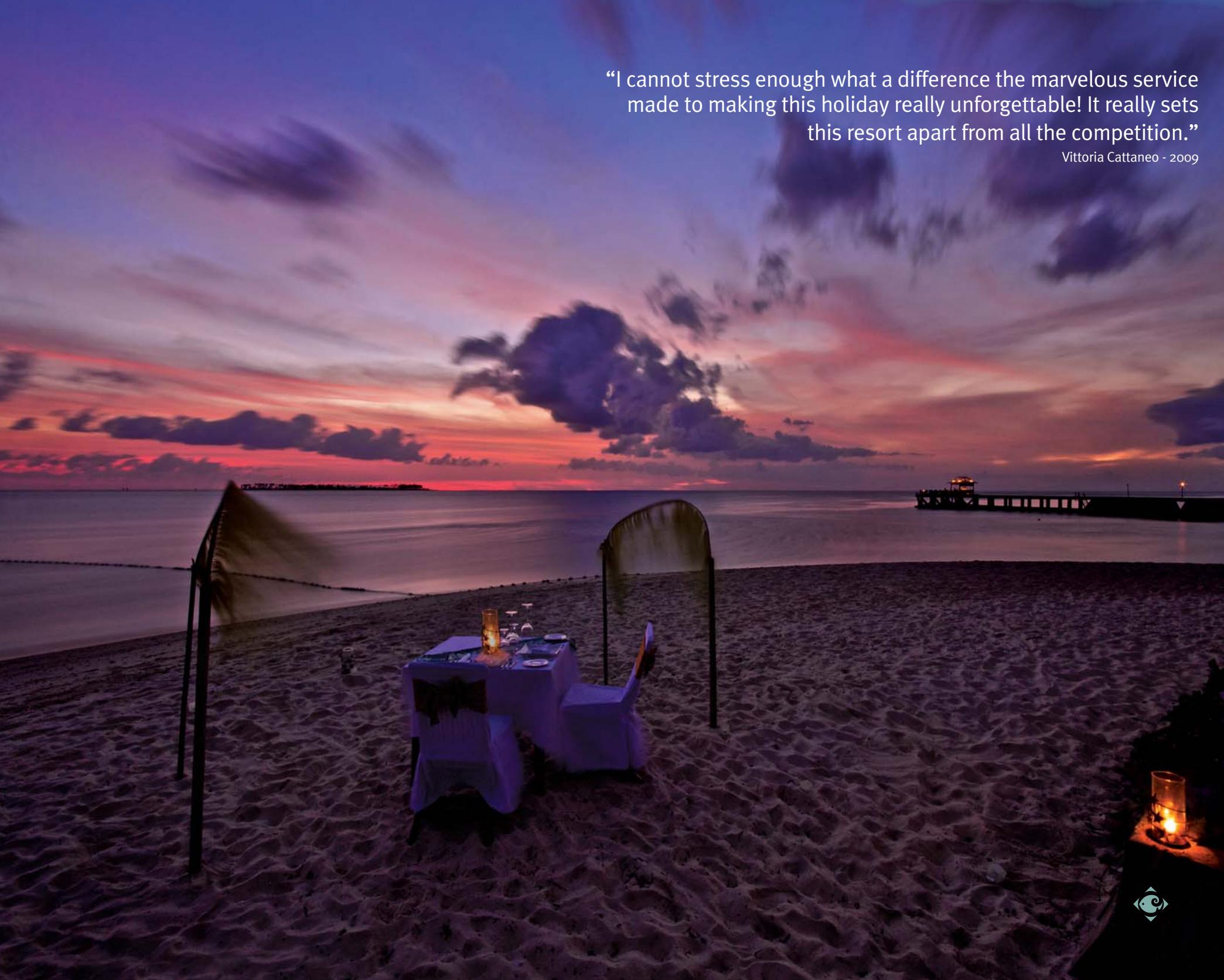
In Wakatobi's restaurant a talented team of internationally trained team of Indonesian Chefs performs culinary magic using locally grown ingredients and imported specialty foods. While you are with us they'll create a delicious fusion of local and international cuisine accompanied by a fine selection of wines and spirits from around the world. Our delightful menu offers many delicious ways to refuel after a great day of diving. Our team is of course also very happy to accommodate any of your special dietary needs or desires.



All facilities at the resort were constructed by local craftsmen and were designed in traditional Indonesian style. One of the most popular is the lounge-like Jetty Dropoff Bar where sunset cocktails are being served up daily and stimulating conversations among travelers from around the world are enjoyed under a starry sky. Immediately adjacent are our fully equipped dive center, camera rooms, and extensive marine life reference library.



"Spacious, well-equipped and a joy to be on." That is what is commonly said about our large day dive boats, all custom-designed and hand-built locally for the specific needs of divers and UW photographers. We reach dozens of dive sites within minutes of the resort. These popular vessels permit easy diving, and incorporate a camera table, rinse tanks, towels, hot and cold beverages, snacks, tiled bath room and, of course, our truly wonderful and attentive local crew.

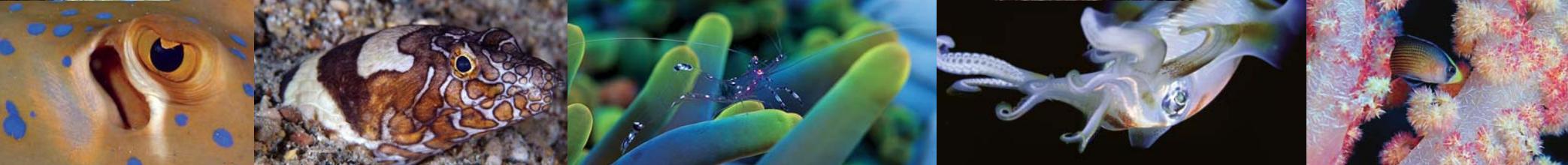
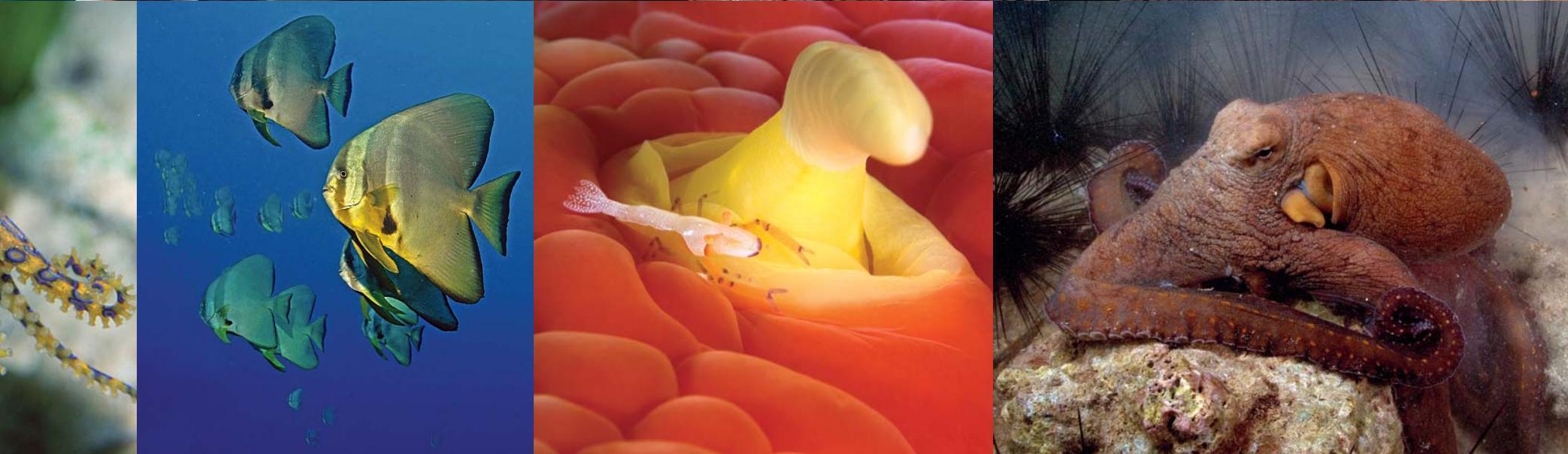


"I cannot stress enough what a difference the marvelous service made to making this holiday really unforgettable! It really sets this resort apart from all the competition."

Vittoria Cattaneo - 2009









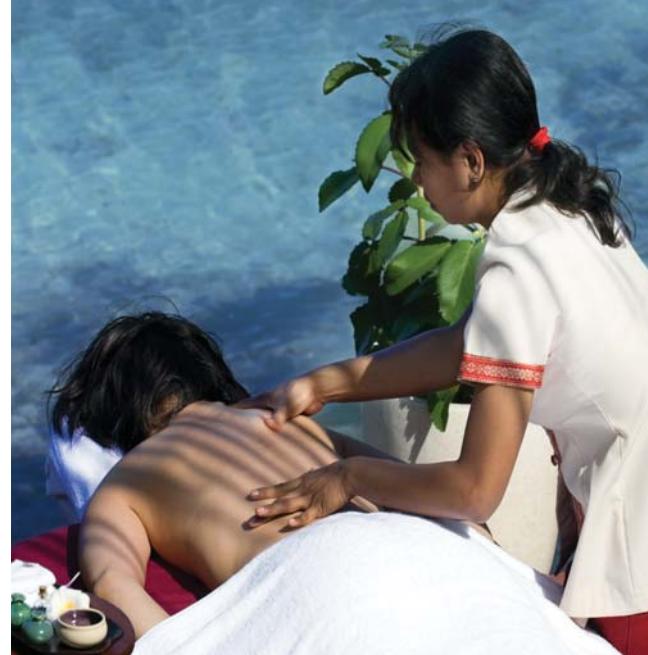
“When you drop into the Wakatobi zone the pace slows, the pleasure grows, and life flows in new ways.”

BARBARA VASQUEZ - 2009

Perched on low cliffs, each with its private staircase to the water's edge, our designer villas are roomy, elegant, luxuriously appointed, and feature panoramic vistas. Amenities include fine linens, floor to ceiling panoramic windows (including in shower-room), large secluded deck, in-room bar, king size bed and high-end fixtures; the net effect of which will delight your senses. Here you can entertain friends or bask in solitary refinement.



All our bungalows have been built using traditional and modern elements. Spacious and cozy they're nestled around the island. With garden or ocean views each cabana is spacious and well-appointed with AC, ceiling fan, a stocked fridge, free satellite internet, aromatherapy bath products, and a private deck with comfortable seating. Our Select Bungalows shown here also have a big outdoor shower and deck.



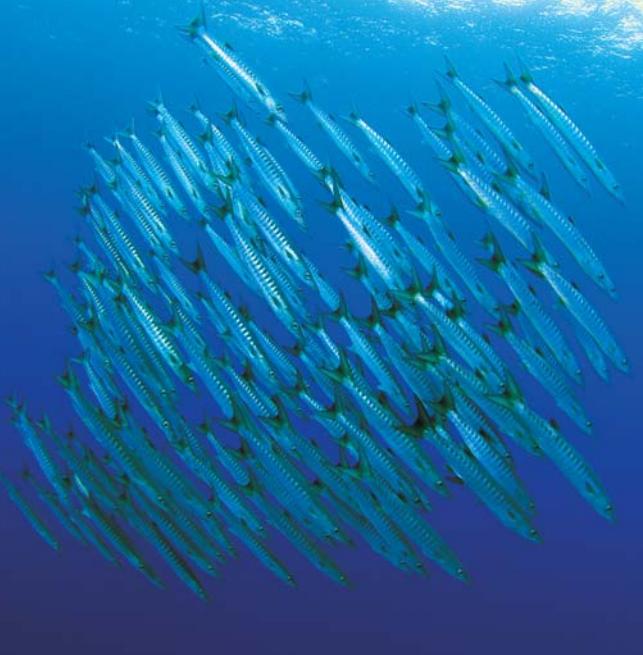
OUR OPTIONAL PREMIUM SERVICES elevate your vacation to an entirely new level. Our Wakatobi Concierge staff members in Bali are ready to help you select the perfect accommodations and services there to meet your personal needs and preferences. They are available prior to your vacation to answer questions about what to do and where to stay in Bali. You can even get help finding an international flight to Indonesia. During your stay with us a private dive guide or a personal dive assistant might be what will make it truly special for you. For those wishing for some daily variety we recommend one of our day tours (such as kayak tours in the mangroves or a gourmet picnic). We also have other land activities as well as a spa where you can enjoy a relaxing massage after diving.



“We've been to the best dive sites on earth. Wakatobi is our first dive site in Heaven.”

RICHARD D. LIND - 2007





PELAGIAN DIVE YACHT



Being one of the world's finest dive liveaboards, Pelagian was originally built to very high standards as an ocean-cruising personal yacht. With its gracious luxury, ease, and spaciousness, she is now part of the Wakatobi family. Passengers on the newly refurbished Pelagian enjoy and revel in the luxuries of superb cuisine, guest-centered service and a smooth, quiet ride. With a maximum of only ten guests on this 115' (36m) yacht there are several large, comfortable common areas for guests to enjoy. Pelagian offers seven, ten or eleven night dive trips with a unique combination of stunning reefs and rarely seen muck diving sites. Consider extending your Pelagian cruise with a stay in Wakatobi Dive Resort - the best of both worlds.



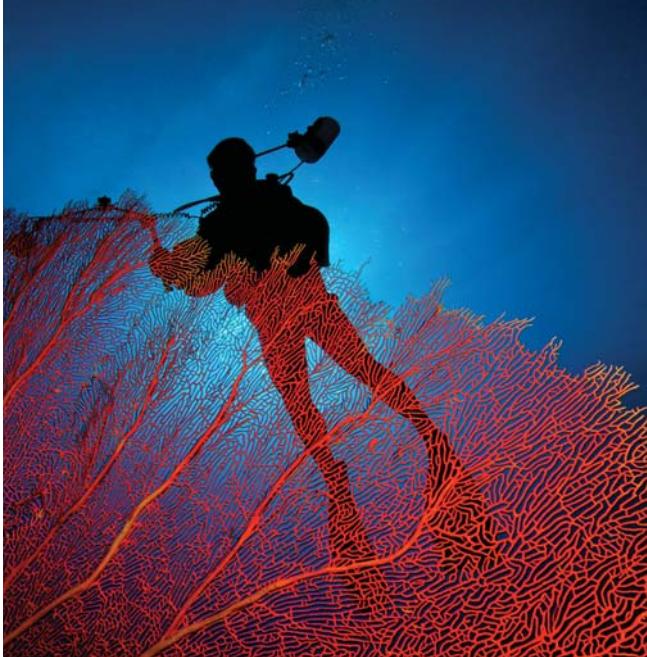
“Probably the best liveaboard in the world.”

JUDITH WALVIN - 2008



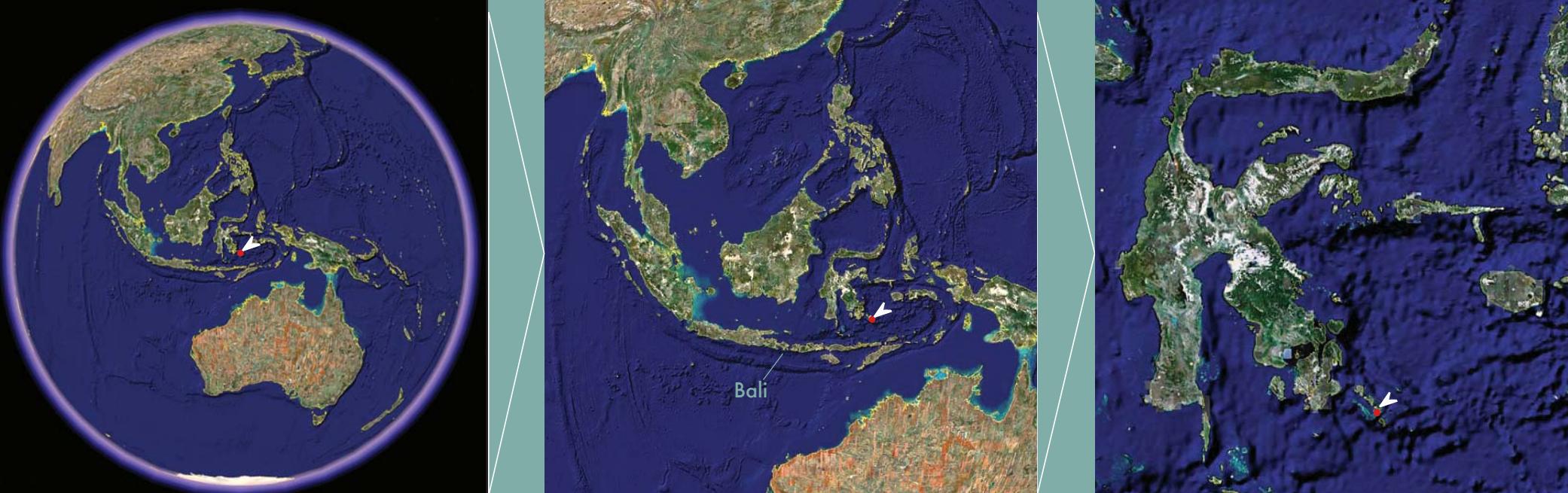


“Pelagian is the finest live-aboard on the seas.
Many liveaboards boast refinement, but only
Pelagian really delivers.” KAREN SCHOFIELD - 2009



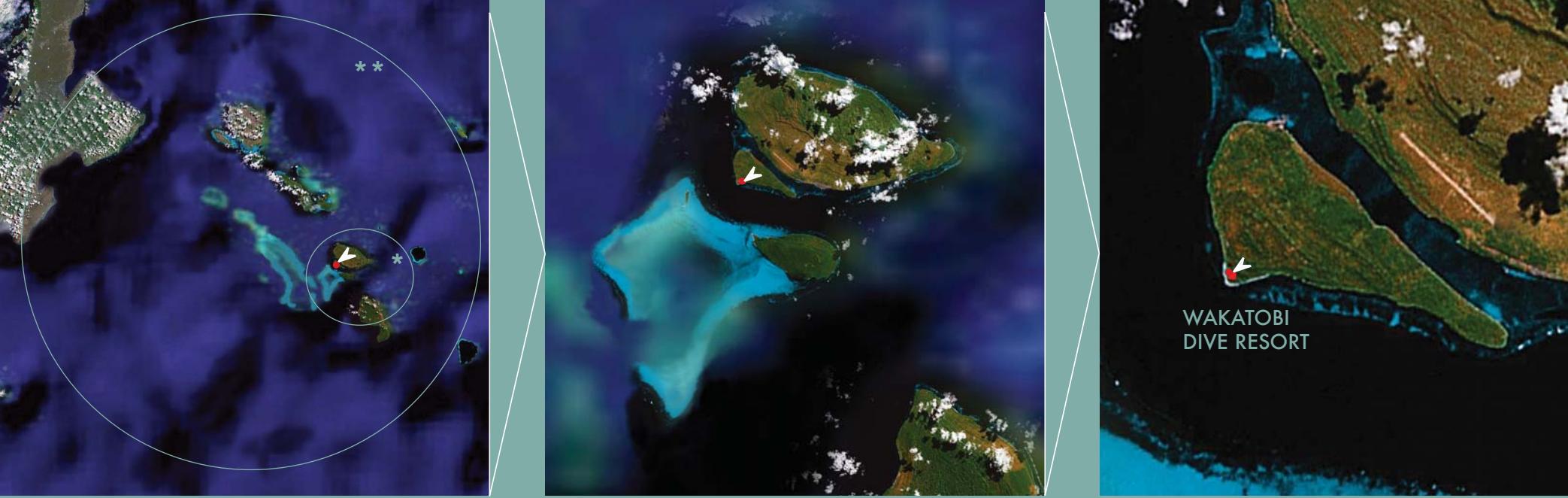
Pelagian provides a level of comfort rarely afforded to dive travelers. With Wakatobi Dive Resort and air charter serving as the vessel's support platform, you avoid unreliable domestic air connections and long transitions through the waves. The spacious dive deck is replete with hot water showers and after every dive our staff is standing by with fresh, warm towels and a beverage of choice. Onboard cuisine is prepared to the same high standard as that of the resort, as our chefs take turns between Pelagian and Wakatobi. The vessel is manned by an experienced, international crew and is meticulously maintained – with your safety and comfort foremost in mind. Two custom-made 18ft rigid hull inflatable (RIB) dive tenders used for all diving are equipped with dual outboards, tank racks and secure stainless steel boarding ladders, making them easy to enter and exit.





IN A PEACEFUL AND UNDEVELOPED CORNER of Indonesia, just a little over two hours by private air service from Bali, you'll find yourself at the center of one of the world's most extraordinary dive areas. Wakatobi Dive Resort is on a small island called Tolandono, which lies just offshore from Tomia Island.





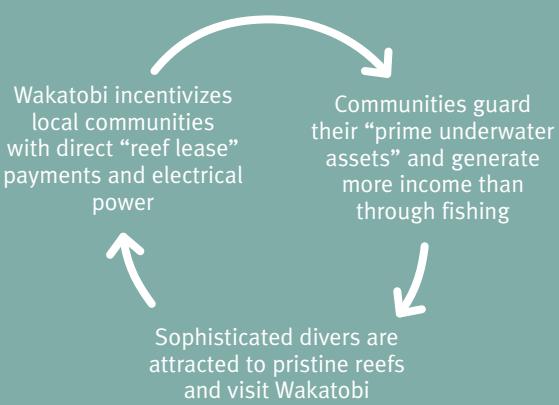
WAKATOBI RESORT alone boasts more than forty dive sites (*) and our first class dive yacht, Pelagian, offers access to dozens more (**). Between the two, you'll visit new, unexplored areas and encounter more marine life, with a greater variety, than you've ever seen before.





WAKATOBI AND THE COMMUNITY

Wakatobi's Collaborative Reef Conservation Model



DIVE IN GOOD CONSCIENCE. Recognizing the fragility and uniqueness of the marine environment and the need for sustainable conservation, the founders of Wakatobi, in partnership with local leaders, developed the 'Collaborative Reef Conservation Program'. This program motivates the local population to realize the value of their reefs, by generating income from tourism that is channeled directly into the local community, providing a true economic alternative to fishing, and remunerating those who help protect and manage the reefs. Through the persistent work and commitment of the resort's owners and staff, the local community, and the cooperation of visiting divers, a substantial region of this community-based marine reserve is now a protected sanctuary, whose reefs and marine life will remain healthy and vibrant for future generations to enjoy. Numerous awards have been bestowed upon Wakatobi in recognition of its support for and protection of the environment, its world-leading example as a net positive environmental impact operation, and its significant benefit to the health and welfare of the local villagers and their communities.



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