Princeton Journeys
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July 29 – August 8, 2015
With optional Komodo Island extension

SUMATRA & BALI
for all ages

Explore exotic places.
See abundant wildlife.
Make lasting memories.

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Dear Princetonian,

If you and your family are looking for a summer adventure a little out of the ordinary, we encourage you to join your fellow Princetonians on a unique family adventure that combines the rainforests of northern Sumatra and the corals reefs, volcanoes and beguiling cultures of Bali from July 29 to August 8, 2015.

Spend three unforgettable days in Gunung Leuser National Park, part of the UNESCO Tropical Rainforest Heritage Site and the sanctuary of the majority of critically endangered Sumatran orangutans. From the comfortable base of your sustainable eco-lodge, trek through lush jungle to search for the orangutans among the trees, and take photographs at close range as they descend to a platform feeding station to enjoy the offerings. Discover the lush, biodiverse landscapes that shelter hundreds of bird and wildlife species, and meet the local schoolchildren of Buwit Lawang and engage in an afternoon of fun and games.

Next, journey to Bali with its artistic heritage, poetic landscapes, and endless beaches. Experience the dazzling wonders of a coral reef as you walk the ocean floor with special underwater gear. In the cultural center of Ubud, visit a unique museum and try your hand at traditional painting or learn to play the distinctive gamelan. Climb to the top of a volcano in the dark as dawn breaks over the emerald world below, and visit an ancient cliffside temple as the Bali sun sets over the southern Indian Ocean.

Princeton travelers will be joined on this Journey by those from the Association of Yale Alumni. Reserve your place by calling Princeton Journeys at (609) 258-8686, or email at journeys@princeton.edu and invite family and friends to join you on this memorable multi-generational trip. Space is limited to 36 participants.

With kind regards,

Leslie Rowley S95
Executive Manager, Princeton Journeys
Office of Alumni Affairs, Princeton University

Study Leader Paul Turner, Associate Professor of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

Dr. Turner, in addition to being an associate professor, is the director for the graduate program in microbiology for Yale University School of Medicine. His research interests include: evolutionary biology, experimental evolution, infectious disease, microbiology, phage therapy, RNA virus, vector borne disease, vesicular stomatitis virus, and virology.

Study Leader Mary Beth Decker, Biological Oceanographer and Ecologist

Mary Beth first became interested in the study of oceanography during a 4-month research expedition to the Galapagos Islands following her undergraduate work. She has been studying the interplay of ocean variability and marine ecology ever since. Her research has taken her to the Bering Sea, Prince William Sound, Svalbard, the Russian Arctic and Chesapeake Bay.

For more information on this and other Princeton Journeys, visit alumni.princeton.edu/journeys/
Wednesday & Thursday, July 29 & 30: Depart USA / Arrive Singapore
Upon your arrival in Singapore, take the airport Sky Train to your airport hotel. Enjoy the afternoon to relax after your long flight. The vibrant city of Singapore, a multi-cultural hub of diversity, was once a sleepy fishing village. Old world charm thrives beside glass and steel high-rises, and the city’s bustling marketplaces and cultural attractions—not to mention the fabled cuisine—draw visitors from around the globe. *Crown Plaza Changi Hotel*

Friday, July 31: Singapore / Medan, Indonesia / Buwit Lawang
Meet your fellow traveling companions in the hotel lobby early this morning where a guide will assist you with the transfer to the Silk Air terminal for your flight to Medan. Meet your Thomson Family Adventures guide and drive to Buwit Lawang village at the entrance of the Gunung Leuser National Park, home to the Bohorok Orangutan Centre. The fascinating three-and-one-half-hour drive, parts of which are off-road, brings you into the heart of the mountainous terrain and through rich rainforest. You’ll have the chance to visit oil palm, rubber, and cacao plantations along the way. Arrive at your lodge later this afternoon and settle into your private cottage amid peaceful natural surroundings. *Buwit Lawang Eco-Lodge (B,L,D)*

Saturday, August 1: Local Village School and Organic Farm Visits
Spend this morning with the students of the local elementary school in the village of Timbang Lawang. Observe the traditional learning methods and take the opportunity to meet and engage with the friendly children. Afterwards, continue to the Bukit Lawang Eco-Farm, a thriving agricultural complex built upon dormant and unused land. Learn about the self-sustaining organic farming techniques; observe the on-site aquaponic farming processes; meet the resident goats, cows, and ducks; see how brown sugar is produced; and visit the local rice mill. Later this afternoon, join in a friendly game of soccer with the local area children before dinner. *Buwit Lawang Eco-Lodge (B,L,D)*

Sunday, August 2: Orangutans and Jungle Trekking
Today’s focus is on the resident orangutans, the magnificent red-haired primates that share 96.4 percent of our human genetic makeup. Your adventures begin with a traditional canoe ride across the Bohorok River. Hike into the forest to the orangutan feeding platform, built in the apes’ natural habitat and originally used as part of the release process by the nearby rehabilitation center. From here, join your guide and local ranger for a two- to three-hour trek along the steep slopes and thick foliage of the Sumatran rainforest, watching for the resident orangutans among the trees around you. Listen for the distinct call of the white and black gibbons, and watch for the nimble movements of the Thomas leaf monkeys and macaques. Keep a lookout for the colorful birds—including hornbills and toucans—that make their home among the thousands of plant species that thrive in the park. Later this afternoon, drive back to
Medan for dinner and an evening in the town. NOTE: We recommend that participants be physically fit and come equipped with suitable hiking boots.

Monday, August 3: Medan / Bali
Rise and shine early this morning for your flight to Bali on Garuda Airlines (5 1/2 hours). Arrive in Denpasar and meet your Thomson Adventures Bali guide for the transfer to the beachfront Prama Sanur Hotel. Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure before dinner at your hotel. Prama Sanur Beach Hotel (B,L,D)

Tuesday, August 4: Discover Traditional Bali
Spend today immersed in the multi-faceted world of Balinese tradition. Explore the traditional rice-farming village compound of Subak Guliang, a UNESCO World Heritage Site surrounded by a thousand-year-old irrigation system, still shared by local farming communities. This afternoon, drive to the southwestern corner of Bali to visit Pura Luhur Uluwatu, one of the island’s six directional temples, and home to the god of the elements and cosmic forces. As the sun sets, tinting the sky with tangerine and fuchsia hues, watch a traditional Kecak dance performance around a circle of fire. On the way back to your hotel, stop at Jimbaran Bay for a traditional seafood rijsttafel dinner. Prama Sanur Beach Hotel (B,L,D)

Wednesday, August 5: Nusa Lembongan Island
Ride a boat out to a peaceful, tropical island world, fringed in sandy beaches and bathed by vivid blue waters, and home to traditional families. At Marine Walk, an underwater adventure offers family members of all ages the chance to walk the ocean floor to view and interact with the schools of brilliantly colored fish that dart in and out of the colorful coral formations. Explore the island by kayak or bike this afternoon, then return to your hotel. Prama Sanur Beach Hotel (B,L)

Thursday, August 6: Mount Batur
A 3 a.m. wake up call is worth the effort as you ascend the Mount Batur volcano for the spectacle of dawn painting the Bali landscapes in hues of pink and gold. Savor a delicious breakfast at the top of the world as sunlight skims across Lake Batur, Bali’s largest lake. Explore mountaintop trails and peer into the giant crater with its fumaroles and steam vents. On the way back to your hotel, stop to indulge in a relaxing—and well-earned—soak in the Toya Bungkah Hot Springs at the edge of Lake Batur. Enjoy the afternoon and evening at leisure. Prama Sanur Beach Hotel (B,L)

Friday, August 7: Cultural Bali
Drive through the beautiful landscapes of central Bali late this morning, past emerald rice paddies, coconut groves, and ancient Balinese Buddhist temples, to the town of Ubud, the cultural heart of the island. Explore the narrow lanes, artisan galleries, street-side shrines, and markets during time at leisure. Then, visit the ARMA Foundation—established in 1996 to promote and preserve Balinese culture—and its outstanding museum. At a cultural workshop, pick up a mallet and try your hand at playing the Balinese rindik, a percussion instrument made of bamboo tubes. Learn about the ancient wax art of batik, take a lesson in traditional Balinese painting, or practice dance movements that tell a story. Gather at a traditional Ubud restaurant this evening for a special Farewell Dinner. Drive back to Sanur and your hotel. Prama Sanur Beach Hotel (B,L,D)

Saturday, August 8: Bali / USA
Enjoy a few last hours of leisure time this morning at your resort or in town before transferring to the airport for your flight to the USA and home. Selamat tinggal... Farewell. (B)
**Booking Conditions**

**HOW TO BOOK:**
To reserve your space, please contact Princeton Journeys at (609) 258-8686 or journeys@princeton.edu or mail/fax the enclosed reservation form. A non-refundable deposit of $1,000 per person payable by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or check payable to Thomson Family Adventures, our operator for this program, secures your space. We cannot confirm reservations without a deposit.

**INSURANCE:**
As a service to its travelers, the Office of Alumni Affairs of Princeton University automatically provides all Princeton Journeys participants with basic medical, accident, and evacuation coverage under a group travel insurance policy. It is highly recommended that you supplement this basic protection with your own additional coverage, as well as trip cancellation/interruption or baggage coverage.

**FINAL PAYMENT:**
Final payment is due no later than 90 days prior to departure, or May 1, 2015, and is payable by check or wire transfer to Thomson Family Adventures. Final payment cannot be made by credit card.

**CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS:**
Notifications of cancellation must be received in writing to Thomson Family Adventures. At the time they receive your cancellation, refunds will be made according to the following per person cancellation penalties:

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**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**
A detailed liability statement, concerning among other things, limitation of Princeton Journeys and Wineland-Thomson Adventures, Incorporated’s liability for loss of property, injury, illness or death will be provided to participants upon enrollment, along with a Passenger Information Form and Trip Expectations Form to sign and return to Thomson Family Adventures shortly after enrolling in the trip. Each of these forms is available to prospective travelers upon request.

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**Program Rates (Land Only)**

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**August 8 - 11: Komodo Island by Boat**
Extend your Indonesia adventure with a 4-day exploration of the magical Komodo Islands, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and Biosphere Reserve. Cruise the translucent waters of the Flores Sea and enjoy the relaxed, live-aboard life on a comfortable, traditional wooden vessel as you discover the pristine shorelines and remarkable marine- and wildlife of these remote volcanic isles.

View the legendary Komodo dragons as you hike through the wild, dry forests of Komodo and Rinca Islands.

Witness the sunset spectacle of Kalong Island as hundreds of thousands of bats leave their nests in their pursuit of daily fruit. And swim and snorkel in a kaleidoscopic wonderland of corals and reef fish.

**M/V Tarata (3B, 4L, 3D)**

$2,800 adult or teen; $2,700 child (11 and under)
I would like more information on booking flights through Thomson Family Adventures’ preferred Travel Agent.

**Accommodations**

**Bukit Lawang Ecolodge**
Situated in the rich rainforest on the edge of Gunung Leuser National Park, the completely sustainable Ecolodge offers comfortable accommodations in individual lodge-cottages. The simple and lovingly furnished rooms all have ensuite bathrooms and private balconies. Stone pathways lead to the other on-site buildings, including the restaurant, the elevated animal-watching shelters, and the medicinal herb and fruit gardens. The Bohorok River flows along the edge of the property.

**Prama Sanur Beach Hotel**
The well-established Prama Sanur Beach Hotel is fronted by beautiful beach and surrounded by 17 acres of meticulously tended gardens. The spacious rooms are decorated with Balinese motifs and all have air conditioning, coffee and tea-making facilities, electronic safe, LED TV, and a private balcony. There are two pools on the grounds, tennis courts, a fitness center, the Aroma Spa Retreat, and a water sports center. Two restaurants feature Italian and Indonesian cuisine and there are two bars, one right on the beach.

**Crown Plaza Changi Airport Hotel, Singapore**
Rated as one of the world’s top airport hotels, the Crown Plaza Changi Hotel is built around a serene, tropical courtyard garden and beautifully landscaped pool area. The spacious, elegantly furnished rooms have floor-to-ceiling windows, ensuite facilities with separate soaking tub and rain shower, free WiFi, and a plasma TV. The 24-hour fitness center and full-service luxury spa offer the perfect way to unwind and relax after a long flight.

**JW Marriott Hotel Medan**
Stunning views and beautifully appointed spaces hallmark the 5-star JW Marriott Hotel, located in the bustling city center of Medan. Spacious rooms include luxury bedding, separate bath and rain shower, flat-screen TV, and free WiFi. A full-service spa and rooftop swimming pool top of the outstanding guest amenities.

**Sumatra and Bali for All Ages**
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Please reserve _____ space(s) on the trip. Enclosed is my non-refundable deposit of __________ ($)1,000/person).

Please reserve _____ space(s) on the optional Komodo extension. Enclosed is my non-refundable deposit of __________ ($200/person).

Accept my check made payable to Thomson Family Adventures OR
Charge my: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ AmEx

Card #: ___________ 3 digit security code/4 digit for AMEX Exp Date

Signature as it appears on card

☐ Double room, rooming with ___________

☐ Single room ($2,000 supplement)

☐ I would like more information on booking flights through Thomson Family Adventures’ preferred Travel Agent.

☐ I will make my own flight arrangements.

Return to: Princeton Journeys, John Maclean House, P.O. Box 291, Princeton, NJ 08542-0291 or fax to (609) 258-5561.
Balance of payment is due three months prior to departure.