



BALI DISCOVERY

**A Cultural Immersion
Journey for Villagers**

PROGRAM ITINERARY

April 7-18, 2027



DAYS 1-6 : UBUD



Ubud is a thriving village in central Bali that is considered the cultural capital of this tiny island. It is famous as an arts and crafts hub, and much of the village and nearby areas consist of artists' workshops and galleries.

Here you find remarkable architectures as well as historical museums, artists, and an array of interesting cafes, local foods, and non-stop ceremonies. The word Ubud comes from the Balinese word for medicine, so it is here that people flock for healing energies, good spirits, meditation, yoga, artistry, and indigenous knowledge.



DAY 1 (D)

- ◆ Arrive into Denpasar, Bali and head to your beautiful hotel in Ubud. Settle in, freshen up, and relax after your journey.
- ◆ Settle into the hotel, freshen up, and relax.
- ◆ Enjoy your first taste of Balinese cuisine during a special **welcome dinner** together.



DAY 2 (B, L, D)

- ◆ Begin with a morning **orientation to Bali**, focusing on practical, helpful tips for your time on the island as well as an introduction to Balinese culture and philosophy.
- ◆ Enjoy lunch together as a group.
- ◆ Enjoy a private tour and **coffee with Agung Rai**, the founder and visionary behind the world-renowned ARMA Museum, home to an outstanding collection of traditional Balinese art.
- ◆ Stay for a delicious **dinner in the museum's lush garden** setting.



DAY 3 (B, L, D)

- ◆ Experience a **melukat purification ceremony** at Gunung Kawi Sebatu, one of the least visited yet most beautiful and tranquil temple complexes on the island. This sacred water temple features verdant gardens around ponds filled with carp and blooming lotuses, and is considered a place to purify the soul and mind.
- ◆ Enjoy lunch together as a group.
- ◆ Afternoon free to relax, explore Ubud, or enjoy the resort.
- ◆ Put on your special Balinese outfit to attend an exclusive **Royal Palace tour & dinner** at the Blahbatuh Palace. Members of the Blahbatuh Royal Family will meet personally with your group and spend an evening in fascinating discussions about issues facing Bali and its culture in the 21st century.





DAY 4 (B, L)

- ◆ Try your hand at making delicious traditional Balinese and Indonesian dishes in a **cooking class** set in a Balinese compound house. Ubad means 'medicine' – alongside the beauty of Balinese food culture, you'll get to know fresh ingredients that are also used in traditional healing.
- ◆ Enjoy your culinary creations from the cooking class for lunch.
- ◆ Visit a local balian, or **traditional Balinese healer**. Local people will visit healers for a wide range of care, including herbal treatments and massage as well as energy work and even life and family advice. Observe a balian at work and ask questions about his/her upbringing and journey to becoming a healer.
- ◆ Browse the **Makadaya impact store**, a gallery of locally-made products from partner social enterprises across Bali, where every purchase supports community-driven impact on the island.
- ◆ Enjoy dinner on your own.

DAY 5 (B, L)

- ◆ Visit **Bumi Sehat**, a natural birth clinic foundation with a mission of reducing maternal and child mortality and supporting the health and wise development of communities. Founder Ibu Robyn was recognized in 2011 as CNN's Hero of the Year.
- ◆ Enjoy lunch together as a group.
- ◆ Afternoon **Tea at Made Tea** - Made grew up in a Balinese farming family, and agriculture has always been her passion. Made Tea cultivates a wondrous variety of local plants and herbs to share her dream of improving health, happiness, and wellbeing through the creation and beauty of delicious teas - while employing local homemakers with flexible hours that honor their roles in family and community.
- ◆ Dinner on your own.
- ◆ Marvel at a traditional **Balinese Legong dance performance**, an evening of shimmering costumes, intricate movement, and hypnotic gamelan music.



DAY 6 (B, L, D)

- ◆ Join a **workshop at the Banjar**, the village community center, where villagers prepare offerings for ceremonies, meet to discuss village affairs, and practice music and dance. Teachers of traditional Balinese gamelan music, Legong dance, woodcarving, and offering-making give you an introduction to each of these disciplines – right in the heart of the community.
- ◆ Enjoy lunch together as a group.
- ◆ Visit the studio of I Wayan Muka, a third-generation **mask maker** from Mas village. He produces traditional masks for Balinese theater as well as modern designs, and as a skilled dancer who intimately knows each mask he creates, he has a unique ability to make each mask's personality come to life. His work has been exhibited globally, including in the U.S. and Europe.
- ◆ Savor an unforgettable evening at **Syrco BASĒ**, the Michelin-starred culinary destination in Ubud from acclaimed chef Syrco Bakker, where Indonesian flavors and Balinese ingredients are reimagined through world-class innovation. Each course tells a story of the island – sourced from local farmers, fishermen, and foragers – making this a fitting celebration of Bali's extraordinary bounty.



DAYS 7-9 : PEMUTERAN

Pemuteran is a small fishing village on the northwest coast of Bali. It lies between a gorgeous mountainous region to the south and Menjangan Island in the north, an area considered one of the top dive sites in the world. Pemuteran has the largest area of shallow coral reefs in Bali and is easily accessible, free of strong currents and waves making it perfect for swimming, snorkeling and diving. Pemuteran is home to the largest artificial coral reef project in the world, and the village's model of community-based tourism and conservation has been recognized by the United Nations.



DAY 7 (B, L, D)

- ◆ Head northwest through Bali's cool mountain highlands, sightseeing along the way.
- ◆ Visit the historical **Ulun Danu Beratan Temple**, renowned for its appearance of floating atop Lake Beratan in the misty highlands of Bedugul.
- ◆ Lunch together.
- ◆ Continue the scenic drive to the coast and settle into your beachfront resort in Pemuteran.
- ◆ Enjoy a relaxed dinner together by the water as the sun sets over the Bali Sea.



DAY 8 (B, D)



- ◆ Experience a presentation on the **Biorock Coral Restoration Project**, an amazing initiative using technology to speed the growth of coral reefs, then **snorkel** right over the recovering coral structures in Pemuteran Bay.
- ◆ Lunch on your own.
- ◆ Visit a local **turtle hatchery** where they are working toward increasing the number of endangered sea turtles in Bali's oceans.
- ◆ Enjoy the rest of the day free for spa treatments, beach time, and relaxation.
- ◆ Gather for a special **dinner** overlooking the bay at Sumberkima.
- ◆ Go on a special night trip to **Melanting Temple**, Bali's temple for prosperity.

DAY 9 (B, L)



- ◆ Head out on a **boat trip** to Menjangan Island, a small island that is home to one of the world's most biodiverse array of coral reefs and marine life in the world. Spend the morning **snorkeling over the reefs**.
- ◆ Lunch on the boat.
- ◆ Head to a different side of the island for another opportunity to **snorkel** over another diverse coral site.
- ◆ Dinner on your own.
- ◆ Evening free.

DAYS 10-12 : SANUR



Sanur is a seaside town in southeast Bali made up of a long stretch of beach with calm, shallow waters. Colorful jukung fishing boats rest on the sand and a paved path snakes along the beach for several kilometers. Sanur is home to great restaurants (many with live music), a widevariety of shops, and a relaxed atmosphere despite being closer to the major cities of south Bali. It's a perfect spot to pick up last-minute gifts, lounge by the beach or the pool, explore sights along the beach walkway, and enjoy a final sunset dinner.



DAY 10 (B, L)

- ◆ Depart Pemuteran and travel south toward the coast, stopping along the way.
- ◆ Lunch together along the way.
- ◆ Arrive in Sanur and settle into your beachfront hotel.
- ◆ Have dinner on your own and enjoy the free evening .

DAY 11 (B, D)

- ◆ Free day for shopping, relaxing, or optional water activities.
- ◆ Lunch on your own.
- ◆ Celebrate your journey with a **final dinner** together on the beach as the sun sets behind Mount Agung.





DAY 12 (B)

- ◆ Time to prepare for the journey home, exchange contact info with new friends, and reflect on the memories you created!
- ◆ Head to Airport.



ACCOMMODATION & TRANSPORT



SAMPLE ACCOMMODATION



UBUD: KAMANDALU UBUD

Nestled in the emerald hills just outside central Ubud, Kamandalu Ubud is an award-winning five-star resort designed as a traditional Balinese village, with elegant villas set amid terraced rice paddies and tropical gardens overlooking the Petanu River valley. The resort's serene spa, riverside dining, and lush grounds make it the perfect sanctuary to return to after each day of cultural discovery.

PEMUTERAN: TAMAN SARI RESORT & SPA

Taman Sari offers luxurious beachfront cottages and suites surrounded by tranquil gardens and ponds. The resort is situated between misty mountains and the sparkling ocean, creating a truly peaceful retreat.

Taman Sari is committed to the protection of Bali's natural beauty, which you will see manifested in the community based environmental and social programs housed at the resort. The large coral restoration project, which has been awarded by the United Nations, can be viewed right off the Taman Sari beach.



SANUR: SUDAMALA RESORT

Sudamala Resort is an intimate boutique property just steps from Sanur's tranquil beachfront, where Balinese artistry is woven into every corner – from its curated gallery of local art to its elegant suites set among frangipani-filled gardens. With its warm, personal service and relaxed coastal atmosphere, it is the perfect place to savor your final days in Bali.

TRANSPORT



We use 12-15 passenger air-conditioned mini-buses while traveling the island to ensure participants' enjoyment, comfort, and safety.



INCLUSIONS & CONDITIONS



SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

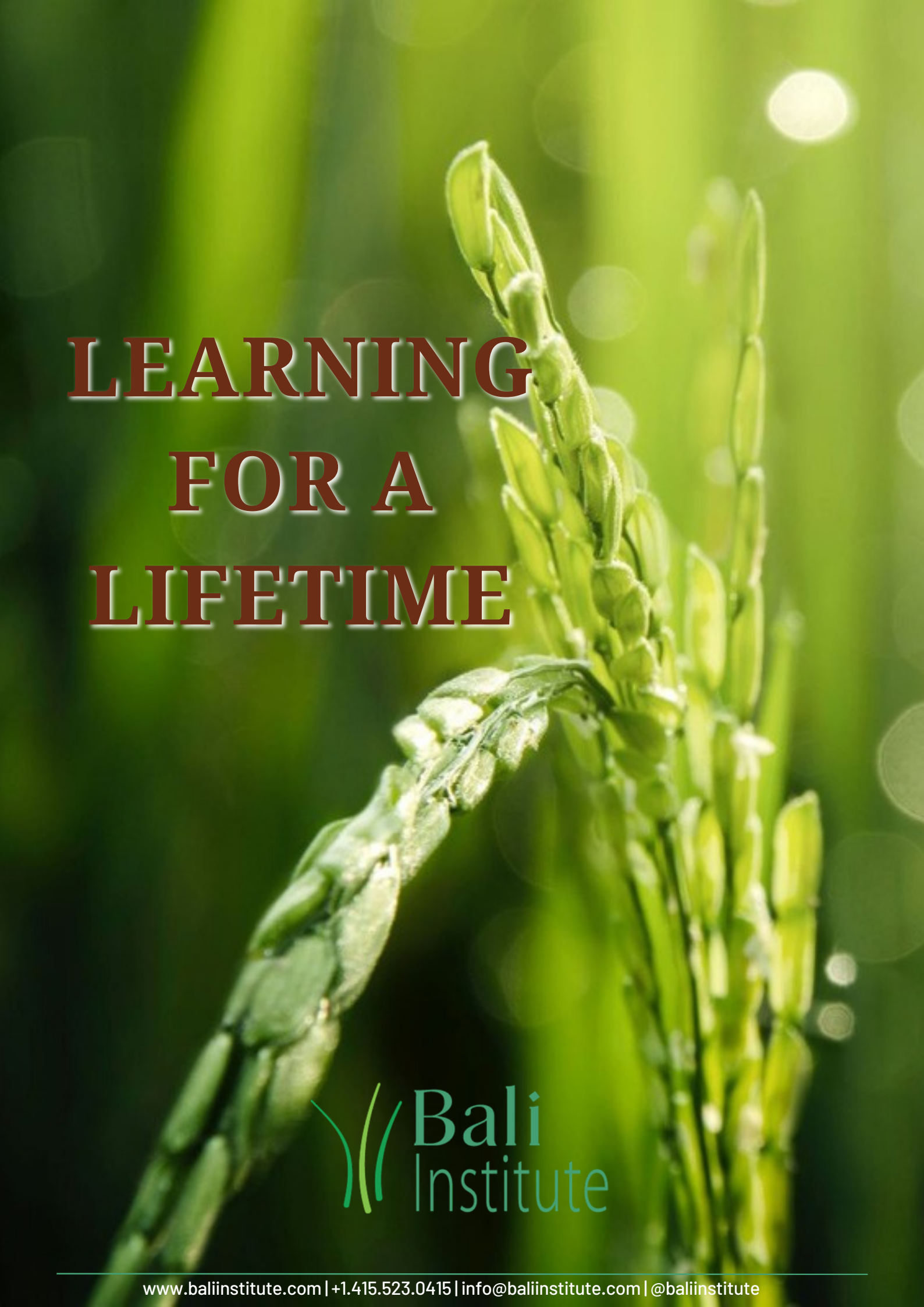
- ◆ The activities listed above are based on availability and program scheduling considerations, and are subject to change.
- ◆ The hotels listed above are samples that reflect the quality and style of hotels that will be used on this program. Participants will be informed of the finalized hotels when they have been selected.
- ◆ There are often special ceremonies and rituals that happen on the spur of the moment. We will make every effort to accommodate unplanned events that will add evermore to this spectacular trip.

SERVICES INCLUDE

- ◆ 11 nights, double-occupancy in beautiful Balinese accommodations.
- ◆ All transportation in air-conditioned buses and vans throughout the program for activities listed on the itinerary.
- ◆ Airport transfer on the start and end date of the program.
- ◆ All breakfasts, 7 lunches, and 7 dinners as designated (B, L, D) on the daily itinerary.
- ◆ English speaking tour guide(s) and coordination team.
- ◆ All activities listed on final program itinerary are included in the per person ground costs, including entrance fees, lectures and donations.
- ◆ Gratuities for local guides and drivers.
- ◆ Customized program booklet for all participants with itinerary, program descriptions and other useful information.
- ◆ 24/7 Medical and emergency staff support for the entire duration of the program
- ◆ Special gifts including sarong, sash, and journal.

SERVICES DO NOT INCLUDE

- ◆ Visa costs (if applicable)
- ◆ Tourist Levy
- ◆ Airfare
- ◆ Trip cancellation, lost baggage, or medical insurance
- ◆ Laundry and personal items
- ◆ Meals not included in itinerary above
- ◆ Optional activities outside of the program itinerary
- ◆ International phone calls



LEARNING FOR A LIFETIME

