



Discover Bali Textile Tour

Let the adventure begin...Bali 2020

Bali is known as 'the Island of the Gods' and continues to offer visitors an incredible diversity of scenic delights and cultural overload. But have you ever thought of the fabrics?

Oh my goodness! Think of the fabrics...

1 - 12 September 2020

\$2,975* per person twin share

This tour is about textiles, dyers, weavers, artists, carvers, leather workers and the odd jeweller or two! It has been designed for women who love to travel to fabulous locations, meet wonderful people, taste delicious food, explore, experience, enjoy and discover

Sew inspirational tour highlights include:

- **This is a special 'women only' group' tour with a maximum of 8 pax**
- **Specialty fabric shops and markets featuring local, traditional and international textiles**
- **Balinese cooking class and market tour**
- **Specialist lecture 'Intro to Indonesian Textiles'**
- **Textile village and textile market tour**
- **Batik drawing, stamping and dyeing workshop**
- **Sightseeing and entrance to historic sites**
- **Traditional Balinese dancing**
- **Two 'pamperfest' beauty extravaganzas**
- **Single accom. family Balinese Hotel - Legian**
- **Twin share accom. in 4-star Resort - Ubud**
- **11 Breakfasts, 7 Lunches and 8 Dinners**
- **Transfers and transport in airconditioned cars**
- **Balinese guides as per itinerary**

Australian Coordinator and Guide - Sue Neall



To secure a place or for more information please contact the tour coordinator -

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This tour is about textiles, relaxing, pampering and savouring the tastes, sights and sounds of this magical island - That's what makes this tour so very special

Day 1 - Tuesday - Sept 1st 2020 Australia to Denpasar (4 nights Legian)

Travellers will be personally met at Denpasar airport and transferred to a traditional family hotel in Legian. Settle in and refresh before heading out to enjoy the sunset and welcome dinner at the beach. **D**

Day 2 - Wednesday - Sept 2nd 2020 Orientation and Exploration

Start the day with a walk to orientate yourself with the local area. Watch the Balinese day unfold and be introduced to a great bespoke leather worker before lunch. We will then spend a relaxing afternoon enjoying a Balinese massage or pampering manicure before relaxing by the pool to finish unwinding.

This evening get to know fellow travellers, over drinks and dinner in a local warung. **B, L, D**

Day 3 - Thursday - Sept 3rd 2020 Denpasar Market Tour

Today doesn't venture too far as we travel by car to the traditional fabric markets in Denpasar. For batik cottons and rayons we will visit Jalan Sulawesi, a street full of fabric shops and a very popular place for anyone interested in patchwork, quilting or fashion sewing. Then, after a great lunch in trendy Seminyak you can choose to shop the boutique style shops, visit the Bali Memorial in Kuta or return to the pool or beach. **B, L, Free Night**

Day 4 - Friday - Sept 4th 2020 European and Designer Textiles

Todays fabric shopping will surely surprise you. This morning we will visit a trendy fabric wholesaler and the very best quality rayon designer. After lunch we discover beautiful european textiles of the highest quality....with the lowest prices. Superb selections of silks, laces, woolens, cotton jerseys, Italian designer treasures and linings.

You will never want to leave! **B, D**

Day 5 - Saturday - Sept 5th 2020 Legian to Ubud (7 nights in Ubud)

Free morning to relax, shop, pick up your new leather jacket or indulge in a massage. After lunch we leave the coast and travel to the beautiful hill town of Ubud, the traditional centre for art, wood carving, sculpture and jewelry. On the way we will visit Setia Darma House of Masks and Puppets to understand the huge importance of these beautiful pieces in Balinese life. Settle into your beautiful room before dinner in the resort. **B, D**

Day 6 - Sunday - Sept 6th 2020 Cooking School

Discover the flavours and spices of 'The Island of the Gods' in a 5-hour cooking class. You will be taught by a locally renowned Balinese chef and the day will start with a guided tour of a traditional food market to discover new fruits, vegetables, spices, rice and grains. This is a fun, practical cooking class and you will cook and taste a variety of Balinese dishes and take home recipes, skills and memories that will enable you to keep a part of Bali in your life forever. **B, L, Free Night**

Day 7 - Monday - Sept 7th 2020 Ubud, Markets & Introduction to Textiles

This morning we head to the centre of town for an introduction to Ubud and its famous market. We will be exploring the fabric, craft and clothing section so bring your best bargaining skills!

For those who prefer the calm of 'fixed price' the main road is full of beautiful shops filled with quality product. Excellent modern cottons and silks are sold in shops next to hand woven ikats and fine Javanese batiks from Yogyakarta. After lunch we will walk to 'Threads of Life' Textile Arts Centre along the interesting path of Jalan Kajeng. Our textile appreciation class will 'Introduce the Textiles of Bali and Indonesia'. This insightful class introduces textiles from across Indonesia, displaying various ikat, batik and supplementary weaving techniques. A contrast is made between hand spun and commercial threads, natural and chemical dyes, backstrap and mechanical loom weaving. There is an introduction to the ikat dyeing process and use of natural dyes. The class also explores the ritual use of textiles. **B, D**

Day 8 - Tuesday - Sept 8th 2020 Batik Stamping, Drawing & Dyeing Workshop

This morning is filled with a fabulous hands-on workshop covering the techniques involved in producing unique indigo dyed batik cloth. Then the afternoon is free before heading to dinner and traditional Balinese dancing, accompanied by an all-female Gamelan band, set amidst the beauty of an ancient temple. **B, L, D**

Day 9 - Wednesday - Sept 9th 2020 Textile Tour of Gianyar, Klungkung & Sidemen

A one day textile village tour with 'Threads of Life' tour leader. Threads of Life, in an alliance with local weavers, work towards sustainability in the traditional weaving arts. They commission textile weavers, basket makers and other traditional artisans to enable them to continue the skills of their ancestors, working to an exquisite standard usually only seen in museums. **B, L, Free Night**

Day 10 - Thursday - Sept 10th 2020 Mt. Catur and Beratan Lake Tour

This full day tour takes in the true beauty of the countryside. Visit a volcano crater lake and its mystic Water Temple, the villages of the mountain region and UNESCO listed terraced rice fields. **B, L, D**

Day 11 - Friday - Sept 11th 2020 Pamperfest

Free morning to shop or relax before an afternoon of total indulgence. A 'Pamper-fest' awaits you and you can enjoy it any way you like. You will be left feeling fabulous and refreshed, fully prepared for tonights farewell dinner **B, D**

Day 12 - Saturday - Sept 12th 2020 Ubud to HOME

This is our last day and opportunity to tie up loose ends, relax and pack. Enjoy lunch and a late check out before transferring to the airport to **arrive home on Sunday 13th Sept, 2020. B, L**

Fully escorted by Sue Neall - Sue has been actively involved in the sewing industry for over 40 years and is an experienced traveller and tour leader.

Bali is one of her favourite destinations and this will be her 19th visit.