

Bali 2016: Final Proposed Itinerary

- May 6: (Friday) Second Orientation
- June 13: On-campus classes. Culinary + Geography +Anthropology
- June 14: Classes. Culinary + Anthropology
- June 15: Classes: Culinary + Anthropology
- June 16: Classes: Culinary + Anthropology
- June 17: Classes: Culinary + Anthropology (we may not need this one)
- June 18: Check in at LAX at 10am if you're on the 1am Sunday flight.
- June 19: 1:15am flight on China Airlines to Denpasar (Bali) via Taipei. Check your bags all the way to Bali. Crossing Int'l Dateline means we lose a day in-flight. Fill out arrival card on Taipei-Bali flight for Holiday/Visitor visa (not student).
- June 20: Arrive DPS (Bali) around 2:40pm. Clear customs and immigration and our private driver/guides will greet you as you exit the building. We'll drive to Ubud (about 90 minutes that time of day) and after check-in we'll have a brief orientation and welcome dinner. 6 nights at Villa Di Sawah or Villa Agung Khalia.
- June 21: Today we'll have an early morning field study class as we trek through the rice fields and get acquainted with Balinese culture. We'll return to the villa for breakfast followed by Anthropology lecture and lunch at the villa. In the late afternoon we'll explore Ubud town, change money, have an early dinner, and buy supplies at the supermarket,
- June 22: An early morning visit to a local produce market. After breakfast we'll have an introductory Balinese cooking class for everyone at the villa, followed by lunch. We'll have lectures in the afternoon with a free early evening in town followed by a Kecak dance performance.
- June 23: After an early breakfast we'll head off to a Balinese spice & coffee farm where the brave can try out the famous 'kopi luwak'. We'll continue to the Kintamani overlook to see Mount Batur, then start our downhill bike ride, stopping along the way to learn about Balinese religion, agriculture and village structure. We'll end with a delicious, locally prepared lunch. We'll have classes in the late afternoon to discuss our observations before heading into Ubud for a free evening.

- June 24: Today we'll do a Balinese cooking class at PAON, including lunch. We'll get back around 3pm and after a little relaxing there'll be time for classes. This will likely include an opportunity to learn about Balinese offerings by actually making some.
- June 25: After breakfast we'll take a morning to visit Goa Gajah, the "Elephant Cave" and Gungung Kawi, the "Mountain of Poetry". These ancient religious sites offer a glimpse into Bali's past as well as great photo opportunities. Sarongs, sashes and covered shoulders are a must. We'll have a late villa lunch upon our return, followed by class time. You have a free evening to explore Ubud and pack up for tomorrow's departure (take snorkel gear and clothing for 2 nights).
- June 26: We'll have an early breakfast and then depart by 8am for Bedugul and the Tree-tops adventure for some team building. We'll have lunch, explore the local fruit market, and visit Pura Ulun Danau water temple if we have time. Our afternoon will include a visit to Munduk Waterfalls before continuing to Adi Assri hotel in to **Pemuteran for 2 Nights**.
- June 27: Grab your snorkel gear, sunscreen and towel because after an early breakfast we head to Labuan Lalang to catch our boat to Menjangan Island, arguably Bali's best snorkel spot. We'll return in time for a late lunch and classes (probably in the pool) before heading to the nearby turtle hatchery to learn about local ecological efforts.
- June 28: For those in the mood (others can sleep in) we'll explore the local reefs with our snorkel gear then grab breakfast. After saying goodbye to Pemuteran we'll visit north Bali's Buddhist monastery in Bajar Village, then make our way back to central Bali (lunch along the way) and to the villas in **Ubud for another 6 nights at VAK**.
- June 29: A day for classes, relaxing and studying by the pool.
- June 30: You can take this day off to relax and study, or you can get up at an ungodly 3am to hike an active stratovolcano. You'll be rewarded by a wonderful view of a volcanic island arc being lit up by the rising sun (as you sip coffee or hot chocolate). There's a troop of monkeys at the top, so expect a little monkey business. The hike down is as much a challenge as the way up, so we take it slow and steady, but we get you back in time for a late breakfast and a nap. We'll enjoy the afternoon taking in Bali's slow pace by the pool.
- July 1: This is a day for classes and lectures, possibly including a field trip highlighting Bali's agriculture. In the evening we'll see a Shadow Puppet show in town. This art form was the 'movie theater' in ancient times but

survives into modernity during important ceremonies and for tourists. The stories most often portrayed are scenes from the Hindu epic the Mahabharata.

- July 2: A day of lectures with a mid-afternoon visit to Tanah Lot (Sunset Temple), one of Bali's most important temples. We'll return in time for grabbing dinner in Ubud town.
- July 3: This morning you can sleep in, or do an optional activity like the Taro Elephant Safari. We'll have lectures in the afternoon and a free evening to pack your bags because this is our last night at the villa. You'll be able to store labeled items and retrieve them in a week. Dinner will be at the villa.
- July 4: After breakfast and goodbyes to the staff we'll head to east Bali. On the way we'll make our first stop to see traditional small-scale sea salt production. We'll then continue to the lovely seaside town of Candidasa, our home for the next week. Before we arrive we'll make a brief stop at Goa Lawah (Bat Cave) to see this important Balinese temple and its throngs of resident long-nose fruit bats. You'll have a free evening to explore town.
Hotel Puri Bagus Candidasa, 7 nights
- July 5: Today the culinary class will explore traditional foods of east Bali, while the Anthropology class will explore the Bali Aga village of Tengannan. There'll be a little time for lecture discussions before an evening dinner with traditional dance.
- July 6: We'll have an early breakfast and then drive to the protected cove of Amed, about 75 minutes north of Candidasa. Leaving early, before the winds pick up, means we should have good conditions for our snorkel site at the "sunken temples" followed by time for lunch. After lunch we'll drive into the nearby hills to explore Pura Lempuyang known as the "cloud temple". The evening is free to explore town.
- July 7: A day for lectures, studying and relaxing by the pool.
- July 8: Another early breakfast and we depart for more snorkeling, this time at the shipwreck at Tulamben. On the way back we'll stop at Tirtagangga water palace for a dip in the cold, fresh water with time for lunch (if we reserve in advance). Short lectures upon our return to the hotel, with a free evening.
- July 9: A day for lectures, study time and relaxing by the pool. Those who wish can volunteer an afternoon at the elementary school in Bugbug village, helping children learn English. We might also be able to interview Jero Mas, the local 'Balian' or traditional healer.

- July 10: A day for lectures, study time and relaxing by the pool.
- July 11: After breakfast it's time to pack up and transfer back to Ubud. This time we're staying in the center of town. Free afternoon to shop or study. **Sri Bungalows, 4 nights**
- July 12: Classes and lectures including a specialty cooking class at Café Wayan for those in the culinary class. Anthropology students will be able to trek to Sari Organik restaurant, visit the Puri Lukisan museum, or visit a local elementary school class to help the children learn to speak English. Evening spent preparing for exams.
- July 13: Our last day of classes and exams. Free time afterward.
- July 14: Our last full day in Bali is for relaxing or you can enjoy an optional activity like river rafting or a shopping tour. Our farewell dinner will be at 7pm, so don't wander too far!
- July 15: After breakfast pack up and by 11:30am we must depart for the airport in time to catch the 3:40pm flight home.

Itinerary includes 27 days, 25 nights.

Note:

This is BALI, so expect change and go with the flow. The itinerary WILL change based on weather and availability of cultural activities (cremation, temple ceremonies, etc.). When we see an opportunity to attend a cremation or temple ceremony, we will jump on that opportunity.