



# RASCAL VOYAGES MEDIA SUMMARY

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Rascal Voyages is the leading brand in marine safaris and remote island explorations across Indonesia. We believe in the power of travel to move the soul and achieve great things, or at the very least, to take us out of our comfort zones. That is why we created Rascal Voyages: truly off-the-grid adventures that take you beyond, safely and in style.

Our fleet of yachts are like floating villas, with generously sized cabins, plenty of social spaces, and exceptional food and drink. We deliver our experiences with our trademark Rascal hospitality, which is understated and fun, yet uncompromising in standard.

We believe in giving back to the amazing communities and wildlife we visit. Through partnerships with conservation groups, each voyage offers a once-in-a-lifetime experience that also helps protect these extraordinary places.

This booklet gathers highlights from recent media coverage, showing how Rascal Voyages continues to redefine luxury exploration in Indonesia.

  
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“Despite any stresses, the life of this seabed feels like poetry in motion; a world so surprisingly vivid and beautiful that I’m reluctant to leave the water and consider its vulnerability.”



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### Robb Report

#### What It's Like Cruising on a Traditional Indonesian Phinisi Through a Maritime Wonderland

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By [Julia Zaltzman](#)



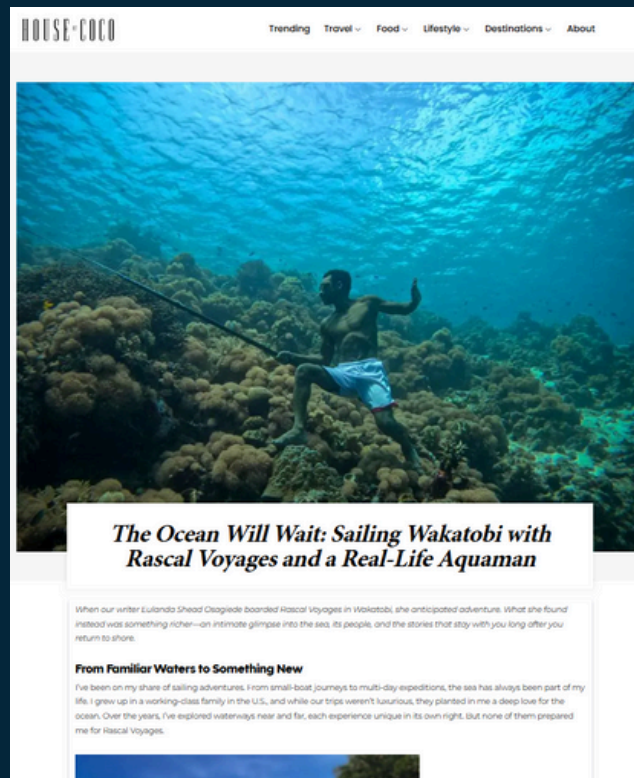
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Waka-where? That's the reaction among even the most seasoned Asian travelers when the name Wakatobi comes up. Wakatobi National Park is an acronym of four islands—Wangi-Wangi, Kaledupa, Tomia, and Binongko—in an exceptionally biodiverse archipelago in [Indonesia's](#) Southeast Sulawesi region.

Despite the eco-attractiveness, its remoteness may explain why few venture there, especially since boat is the only real way to explore the 34 million acres of islands, beaches, coral reefs, seagrass meadows, and mangrove forests that comprise one of the best-preserved marine sanctuaries in the world.

## HOUSE OF COCO | AUGUST 2025

“This wasn’t just a sailing trip. It was an invitation into a world where the rhythm of the sea shapes daily life and where every detail, from the crew’s warmth to the untouched beauty of Wakatobi, felt intentional.”



“Rascal Voyages proves that real luxury is about slowing down. From barefoot luxury that actually protects fragile ecosystems to moments when families find themselves surrounded by nothing but ocean and sky, these journeys offer something rare: genuine stillness with real purpose behind it.”



## Drifting into Stillness: Rascal Voyages and the Art of Ocean Time

There is something so calming about the ocean. It is, in fact, so calming that there's a name for it: the Blue Mind. As Wallace J. Nichols explains, by being near, in, on, or under water, we enter a mildly meditative state. The ocean, with its rhythmic waves and expansive horizons, becomes a natural catalyst for this mental shift. In its vast stillness, we are able to quiet our own thoughts, and feel a spaciousness that invites us to just be.

Text: Aelene Diederiks

**O**n a Rascal Voyages journey, that stillness becomes not just a moment but a state of being where conscious luxury and slow travel merge seamlessly. Surrounded by pristine, remote waters, guests are immersed in moments that are grounding and expansive. They connect more deeply with nature, with others, and with themselves.

I had the immense pleasure and amazing opportunity to experience a Rascal Voyage myself when I was invited to go on a 6-day cruise to Raja Ampat last year. I can honestly say that this is one of the best trips I have done in my life. Why? It was the whole experience of having access to some of the best diving spots in the world, being on a beautiful floating home, with like-minded people, incredible food and the most caring crew. This, in a quite remote area in Indonesia where stillness is part of your day, and where the ocean teaches us how to appreciate the quiet.

For this issue of Noéla, I spoke with the Rascal Voyages team about how the ocean becomes a teacher, a mirror, and a sanctuary for travelers.

### Rascal Voyages' Philosophy

Experiencing a Rascal Voyage isn't your typical trip. And that is the best thing about it. Rooted in the philosophy of barefoot luxury and driven by a deep love for Indonesia's remote, wild waters, they craft experiences designed to slow you down while honoring the environment that makes it all possible. These voyages invite you to step outside time, to surrender to the rhythm of the tides, and to recalibrate your senses by participating in scientific surveys and helping monitor biodiversity. From diving with manta rays to contributing to conservation efforts that protect them, Rascal Voyages offers a rare chance to truly truly feel part of your destination.

Rascal Voyages chose to stick with a course where nature leads the way, and luxury is defined by simplicity, intimacy, and the wonder of exploring pristine environments. It's not about seeing more but feeling deeper, recognizing the privilege of sailing through waters rich in indigenous culture and precious marine life.

# TRAVEL AND LEISURE | SEPTEMBER 2025

“There are no crowds and very few clocks, just water, reef and sky.”

The screenshot shows the Travel + Leisure website interface. At the top, the logo 'TRAVEL+ LEISURE' is on the left, and navigation links for 'Magazine', 'Newsletters', 'Sweepstakes', and 'BOOK NOW' are on the right. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with categories: 'TRIP IDEAS', 'DESTINATIONS', 'WORLD'S BEST AWARDS', 'TIPS + PLANNING', 'HOTELS + RESORTS', 'SHOPPING', 'NEWS', 'ABOUT US', and 'SUBSCRIBE'. The main article title is 'These are the 6 Best Destinations in Indonesia—and No, the List Does Not Include Bali'. Below the title is a sub-headline: 'T+L A-List advisor Desiree Norman shared the hidden gems to visit in Indonesia.' and the byline: 'By Desiree Norman | Published on September 18, 2025'. On the left side, there is a 'In This Article' sidebar with a list of destinations: 'Yogyakarta and Borobudur' (highlighted with a blue arrow), 'Raja Ampat', 'Labuan Bajo and Komodo National Park', 'Sumba Island', 'Mount Bromo', and 'Kalimantan'. To the right of the sidebar is a large photograph of the Playnemo Islands in Raja Ampat, Indonesia, showing turquoise water, white sand beaches, and lush green islands. Below the photo is a caption: 'The Playnemo Islands in Raja Ampat, Indonesia. Credit: Didier Marti/Getty Images'.



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