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The Northern Palawan Sanctuary

“The Secret Lagoon hidden rock entry, Cadlao's massive sea turtles, a bioluminescent night swim, and the Helicopter Island deep wall”

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DAYS

Private

GUIDE

Luxury

STAYS

FROM

\$8,600

PER PERSON

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Overview

Designed for luxury travellers who want to explore the pristine limestone-framed lagoons and hidden marine sanctuaries of Northern Palawan. This itinerary connects the world-famous Bacuit Bay archipelagos — Big Lagoon, Secret Lagoon, and Shimizu Island — with the hidden gem of Cadlao Lagoon, a secret emerald-water basin ringed by vertical jagged black limestone cliffs where giant sea turtles rest away from all public tour boats. Guests stay at Pangulasian Island Resort — El Nido's finest private island property. High-end highlights include the extraordinary bioluminescent night swim among glittering plankton clouds, a guided reef walk at Entalula Island, and exclusive access to the hidden Cadlao Lagoon.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Swimming through a tiny hidden rock opening into the Secret Lagoon — a completely private world of cool clear water and towering limestone walls
- Big Lagoon private kayak: transparent water revealing blue starfish and black-tip reef shark pups resting in the sea grass below
- Deserted island sundowner: hand-crafted cocktails on a private carpet-and-pillow setup as the sun drops behind limestone karsts
- Cadlao Lagoon hidden gem: crowd-free snorkelling with massive sea turtles in a secret emerald basin with black limestone monoliths
- Shimizu Island white-linen breakfast under a massive limestone overhang on an isolated white-sand cove by your private chef
- Bioluminescent night swim: turning off all lights to swim among glittering clouds of glowing plankton in the dark ocean
- Helicopter Island deep underwater wall: giant sea fans, sponge corals, and pelagic fish along a sheer vertical reef wall
- Matinloc Island historic shrine and deep-channel snorkelling with silver jacks and hunting barracudas

The Secret Lagoon hidden rock entry, Cadlao's massive sea turtles, a bioluminescent night swim, and the Helicopter Island deep wall

The Itinerary

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PANGULASIAN ISLAND

Day 1 | Arrival in El Nido — Island of the Sun

VIP tarmac welcome at Lio Airport (ENI) in El Nido. Private luxury speedboat transfer across the glassy waters of Bacuit Bay to El Nido Resorts Pangulasian Island — known as the "Island of the Sun." Stunning turquoise water, jagged limestone karsts rising from the sea, and the absolute privacy of a beachfront villa. Early arrivals explore the pristine beaches and extraordinary Bacuit Bay views. Welcome dinner at the resort.

- El Nido Resorts Pangulasian Island »
- Dinner

02

PANGULASIAN ISLAND

Day 2 | Secret Lagoon Hidden Entry & Crystal Snorkelling

Swimming from the private boat through a tiny hidden rock opening in a limestone cliff to enter the Secret Lagoon — the cool, clear water and towering limestone walls creating a serene and magical atmosphere. Snorkelling through shallow crystal-clear pools containing small reef fish and colourful crabs. Exploring surrounding hidden caves and coves. A genuinely secret world discovered through an impossibly small rock entrance.

- El Nido Resorts Pangulasian Island »
- Breakfast, Dinner

03

PANGULASIAN ISLAND

Day 3 | Big Lagoon Kayaking — Deserted Island Sundowner

Private luxury kayak navigating the calm turquoise water channels of the Big Lagoon — limestone karsts rising from the water with transparent water revealing sea grass beds below. Gazing down through transparent water to view blue starfish and harmless black-tip reef shark pups resting in the sea grass. Hand-crafted cocktails from a private carpet-and-pillow setup on a deserted island beach as the sun drops behind the limestone karsts.

- El Nido Resorts Pangulasian Island »
- Breakfast, Dinner

04

PANGULASIAN ISLAND

Day 4 | Hidden Gem — The Emerald Cadlao Lagoon

Sailing the private outrigger to the hidden gem of Cadlao Lagoon — a crowd-free morning snorkelling through a secret emerald basin surrounded by towering black limestone monoliths. Massive sea turtles swimming lazily beneath the surface in this sanctuary away from all public tour boats. History and significance of this hidden lagoon explained by your guide.

- El Nido Resorts Pangulasian Island »
- Breakfast, Dinner

05

PANGULASIAN ISLAND

Day 5 | Shimizu Island Coral Gardens & Limestone Cove Breakfast

Cruising to Shimizu Island for snorkelling over a deep vibrant coral garden teeming with multi-coloured parrotfish, damselfish, and clownfish. A surprise white-linen cooked breakfast set up by your private chef on a pristine isolated white-sand cove beneath a massive limestone overhang — dining in absolute privacy with extraordinary ocean views.

- El Nido Resorts Pangulasian Island »
- Breakfast, Dinner

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PANGULASIAN ISLAND

Day 6 | Night Snorkelling & Bioluminescent Ocean Swim

Relaxed morning with an in-villa traditional Filipino massage. At night: heading out on a private boat to snorkel with specialised underwater torches viewing nocturnal reef life — marine creatures behaving entirely differently in the dark. Then turning off all lights to swim among glittering clouds of glowing Bioluminescent Plankton — one of the most magical marine experiences on Earth.

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- Breakfast, Dinner

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PANGULASIAN ISLAND

Day 7 | Entalula Island Reef Walk & Deep-Water Snorkel

A day on the private island of Entalula. Putting on water shoes for a guided reef-walk at low tide: giant blue clams and sea cucumbers visible in shallow pools. Your guide explains the reef ecology and conservation importance. Then a deep-water snorkel along the outer reef wall with vibrant coral formations and rich marine life.

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- Breakfast, Dinner

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PANGULASIAN ISLAND

Day 8 | Helicopter Island Deep Wall Snorkelling

Cruising to the unique silhouette of Dilumacad — known as Helicopter Island for its distinctive shape. Snorkelling along a sheer underwater wall filled with giant sea fans, sponge corals, and pelagic fish. The finest deep wall snorkelling in the entire Bacuit Bay archipelago, with your guide pointing out remarkable marine life throughout.

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- Breakfast, Dinner

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PANGULASIAN ISLAND

Day 9 | Matinloc Island Shrine & Beachside Bonfire Farewell

Visiting the historic Matinloc Shrine — a beautiful chapel built on the island with stunning views of the jagged limestone karsts. Snorkelling through deep rocky underwater channels surrounding the island to view schools of silver jacks and hunting barracudas. The day culminates in a final celebratory multi-course bonfire dinner around a grand beachside bonfire on the sand under a canopy of stars.

- El Nido Resorts Pangulasian Island »
- Breakfast, Dinner

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PANGULASIAN ISLAND

Day 10 | Return to Puerto Princesa & Complementary Spa Day

Relaxed luxury breakfast watching the tide from your beachfront villa. Smooth private speedboat transfer back to Lio Airport for the flight to Puerto Princesa. Complementary spa session at your city hotel. Private Puerto Princesa city tour if missed on Day 1. International departure the following day.

- El Nido Resorts Pangulasian Island »
- Breakfast

Pricing & Inclusions

PER PERSON SHARING

\$9,800

SINGLE TRAVELLER SUPPLEMENT

On Request

Price per person based on two guests sharing. All speedboat transfers, resort accommodation, meals, marine park fees, and activities included. International flights to El Nido not included.

SEASONAL PRICING

Jan – May	SHOULDER SEASON	\$10,000
Dry season, ideal island-hopping weather		
May – Sep	BEST VALUE	\$8,600
Typhoon season — quieter, better value		
Sep – Dec	PEAK SEASON	\$10,600
Dry season returns, peak island conditions		

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- » VIP meet and greet at all Philippine airports
- » All private speedboat and outrigger transfers
- » Luxury resort accommodation throughout
- » All meals as specified — breakfast, lunch and dinner
- » All private guided marine and island excursions
- » All marine park fees and conservation permits
- » Bioluminescent night swim, reef walks, and snorkelling equipment
- » Complementary spa session on final day
- » Private guide throughout
- » Cadlao Lagoon exclusive private access
- » Secret Lagoon hidden rock entry
- » Big Lagoon private luxury kayak excursion
- » Shimizu Island white-linen limestone cove breakfast

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International flights to/from the Philippines
- Travel insurance (strongly recommended)
- Personal shopping and souvenirs
- Scuba diving (can be arranged at additional cost)
- Premium alcohol beyond inclusions
- Tips and gratuities
- Philippines visa (visa on arrival or e-visa for most nationalities)

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This itinerary is a starting point, not a fixed departure. The pace, the lodges, the length, the dates and the party travelling can all be reshaped around you.

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