

## **PADI Advanced Open Water Certification in Komodo & Raja Ampat**



The PADI Advanced Open Water Certification is the next best step for beginner divers looking to grow and expand their diving capabilities and underwater exploration. It comes after the PADI Open Water Course for all the tools you need to master new skills, dive down to deeper depths, become a better diver with better qualifications and feel safer and more confident while underwater.

Throughout the PADI Advanced Open Water Certification course, you'll practice navigation, buoyancy and deep diving and make three [speciality](#) dives of your choosing whether wreck diving, altitude, boat or digital underwater imaging and so much more. The course takes approximately 2-3 days & upon completion, you'll be qualified to dive down to depths of 30 metres as opposed to only 18 metres as an open water diver. Here at M Diving, we're delighted to offer the course in both Komodo and Raja Ampat.

### **How To Obtain The PADI Advanced Open Water Certification?**

Divers who have completed their PADI Open Water often ask - what are the requirements for obtaining a PADI Advanced Open Water certification? To become an Advanced Open Water diver, all you need to do is [sign up](#) for the course with M Diving and let us know your preferred location – Komodo or Raja Ampat.

Throughout the course, you'll practice a number of underwater skills with our professional and experienced PADI instructor. After some skill practice with your instructor, you'll make five open water dives. There's no exam because this course is truly about having fun and gaining experience.

This course starts with an eLearning module which you can complete from anywhere at your own time before moving on to the next phase with your instructor. You'll plan your learning path with your instructor by choosing from a long list of Adventure Dives.

There are two required dives – Deep and Underwater Navigation – and you choose the other three, for a total of five dives. During the Deep Adventure Dive, you learn how to plan dives to deal with the physiological effects and challenges of deeper scuba diving. The Underwater Navigation Adventure Dive refines your compass navigation skills and helps you better navigate using kick-cycles, visual landmarks and time.

The other knowledge and skills you get vary with your interest and the adventures you have – photography, buoyancy control, fish identification, drift dives and many more. You may be able to get college credit for the Advanced Open Water Diver course.

Beyond using basic scuba equipment, you'll need a compass and dive knife or dive tool. You'll also use specialised gear depending on the Adventure Dives you choose.

Here are some interesting [points to note](#) before embarking on this course:

#### Time Commitment

PADI eLearning: 6-8 hours

Entire course: 2-3 days

#### Minimum Age

12-14: Junior Advanced Open Water Diver certification

15 and above: Advanced Open Water Diver certification

#### Includes One Deep Dive

12-15 years old: 21-metres deep

15 years or older: 30-metres deep

### **PADI Open Certification In Komodo & Raja Ampat**

If you're a diver in Indonesia, there's nowhere better than Komodo or Raja Ampat for your PADI Advanced Open Water Certification.

These two locations are part of the Coral Triangle, home to the highest concentration of incredible marine and coral reef biodiversity in the world.

*Komodo National Park*

A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Komodo National Park encompasses 1,800 square kilometers and 29 islands including Komodo Island, Rinca Island and Padar Island. Here you'll find a wide variety of the world's most beautiful and sought-after marine species such as colourful tropical fish, sharks, turtles, octopuses and even dolphins. When in season, you may come face-to-face with manta rays and other marine creatures who live amongst the area's vibrant coral reefs. There is also a vast array of coral reefs, seagrass beds, and mangroves to explore.

### *Raja Ampat*

Raja Ampat is home to the highest concentration of incredible marine and coral reef biodiversity in the world - over 550 different species of corals, 700 types of molluscs and over 1600 species of reef fish, all in the most beautiful and pristine turquoise water you'll ever see. Over 75% of the world's marine species are found here. You could even spot several different shark species, sea stars, eels, sea turtles, manta rays, schooling fish and reef-building corals. If you're lucky you might even spot whales and dugongs.

Click [here](#) to find out more about PADI Raja Ampat and PADI Komodo with M Diving. The course costs IDR 6,900,000 per person (discounts on Liveaboard)

### **PADI Raja Ampat & PADI Komodo With M Diving**

Get your PADI Advanced Open Water Certification with M Diving. You'll learn all of the important dive basics, methods, techniques, and skills that you'll need to pass your PADI open water certification, with lots of fun and adventure every step of the way.

Our PADI courses are based out of our Komodo dive centre and our Komodo Liveaboard and from our Raja Ampat location and our Raja Ampat Liveaboard. Our experienced instructors can teach in English, Spanish, Finnish and French so let us know your preference when booking.

We also offer an eLearning option, which lets you get started immediately on your PADI online scuba programme at your own pace and from wherever you are. This option will reduce the time required to complete the course when you arrive here in Indonesia while maximising your time spent underwater.

Contact us to explore all PADI courses and start learning with M Diving today!