



## Island Retreat Travel Information

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[www.togian-island-retreat.com](http://www.togian-island-retreat.com)

0062 – (0)86811031895 (best time to call is in the evening between 6:00 and 8:00 PM)

### **How to get there**

Express way from Manado via Luwuk via Ampana to Island Retreat  
Estimated travel time 12 to 14 hrs.. Checkin at Island Retreat in the evening of departure day.

To arrange the express trip for you we would need your exact travel dates at least 7 days in advance. For any requests and reservations mail to [Islandretreat@web.de](mailto:Islandretreat@web.de). Alternatively you might organize it by yourself. The relevant addresses and phone numbers are provided below. Additional information is linked to "how to get there" at [www.togian-island-retreat.com](http://www.togian-island-retreat.com).

If you are travelling any other routes we could pick you up at any place and guide you to Island Retreat but only on your request and for advanced payments.

### **The express way – in 1 day from Manado to Island Retreat:**

We recommend to fly from Manado to Luwuk by Merpati Airlines. You will depart from Manado about 6:00 to 7:00 AM and arrive at Luwuk Airport at 12:00 PM. Please contact Merpati for the actual flight schedule. Estimated flight time about 2 hrs.. We would pick you up at Luwuk Airport by chartered car (driver, aircondition, 600.000 Rp. for one way). The transport is managed by Maleo Cottages Luwuk. You might have a short stopover for lunch at Maleo Cottages. Make sure that it does not take more than one hour. This is important because the Island Retreat Boat is waiting for you in Ampana. It is not an easy going in the dark for the boat men. It is about 5.5 hrs to go to Ampana. The driver drop you off at Marina Cottages, Ampana. The Island Retreat team will pick you up at Marina Cottages. Close to your arrival the Island Retreat Boat will bring you to Island Retreat in a 2 hrs. boat ride. You will refresh and relax at your cottage a bit and thereafter enjoy a welcome dinner at our Restaurant.

If your car should not be right in time at Ampana you should stay overnight at Marina Cottages. Next morning there will be a public boat to Island Retreat. It departs 100m away from Marina Cottages, from the small harbour. Make sure to tell the boats men to drop you off at Island Retreat. They will do it on your request only! The boat is going to Bomba and Wakai. Island Retreat has its own jetty but it is no regular stop for public boats.

Speed boat: Please ask for the speed boat at Marina Cottages (about 70 USD one way).

Costs: Flight from Manado to Luwuk operated by Merpati: about 60 US\$ one way.  
Chartered car from Luwuk – Ampana about 500.000 Rp.(about 60 US\$).

Chartered Island Retreat boat: Ampana to Island Retreat 350.000 Rp. (45 \$US, 2,5 hrs.) – available on your request only. Free pickup by Island Retreat Boat with 2 weeks advance notice during November through May. Minimum 4 persons. Transport by public boat from Ampana – Island Retreat about 10.000 - 20.000 Rp.. (about 2 US\$).

**Makassar - Luwuk - Ampana:** Flight from Makasar to Luwuk, 3 times a week, Tuesday and Thursday, operated by wings, one way about 660000 Rp. Departure time: 10:40 AM, arrival time in Luwuk about 12:40 PM. Transport by chartered car from Luwuk to Ampana about 600.000 Rp. Please check departure dates and times!

**Makassar (Ujung Pandang) - Palu  
Palu - Ampana - Island Retreat**

Daily flight to Palu, departs in the morning - flight time (1h)  
250,000 Rp. Citylink Office Palu (0411) 421534  
Chartered car from Palu to Ampana (8 hrs.) - 100 US\$ or about 800.000 Rp.  
Boat trip to Island Retreat (2 hrs.).  
Free pickup by Island Retreat with 2 weeks advance notice during November through May. Minimum 4 persons.

Gorontalo – Wakai – Island Retreat

Public Boat Service once a week, every Wednesday. Please contact Melati Hotel, contact Alex, 0435 822934.

Wakai – Island Retreat: Charter a boat at Wakai or ask for the public boat to Ampana. The boats men will stop at Island Retreat on your request only. If they do not want to stop there for any reason get out at Bomba. It is 10 minutes to go to Island Retreat by boat. Ask the people in Bomba to bring you to Island Retreat. Price: about 50.000 -100.000 Rp.

**Island Retreat - Boat Services**

**Boat transport - one way charter:**

from Wakai or Ampana (2.5 hrs.) to Island Retreat 45 \$US

Free transport up 4 or more persons during November til 1th. May (low season).

from Marisa located at the Tomini Bay (7 hrs.), to Island Retreat, maximum 15 persons, 180 \$US

from Parigi (near Palu) to Island Retreat, maximum 10 persons, 250 \$US

1 day Island Tour, charter, 150 \$US for example: trip around Pulau Batudaka Island - Island Retreat - Wakai - Street of Wakai - Island Retreat

From Ampana to island Retreat: Free pickup by Island Retreat Boat with 2 weeks advance notice during November through May. Minimum 4 persons.

Please find additional information at our webside just follow the hyperlink "how to get there".

**Contact – Island Retreat recommends:**

International phone area code: 0062

Merpati Airline Office Manado: 0062(0)431 853213  
Merpati Airline Office Luwuk: 046121523

Island Retreat:

0062 – (0)86811031895, best time to call is in the evening between 6:00 and 8:00 PM.

**Luwuk:**

Maleo Cottages - 0461324068, Fax: 0461324070  
Speak to Jerome or Yani Doucet or Antho

**Ampana:**

Marina Cottages - 046421280

**Palu:**

Hotel Rama Garden - 045124286  
City Link Office – 0411 421534 for any transport from Palu

**Gorontalo:**

Melati Hotel - 0435 822934 (contact Alex)

**Manado:**

Hotel Minahasa (medium budget hotel with hillside cottages, quite place, friendly people, simple breakfast)  
minahasahotel@yahoo.com  
Jalan SAM RATULANGI 199  
Manado – 95113  
Phone: 0431862559 or 04131862059  
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