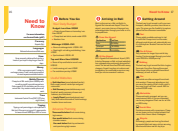


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Welcome to Bali

The mere mention of Bali evokes thoughts of a paradise. It's more than a place; it's a mood, an aspiration, a tropical state of mind. Bali's rich culture plays out at all levels of life, from exquisite flower-petal offerings to traditional music and dance. Add in great beaches, world-class surfing, superb dining, stunning sunsets, beautiful walks and fabulous shopping, and Bali is simply unbeatable.

Traditional Balinese dancer
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Top Sights

Pura Luhur Batukau (p58)

Pura Luhur Batukau, one of Bali's most important temples, never fails to touch the spirit. It is a mystical – and misty – place to contemplate Bali's beliefs and to commune with nature.



Touring Ubud's Rice Fields (p100)

Ribbons of green sinuously curving around hillsides crested by coconut palms and emerald patchworks blanketing the land: these are some of the vistas you'll savour as you walk Ubud's rice fields.



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Gili Trawangan (p126)

An all-day, all-night party, that's Gili T – take a fast boat over from Bali to whoop it up. Divers can also find briny joy and snorkellers will discover underwater beauty right off the beach.