# East Java: Volcano Bromo & Kawah Ijen



Days: 5

Price: 550 EUR

International flight not

included

Comfort: ★★☆☆

Difficult: ★★★☆☆

► Must see ► Travel with children

◆ Trekking ◆ Adventure

A must-do programme in Java, discovering the volcanoes that have made the island so popular. Let yourself be charmed by the **exceptional character of the Bromo caldera** and **meet the sulphur bearers of Kawah Ijen**. It's an experience that won't leave you indifferent.

#### Highlights

- 5-day "discovery" tour of East Java, including (easy) climbs of the Bromo and Kawah Ijen volcanoes
- Breathtaking views and a magical moment as the sun rises over the caldera of Mt Bromo
- · An intimate walk in the heart of the rural region of Tawangmangu

## Day 1. The last bastion of Hinduism



Yogyakarta ♥

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Sukuh Temple ♥ 12km - ② 4h

Tawangmangu **♀** 

⊕ 290km - ② 7h
 Tumpang ♀

- Morning transfer to the temple, the last bastion of Hinduism in Central Java in the face of the spread of Islam. The temple's original iconography, including phallic figures and large turtle-shaped tables, suggests the existence of initiation or even orginatic rituals.
- You then set off on a walk towards the village of Tawangmangu, on the slopes of the Lawu volcano. This walk
  is an opportunity to discover some of the plant species found in this region, as well as admiring superb
  panoramic views of the surrounding pine forest and high-altitude plantations. You finish your walk by crossing
  the Tawangmangu park, which leads you to a superb waterfall (Grojogan Sewu) in the middle of a tropical
  forest inhabited by a large community of monkeys.
- In the afternoon, transfer to Tumpang, near Malang, at the western foot of the Bromo-Tengger-Semeru massif.

★ Accommodation

Rani Homestay or The Shalimar

#### Day 2. Magnificent landscapes

Tumpang ♥

- ② 2h

Tumpak Sewu ♥

🕰 - 🧿 2h

Tumpang **♀** 

• Morning departure for the Lumajang region, skirting the southern flanks of the majestic Semeru volcano. You will then reach the **Tumpak Sewu** waterfall ("Thousand Waterfalls" in Javanese). As you descend into the gorge (on a slippery and sometimes steep path), you will feel the force of the hundreds of streams as they "plunge" over 100m. Seen from above, the beauty of this waterfall seems ephemeral as the fine mist soaks everything in its path. No wonder, then, that a photo of Tumpak Sewu with Mt Semeru in the background won the award for "best aerial shot" in 2019. And, if you're also taking your camera equipment with you, remember to protect it from moisture. Return to Tumpang in the late afternoon.

Breakfast

Rani Homestay or The Shalimar

★ Accommodation

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## Day 3. Spectacular Mt Bromo caldera



Tumpang ♥

♣ 35km - ② 2h

Cemorolawang ♥

- In the early morning, 4x4 vehicles will take you to the Tengger region, where the famous Mt Bromo (2329 m) spits out its volutes and the surrounding caldera forms a gigantic sea of sand. On this journey, you pass through the stunning forest of the Tengger-Bromo-Semeru National Park, skirting part of the crest of the Bromo volcano caldera, before descending to the sea of sand to reach the village of Cemorolawang (located on one of the opposite crests). Mt Bromo is the most revered of the Tengger Hindu people who live in the region. Climb the Bromo volcano in the early afternoon. You'll be able to admire its crater resembling a steaming cauldron. It's easy to understand why the Javanese once considered this place to be the entrance to purgatory.
- You then make your way to the summit of Mount Pananjakan (2,775m) to witness a fabulous spectacle. You
  will watch the world set against a lunar backdrop, with a breathtaking view of Mount Bromo, its sea of sand,
  and the Semeru volcano, both of which emit thick fumaroles. Unique! Return to the hotel in the early evening.

Breakfast

Rani Homestay or The Shalimar

★ Accommodation

Lava View Lodges or Jiwa Jawa Bromo

#### Day 4. East of Java



  Early morning transfer to the outskirts of Kawah Ijen. After settling into your hotel, your guide will take you to some superb rice terraces, from where you will begin a pleasant walk through traditional villages and other plantations (fruit, spices, etc.). Return to the hotel in the late afternoon.

Breakfast

Breakfast

Lava View Lodges or Jiwa Jawa Bromo

★ Accommodation

Teras Ijen Hotel

# Day 5. Green Crater



edge of the largest acid lake in the world. These real "convicts" carry around 80 kg of ore on their backs for around 15 km to the processing plant! You then witness the weighing and the various employment contracts. A very powerful and striking image of your journey. In the late morning, transfer to Ketapang port or Banyuwangi airport.

 In the early morning, you set off again in a 4x4 towards the slopes of Kawah Ijen ("green crater" in old Javanese), which you can easily climb in the company of the men who extract sulphur every day from the

Ketapang **♀** 

- 🖸 4h

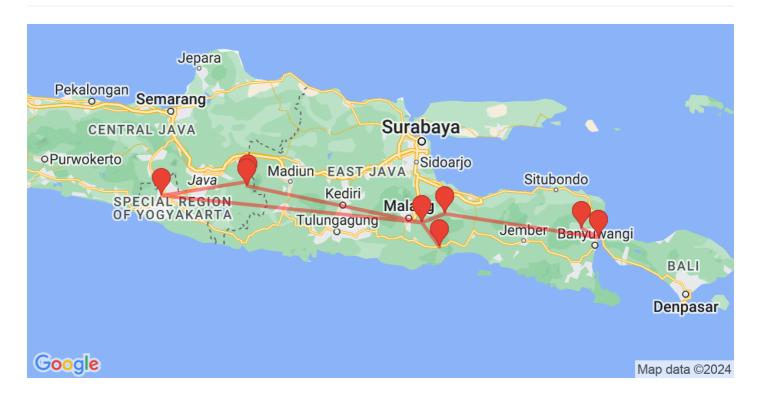
Kawah Ijen **♀** 

🚗 - 🗿 3h

Ketapang **♀** 

Teras Ijen Hotel

# Itinerary map



# Individual price per person

2-2	3-3	4-5	6-7	8-10	ss
925 EUR	775 EUR	675 EUR	595 EUR	550 EUR	150 EUR

#### Included

- French-speaking guide
- Ground transfers in private air-conditioned vehicle
- Accommodation in B&B
- Site entrance fees, trekking permits and donations
- Mineral water and energy supplements on walking days

#### Not included

- International & domestic air
- Insurance & assistance
- Visas & airport taxes
- Meals not mentioned in the itinerary above
- Drinks, personal expenses & tips
- Anything not mentioned in "Inclusions".