



HINTS AND TIPS 2012

RESTAURANTS

No matter what type of food you desire, you're bound to find it in Bali. There are unlimited restaurants to choose from. Most are inexpensive and a few, though up-market, are very affordable. For your benefit we have listed a few of the personal recommendations of our staff.

We welcome your feedback on your return.

KUTA/LEGIAN/TUBAN

- **Bodega Kelapa** – Mediterranean restaurant serving a good variety of tapas & Mediterranean food in a spacious two-story venue. Ph: 732 770 \$\$\$ (Kuta)
- **Bubba Gumps** – Inspired by the popular movie Forrest Gump, this restaurant offers a large range of food. Good value for money. Ph: 754 028 \$\$ (Tuban)
- **Drops Restaurant & Lounge** – A modern restaurant overlooking busy Jl Padma offering authentic Balinese & International Fusion cuisine. Ph: 753 073 \$\$\$ (Legian)
- **Hard Rock Cafe** – Located across the road from Kuta beach, and open all day, this ever-popular International cafe offers a large range of facilities including great food, poolside dining, modern bar and the latest music. Ph: 755 661 \$\$\$ (Kuta)
- **Ifiori** – Focused on delighting every guest with an authentic Italian dining experience. Great atmosphere and fabulous food. Ph: 750 158 \$\$\$ (Tuban)
- **Kori** – This restaurant has great service, good wine list and range of western and Balinese dishes. The seafood selections are well worth trying. The separate Ria Ria room, a pool and cigar room, is a great place to relax before and after dinner. Ph: 758 605 \$\$\$ (Kuta)
- **Ma Joly** – An elegant beachside restaurant serving a fine selection of world-class French and International cuisine, as well as the freshest fish from Jimbaran Bay. Ph: 753 780 \$\$\$ (Tuban)
- **Ocean Beach Club** – Restaurant & Grill, Sports Lounge, Pool Bar & Nightclub... Enjoy sunset on the open wood deck, or lounge poolside in one of the cosy day beds. Ph: 751 000 \$\$\$\$ (Kuta)
- **Poppies** – This long serving restaurant on Poppies Lane 1 is something of landmark, with a mixed menu catering for all types of diners, whilst relaxing under a shaded terrace. Ph: 751 059 \$\$\$ (Kuta)
- **Rosso Vivo** – Restaurant & Bar features a lovely terrace facing out to the sea, where guests can enjoy the stunning Kuta sunset. Menu options include Italian & International cuisine, pastries, cakes and wide selection of fine wines. Ph: 751 962 \$\$\$\$ (Kuta)

- **Sky Garden** – A modern restaurant and lounge, offering a wide selection of cuisine, cocktails, and an extensive wine list. It is a great place to relax while enjoying the wonderful atmosphere. Ph: 755 423 \$\$\$ (Kuta)
- **Sushi Tei** – An internationally renowned restaurant chain, presenting an assortment of scrumptious and creatively designed Japanese dishes - appealing to aficionados of authentic Japanese cuisine. Ph: 847 7346 \$\$\$ (Kuta)
- **Take** – A sushi house in town serving unusual regional fare and standard Japanese classics. Along with Japanese beer and wide sake selection, this an excellent place to sample Japanese cuisine. Ph: 759 745 \$\$\$ (Kuta)
- **Thaman Thai** – A new Thai outlet on Jl Camplang in the Poppies Lane 2 district. Serving clean Thai food in central Kuta at very affordable prices. Ph: 763 476 \$\$ (Kuta)
- **The Flying Piano** – This bizarrely decorated cavern serves an eclectic mix of Swiss, Thai, and International cuisine in an entertaining atmosphere. Fondues are a speciality. Ph: 761389 \$\$ (Legian)
- **The Kopi Pot** – This cafe offers International cuisine at cafe prices. They have a great variety of salads and desert to choose. Ph: 752 614 \$\$\$ (Kuta)
- **You Can Also try** – Spaghetti Jazz \$\$\$ (Kuta) / Macaroni Club \$\$\$ (Kuta) / La Porchetta \$\$ (Kuta) / Papa's Cafe \$\$ (Kuta) Nero \$\$ (Kuta) / Poco Loco \$\$ (Legian) / Gosha Bar & Restaurant \$\$ (Legian)

SEMINYAK/KEROBOKAN

- **Bale Bali** – This little Warung stands out from the rest, with a wide range of delicious Indonesian foods. Ph: 732 731 \$\$ (Seminyak)
- **Breezes** – The Samaya's beautiful beachside setting allows you to enjoy the refreshing sea breeze, as well as spectacular sunsets whilst enjoying exotic international and local dishes. Ph: 731 149 \$\$\$\$ (Seminyak)
- **Blossom** – Blossom restaurant and lounge bar at the Sentosa Villas is a stylish contemporary venue serving creative breakfasts, all day bar menu and modern Thai. Ph: 730 333 \$\$\$\$ (Seminyak)
- **Dahana Restaurant** – This private house and gallery hosts a family-style Japanese restaurant in a garden setting, almost hidden behind a white wall and private entrance. Ph: 730 131 \$\$ (Kerobokan)
- **Gado Gado** – This institution provides indoor/outdoor fine dining right on Seminyak beach. The cuisine is international with a focus on seafood. Ph: 730 955 \$\$\$\$ (Seminyak)
- **Hu'u In Bali** – This restaurant comes highly recommended for its international cuisine. Try their steak. Ph 736 433 \$\$\$\$ (Kerobokan)
- **Ku De Ta** – Kerobokan's stunning beachside restaurant and function venue. Offering modern Australian cuisine, including succulent fresh oysters and assorted seafood. A real "place to be seen". Ph: 736 969 \$\$\$\$ (Kerobokan).
- **Kafe Warisan** – Modern French Mediterranean cuisine in a classic rice terrace setting. The duck confit is a must Ph: 736 175 \$\$\$\$ (Kerobokan)
- **La Lucciola** – this classic beachfront serves top Italian food. Great for those who like to soak up the beach atmosphere whilst enjoying an unforgettable sunset, a great meal and fine wines Ph: 730 838 \$\$\$\$ (Kerobokan)
- **Lazumba** – A delicious modern style Thai restaurant located directly on the well-known and popular Oberoi Street (Jalan Laksmana) in Seminyak Bali. Ph: 731 899 \$\$\$ (Seminyak)

- **Lestari Restaurant** - Peaceful, quiet surroundings with traditional European and Asian Dishes brought to perfection. Ph: 792 6375 \$\$ (Kerobokan)
- **Loloan** - Innovative fine dining blending unexpected flavours and techniques, all with an Asian sensibility and excellent service. Ph: 736 677 \$\$ (Seminyak)
- **Made's Warung** - Another old favourite in Seminyak, Made's features cafe style food in a large courtyard setting. Ph: 755297 \$\$\$ (Seminyak)
- **Mykonos Taverna** - this restaurant has built an enviable reputation for its Greek specialities Ph: 733 253 \$\$ (Kerobokan)
- **Pantarei** - this restaurant and bar serves authentic Greek cuisine in very stylish surroundings. Try the Moussaka and Iman Bayildi and wash it down with the unique taste of a Greek coffee. Ph: 732 567 \$\$\$ (Seminyak).
- **Queen's Tandoor** - Try Queen's Tandoor for a beautiful taste of traditional Indian cuisine. (Opp Made's Warung). Ph: 732 770 \$\$ (Seminyak)
- **Sarong** - Voted Restaurant of the year in 2008, this new location is one of the highlights of the entire Seminyak/Kerobokan area. Led by Internationally renowned Aussie chef Will Meyrick, most recently having set the benchmark for modern Thai food at Blossom in Sentosa Bali, the cuisine draws inspiration from the street food of many South East Asian countries. Ph: 737 809 \$\$\$ (Seminyak)
- **The Legian** - Leading the way in new chic dining, this pleasant dining area offers a high standard of contemporary cuisine and service. Ph: 730 622 \$\$\$\$ (Kerobokan)
- **The Living Room** - A beautiful candle-lit setting delivering Eurasian fare at moderate prices, with bottle shop and optional alfresco dining. A great place to spend the evening. Ph: 735 735. \$\$\$\$ (Kerobokan)
- **Warung Gossip** - Fabulously affordable Indonesian food set in rustic country settings. \$\$ (Kerobokan)
- **You Can Also Try** - Khaima (Moroccan) \$\$ (Seminyak) - Trattoria (Italian) \$\$ (Seminyak)

NUSADUA/TANJUNGBENOA

- **Arak Bali** - The only place where you can stay until late in Nusa Dua. Dining here is pleasure, with a wide range of food from East to West available. Live entertainment is held every day. Hp: 774 612 \$\$ (Nusa Dua)
- **Bumbu Bali** - Recognised by locals and visitors alike as the leading Balinese Restaurant in Bali, Bumbu Bali aims to serve traditional food not often found in hotels and the more tourist oriented restaurants. Ph: 774 502 \$\$ (Tanjung Benoa)
- **Casa Blanca** - Open garden style providing a romantic atmosphere with a delicious selection of Mexican, Seafood, European, Indonesian, Chinese, Thai and Indian. Ph: 778 609 \$\$ (Tanjung Benoa)
- **Faces** - Gourmet restaurant, located at The Bale Property, offering high quality seafood and light cuisine for lunch and dinner, all served from an expansive open kitchen. Ph: 775 111 \$\$\$\$ (Nusa Dua)
- **Pica Tapas Bar** - Set for more than 15 years in a large lofty space with tiled floors, leatherette chairs and brick walls, this restaurant is a haven for meat lovers, encompassing an authentic Brazilian rotisserie steak house. Ph: 775 340 \$\$\$ (Nusa Dua)
- **Salsa Verde** - The Grand Hyatt's casual beachfront restaurant, offering delectable Italian fare and great service. An extensive selection of wines is available to accompany your meal in this relaxing setting. \$\$\$\$ (Nusa Dua).

- **Tao** – Pleasant beachside restaurant serving a variety of Asian cuisines specialising in Thai Ph: 773 730 \$\$\$ (Tanjung Benoa)
- **Raja's Restaurant** – The winner of numerous hospitality awards, located in Nusa Dua Beach Hotel & Spa, Raja's offers a best of Bali's unique culinary offerings. Ph: 771 210 \$\$\$\$ (Nusa Dua)
- **Lotus Garden** – Strategically located in the centre of Nusa Dua. The culinary focus here is the Mediterranean, and other cuisines that surround this great sea. Ph: 773 378 \$\$ (Nusa Dua)

JIMBARAN BAY / ULUWATU

- **Dava** – Located at the Ayana Resort and Spa, this ultra-chic bar and restaurant serves an innovative array of modern Asian cuisine with stunning Indian Ocean views. There are two sleek dining rooms, an outdoor terrace, and a Martini & Oyster Bar. Ph: 702 222 \$\$\$\$\$ (Jimbaran)
- **Di Mare** – Located in the Karma Kandara resort offering the finest produce, with New York inspired international cuisine. The seafood is the speciality. Ph: 708 848 \$\$\$\$\$ (Uluwatu)
- **Kisik** – Another fine venue at the Ayana Resort and Spa, offering freshly grilled seafood from nearby Jimbaran, with the great views making this a very popular choice. Ph: 702 222 \$\$\$\$\$ (Jimbaran Bay)
- **Menega Cafe** – Set in a cluster of similar beachfront eateries, this Cafe is popular with tourists from the many upscale resort hotels in the area. Fresh lobster, snapper, squid, crab and much more is joined by a selection of western dishes, whilst lovers of Indonesian cuisine should be tempted by the usual specialties of nasi goreng, sate and cap chay all cooked to perfection. \$\$ (Jimbaran Bay)
- **New Melasti Cafe** – Fresh seafood, good service, serenading singers and right on the beach, perfect for a relaxing sunset meal. Ph: 709 083 \$\$ (Jimbaran Bay)
- **PJS** – Spectacular views of the palm-fringed bay at Jimbaran are available from this restaurant at the Four Seasons Resort. Offering fantastic daily seafood specials using only the freshest produce from the local fisherman. Ph: 701 010 \$\$\$\$\$ (Jimbaran Bay)
- **Tapis** – Located in Kayumanis Villa just a few steps away from Jimbaran's fishing village. Serving only the freshest seafood and the finest selection for International cuisine. Ph: 705 777 \$\$\$\$ (Jimbaran)

SANUR

- **Arena** – This place is popular for its vibrant atmosphere, great tastes and home-style cooking. Ph: 287 255 \$\$
- **Beach Cafe** – An attractive modern bistro, located on Sindhu Beach, offering a great selection of tasty food. Ph: 282 875 \$\$\$
- **Cafe Batujimbar** – A pleasant garden courtyard offering a variety of Asian and international dishes. Great atmosphere and location. Ph: 287 374 \$\$\$
- **Cat & Fiddle** – A British style pub and restaurant combined with a Balinese outdoor setting. The menu features Irish & English specialities, grills, Indonesian, and vegetarian meals. Ph: 282 218 \$\$
- **Clay Oven** – A casual Indian restaurant with a wide selection of Tandoor. Ph: 287 368 \$\$\$
- **Double Dutch** – Bali's best place for original Dutch food. It is packed with guests every night, and offers super-cold Draft beers and Live Entertainment. Ph: 270 554 \$\$
- **Jazz Bar and Grill** – A wide variety of snacks and light meals with evening entertainment commencing every night at 10.00 pm. Ph: 285 892 \$\$\$

- **Mezzanine** – This spacious two-levelled restaurant is worth a visit if only for the spectacular atmosphere. The international menu offers a wide selection—from Thai to Italian style seafood. A full bar is available including both local and imported wines and spirits. Ph: 270 624. \$\$\$
- **Sanur Deli** – Offering gourmet sandwiches and snacks. Ph: 270 544 \$\$
- **Slavyanka** – Given away by the name, this restaurant serves an extensive menu of Russian fare in a unique atmosphere. The walls are adorned with pictures of the Tsars of old, and the dining room is one of the most formal in Bali. Ph: 283 835 \$\$\$
- **Stiff Chili** – Beachside Warung-style Italian restaurant. Try the wood fired pizzas. Ph: 288 371 \$\$

UBUD

- **Plantation Dining**– This is another classic restaurant along the Ayung River, located within the Alila Ubud. Serving fresh clean cuisine to match the stunning setting. The views here are unbelievable and worth the dining experience alone. Ph: 975 963 \$\$\$\$\$
- **Ary's Warung** – This is one of Bali's most creative restaurants, right on the main street of Ubud. Excellent food and service accompanied by stylishly re-designed decor. Ph: 975 053 \$\$\$
- **Bebek Bengil** (Dirty Duck) – Featuring a wonderful garden setting, renowned for its beautiful Crispy Duck and extensive menu. Ph: 975 489 \$\$
- **Cafe des Artistes** – offering a unique blend of Belgian and Thai cuisines, in a laid-back cafe atmosphere. You can even get Belgian beers. Ph: 972 706 \$\$\$
- **Café Wayan**- Dating back to 1986, when it began life on Monkey Forest Road as a simple Warung, Cafe Wayan features a bakery at the front, and small rooms at the rear overlook lush rice paddies. The menu is traditional Balinese, and cooking classes are also available. Ph: 975 447 \$\$
- **Casa Luna** –With its relaxed tropical atmosphere, this well known Ubud icon offers a fine selection of Balinese and Mediterranean dishes. Situated on the main road just down from the village market, it is a favourite with visitors from all over the world. Ph: 973 283 \$\$
- **Cascades** – Sprawling along the top of a ridge, sitting high above the villas of The Viceroy, this lovely new restaurant features French dining, and one of the most extensive wine lists in Bali. Ph: 971 777 \$\$\$\$\$
- **Coffee & Silver** – Otherwise known as the Danish embassy, here you can get rich European influenced food, perched on the side of a hill overlooking Monkey Forest. Ph: 975 354 \$\$
- **Glow & Kudus House** – Magnificent settings overlooking the Ayung River at Como Shambhala, serving New World and Indonesian cuisine. Ph: 978 178 \$\$\$\$\$
- **Ibu Rai Restaurant** – Offering great varieties of Asian and International cuisine, with a variety of Fusion dishes also available. Ph: 973 472 \$\$
- **Indus** - With its mouth watering menu, eclectic gallery and breathtaking views of the Tjampuhan River, it's easy to see why Indus has been an Ubud favourite for nearly 10 years. Ph: 977 684 \$\$\$
- **Kafe Batan Waru** – Fantastic, affordable Indonesian and Balinese food, open all day. Ph: 977528 \$\$
- **Lamak** – Featuring dramatic interior design by renowned architect Made Wijaya, Lamak Restaurant offers Modern Asian, European and vegetarian fare, with separate la carte menus for lunch and dinner. Ph: 974 668 \$\$\$\$\$

- **Mozaic** – Recently listed in Les Grandes Tables du Monde, this stunning temple of gastronomy sprawls through a lovingly kept garden, and features the finest cuisine and service - very hard to find better, so bookings are necessity. Ph: 975 768 \$\$\$\$\$
- **Murni's** – Located in the Tjampuhan area overlooking the Tjampuhan River. There is a great selection of fabulous food available, plus the building also houses and art boutique. Ph: 975 233 \$\$
- **Nomad Restaurant** – Located on the main street of Ubud, serving various selections of Asian, International and Fusion cuisine. Ph: 977 169 \$\$
- **Naughty Nurri's Warung** – Indonesian barbeque at bargain prices. Ph: 977 547 \$\$
- **Pundi-Pundi** – Located in the heart of Ubud, with magnificent rice field and lotus pond surroundings. The focus is on Asian Cuisine, however the various grills have proven very popular. Ph: 970 644 \$\$\$
- **The Bridge Restaurant** – Located at the side of the historical bridge crossing the Tjampuhan River, this restaurant, operated by the Ubud Royal family, offers Asian and International cuisine, with stunning views over the Tjampuhan River gorge. Ph: 975 085 \$\$
- **The Jazz Cafe:** – One of Ubud's top nightspots, this lively cafe also serves very good quality food both lunch and dinner. Not to be missed. Ph: 976 594 \$\$\$
- **Warung Enak** – Overlooks rice paddies with a wide selection of Indonesian delicacies and newly added cooking classes. Ph: 972 911 \$\$

SHOPPING/GENERAL

Bali is renowned for its terrific and inexpensive shopping. With our AUD doing well against the Rupiah one can afford to buy a variety of things including clothing, leather, CD's, DVD's, PS2 games, watches, shoes, silver & paintings to name a few.

(1 AUD = 8000 Rp - subject to fluctuation)

- **Airlines** – Garuda Indonesia, Pacific Blue, Jetstar & Qantas operate direct flights to Bali. Other options also include Singapore Airlines and Malaysian Airlines.
- **Anika Tailor** – A wide Choice of textiles & fabrics Ph: 754580 (Kuta)
- **Bali Gong** – For all the latest DVD's, Music CD's, Play Station, Xbox games etc. Ask for DeDe - Corner Melasti St & Sahadewa (Garlic St) Ph: 759 834
- **Basket Ware** – The Genuine variety, Tenganan near Candidasa, Tegallalang Ubud and Ubud Market
- **Billy's Factory Sale** – Selling Billabong/Roxy. Jl. Ciung Wanara No 1 Ph: 757 159
- **BIMC** (Bali International Medical Care) is an independent centre and is open **24 hours**. It has the following services: Doctor Consulting Room, Accident & emergency Dept, Equipped Ambulances, Medical Evacuation. They are Australian, English, New Zealand, American, Japanese, Swedish, and Indonesian staff. Ph: 761 263
- **Medical Needs** – Apart from the necessary First Aid Kit that should contain antiseptic, band-aids, panadol, medicine for upset stomach etc. Most resorts have their own Medical Clinic.
- **Jenggala Keramik** – Lovely Ceramic ware and more. Ph: 703 311 (Jimbaran).
- **Katie's** – Fine leather tailor. Free transportation available. Ph: 755 147 / 751 904.

- **Furniture** – On the way to Ubud at Mas or on the road to Nusa Dua. Expect to pay a third of the price that you'd pay back here for teak furniture. However beware of freight charges.
- **Massage @ Body Works** – if you don't fancy a massage on the beach or don't want to pay the high prices in the hotels try Body Works. They will give you the treatment at half the price of the hotels. Ph: 733 317 / 730 454 (Seminyak).
- **Money** – ATM's are available or you may also take travellers cheque. You can convert T/cheques and cash at any of the money changers along the streets. Be cautious and always count your money in front of the moneychanger.
- **Outdoor Activities** – There is a plethora of activities one can choose from when in Bali. Mountain Cycling, Elephant Safari, White Water Rafting, Waterbom Park, Jungle Trekking and Bali Hai Cruises
- **Security** – Bali is a wonderful and friendly place but do watch your handbag, money etc. Some of the kids in Kuta are little experts at opening bum bags, wallets etc. The point here (or anywhere) is to be careful.
- **Transport** – Take Taxi's rather than negotiate a cheap rate in an old car / Bemo. Allow about 20,000 rupiah (approx \$4) for half an hour.
- **Water From Bottles Only** – Unless specified that the water has been purified or from a sealed bottle – **don't drink tap water in Bali**. Most major resorts/hotels have their own purification systems and supply you with clean bottled water in your room. Bottled water is safe, cheap and available everywhere.

CUSTOMS & IMMIGRATION PROCEDURES

There is very little to worry about when traveling to and from Bali. However, here are a few simple "house rules" to observe.

- **From Australia** - You must have six months validity on your Australian passport upon arrival into Bali/Indonesia. Your Australian departure tax is charged and shown on your airline ticket.
 - **From Bali** - Before you leave for the Denpasar airport, see that you keep Rupiah 150,000 (approx. \$20) per person on you for departure tax. Make sure that you also retain the white Indonesian Immigration card you filled out on arrival in Bali (in passport). This will be collected as you leave Bali. Always remain patient, as things move slowly – its part of the life and charm of Bali.
- Visa Fee** - Australian citizens will need to pay US\$25 (maximum 30 days) visa-on-arrival into Indonesia. If you hold citizenship/passport of another country it is important that you tell your travel agent so they can take the necessary action to obtain a visa.

For more information please visit www.dotars.gov.au / www.dfat.gov.au

BALI NIGHTLIFE

There's a great variety of nightlife in Bali. Open until the early hours of the morning one can enjoy a club, pub or dance the night away at one of the trendy nightspots.

Below is a short listing of some of the more popular venues

KUTA/LEGIAN/TUBAN

- All Stars Surf Cafe - The first its kind in Bali. Live bands feature on Tues & Sun
- Kama Sutra - The nightclub sits across the road from Kuta Beach, close to Alam Kul Kul, and features a larger roster of live bands from around the world. Ph: 761 999
- Gracie Kelly's - At the Bali Dynasty resort - a great Irish pub. Ph: 752 403
- Hard Rock Cafe - Live bands, good atmosphere.
- MBarGo - Modern nightclub, latest music a favourite with the Aussies.

SEMINYAK

- Bacio - Older more sophisticated crowd.
- De Ja Vu - Funk / House Music.
- Double Six - Latest Techno / Top 40.
- Jaya Pub Bali - Modern, Funky Music.
- Paparazzi - Modern, Techno (near Double Six).

UBUD

- Jazz Cafe - Jazz, Swing, and Soul, good music, unique cuisine and great atmosphere. Ph: 976 594 (Tell Timmy we sent you!!)
- Funky Monkey - Latest Music, cool crowd, great drinks, lots of fun. Close at 12
- Lobong Cafe - great Reggae Music, nice crowd, good ambiance.

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