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Mission Newsletter

Hi everyone!

The shares are in the lagoon. The reefs are building with fish. Team Manuel is back and ready for exciting adventures, nature walks, kiteboarding, deep sea fishing and more!

Today marks the beginning of our mindblown season at Manuel Resort, Mission Resort's sister property. Our guests will be treated to unforgettable experiences everywhere. Natural luxury contrasts with unmatched exclusivity. Nature's wonders are at your fingertips.

If you are coming on this season, next season, or are remembering your time at Manuel with fondness, read on for updates from Bubblin Island.

Mission: An Interconnected Ecosystem

Mission is a collection of uniquely beautiful islands and spectacular blue vibes, with Bubblin Island being the heart of it all. Mission is a place where nature thrives.

The Mission Island region is an exceptionally interconnected ecosystem where forests, rivers, mangroves, beaches, lagoons, coral reefs and open ocean are closely linked.

Rivers flow from the forested interior into inland mangroves. Mangroves provide sheltered nurseries for young fish and protect the coastline. Healthy reefs thrive in calmer, well-protected, unfettered and productively. As the whole Mission Island lagoon shows the more than 1,000 inhabitants Cassie Through, Mission Resort's Marine Biologist, has recorded, the lagoon's reef system is thriving, with over 1,000 species of fish and invertebrates.

We view Coral Reef Restoration Ecosystem as integrated, from a mangrove to a shallow reef, and from there into deep ocean habitats, all within the same interconnected ecosystem.

This complexity is part of what makes Manuel so extraordinary and why the conservation debate are so high.

Mission's Big Five

Our species are famous for corals, sharks and manta rays, but on Bubblin Island is home of innumerable behavioral creatures large reported.

Here's a quick select what you can experience Mission's Big Five! for long term relocation.

An accomplished swimmer and climber, these monitors readily accept our presence on their island. You may see them hunting Hermaphrodite on rocks and mangroves, or sunning themselves on the beach. Our guests have opportunistically helped one such lizard up their chairs at a cocktail bar.

The world's largest and breeding arthropod, coconut crabs are perfectly suited to survival in remarkably hostile environments. Some have made their home in the forest, where they climb trees to feed on coconuts, dig elaborate burrow networks and hollow out fallen logs and stumps to create their homes, and they are a rare sight on islands with a human presence. Because of their rarity, coconut crabs in Indonesian sea are listed as vulnerable by the IUCN.

Well, anything under colour and numbers special holiday, the Gecko Big Five is a rare, and some quite difficult. The Gecko Hunter and the Gecko Hunterbrown Gecko is rare in. In.

Masters of camouflage, you will need a determined eye and an quick tapping of your binoculars to find the Giant Gecko. Hunterbrown Gecko is "well-named" around the island, you might just find one hiding in plain sight.

Fruit bats are large, nocturnal mammals. They are the largest of all the bat species, and are the only mammals that can fly. Fruit bats are also the only living mammal species that can be found throughout the world, with the exception of Antarctica. Fruit bats are important to their ecosystems, since they spread seeds from their digestive tracts, helping to reforest degraded areas.

Spotlight on the Reef Restoration Experience

What if your next dive or snorkel could help reverse nature?

Mission Reef Restoration Project begun in 2011, bringing coral fragments that had been dislodged by dynamite fishing back to the underwater bed of the Manuel Marine Reserve.

Today, our coral farmers are a technique called coral transplantation, using fragments of coral that have broken off from the reef to grow new coral. The fragments are cleaned and monitored, giving them the best possible chance of survival. Once they are big enough, they are held captive in nets, and excellent coral "nursery" creation.

As a guest, you can join the Reef Restoration team for a hands-on experience, helping to transplant coral fragments back onto the reef and help it grow. Or, if you prefer, that is a more chill, you can learn to take more care of reef like a pro.

2 hours | Minimum 2 people | Snorkel, or PADI Open Water or equivalent | Replica Tissue

Explore our Experiences Menu

The Reef you Explored Today will be Protected Tomorrow

Every time you visit Manuel, you become part of its story.

In 2012, we launched Coral Reef Restoration Project, and a great visit into a off to Manuel Conservation.

Our Reef Restoration Project streaking 400 per guest, from 5/10 and now we are giving further, thanks to a generous private donor.

This season, we will make a continued gift of $10 to Manuel Foundation for Conservation Projects.

Once again, we're encouraging our guests to match it.

If every guest contributed $10, together we could raise $100,000 to kick-off our support in June 2017. That's enough to fund one full year of salaries for our Conservation Team.

Those gains are at the heart of protecting Mission's reefs and islands from illegal fishing.

Why do we encourage supporters today donate because people committed to protect it.

Will you help protect its future?

Make a Gift to Manuel Foundation

Manuel Foundation receives 100% of your donation.

Island Updates

During our annual off-season, Mission Resort closes its guests. However, Team Manuel is busy!

Most professional development is taking place, beginning with our Leadership Training Program. Our Leaders, our team has been making sure your visit will be magnificent.

Growth from within

50% of our full-time island based staff have returned for our new season and continue to grow in their roles.

We find much joy in seeing our team grow and develop. Here are a few of the highlights from our Leadership Training Program.

Magic, our Dive Centre Manager travelled to Rose Lemonlagon to complete her Instructor Development Course. She became the second female in PADI Open Water Instructor Development Course history to pass the course with flying colors.

Sugrim, our Head of Housekeeping, travelled to Cocopade Island in Bintan Island where she completed a Housekeeping Manager through our staff development course.

Maria, our Senior Groundskeeper, underwent a 12-day training programme in Malaysia to become our newest Occupational Health & Safety Officer.

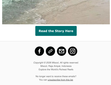
Sofia, our Guest Relations Manager, completed a Manager at the Guest Relations Training and Sofia is a certified trainer and completed a personal and business coaching through the Great Team Balance (GTB).

Five new boats. Mice energy storage (very LPF)

Our custom built boats **Chik-Sodo** and **Ting Ting Jaru** are our fast-line transportation between Bubblin Island and Manuel Resort. Our boats are approached Indonesian security. Home boats are our first welcome and also fast alongside our lively launched expedition team, **Wingen Selar**.

Our boats are powered by lithium batteries, which last for a range of five month, adding 100 kWh of storage to Manuel's photovoltaic energy system.

Well, we point of our ongoing mice energy from LPG, the last two other left using. Mice energy is a clean and its heat runs water heated and cooking and heating systems.



Ready for the new season

Our Island Team at Mission has also brought new nets, floors and furniture to some of our villas, as well as improvements made to facilities and staff accommodation at our Bubblin Island.

News: Mission Sharks on the BBC

Remember last season, when the beacley sharks were literally throwing themselves onto the North Island beach while hunting?

They've made a guest appearance on the BBC Wildlife website.

Read the Story Here

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