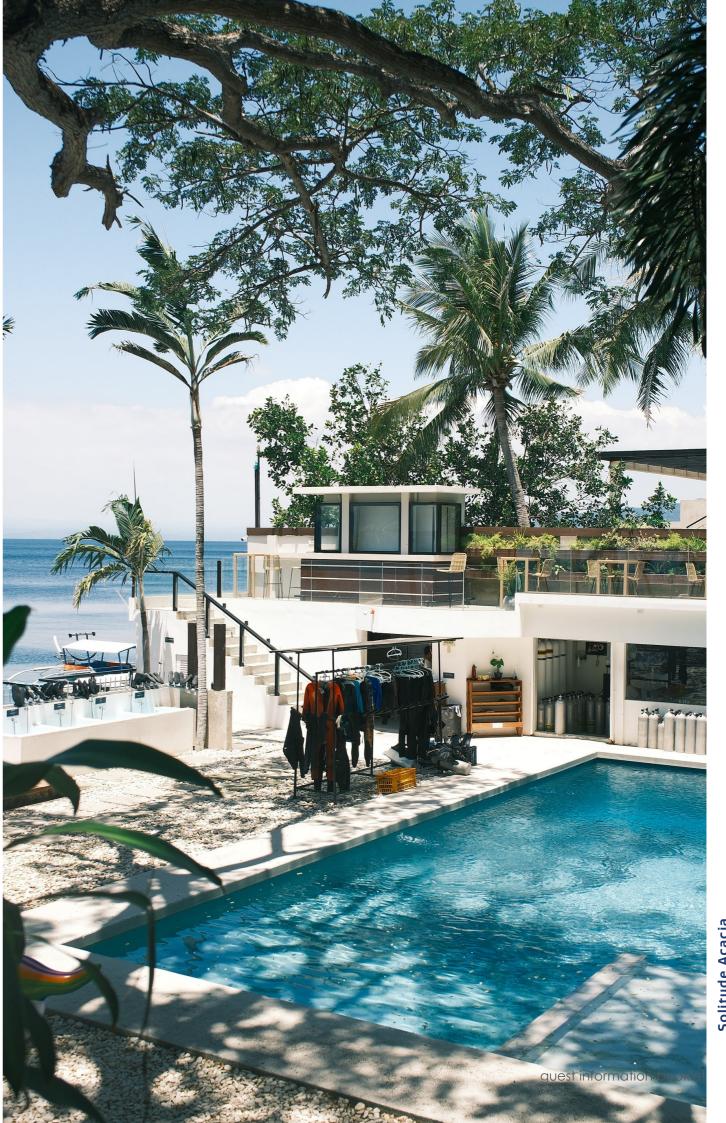


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Climate

Tropical Climate with an annual mean temperature of 28°C (82°F). Rain is frequent between the months of June to October.



Water Temperature

Ocean temperatures in the Philippines range from 26°C to 29°C (81°F - 84°F).



Time Zone

Time Zone: GMT +8



Language

The official language is Tagalog in the Philippines, but English is also the working language of the country.

DEAR GUESTS

Welcome to Solitude Acacia Resort!

We would like to extend a heartfelt greeting on behalf of the entire team at Solitude Acacia Resort and Solitude World. It is our utmost pleasure to host you during your holidays, and we sincerely hope that your stay with us will be nothing short of extraordinary.

Our dedicated staff is committed to delivering exceptional service and ensuring that your comfort and satisfaction are our top priorities. If there is anything we can do to enhance your experience and make your stay more enjoyable, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to assist you and provide any support you may need.

As you immerse yourself in the tranquillity and adventure that Solitude Acacia Resort offers, we encourage you to embrace every moment and create lasting memories. Whether you choose to explore the vibrant coral reefs, engage in thrilling activities, indulge in delectable cuisine, or simply relax, we are confident that your time here will be filled with moments of joy, serenity, and discovery.

Once again, thank you for choosing Solitude Acacia Resort as your holiday destination. We are privileged to have you as our valued guests, and we sincerely hope that your stay exceeds your expectations. May your time here be filled with cherished experiences and treasured moments.

Warmest regards,

Jonas **Resort Manager**





Currency

The currency is Philippine Peso (PHP). Solitude Acacia Resort accepts PHP or USD cash and credit card (Visa/ Master Only). We do not accept any travellers' cheques. We are unable to provide currency exchange.



Wifi

Free Wifi is available at the resort, but Solitude Acacia Resort is not responsible for any loss of income, data, or information due to connectivity issues caused by weather or third-party service providers.



Electricity

The power sockets in the guest rooms and common areas are universal, and the electrical supply is rated at 220V 50Hz. Please note that there is no regulated Uninterrupted Power Supply (UPS) except for the Camera Room facility located near the pool area.



Duty Free

1 Adult is allowed: 2 bottles, maximum 1 litre of any alcohol and no more than 400 sticks of cigarettes, 50 cigars or 250g of pipe tobacco.



SOLITUDE Acacia Resort

Located in the most diverse Nudibranch paradise of the globe is a region that offers an incredible variety of nudibranch species.

Welcome to Solitude Acacia Resort, nestled in the breathtaking beauty of Anilao, Philippines, located in the most diverse Nudibranch paradise of the globe. This region offers an incredible variety of nudibranch species, those captivating marine creatures that belong to the phylum Mollusca and the class Gastropoda. Known for their vibrant colours and intricate patterns, nudibranchs, often referred to as sea slugs, are a true marvel of the underwater world.

Situated in the Philippines, where ocean temperatures range from 26°C to 29°C (81°F - 84°F), Solitude Acacia Resort invites you to indulge in a remarkable diving experience. Whether you're an avid diver or a beginner, we have something extraordinary to offer. With a recommended 3-5 mm wetsuit, you can ensure your comfort during multiple dives each day.

At Solitude Acacia Resort, we take pride in our fusion cuisine that will tantalise your taste buds after a day of underwater exploration. Our team

of talented chefs combines local flavours with international influences to create a culinary experience that reflects the richness of the surrounding region.

Solitude Acacia Resort offers divers a delightful experience with gentle currents, minimal surges, and shallow dive sites, making it an ideal destination for divers of all skill levels, from novices to experienced photographers. Our main emphasis is on macro and critter diving, providing you with the opportunity to explore and uncover the hidden treasures thriving in these waters. If luck is on your side, you may even come across extraordinary wide-angle creatures such as Mola Mola, Whale Sharks, and schools of tuna. Additionally, you'll undoubtedly encounter breathtaking large schools of various fish species.

While visibility can vary, it is not a major concern for us. Our primary focus lies in the exceptional diversity of marine life and the incredible encounters that await you beneath the water's surface. At Solitude Acacia Resort, we prioritise the exploration of these wonders over perfect visibility, ensuring an unforgettable diving experience for every guest.

Prepare to be captivated by the kaleidoscope of colours, shapes, and behaviours exhibited by the nudibranchs and other marine creatures that call the waters surrounding Anilao home. Solitude Acacia Resort offers you the perfect gateway to explore this enchanting underwater world while providing you with unmatched comfort and hospitality throughout your stay.

Welcome to Solitude Acacia Resort and embark on an unforgettable journey through the most diverse Nudibranch paradise on Earth.

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THE RESORT

An overview

24 Hour Guest Service Desk

Our 24-hour guest service desk is the heart of our resort, ensuring that our guests receive exceptional assistance and support at any time of the day or night. Staffed by friendly and knowledgeable personnel, our guest service desk is always available to address any inquiries, provide information about the resort's facilities and services, and assist with various requests. Whether you need help with check-in or check-out, want recommendations for local attractions, or require any kind of assistance during your stay, our dedicated team at the guest service desk is committed to making your experience comfortable, convenient, and enjoyable around the clock.

Pool

The focal point of our resort is a spacious swimming pool that covers an area of 100 square meters, offering stunning views of the Mabini Sea. With depths ranging from 3 feet to 10 feet, the Acacia Resort pool is perfect for leisurely swims as well as scuba diving lessons, catering to guests of all preferences and skill levels.

The highlight of Solitude Acacia is our iconic and picturesque acacia tree, which serves as a centrepiece. This magnificent tree provides natural shade both within our glass-walled restaurant and by the pool area, creating a serene and comfortable atmosphere for our guests to enjoy their dining experience and relaxation.



Common Showers and Toilets

To enhance your convenience, we have provided four shared showers and three toilets situated behind the camera lounge. Furthermore, additional restroom facilities can be found at the dive centre, adjacent to the Acacia Restaurant, and near the Guest Service Desk.

Special Diets

Kindly inform us in advance of any special dietary requirements you may have. This is essential for us to accommodate your needs, as sourcing certain items can be challenging at different times of the year. If you have a medical dietary condition, please consider bringing your preferred alternative products, such as gluten-free pasta or oat milk.

Conference Room

We have a conference room above the garden lounge that can accommodate up to 20 people. Advanced reservation is encouraged for this complimentary facility.

Our Bar

Our bar offers a carefully curated selection of wines, cocktails, spirits, and local beers, light meals and tapas. Guests are permitted to bring their own alcoholic beverages onto the resort premises, but please note that a corkage charge will apply if you require supplies or services from our bar or restaurant.

Medical Services

24-hour on-call medical doctor is available. There is an International Hospital with a decompression chamber located in the city of Batangas approximately 60 minutes away.

We have a comprehensive first aid kit on site. Our resort is affiliated with several clinics which offer 24-hour doctor assistance.

Laundry Services

Laundry service is available. You will discover a laundry bag containing a list of items and associated charges within your room.

Baby Sitting

We can make arrangements for a babysitter, depending on availability. To confirm rates and

availability, kindly inform us at least one week prior to your arrival.

TV Entertainment

Television is available in the guest rooms, restaurant, camera lounge, and classroom.

Mobile SIM

Pre-paid SIM cards, including Globe, are available for purchase at the airport right after baggage collection. Salespeople can assist with package setup.

Wifi

Solitude Acacia Resort offers free internet access to our guests through our WiFi network hotspot. Guests will receive their login details upon checkin to access the internet.

However, please note that the quality of the internet connection may be affected by weather and is dependent on a third-party service provider. Therefore, Solitude Acacia Resort, its staff, and management cannot be held responsible for any inconveniences, loss of income, or data that may occur due to any disruptions, partial or complete, in the internet service.

Massage

We can make arrangements for a masseuse to provide services during your stay, but please note that we require a minimum of 30min advance notice.

Camera Lounge

Our Camera Lounge is equipped with air conditioning, moisture filters, and spacious powered workstations with universal power points (110 V) for your convenience.

Additionally, fresh water rinse basins are available and air guns can be found at the entrance to the camera room for cleaning and drying your equipment.

Activities

Yes! We have a variety of activities such as tricycle tour around Mabini, hike to Mount Gulugod Baboy (470 to 525 MASL), island hopping and white sand beach picnics. Please inquire at reception.

ABOUT THE ROOMS

Indulge in the comforts of your room, as your comfort is our top priority.

Room Service

Experience the utmost convenience and luxury with our room service, allowing you to indulge in delectable meals, snacks, and beverages from the privacy and comfort of your own room. Whether you desire a delightful breakfast in bed, a late-night treat, or a relaxing dinner after a day of activities, our extensive menu offers a range of culinary options to satisfy every palate. Our dedicated room service staff is committed to delivering your orders promptly and ensuring that each culinary delight is presented with meticulous care. It's important to note that the last order for room service is at 21:30, ensuring that you can enjoy a delectable dining experience within the comfort of your room until the designated time. Elevate your stay by taking advantage of our exceptional room service, adding an extra touch of convenience and gastronomic pleasure to your overall experience.

Family Plan

Any extra guest, whether it be child or adult, can be accommodated in all categories of rooms. We have 14 adjoining rooms perfect for families.

For an extra adult guest, they are subject to the additional guest charge. Two (2) Children occupying one separate room will be charged at a single-room rate.

In Your Room

All our rooms are fully furnished with air conditioning.

For your additional comfort, you will also find complimentary:

- Internet access
- Universal power points
- A lockable safe
- Personal toiletries, soaps, shampoos and conditioners
- Amenities such as a mini bar, coffee pot, towels, hair dryer and safe
- Afternoon turn-down service and daily housekeeping.

Being Eco-Conscious

As an eco-conscious establishment, reducing our impact on the environment is not only a responsibility, but it is also a fundamental part of our ethos.

Towels

In an effort to be environmentally conscious and to support local water supplies, we kindly ask that we replace your towels every third day during your stay. If you require a towel replacement sooner, please leave it on the bathroom floor.











Social Media

We encourage you to share your encounters with the fascinating new critters you'll undoubtedly encounter, as well as your enjoyable experiences with us. Feel free to tag us on social media platforms:

Instagram:

@solitude.acacia

@solitude.world

Facebook:

<u>@solitudeacaciaresort</u>

<u>@solitudeliveaboardsandresorts</u>

Gratuity / Tips

Throughout your stay, our dedicated staff and crew are fully committed to ensuring you have a fantastic Solitude experience, and while gratuities are not expected, they are sincerely appreciated. They recognise the collective teamwork, even from those working behind the scenes, and distribute all tips equally. Should you wish to show your appreciation, a recommended gratuity of 5% to 10% of the total stay cost is suggested. Of course, if you wish to express your appreciation with a higher amount, you are more than welcome to do so.

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SAFETY

At Solitude, we prioritise the **safety and security** of our guests and crew above all else. Situated in remote areas, we understand the importance of being prepared for any emergency.

To ensure the well-being of our guests, we have implemented comprehensive safety measures throughout our resort. Each room is equipped with essential safety equipment, including fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, emergency lights, and torch lights, providing reassurance in case of an emergency.

Our dedicated **on-site security** personnel monitor the premises 24/7, supported by strategically placed CCTV surveillance systems. When furnishing our resort, we carefully select furniture and fixtures that prioritise both comfort and safety, creating a relaxing environment for our guests.

Non-in-house guests are warmly welcomed, but we kindly request that they register at our Guard House and Reception upon arrival, ensuring proper escorting or supervision throughout their stay. Your safety and peace of mind are our utmost priority.

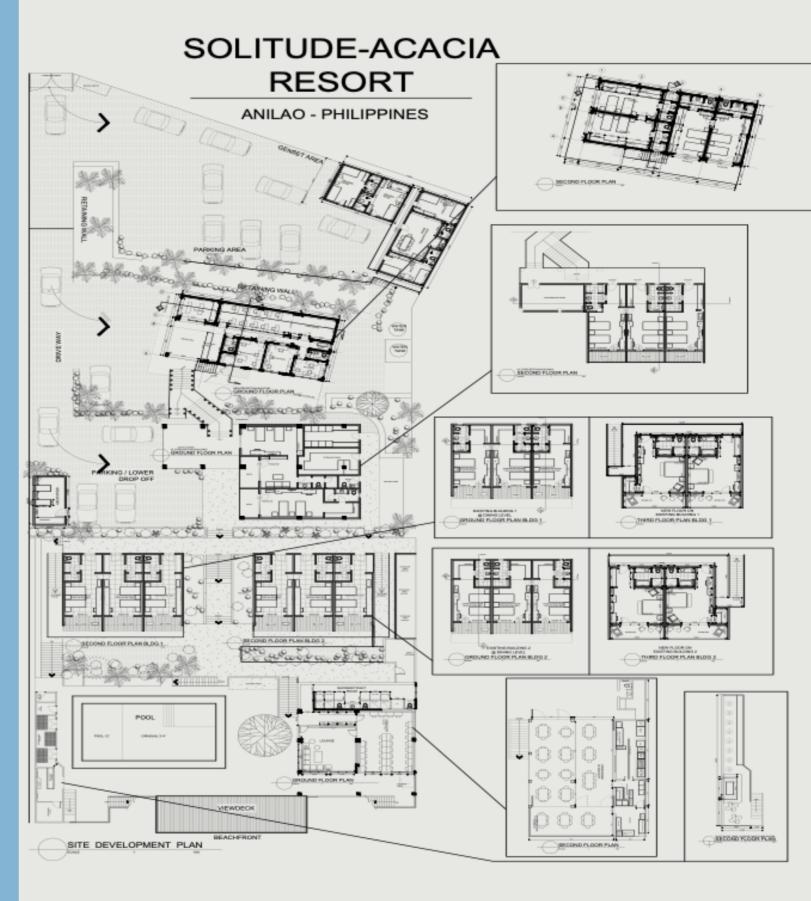
Earthquake and Tsunami

There is a possibility of occasional earthquakes in this area. Our resort is equipped with a warning system that notifies us in case of volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, or tsunamis. In the event of an emergency evacuation, an alarm will be sounded, and we kindly request that you follow our staff's instructions as they guide you to a safer location.

Diving

During your stay we offer our guests with a complimentary Nautilus Marine Rescue GPS to provide that peace of mind.







MASSAGES

Pamper yourself and unwind with a soothing massage that will indulge your senses and melt away stress.

Immerse yourself in pure relaxation and pampering with our luxurious massage services. To reserve a soothing massage, we kindly ask you to inform our attentive Reception Team, who are dedicated to ensuring your utmost comfort and satisfaction. You have two convenient options for booking: simply give us a call or stop by the reception desk in person. In order to secure your desired massage time, we recommend making your reservation at least 30 minutes in advance. This allows us to accommodate your preferences and ensure that our skilled massage therapists are ready to provide you with an exceptional experience. Prepare to surrender yourself to a tranquil oasis of serenity as our expert therapists work their magic, relieving your stress and revitalizing your mind, body, and soul. Treat yourself to a welldeserved escape and let our skilled hands transport you to a state of pure bliss.

OUR RESTAURANT

Immerse yourself in a culinary journey of exquisite flavours and greenhouse views at the Acacia Restaurant, where panoramic ocean vistas and a fusion of Asian, local, and Western cuisines converge to create an comfortable and delicious dining experience.

The Acacia Restaurant is strategically situated on the second level, offering captivating views of the ocean and pool through its impressive 180° glass surroundings. Immerse yourself in the beauty of the panoramic vista as you indulge in a culinary experience like no other. Our restaurant boasts a modern and stylish ambiance, creating the perfect setting to enjoy our delectable fusion cuisine that combines the finest flavours from various Asian, local, and Western culinary traditions.

At the Acacia Restaurant, we take pride in serving a diverse range of dishes that cater to every palate. Whether you prefer the air-conditioned comfort of our greenhouse setting or the refreshing alfresco atmosphere, we provide both options for you to choose from. The restaurant is open from 07:00 am to 10:30 pm, ensuring you have ample time to savour our mouthwatering offerings throughout the day.

To ensure a peaceful and relaxing dining experience, we lower the volume of our music at 10:00 pm, respecting the tranquillity of our guests who have retired for the night. Our menu offers an array of options, including an à la carte selection that perfectly complements our full board meal plan policy. Whether you're eager to savour our chef's specialties or have specific dietary preferences, we strive to accommodate your

individual preferences and provide a delightful culinary journey tailored to your taste buds.

Indulge in the harmonious fusion of flavours, textures, and aromas at the Acacia Restaurant, where we are dedicated to crafting unforgettable dining experiences for our discerning guests.

Let us tantalise your senses and create culinary memories that will linger long after your stay with us.



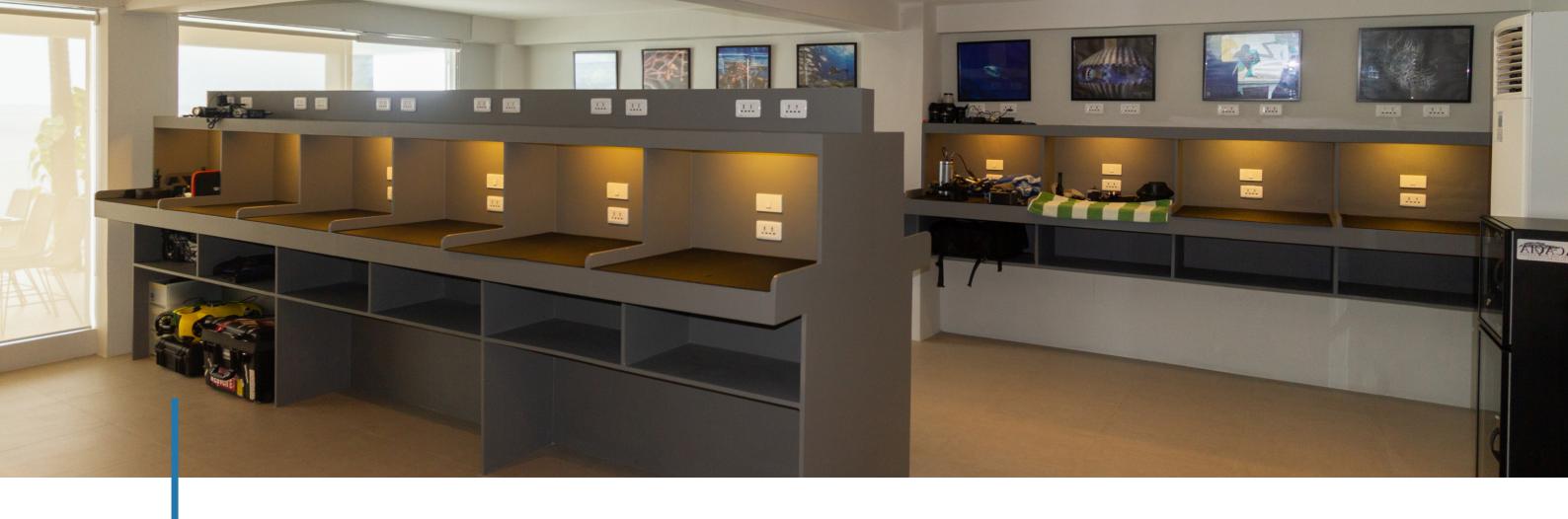








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THE CAMERA LOUNGE

Our Camera Lounge can cater for all your electronic needs.

The Camera Lounge at Solitude Acacia Resort serves as a hub for photographers, videographers, and digital creators, providing a dedicated space for them to organise and handle their equipment.

Our well-appointed Camera Lounge is equipped with essential amenities, including air conditioning, moisture filters, and 20 spacious workstations featuring universal power points (110V). Adjacent to the Camera Lounge, convenient fresh water rinse basins and air guns are readily available to assist you in cleaning and drying your equipment, ensuring its optimal performance.

In addition to our excellent facilities, our team of highly skilled dive guides excels at spotting camouflaged critters, enhancing your photography and videography experience. We maintain a three-to-one ratio, allowing ample time for everyone to capture extraordinary sightings and receive personalised attention. To foster a collaborative and considerate environment, we encourage the "10 images and swap" philosophy, promoting mutual respect

and cooperation among fellow photographers and videographers.

Rest assured, our attentive boat crew, dedicated dive centre staff, and experienced guides understand the unique needs of both photographers and videographers. They handle your valuable equipment with the utmost care and expertise, ensuring that you can focus on unleashing your creativity and capturing stunning visuals.

Furthermore, we offer a dedicated digital studio equipped with a large-screen TV, providing the perfect setting for workshops and intimate teaching sessions. Whether you're seeking to refine your techniques or share your knowledge with fellow enthusiasts, our digital studio offers a space for continuous learning and creative exploration.



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WORKSHOPS

International Photographers and Videographers

Coconut Octopus Lilian Koh



International Photography and Videography Workshops

Learn more about underwater photography

Get the chance to enhance your underwater photography skills by joining our in-house photo pro or attending workshops led by visiting underwater photographers like William Tan, Aaron Wong, Lilian Koh and Scott 'Gutsy' Tuason, who are all award-winning photographers representing their countries' best.

You can easily find all the information and workshop details, including a photographer's biography, from our homepage or by contacting us directly. Based on your interests, you can choose which workshop you want to attend, as well as which photographer's style suits you the best.

Workshops will mainly be conducted in the photographer's native language, but English may also be used if requested by the guests.

Participating in a workshop offers a fantastic chance to connect with fellow photographers, engage in discussions about techniques and tips, all without worrying about boring non-photographer companions.

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Water Temperature

Experience the pleasant ocean temperatures in the Philippines, ranging from 26°C to 29°C (81°F - 84°F). Immerse yourself in the inviting waters and revel in the comfort they provide during your underwater adventures.

Rental Equipment

For your convenience, we offer rental equipment. Please feel free to contact us for further details, ensuring that you have everything you need for a remarkable diving experience.

Our Diving Schedule

Our dive duration is set at 60 minutes, allowing you ample time to explore the underwater wonders. Between dives, we conduct surface intervals in the idyllic bays as we make our way to the next dive spot, maximising your time and enjoyment.

Our daily dive times are generally scheduled at 07:30 and 14:00. This allows for a double dive in the morning, followed by a single dive in the afternoon. After each dive session, we return to the resort, where you can relish a delightful lunch and dinner. To accommodate your preferences or for your boat, please discuss the specific dive times with your knowledgeable dive guide.

Specialty Dives on Request

Embark on thrilling specialty dives tailored to your interests. Experience the enchantment of a night dive, starting at 18:00, or venture into the mysterious world of BlackWater diving, beginning at 18:30. These unique dive experiences offer a new perspective and unforgettable encounters beneath the surface.

In the Water

As you explore the captivating underwater world, we kindly ask that you exercise caution and consideration for both the remarkable creatures you encounter and your fellow divers. At our resort, we prioritise responsible diving practices, which means refraining from touching or relocating critters. Our expert Dive Guides are adept at identifying and locating these fascinating creatures while maintaining a respectful interaction. Preserving the environment and the animals' habitats is essential, so please practice good buoyancy and avoid stirring up

the sand. Our goal is to create an unforgettable experience for all, so we kindly request that you demonstrate respect for both your fellow divers and the underwater world itself.

Snorkelling

The waters surrounding Solitude Acacia
Resort offer a lesser-known snorkelling area
in the shallower parts of our dive sites. Here,
you can marvel at some of the rare species
typically encountered by divers. This area is also
accessible to non-diving companions, providing
an opportunity for them to enjoy the boat
experience while you embark on your exciting
dive excursion.





At Solitude Acacia Resort, the underwater world is teeming with diversity, offering a multitude of fascinating critters to discover. From vibrant nudibranchs to extraordinary creatures like the rhinopias, pygmy seahorses, various octopus species, elusive frogfish and swarming schools of fish, the marine life surrounding our resort is a haven for underwater enthusiasts.

With over 40 dive sites, the waters around Solitude Acacia Resort provide an extensive range of habitats and dwellings for these captivating critters. Our knowledgeable guides are dedicated to documenting and examining these changes, ensuring they stay updated with the critters' whereabouts. However, it's important to remember that nature holds its secrets, and encounters with these creatures are never guaranteed.

Before each dive, you will receive a briefing from one of our experienced Dive Guides. These briefings take place either at our Dive Centre by the pool or directly at the dive site on your boat, ensuring that you are well-prepared and informed about the dive ahead. If you have a particular

interest in certain animals or have a specific photograph in mind, please inform your guide, and they will do their best to accommodate your request. However, we encourage you to remain open-minded, as you may encounter critters that you have never encountered before, offering a thrilling and unexpected underwater experience.

Get ready to embark on an incredible underwater journey at Solitude Acacia Resort, where the vibrant marine life and unique critters await your discovery.



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DIVE CENTRE

We aim to provide you with as many dives as possible while ensuring your safety.

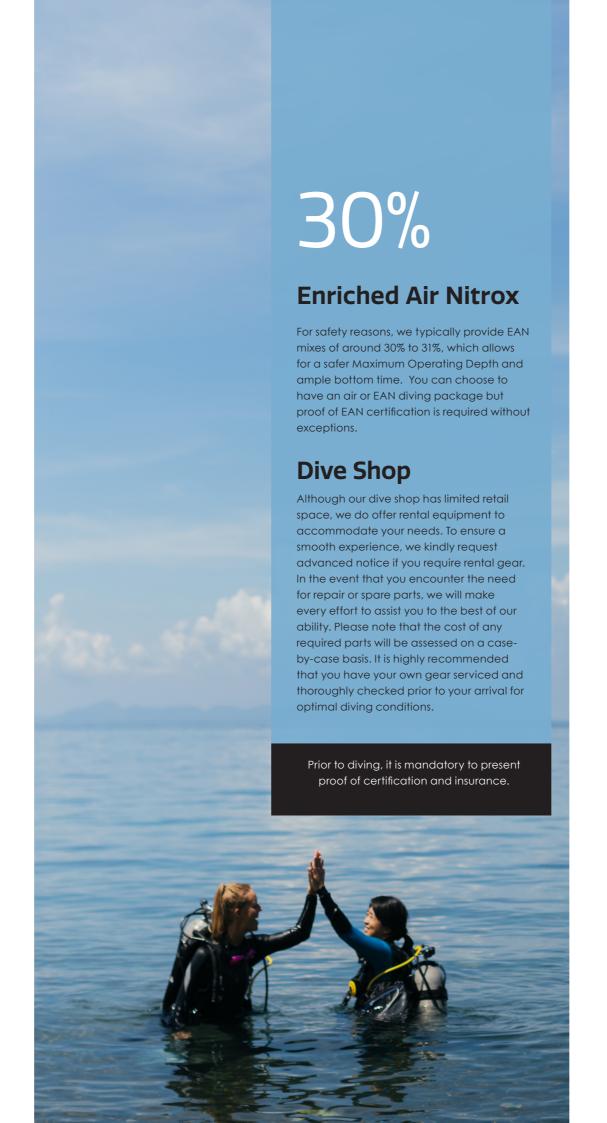
Our fully equipped dive centre is designed to cater to divers of all levels, whether you're an experienced diver or just starting out. At the dive centre, we uphold the highest safety standards that Solitude Liveaboards and Resorts are renowned for. Courses are conducted on-site, taking advantage of the surrounding calm and shallow waters as well as open water areas.

One of the highlights of our dive centre is our state-of-the-art Bauer membrane compressor, ensuring that every dive is safe and enjoyable. The compressor room is specifically designed to facilitate the natural influx of fresh air, and we use top-quality high-pressure air purifiers to maintain the best air quality.

For those who prefer Enriched Air Nitrox, we offer this option at the dive centre. Underwater photography enthusiasts will find comfort in our spacious camera room, equipped with 28 camera stations and a camera lounge for editing. Each station provides international voltage regulated sockets for charging batteries, and we have drying stations and large freshwater tubs for rinsing, making it convenient for you to take care of your camera gear.

To provide comprehensive dive education, we have our own classroom that can accommodate up to 12 students. Our dive team members are trained in First Aid and In-Water Rescue, capable of delivering instruction and lessons at all levels of PADI. Our dive boats are equipped with Emergency First Aid Kits and mobile phones, ensuring additional support and safety during dives. Furthermore, we have two 40-litre Medical Oxygen tanks located on-site at the dive centre.

In the event of an emergency, the nearest decompression chamber is located in Batangas City, approximately 60 minutes away by car.



The dive centre operates daily from 6:00 am to 4:00 pm, with the exception of night dives which can be arranged for a surcharge.



Dive Centre

1	Enriched Air Nitrox	Yes
2	100 cu.ft. / 15L cylinders - additional charge per cylinder per diving day (3 dives).	Yes*
3	Sidemount support - additional 12L/80cu.ft. cylinder and twin tank 12L/80cu.ft. available	Yes*
4	DIN valves with option of Yoke (A-clamp)	Yes
5	Rebreather diving	No
6	Rental gear available	Yes*
7	PADI certifications and specialities	Yes
8	DPVs - we have 2 SUEX (XJOY 7) DPVs for hire. Battery "burn time" is up to 60mins. DPV diver certification is required.	Yes*
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LOCAL SIGHTS

Additional Guest Activities

At our resort, we offer a range of exciting activities that can be arranged through our Guest Service Desk. These thrilling experiences, which may be provided by trusted third-party partners, are designed to enhance your stay and create lasting memories. Whether you're a diving enthusiast, a nature lover, or simply seeking relaxation, we have something for everyone. Explore the vibrant underwater world with diving, free diving, or snorkelling adventures. Embark on thrilling island hopping excursions and savour a delightful beach BBQ amidst breathtaking scenery. For those seeking an adrenaline rush, embark on a hiking expedition to the majestic Mt. Gulugod Baboy. Take to the pristine waters with kayaking or try your hand at stand-up paddleboarding. And for the ultimate indulgence, treat yourself to a rejuvenating massage, ensuring complete relaxation during your getaway. Our Guest Service Desk is here to assist you in organising these remarkable activities, making your stay truly unforgettable.

Island Hopping

Boat Rate- PHP5,000 max. 6 people Marine Park Entrance Fee - PHP200 per person

Optional Snorkel Gear PHP450 per person Food and Drinks for pre-order

Sombrero Island

Nestled in Tingloy, Batangas, Sombrero Island awaits just a 25-minute boat ride away from Solitude Acacia Resort. This enchanting island, aptly named for its hat-like shape, invites you and your loved ones to immerse yourselves in its serene surroundings. Delight in the crystal-clear waters that encompass the island, providing the perfect backdrop for leisurely swimming and snorkelling adventures. Discover the vibrant marine life and marvel at the intricate coral formations that thrive near the shoreline. With its pristine beauty and abundant marine ecosystem, Sombrero Island offers an unforgettable experience for friends and families seeking to explore the wonders of the underwater world.

To enhance your convenience, we offer the option to pre-order your food at the restaurant, allowing our skilled culinary team to prepare a customised picnic for your visit to Sombrero Island.

Indulge in a personalised picnic spread, tailored to your preferences, and embark on a culinary adventure amidst the idyllic setting of the island. Whether you're planning a romantic getaway or a fun-filled outing with family and friends, our pre-ordered picnics will elevate your outdoor dining experience to new heights. Simply get in touch with our restaurant staff, inform them of your plans, and let us take care of all the details. We'll ensure that your picnic is prepared with care, leaving you free to relax and relish the flavours of our delectable cuisine while exploring the wonders of Sombrero Island.



Mt Gulugod Baboy

Entrance fee PHP80 per person Parking fee PHP100 per car

Optional
Tour Guide PHP1,500

Nestled in Batangas, Philippines, the awe-inspiring summit of Mt. Gulugod Baboy awaits adventurers seeking a remarkable journey. Standing tall at 525 meters above sea level, this picturesque mountain offers sweeping vistas of Batangas Bay, Balayan Bay, and the distant Mindoro Island. Its name, which translates to "Pig's Spine," pays homage to the distinctive ridgeline resembling the back of a wild boar. Hiking enthusiasts and nature lovers are drawn to Mt. Gulugod Baboy for its accessible yet fulfilling trails, making it an ideal destination for both beginners and experienced trekkers. Embark on a 90-minute trek from the resort, immersing yourself in the landscape. Alternatively, a narrow car ride through the winding roads can transport you to the mountain's base in just 35 minutes. As you ascend, allow the serenity of the surroundings to envelop you, providing a tranquil escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. Mt. Gulugod Baboy beckons you to embrace the challenge, connect with nature, and forge unforgettable memories amidst its breathtaking beauty.



SOLITUDE WORLD

Liveaboard or Resort, we serve as your gateway to the Coral Triangle.

Solitude World is the ultimate destination for adventurers seeking to explore the pristine waters of the Coral Sea while enjoying the comforts of relaxed luxury.

We offer an extensive range of experiences, from encountering nudibranchs and unique critters to exploring bluewater reefs and big pelagics. Our three liveaboards, Solitude Adventurer, Solitude Gaia and Solitude One, are carefully scheduled to coincide with the prime diving seasons in Raja Ampat, Banda Sea, Forgotten Island, Komodo, as well as in the Philippines and Palau.

Solitude Lembeh Resort, is renowned as one of the critter capitals of the world, providing you with ample opportunity to explore from the black sand to the blue water, and even up to the local highlands.

We also offer Solitude Acacia Resort, located in the Philippines, which is the perfect destination for more macro critters especially nudibranchs and blackwater diving.

With Solitude World, you can rest assured that you will witness some of the world's most impressive marine creatures, and dive in the world's most abundant waters while experiencing the Solitude World's service and comforts.

Liveaboards

Solitude Adventurer

Indonesia

Embark on an extraordinary voyage of exploration and immersion into the untamed beauty of the Indonesian islands with the Solitude Adventurer. This remarkable catamaran, a masterpiece conceived and custom-built by Austal in Australia, invites you to discover the raw nature that thrives both above and below the waterline. Originally launched as a family yacht to commemorate the new millennium for a prominent Singaporean family, the Solitude Adventurer has undergone meticulous transformations to offer unparalleled hospitality and diving experiences.

Step aboard and be captivated by the sheer magnificence of this 36m (118ft) long and 12m (39ft) wide vessel. Bathed in natural light and featuring an abundance of space, the Solitude Adventurer ensures your utmost comfort as you embark on unforgettable cruises to Indonesia's most awe-inspiring destinations. Prepare to be enchanted by the untouched splendour of Komodo, the Forgotten Islands, Raja Ampat, and beyond.

Above the waterline, towering cliffs stand majestically, framing the rugged landscapes that beckon exploration. From breathtaking viewpoints, gaze upon the awe-inspiring vistas that unfold before your eyes, only witnessed by a fortunate few. Below the waterline lies a world of wonder, where vibrant coral reefs teem with an astounding array of marine life. Dive into crystal-clear waters and encounter the captivating beauty that resides beneath the surface.

The Solitude Adventurer has been meticulously outfitted to cater to your every need and desire. Each detail has been carefully considered, ensuring your journey is one of utmost comfort and indulgence. Immerse yourself in luxurious amenities, relish delectable cuisine served in elegant surroundings, and unwind in spacious accommodations that blend modern elegance with a sense of tranquillity.

As you set sail on this extraordinary vessel, you embark on a voyage that transcends the ordinary. Discover the remote paradises of the Indonesian islands, where nature's wonders unfold in their purest form. Prepare to be enchanted, as the Solitude Adventurer invites you to experience a realm of untouched splendour and create memories that will last a lifetime.



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Solitude One

Palau and The Philippines

Embark on an unforgettable adventure with Solitude One, exploring the blue wonder of Palau and The Philippines, a must-visit destination for divers and ocean lovers alike. Dive into the crystal-clear waters teeming with vibrant marine life, magnificent coral reefs, and awe-inspiring underwater landscapes. Immerse yourself in the rich biodiversity and captivating beauty of these pristine destinations, creating memories that will last a lifetime. Prepare to be amazed as you discover the hidden treasures and experience the unparalleled magic of these remarkable underwater realms.

Originally a merchant's vessel, the MV Solitude
One has been rebuilt to set new standards in
hospitality and professionalism. Equipped with the
latest onboard technology, it ensures the comfort
and safety of all guests throughout their journey.
In fact, it embarked on a remarkable charter
for a cross-border expedition to Woleai Atoll in

the middle of the Pacific, partnering with NASA and the Exploratorium for the Total Solar Eclipse in 2016.

The dive deck, conceptualised and designed by experienced dive professionals, offers everything you need for a fantastic dive within arm's reach. With ample space to accommodate up to 24 divers, it provides storage for scuba equipment, accessories, video and photo gear, rinse tanks, and even features six freshwater showers. Your needs are carefully attended to, both before and after your dive.

This extraordinary vessel marries extravagant design and layout with the functionality and comforts that are reminiscent of home. The MV Solitude One promises an unparalleled experience for its valued guests, ensuring they feel at ease throughout their journey.

Solitude Gaia

Palau

The Solitude Service on Solitude Gaia embodies our dedication to crafting an exceptional liveaboard experience that seamlessly blends comfort, adventure, and communion with nature. Our team is committed to ensuring that every moment of your journey is marked by attentive care and exceptional service.

Upon boarding, you'll find yourself embraced by an environment where your needs are met with genuine warmth and a proactive approach.

Our staff, well-versed in the art of hospitality, understands the distinct requirements of both scuba diving enthusiasts and travellers seeking a fusion of luxury and exploration.

Our culinary offerings epitomise our pursuit of excellence. Delight in carefully curated cuisine prepared with locally sourced ingredients, enhancing your dining experience. Whether dining under the stars or within our dining area, each dish crafted by our culinary team promises a delightful journey for your palate.

Beyond the dining experience, our range of amenities and personalized services cater to your preferences. Whether it's engaging in water sports, indulging in a relaxing massage, or embarking on guided tours of underwater marvels, our team is dedicated to fulfilling your desires.

Our unwavering commitment to responsible and sustainable tourism ensures that your journey leaves a positive impact on the environment. We firmly believe in experiencing nature's beauty while actively safeguarding it, striving to minimize our ecological footprint.

The Solitude Service aboard Solitude Gaia mirrors our passion for providing scuba divers and adventure enthusiasts with a world-class liveaboard experience. It's a service infused with warmth, expertise, and a deep commitment to environmental stewardship, ensuring that your journey is not just memorable but also purposeful.



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Resorts

Solitude Lembeh Resort Lembeh Strait, Indonesia

Located on just over half a hectare in North Sulawesi, Indonesia, Solitude Lembeh Resort is a remarkable retreat that boasts a rich history of cherished friendships and enduring values. The resort's distinctive blend of cultures and fascinating past make it a truly one-of-a-kind destination. Guests can choose from two Seafront Villas, eight Garden Villas, and eight Deluxe Rooms, all designed to provide an authentic and comfortable experience. With a combination of traditional Indonesian architecture and modern amenities, each villa offers a cozy ambience where guests can easily unwind and relax. The resort's main goal is to create a peaceful and restorative haven for guests, giving them a chance to recharge and unwind. The Solitude team is dedicated to making every moment of guests' stay memorable, ensuring they leave with unforgettable and revitalising experiences.

Lembeh Strait, one of the most famous dive destinations in the world, is an absolute must for divers venturing to Indonesia.

Lembeh has become world renowned for its plethora and diversity of critters with many found only in the local area such as the Hairy Octopus or Lembeh Sea Dragon.

Divers can expect mild currents, low surge and shallow sites, making the area suitable for divers of all experience levels from a beginner to the veteran photographer. The water temperature varies depending on the time of the year, with the lowest being in July and August when the temperature drops to around 25°-26° degrees Celsius or 79°-81° Fahrenheit. Please refer to page 8 for our Water Temperature Guide. To ensure your comfort we recommend that you bring a 3mm with a vest or a 5mm wetsuit, especially if you are planning on doing several long dives a day. We have additional layers for rent if you find you need more warmth.

Our primary focus is on macro and critters, so visibility is not typically a major concern for us. Nevertheless, it is worth noting that we occasionally encounter excellent visibility of up to 40 meters on the East of Lembeh, while inside the strait, the average visibility is around 10 meters.









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Our team is thrilled and prepared to assist you in planning your next adventure with us. Keep in touch by scanning the QR codes and let the journey unfold.



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RETURNING GUEST PRIVILEGES

RESORTS Solitude Lembeh & Solitude Acacia

Enjoy PHP 1,500 or IDR 450,000 credit per person.

Valid only for credit at the in-house bar and restaurant; for in-service laundry, equipment rental and EANitrox upgrade.

LIVEABOARDS Solitude Adventurer, Solitude Gaia & Solitude One

Enjoy USD 50 onboard credit per person.

Valid only for credit at the onboard bar and boutique; for in-service laundry, VSAT internet, equipment rental and EANitrox upgrade.

Complimentary Cabin Upgrade on check-in if available.

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Conditions for Credits:

- Applicable only to Solitude World diving or non-diving packages
- Verification is required. We can verify the previous bookings ourselves. However, under some circumstances we may ask you for proof of previous booking.
- Privileges are not transferable
- Credit cannot be used as means to negotiate additional discounts or benefits
- All privileges are only valid for the stay of package duration
- Credit balances or any unused privileges cannot be carried forward nor refunded.
- Strictly no exchange or cash permitted
- · Solitude reserves the right to rescind these privileges

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