



TRAVEL GUIDE

ROTE

Rote is a quiet, off-the-grid island with white-sand beaches, reef breaks, and starry nights. Life here is simple and beautiful. Like any treasure, Rote takes effort to reach — multiple flights or a ferry — but that's what keeps it special.

The journey might be long, but trust us — it's worth every step. Once you arrive, you'll quickly realize that Rote's peaceful vibe and raw beauty could only exist in a place that's this wonderfully off-the-beaten-path. Manduna Resort is committed to making this worthwhile journey as seamless as possible.



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Rote is an Indonesian island in East Nusa Tenggara and the country's southernmost territory. Largely untouched by mass tourism, Rote remains a remote tropical paradise, known for its white sand beaches, dramatic cliffs, caves, mangroves, pristine forests, and world-class surf breaks — the island's main attraction.

Getting to Manduna Resort involves three steps:

1. **Fly to Kupang** from Bali, Jakarta, or Surabaya.
2. **Take a short flight or ferry** from Kupang to Rote.
3. **Drive** to Manduna Resort.

Please note that flight schedules may require an overnight stay in Kupang, and some flights operate only a few times a week — so it's important to plan accordingly. If you're traveling with sports equipment, such as surfboards, we recommend arranging additional logistics in advance. We encourage you to reach out to us to coordinate transfers between the airports, ferry ports, and hotel to minimize any unnecessary stress throughout the journey.



FLYING TO KUPANG

Kupang is the capital of East Nusa Tenggara, located on the western tip of Timor Island near the Timor-Leste border. As the main gateway to remote islands like Rote, Sabu, Alor, and Flores, Kupang's El Tari Airport (KOE) connects travelers to major hubs such as Bali, Jakarta, and Surabaya — making it an essential stop en route to Rote. If your journey requires an overnight stay in Kupang, we recommend staying at the [Aston Kupang Hotel](#).

DEPARTING CITY	FLIGHT DURATION	AIRLINE	FLIGHT DETAILS
Jakarta (CGK)	~ 3 Hours	Batik Air	ID6540: 02:00 AM - 06:15 AM
		Citilink	QG602: 02:05 AM - 06:15 AM
		Garuda Indonesia	GA456: 07:05 AM - 11:05 AM
Bali (DPS)	~ 1 Hour 50 Minutes	Lion Air	JT270: 10:00 AM - 11:50 AM JT924: 11:05 AM - 12:50 PM
Surabaya (SUB)	~ 2 Hours	Lion Air	JT690: 05:45 AM - 08:45 AM JT694: 11:10 AM - 02:10 PM JT692: 04:50 PM - 07:50 PM



REACHING ROTE

From Kupang, you can reach Rote either by a short domestic flight (about 30 minutes) or by ferry, which takes approximately 2-3 hours depending on the vessel. Flights are quicker but may have limited schedules, while ferries run regularly but are weather-dependent. Both options arrive in Ba'a, Rote's main town, from where a Manduna Resort car will bring you to your accommodation. We recommend booking flight tickets via [Traveloka](#).

TRAVEL METHOD	DURATION	PROVIDER	FLIGHT DETAILS	DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL LOCATIONS	TICKET PRICES
Flight	30 Minutes	Wings Air	Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 3:35PM	Kupang Airport (KOE) to Rote Airport (RTI)	+450,000 IDR
		Susi Air	Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 7:00AM		
Fast Ferry	2 Hours	Express Bahari	Daily at 9:00AM	Tenau Harbor to Ba'a Harbor	Executive: ~200,000 IDR VIP: ~270,000 IDR
Slow Ferry	3.5 to 4 Hours	-	Daily at 8:00AM and 3:00PM	Bolok Harbor to Pantai Baru Harbor	Economy: ~100,000 IDR VIP: ~120,000 IDR



RETURNING HOME

Getting home from Rote is basically the journey in reverse, though some flight times may differ. Take the ferry or flight to Kupang, then connect to Bali, Jakarta, or Surabaya. Always check schedules in advance, as weather can affect connections.

TRAVEL METHOD	DURATION	PROVIDER	FLIGHT DETAILS	DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL LOCATIONS	TICKET PRICES
Flight	30 Minutes	Wings Air	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday at 7:00 AM	Rote Airport (RTI) to Kupang Airport (KOE)	+450,000 IDR
		Susi Air	Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 7:40 AM		
Fast Ferry	2 Hours	Express Bahari	Daily at 12:00 PM	Ba'a Harbor to Tenau Harbor	Executive: ~200,000 IDR VIP: ~270,000 IDR
Slow Ferry	3.5 to 4 Hours	-	Daily at 8:00 AM and 12:00 PM	Pantai Baru Harbor to Bolok Harbor	Economy: ~100,000 IDR VIP: ~120,000 IDR



Kupang is well connected with daily domestic flights to major hubs like Jakarta, Surabaya, and Bali, making it easy to continue your travels across Indonesia. Whether you're heading home or off to explore more of the country, Kupang's airport offers convenient options to suit your itinerary.

DESTINATION	FLIGHT DURATION	AIRLINE	FLIGHT DETAILS
Jakarta (CGK)	~ 3 Hours	Batik Air	ID6541: 06:55 AM - 08:50 AM
		Citilink	QG603: 6:55 AM - 08:50 AM
		Garuda Indonesia	GA457: 12:00 PM - 1:55 PM
Bali (DPS)	~ 1 Hour 50 Minutes	Lion Air	JT925: 01:50 PM - 03:40 PM
Surabaya (SUB)	~ 2 Hours	Lion Air	JT693: 6:00 AM - 7:10 AM JT697: 09:40 AM - 10:50 AM JT695: 02:55 PM - 04:05 PM



TRAVEL TIPS

Please note that the details provided in this guide are for reference only. Flight schedules and services can change frequently, so it's essential to verify the latest updates. Visit [Traveloka](#) for the most current flight schedules.

If you're taking a ferry to Rote on the same day as your arrival to Kupang, we recommend arriving in Kupang early to account for any potential delays. During peak travel seasons, booking flights well in advance is highly advised to ensure availability. The team at Manduna Resort is always available to assist with any necessary information, and can purchase your ferry tickets on your behalf to help create a smooth journey.

If you're flying from Kupang to Rote (or vice versa) and traveling with surfboards, please contact us in advance so we can coordinate the transportation of your boards. The aircrafts between these destinations are small and have limited space. We can arrange for the boards to travel separately via ferry and ensure their arrival with the assistance of a driver.



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We'd love to help make your stay at Manduna Resort unforgettable. Whether you have questions, special requests, or need assistance coordinating your journey — including transfers, a private driver, or surfboard transport — please don't hesitate to reach out. We're here to help every step of the way!

