



Katembe

PRIVATE ISLAND



CORAL RESTORATION ACTIVITIES

2026



about the project

BE PART OF THE REEF

Katembe x Coral Project is a unique collaboration rooted in the belief that travel can give back. Since 2021, we've been restoring our house reef just steps from shore—reviving coral life one frame at a time.

After Covid shut down the world, we discovered that our dear house reef was under stress and facing a severe crown-of-thorns starfish outbreak. The project began simply as an experiment. We figured that if others could restore and help the reef, then surely we could try as well.

After a couple of years of searching for the right methods to support the reef and its inhabitants, we finally succeeded. Little by little, the house reef began to find its balance again.

Where hospitality meets ocean restoration.

Based in the heart of one of Indonesia's most biodiverse marine regions, our mission is to restore coral reefs while inviting guests to be part of the journey. Through hands-on experiences and guided workshops, you'll not only explore the beauty beneath the surface but actively help protect it for generations to come.

Most of our activities are thoughtfully designed to be accessible to both snorkelers and divers, making it easy for anyone to get involved and make a real impact—no matter your level of experience.



guest coral experiences
AT KATEMBE

1 day - coral restoration experience

DURATION: 6 HRS / SUITABLE FOR SNORKELERS AND DIVERS

The day begins with an introduction to coral biology, reef ecology, and the fundamentals of restoration. You'll learn about coral anatomy, reef threats, and how fragmentation supports recovery.

We then head to the reef to assess restoration sites and identify suitable corals to collect. Under guidance, you will responsibly collect fragments and practice coral fragmentation techniques before securely attaching them to restoration structures and returning them to the ocean.

By the end of the day, you will have actively contributed to rebuilding a living reef while gaining hands-on conservation experience.

This experience includes one frame installation.



2 days - coral restoration experience

DU RATION: 2 DAYS / SUITABLE FOR SNORKELERS AND DIVERS

Day 1 - Introduction & Hands-On Restoration

The first day begins with engaging theory sessions covering coral biology, reef ecology, and the principles behind effective coral restoration.

You will learn about reef threats, fragmentation techniques, and best practices for ensuring long-term survival of transplanted corals.

After the classroom session, we head to the reef to assess restoration sites where you will assist in carefully selecting suitable coral fragments.

Back at our working site, you will practice coral fragmentation techniques before securely attaching them to restoration structures and returning them to the ocean.

Day 2 - Advanced Techniques & Coral Nursery Work

On the second day, we build deeper understanding through additional theory, discussing monitoring methods, survival rates, and long-term restoration strategies.

You will return to the reef to continue hands-on restoration work, as well as continue fragmenting on land. In addition, you will learn how to construct and prepare coral nursery ropes which is one of the key method for growing coral fragments before transplantation.

By the end of the program, you will understand both the science and practical implementation of coral restoration and leave having made a tangible impact on a recovering reef.

This experience includes two frames installations and reef ecology book.



3 days - coral restoration experience

DU RATION: 3 DAYS / SUITABLE FOR SNORKELERS AND DIVERS

Day 1 - Introduction & Hands-On Restoration

The first day begins with engaging theory sessions covering coral biology, reef ecology, and the principles behind effective coral restoration. You will learn about reef threats, fragmentation techniques, and best practices for ensuring the long-term survival of transplanted corals.

After the classroom session, we head to the reef to assess restoration sites, where you will assist in carefully selecting suitable coral fragments. Back at our working site, you will practice coral fragmentation techniques before securely attaching fragments to restoration structures and returning them to the ocean.

Day 2 - Coral Identification & Monitoring

On the second day, we deepen your knowledge of corals through focused theory sessions on coral identification, growth forms, and species commonly found in Raja Ampat. You will learn how to distinguish healthy corals from stressed or damaged colonies, as well as gain insight into bleaching, disease, and reef resilience.

During a dedicated coral identification dive, you will practice recognizing different coral types in their natural habitat.

Day 3 - Advanced Techniques & Coral Nursery Work

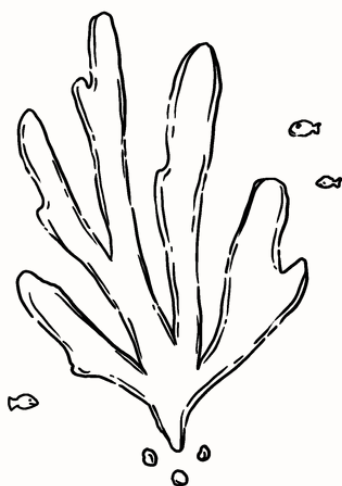
The final day focuses on long-term restoration strategies and advanced techniques. You will return to the reef to continue hands-on restoration work and further refine your fragmentation skills.

In addition, you will learn how to construct and prepare coral nursery ropes which is one of the key methods for growing coral fragments before transplantation.

By the end of the program, you will understand both the science and practical implementation of coral restoration and leave having made a tangible impact on a recovering reef.

This experience includes two frames installations and reef ecology book & t-shirt.





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