

AMANJIWO

Festive Itinerary 2026



Welcome to Amanjiwo

The festive season brings a special warmth to Java, where celebrations are marked by genuine hospitality, abundant tables and time shared with family and friends.

At Amanjiwo, the season is an invitation to gather. Days begin with quiet moments overlooking Borobudur before giving way to experiences that celebrate Javanese culture, festive traditions and the simple pleasure of being together. From shared meals and cultural performances to moments of reflection and celebration, each has been curated to capture the spirit of the season.

Throughout the festive period, we invite you to discover experiences that honour both local customs and cherished holiday traditions, culminating in our New Year's Eve celebration, where rituals of joy bring everyone together.

We hope these moments become lasting memories for you and your loved ones. Should you wish to personalise your stay, our team would be delighted to assist.

Sugeng Warsa Enggal!

Happy New Year!

Your Amanjiwo family

Tree of Wishes

Every wish begins as a quiet thought. Throughout the festive season, guests are invited to leave theirs among the branches of Amanjiwo's Tree of Wishes at The Rotunda, where monks from a nearby monastery will gather to offer blessings in a tradition that celebrates hope, gratitude and new beginnings.

For those who wish, donations may also be made, with every contribution supporting the local monastery, chapel and orphanage.



REGULAR EVENTS

DAILY FROM 22 DECEMBER 2026 TO 03 JANUARY 2027

Jamu Bar & Javanese Herbal Tea

CULINARY

THE ROTUNDA BAR

16:00 - 17:30

The afternoon slows naturally at Amanjiwo. Fresh turmeric, ginger and aromatic leaves are ground and brewed to order, drawing on the traditions of jamu that continue to shape everyday life across Java. Served alongside a changing selection of jajanan pasar (traditional delicacies), the herbal infusions are best enjoyed while the landscape settles into the softer light of the day.

Jajanan Si Kecil: Kids' Afternoon Snacks

KIDS ACTIVITY

KIDS ROOM

16:00 - 17:30

Festive afternoons are made for little ones, too. While adults linger over the season's celebrations, younger guests can enjoy an afternoon of sweet treats, drinks and curated activities especially for them.

Available for younger guests aged five to 12 years.

REGULAR EVENTS

22 DECEMBER 2026

Morning Yoga

WELLNESS

POOL TERRACE

7:30 - 8:30

Begin your morning in a state of calm as Ibu Agustin, our wellness consultant, guides you through a mindful sequence of asanas. This gentle practice nurtures strength and flexibility, quietens the mind and supports emotional and personal wellbeing.

Batik Class

FAMILY

THE ROTUNDA BAR

16:00 - 17:00

Experience the craft of batik painting in an interactive class at the Rotunda. Guided by skilled artisans from neighbouring village, explore traditional techniques and patterns before creating your own design, a personalised work of art to take home as a lasting memento of your time at Amanjiwo.

Cultural Lecture: Borobudur Temple

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18:00 - 19:00

Gain a deeper understanding of Borobudur Temple in an insightful lecture led by our resident anthropologist. Discover the stories behind its remarkable architecture, intricate symbolism and the enduring cultural heritage that has made this monument a treasure of the world.



REGULAR EVENTS

23 DECEMBER 2026

Morning Yoga

WELLNESS

POOL TERRACE

7:30 - 8:30

The first light of day sets the pace for a guided yoga session with Ibu Agustin, Amanjiwo's wellness consultant. Through a series of asanas, discover a practice that encourages a sense of focus for the day ahead.

Pottery Class

FAMILY

THE ROTUNDA BAR

16:00 - 17:00

Across the villages neighbouring Amanjiwo, the potter's wheel continues to turn much as it has for generations. Led by a local artisan, this interactive session offers an introduction to Javanese pottery, inviting you to experience a centuries-old tradition through your own hands.

Cultural Lecture: Prambanan Temple

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18:00 - 19:00

Journey into the history of Prambanan Temple in an engaging lecture led by our resident anthropologist. Discover the legends carved into its towering spires and reliefs, and learn how this Hindu masterpiece came to embody a legacy of timeless devotion.

REGULAR EVENTS

24 DECEMBER 2026

Morning Meditation

WELLNESS

SASANATAMA

7:30 - 8:30

At first light, Sasanatama is at its quietest. Join a guided meditation in this open-air sanctuary, where the changing morning light and the sounds of the surrounding landscape offer an unhurried beginning to the day.

To ensure your place, advance reservation is required.

String Quartet & Christmas Carols

FAMILY

THE ROTUNDA

16:30 - 17:30

Delight in the festive melodies of a string quartet as their harmonies fill Amanjiwo's Rotunda with warmth and cheer. Join in the joyous tradition of singing along to beloved Christmas carols, creating an afternoon of shared celebration beneath the curves of this iconic space.

Kaki Lima Christmas Eve Dinner

CULINARY

RESTAURANT

19:00 ONWARDS

This Christmas Eve, Amanjiwo celebrates the season through the flavours of Java. Inspired by the lively *kaki lima* street stalls found across the island, the evening brings together Javanese specialities prepared at live cooking stations, inviting guests to gather, share and dine beneath the open sky.

Vegetarian option is available upon request.



REGULAR EVENTS

25 DECEMBER 2026

Morning Yoga

WELLNESS

POOL TERRACE

7:30 - 8:30

With the morning still cool, Ibu Agustin, Amanjiwo's wellness consultant, leads a guided yoga practice through a series of asanas, offering a gentle beginning to the day.

Cultural Performance: Jathilan Children's Dance

FAMILY

PORTE-COCHÈRE

15:30 - 16:00

Performed by children from the neighbouring village, Jathilan remains an important part of community life in Central Java. The dance accompanies ceremonies marking births, marriages, house blessings and other significant occasions. Dressed in traditional costume and carrying woven horses, the young performers continue a practice that has shaped village celebrations for centuries.



REGULAR EVENTS

25 DECEMBER 2026

Santa Claus & Santarina on Andong

FAMILY

PORTE-COCHÈRE

16:00 - 16:30

Santa Claus and Santarina arrive at Amanjiwo by traditional andong, bringing a distinctly Javanese touch to the festive season. As they make their way through the resort, younger guests are welcomed with small gifts and warm festive greetings.

Cultural Lecture: Wayang Kulit in Java

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18:00 - 19:00

For centuries, Wayang Kulit has been at the heart of Javanese storytelling, where finely crafted leather puppets bring epic tales, philosophy and folklore to life. This cultural lecture offers an introduction to the traditions behind one of Java's most celebrated art forms.

REGULAR EVENTS

26 DECEMBER 2026

Trekking to the Village

ADVENTURE

SURROUNDING VILLAGE

7:30 - 9:00

Beyond Amanjiwo, village paths wind through rice fields and rural communities that have changed little over time. This guided walk offers an opportunity to observe village everyday life of Java.

Cultural Performance: Wayang Senja

CULTURAL

ROTUNDA BAR

17:00 - 18:00

The fading light of the day (*senja*) lends a fitting backdrop to Wayang Kulit, one of Java's most celebrated art forms. Accompanied by the silhouettes of finely crafted leather puppets, a local dalang presents stories drawn from the island's literary and cultural traditions.



REGULAR EVENTS

27 DECEMBER 2026

Morning Yoga

WELLNESS

POOL TERRACE

7:30 - 8:30

Before the day gathers pace, join Ibu Agustin, Amanjiwo's wellness consultant, for a guided yoga practice. A flowing sequence of asanas encourages ease of movement as morning settles across the resort.

Cultural Lecture: Arts and Crafts of Java

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18:00 - 19:00

Join our Resident Anthropologist for an inspiring lecture on Javanese arts and crafts. Explore the rich history and techniques behind traditional art forms, gaining a deeper appreciation for Java's artistic heritage.

Kaki Lima Dinner

CULINARY

RESTAURANT

19:00 ONWARDS

Wander between live cooking stations where much-loved local dishes are prepared to order. Inspired by Java's *kaki lima* culture, the dinner brings together regional favourites in a relaxed setting, celebrating the flavours and convivial spirit that have long been part of Javanese everyday life.

Vegetarian option is available upon request.

REGULAR EVENTS

28 DECEMBER 2026

Morning Meditation

WELLNESS

SASANATAMA

7:30 - 8:30

The first hours of the morning are best spent at Sasanatama. Gather in the open-air sanctuary for a guided meditation, when the surrounding remains quiet and the air is still fresh.

To ensure your place, advance reservation is required.

Painting Class

FAMILY

KIDS ROOM

9:30 - 11:00

Children can explore their artistic side in a fun and educational painting class in the Kids Room. They'll have the opportunity to experiment with different colours and techniques, creating their own unique artworks.

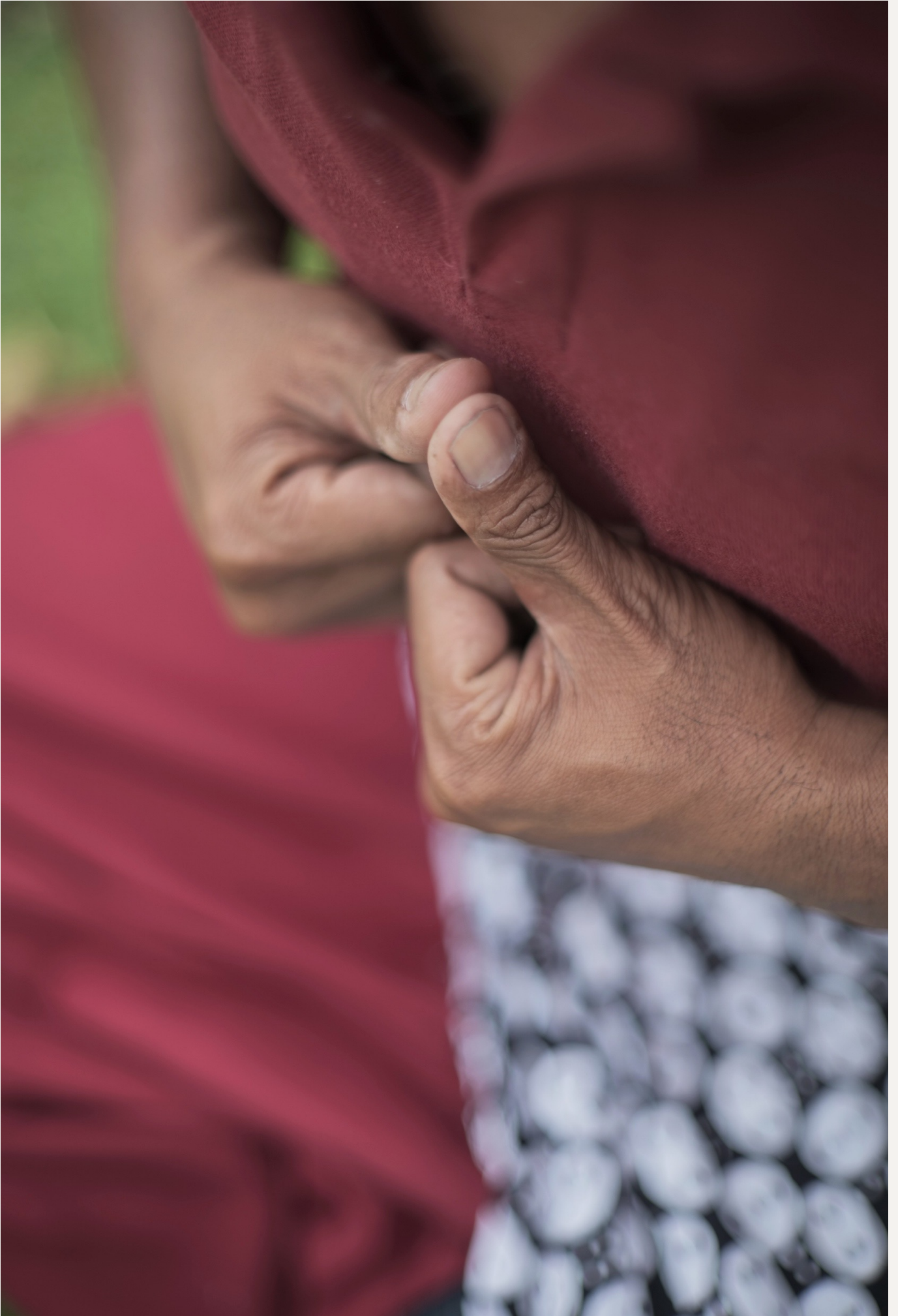
Cultural Lecture: Spirituality in Java

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18:00 - 19:00

From village ceremonies to the temples that define its landscape, spirituality continues to shape everyday life across Java. This cultural lecture offers an introduction to the beliefs, traditions and philosophies that remain an integral part of the island's identity.



REGULAR EVENTS

29 DECEMBER 2026

Morning Yoga

WELLNESS

POOL TERRACE

7:30 - 8:30

The cool morning air sets the scene for a guided yoga practice with Ibu Agustin, Amanjiwo's wellness consultant. Through a flowing sequence of asanas, the session follows the quiet rhythm of the early hours.

Batik Painting Class

FAMILY

THE ROTUNDA

16:00 - 17:00

Guided by artisans from the neighbouring village, discover the craftsmanship behind Javanese batik at the Rotunda. From the first strokes of hot wax to the final patterns, the session offers an opportunity to experience one of Indonesia's most celebrated artistic traditions firsthand.

Cultural Lecture: Borobudur

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18:00 - 19:00

Gain a deeper understanding of Borobudur Temple in an insightful lecture led by our resident anthropologist. Discover the stories behind its remarkable architecture, intricate symbolism and the cultural heritage that has made this monument a treasure of the world.

REGULAR EVENTS

30 DECEMBER 2026

Morning Meditation

WELLNESS

SASANATAMA

7:30 - 8:30

The morning is at its most peaceful at Sasanatama. Gather for a guided meditation in the open-air sanctuary, where the calm of the early hours shapes the rhythm of the day ahead.

Cultural Performance: Wayang Beber

CULTURAL

THE ROTUNDA

17:00 - 18:00

Among Java's lesser-known performing arts, Wayang Beber tells its stories through illustrated scrolls that are gradually unrolled as the performance unfolds. Presented by a local storyteller, this rare tradition offers a different perspective on Javanese theatre and storytelling.



Memayu Hayuning Jiwa

Towards a Harmonious Soul

There comes a point in every celebration when a journey takes on a deeper meaning. At Amanjiwo, that moment is Memayu Hayuning Jiwa, a two-day journey inspired by the true spirit of Java.

Long before the New Year was marked by fireworks and grand celebrations, the Javanese welcomed life's transitions through ritual. Families gathered, offerings were prepared, prayers were spoken and gratitude was shared, not simply to mark the passing of time, but to restore harmony within before stepping into a new chapter.

Memayu Hayuning Jiwa honours the nurturing of the soul, inviting a moment to reflect on the path travelled, give thanks for the experiences that have shaped us, rekindle meaningful connections and embrace the year ahead in harmony.



MEMAYU HAYUNING JIWA

31 DECEMBER 2026

Before the First Dawn

As daylight fades over the Kedu Plain, guests are welcomed into an evening inspired by the customs of ancient Java.

Grounded by the land (*pertiwi*), guests leave behind the hustle and bustle of everyday life to enter a space where time moves differently, arriving fully present in the shadow of Borobudur Temple. From here, blessings invite reflection and gratitude for the journey travelled (*apah*), preparing the soul for the path ahead.

As the evening deepens, carried by the evening breeze (*bayu*), conversations unfold around a shared table, where stories, flavours and traditions draw family, friends and newfound companions closer together.

Illuminated by fire (*teja*), the night gathers energy as performances fill the evening with a sense of celebration, carrying guests towards the turning of the year before the sound of the gong heralds a new beginning.

The Journey Begins

BOROBUDUR TEMPLE

19:15

Arriving at Borobudur, the transition begins with an *andong*, a traditional Javanese horse-drawn carriage that transports you to the evening's celebration. The pace slows, allowing the temple and its surroundings to be experienced much as they once were.

Bregada Procession

BOROBUDUR TEMPLE

20:00

A *bregada* procession leads the way to the welcome cocktail reception, where ceremonial guards in traditional regalia draw on the customs of Java's royal courts.

Ritual of Light

BOROBUDUR TEMPLE

20:05

The next chapter of the evening is written in light. Candles are illuminated one by one until the silhouette of Borobudur begins to emerge in shimmering light. Wishes are offered. Light is shared.

A Feast from the Past

BOROBUDUR TEMPLE

20:30

Borobudur's reliefs continue at the table. Historic flavours are presented in a parade of Javanese dishes, accompanied by cultural performances throughout the evening.

MEMAYU HAYUNING JIWA

31 DECEMBER 2026

A Letter of Wishes

BOROBUDUR TEMPLE

23:00

Take a moment to put your wishes for the year ahead into words. Write a letter to your future self, reflecting on what you hope to carry forward, discover or welcome in the coming year.

The Nine Sacred Springs

BOROBUDUR TEMPLE

23:15

There is a moment, before midnight, when celebration gives way to water blessing. Guided by a Javanese spiritual practitioner, water gathered from nine sacred springs is poured to purify body and spirit, in a ritual that has long accompanied life's transitions in Java.

The Sound of Blessing

BOROBUDUR TEMPLE

23:25

Low, steady voices carry across the evening as the monks recite traditional chants. Their blessing marks the threshold between years, offering wishes for peace, prosperity and wellbeing.

Wishes Sent

BOROBUDUR TEMPLE

23:50

By the light of the fire, written wishes are offered to the flame, allowing hopes and prayers to rise skyward — sending our deepest intentions beyond the earthly realm.

The First Sound of 2027

BOROBUDUR TEMPLE

00:00

A single strike carries across the night. The sound of the gong lingers, carrying the arrival of 2027 with a resonance that reaches far beyond midnight.

A beginning that is heard before it is seen.



MEMAYU HAYUNING JIWA

1 JANUARY 2027

A New Beginning

With the dawn of a new year comes a moment to begin again. Sheltered beneath an open sky (*akasa*), the journey continues through a *ruwatan* ceremony that invites the release of what no longer serves the soul.

As offerings are returned to nature and fish are released into the river, gestures of gratitude become expressions of harmony, extending the balance found within to the world beyond.

And this is where harmony within becomes harmony with the world.

Memayu Hayuning Jiwa, Memayu Hayuning Bawana.

Ruwatan

PROGO RIVERBANK

8:30

With 2027 newly arrived, *ruwatan* marks the year's first ritual. Practised in Java for generations, it is a ceremony of purification that restores harmony within before the journey ahead unfolds.

Bhakti Bumi

PROGO RIVERBANK

9:30

The river receives one final offering as fish are released into the flowing waters — a gesture that honours new beginnings by allowing the past to drift gently out of sight. 2027 is ready to be fully embraced.

REGULAR EVENTS

2 JANUARY 2027

Morning Yoga

WELLNESS

POOL TERRACE

7:30 - 8:30

The cool morning air sets the scene for a guided yoga practice with Ibu Agustin, Amanjiwo's wellness consultant. Through a flowing sequence of asanas, the session follows the quiet rhythm of the early hours.

Pottery Class

FAMILY

THE ROTUNDA BAR

16:00 - 17:00

The potter's wheel remains a familiar sight in the villages neighbouring Amanjiwo. Join a local artisan at the Rotunda Bar for an introduction to this traditional craft before trying the techniques for yourself.

Cultural Lecture: Prambanan Temple

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18:00 - 19:00

Dedicated to Shiva, Vishnu and Brahma, Prambanan is among Indonesia's most significant Hindu monuments. This evening lecture explores its history, architecture and the stories illustrated across its carved reliefs.



REGULAR EVENTS

3 JANUARY 2027

Painting Class

FAMILY

KIDS ROOM

10:00 – 11:00

Brushes, colours and blank canvases await younger guests in the Kids Room. Guided by our team, the painting session encourages creativity through an afternoon of colour, imagination and self-expression.

Afternoon Meditation

WELLNESS

SASANATAMA

15:00 – 16:00

Gather at Sasanatama for a guided meditation as the warmth of the afternoon begins to soften. A quiet moment between the day's explorations and the evening ahead.

Palm Leaf Figure Making

FAMILY

THE ROTUNDA

16:00 – 17:00

Discover your creative side in a palm leaf figure workshop. Learn the traditional Javanese art of weaving intricate palm leaf designs, and take home the decorative pieces you craft as a unique souvenir.

Cultural Lecture: Kingdom of Java

CULTURAL

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18:00 – 19:00

The history of Java is shaped by a succession of kingdoms whose influence can still be seen across the island today. Join Amanjiwo's resident anthropologist for an evening exploring the rulers, traditions and cultural achievements that defined their time.





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