

# GARUDA Getting around in Bali

Rewards aplenty await Bali's visitors who venture from their luxury hotels. The island's narrow roadways wind through an incredible array of rural village life, spectacular scenery, amazing temples, smoking volcanoes and tropical picnic hideaways. Take a tour offered by one of the island's many travel agents, hire a car (we recommend a car and driver) or join the locals and hop aboard a bemo. Boats and ferries service the nearby islands and isolated beaches.

## Art Centre, Denpasar (J9)

Bali's Arts Centre is a showplace of Balinese temple and palace architecture. The complex includes an open stage, museum, Balinese pavilions, three art galleries and sprawling park lands.

## Asak and Bungaya (O6)

Gamelan music and the *rejang* dance in traditional costumes and headdresses are the specialty of Asak. Bungaya is noted for its stone carvings and woven crafts.

## Besakih (M5)

Situated on the slopes of Mount Agung, Besakih, and its complex of about 30 temples, is a focal point for Balinese Hindus.

## Batubulan (K8)

Near Bali's capital, Denpasar, on the road to Ubud, Batubulan is the home of skilled stone carvers.



The procession for the 100-year ritual taking place near Besakih

## Batur (L4)

On the slopes of the smouldering Mount Batur, Batur village was destroyed in a 1926 eruption. The villagers then moved further up the mountain, where they built an impressive temple.

## Bedugul (J4)

Bedugul's cool western highlands climate is ideal for growing vegetables, fruits and flowers for market.

## Celuk (K8)

Home to hundreds of silversmiths, Celuk is

the centre of the silver and gold crafts industry. Items can be bought ready made or ordered.

## Denpasar (J9)

Bali's administrative and commercial centre, Denpasar is a fascinating city where spices, salted fish, intricately woven cloth, gold and silver craftwares are traded in traditional markets alongside modern department stores, banks and restaurants.

## Goa Gajah (K7)

Known as the Elephant Cave because of the 1000-year-old Ganeca (elephant-headed god). There is also an intricately carved bathing area and the remains of a Buddhist monastery.

## Goa Lawah (N7)

On the southern coast road to Candi Dasa beach, a cave in the courtyard of Goa Lawah's temple is home to thousands of bats.

## Gunung Kawi (L6)

Hidden in a beautiful valley two kilometres from Tampaksiring is an ancient complex of rock-hewn temples established in the 11th century.

## Jatiluwih (I7)

The view is spectacular from this small village, about 20 kilometres from Tabanan



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