

The North Sulawesi Provincial Government is proud to announce that North Sulawesi is located in the epicenter of marine biodiversity and has over 1 find within the park and surrounding reefs. **Together, we**

Wear Your 2009 Bunaken Entrance



In accordance with Provincial Law Number 9 of 2002, **2009 entrance fees for foreign visitors are:**

- **Rp 50,000 per daily ticket** (approximately US\$7)
- **Rp 150,000 for a waterproof plastic entrance tag** **valid for the full calendar year** (approximately US\$18).



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Note the design on the 2009 entrance tags features the Coelacanth, (*Latimeria Menadoensis*) photographed by Dr. Mark Erdmann

We greatly appreciate your support and cooperation with this entrance fee system. Conservation of Bunaken's spectacular marine habitats requires funding, and your entrance fee is a valuable contribution to saving Bunaken's reefs.

For more information on North Sulawesi in general, please visit the websites www.north-sulawesi.com. For Bunaken and the Fee System, please visit www.north-sulawesi.org or contact the BNPMB Secretariat Executive at:

BUNAKEN NATIONAL PARK MANAGEMENT ADVISORY BOARD

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Entrance fee, how does it works?

Entrance tags and tickets can be purchased through marine tourism operators based in Manado and in the Bunaken National Park, or can be purchased from one of three ticket counters in Bunaken and Liang villages on Bunaken Island and the Executive Secretariat office in Manado.

Tags (or tickets) must be carried at all times while the guest is within park boundaries and can easily be affixed to guests' diving or snorkeling gear or on backpacks. Enforcement of the entrance fee system is conducted via spot checks by park rangers on land and at sea.

What does it aim for?

All proceeds from sales of the entrance tags and tickets are managed by the Bunaken National Park Management Advisory Board (BNPMAB), a multistakeholder board established by Governor's decree No. 233/2000 and consisting of dive operators, environmental organizations, academia, pertinent government officials and villagers from within the park. The BNPMB will utilize these funds to finance a number of high priority conservation programs in the park, including patrols and enforcement to abolish destructive fishing practices such as blast and cyanide fishing, village improvement programs within the park, collection and disposal of plastic and other wastes entering the park's waters, marine conservation education of village children and adults, and reef and mangrove rehabilitation. The entrance fee system has been adapted from the well-known Bonaire Marine Park system and was successful in rising over \$130,000 for conservation programs in Bunaken during 2008.