

Fairness is our vision!

Who We Are

Sumatra EcoTravel Bukit Lawang (PT Sumatra Eco Wisata Bukit Lawang) offers sustainable tours for travellerss in a region with hardly any jobs. At the same time our team aims to control visitor numbers as well as visitors' behaviour in order to avoid negative impact on social and ecological systems. With our tours support for the environment and for the well-being of animals in Gunung Leuser National Park is optimized. Equally important is the support of local communities around Bukit Lawang. Being deeply rooted in their region our team will help guests discover the rainforest and the Indonesian culture in a unique and innovative way. So along with our sustainable jungle treks it's the exploration of local life that is at the heart of many other tours. From 2013 we have been pioneering with mountain bike trips to the villages around Bukit Lawang. On top of these adventure tours we have been offering homestays with local families since 2011. Our guides will be acting as interpreters and make our guests feel at ease with the Northern Sumatra way of life!

Awarded EcoTravel Tours

EcoTravel Bukit Lawang is a family owned local business offering sustainable ecotourism in the Gunung Leuser National Park area. Due to its continuous efforts our team has been awarded "Eco Friendly Tour Operator of the Year", "Travel & Hospitility Award Winner", "LTG Winner – Asia & Australasia" and received the "Hall Of Fame Status" and the "Travelers' Choice Award" on Tripadvisor. As the team of our tour operator are local, they are in constant touch with their communities and families. The English speaking guides are certified by the local ITGA-HPI and have excellent knowledge of plants and animals living in the rainforest. The focus of our tours is on quality and safety rather than quantity.

Small Eco-Boutique Hotel

Since 2014 we have been more than happy to accommodate our touring guests in our frequently awarded EcoTravel Cottages in Bukit Lawang – the first accommodation in town offering daily cleaning service and western bathroom with hot water shower. We are proud of our small EcoBoutique hotel in the jungle, our little paradise! The opening of The Hangout@ EcoTravel, our new small "jungle chic" accommodation next door, was in June 2020. All our staff are from nearby villages. We follow ecological guidelines by managing different types of waste and avoiding plastic. Most of the food we offer is sourced locally. Drinking water is available for free to all our guests during their stay.

The person:

Jasanta Siteou (Kembar), founding director of North Sumatran tour operator EcoTravel Bukit Lawang ("PT. SUMATERA ECO WISATA BUKIT LAWANG"), was born in the small village of Bukit Lawang and has spent the first 30 years of his life on the edge of the jungle. He is a specialist for Gunung Leuser National Park and has been guiding professionally since 1999. He is deeply committed to the conservation of the environment and the improvement of the well-being of local people and wildlife of his native region. In 2010 he started to build a well-trained guiding team. In 2011 he founded his tour operator "EcoTravel", followed by their initiative "Keep The Jungle Green!" in 2013 and "EcoTravel Cottages" in 2014. Further sustainable tours and initiatives followed.