

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO AMBON ISLAND, INDONESIA

LOCATION: The mountainous island of Ambon is located in Maluku Province, in Indonesia. This province is better known as the Moluccas, or Spice Islands, and was the goal of many of the early explorers. The capital of both the island and the Moluccas is Kota Ambon.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	12:19	12:14	12:08	12:02	11:58	11:55	11:56	12:00	12:06	12:12	12:17	12:20
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	6:12	6:36	6:46	5:52	5:06	4:02	3:43	3:37	4:58	6:12	7:18	6:27
AREA OF BLUE SKY	36%	38%	41%	38%	33%	24%	22%	22%	32%	41%	47%	39%
LOW FOR MONTH	73°	74°	73°	73°	73°	71°	70°	69°	71°	71°	72°	73°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	76°	76°	76°	76°	75°	74°	74°	74°	74°	75°	75°	76°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	87°	88°	87°	87°	84°	82°	81°	81°	83°	85°	87°	87°
HIGH FOR MONTH	92°	93°	91°	90°	89°	86°	85°	85°	86°	90°	91°	93°
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	23%	22%	20%	7%	2%	0%	0%	0%	1%	3%	16%	23%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	69%	67%	70%	74%	77%	79%	79%	78%	75%	72%	70%	68%
NEARBY WATERS	83°	83°	83°	83°	83°	82°	81°	80°	82°	82°	83°	82°
DRY DAYS	58%	51%	54%	37%	29%	18%	28%	37%	49%	57%	64%	56%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	73%	71%	71%	55%	37%	23%	28%	45%	60%	71%	76%	73%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.79	0.79	0.83	1.64	2.99	3.54	3.17	2.36	1.62	0.96	0.75	0.81
SNOWY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	6%	6%	6%	4%	5%	2%	0%	2%	3%	5%	7%	10%
FOGGY DAYS	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%

COMMENTS: The area has a rainy tropical climate. There is no dry season, despite what the locals may tell you. Rainfall is abundant in every month, and super-abundant from late April through early September. Rain normally falls as a series of showers starting in the late morning and continuing on into the evening. During the rainiest months, they start earlier, last longer, and run later. Even so, there are dry (relatively speaking) periods between the showers, and frequently sunshine. Expect to be damp most of the time, and you won't be disappointed. Temperatures are less a matter of season than of whether it is raining or not. During heavy rains, daytime temperatures drop a few degrees, nighttime temperatures rise a few degrees, and humidities rise several percent. When it doesn't rain, sunny skies will raise daytime temperatures while clear night skies allow for greater cooling. Winds from the south and southeast bring the heaviest rains, while winds from the north and northwest bring the fairest weather. Hurricanes are rare.