

Wild Wonderland

FESTIVE SEASON AT THE EDGE OF WILDNESS™

FESTIVITIES 2025/2026

WILD WONDERLAND AT NIHI SUMBA

Welcome to Sumba, the mystical Sandalwood Island, where the air is spiced with aromatic woods and fiery red ginger. Where yuletide traditions play out to the rhythm of the tides. Where the jingle of sleighbells blends with the jungle call of hornbills. Where native horses gallop with the same magic as flying reindeer.

Join us for an unforgettable festive experience at the Edge of Wildness.



DECEMBER, 22ND

Younger guests are in for a full day of festive fun. Activities start with Christmas card-making followed by a joyful and colorful experience with NIHI's majestic Sandalwood horses. Our young 'wildlings' can even help us decorate the stunning resort Christmas tree, or craft beautiful turndown gifts for the family, together with children from the Sumba Foundation.

CHRISTMAS CARD MAKING

O 10:00 AM

♥ CHOCOLATE FACTORY

A BRUSH WITH JOY

O 11:00 AM

STABLES

CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATING

O 3:00 PM

MENARA

GIFT CRAFTING WITH SUMBA FOUNDATION







DECEMBER, 23RD

The scent of gingerbread fills the morning air as our young VIPs transform cookies into magical creations. A thrilling outdoor adventure awaits with a treasure hunt in NIHI's lush grounds at the Edge of Wildness. As the sun disappears into the waves, the resort gathers for festive cheer at Happiest Hour before our outdoor movie theater screens a Christmas classic under the stars.

GINGERBREAD DECORATING

⊙ 10:00 AM

O CHOCOLATE FACTORY

TREASURE HUNT

© 3:00 PM

♥ CHOCOLATE FACTORY

HAPPIEST HOUR

O 5:30 PM

O BOATHOUSE

FESTIVE MOVIE NIGHT

⊙ 6:00 PM

MENARA LAWN

EVENING DINING

⊙ 7:00 PM

OMBAK



DECEMBER, 24TH

Western traditions meet Sumbanese heritage. Witness exhilarating spectacles of speed and horsemanship at the mini Pasola show and beach horse race. Nightfall brings the comforting sound of carols and heart-warming hymns performed by the Sumba Foundation choir – the perfect prelude to a festive feast for Christmas Eve.

MINI PASOLA & BUFFALO SHOW

© 8:30 AM

© NIO BEACH CLUB

FACE PAINTING & OPEN-AIR ART

10:00 AM

NIO LOWER DECK

HORSE RUNNING

© 10:30 AM

© BOATHOUSE

HAPPIEST HOUR - LIGHTS & CHOIRS

© 5:30 PM

© MENARA

CHRISTMAS EVE FEAST

S 8:00 PM MENARA







DECEMBER, 25TH

Christmas morning starts with a tropical surprise as Santa makes a grand entrance on the waves, Sumba style. We celebrate with an unforgettable open-air barbecue brunch, where sea breezes mingle with the scent of fresh seafood and familiar festive flavours. The afternoon offers a precious opportunity to share the joy of Christmas with children in a nearby village, culminating in an elegant a la carte dinner and a mesmerizing cultural dance performance.

GINGERBREAD COOKIE DECORATION

O 10:10 AM

♥ NIO BEACH CLUB

SANTA'S ARRIVAL

CHRISTMAS DAY BBO BRUNCH

O 11:30 AM OMBAK

SUMBA FOUNDATION VILLAGE VISIT

© 3:00 PM

VILLAGE VISIT

HAPPIEST HOUR

© 5:30 PM

BOATHOUSE

CHRISTMAS DINNER & SHOW

© 7:30 PM

OMBAK

DECEMBER, 31ST

The majesty of nature is on full show as our iconic Sandalwood horses and powerful water buffalos parade along the shore. On the last evening of 2025, we follow local tradition by lighting a bonfire and casting wishes into the flames, before indulging in a masterful six-course Indonesian feast. The new year is celebrated in true NIHI fashion with a vibrant beach party featuring a live DJ, tribal percussion, spellbinding fire dancers, and magnificent fireworks over the moonlit ocean.

HAPPIEST HOUR & PARADE

© 5:30 PM © BOATHOUSE

BONFIRE OF WISHES

© 6:30 PM © BOATHOUSE

GRAND RECEPTION

© 7:30 PM

© MENARA LAWN

NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATIONS

O 10:00 PM
MENARA





JANUARY, 1ST

Ease into 2026 with the gentle rhythm of the Sumba sea. Wake up to a calm, leisurely breakfast at Ombak, setting a tranquil tone for the year ahead. A lavish barbecue brunch at NIO Beach Club offers one final delicious spread of freshly grilled delicacies and chef specials. As the holiday draws to a close, the beautiful memories of NIHI's wild wonderland will last forever.

NEW YEAR'S DAY BREAKFAST

O 7:00 AM O OMBAK

NEW YEAR'S DAY BRUNCH

© 11:30 AM

© NIO BEACH CLUB



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