

Population

400.000

Currency

Indonesian Rupiah (IDR), 1 Rp = 100 cents

Opening hours

Banks, businesses and government offices are generally open 08.00-16.00 or 09.00-17.00 Monday - Friday. Many shopping malls remain open until 22.00 or later. Street markets do generally not open until around 19.00 and remain open as late as midnight. Many smaller shops stay closed from dusk on Friday and Saturday night.

Internet

www.balix.com
www.bali-paradise.com
www.my-indonesia.info
www.balidenpasartourism.com

Newspapers

Hello Bali
Jakarta Post

Emergency numbers

Police 112
Fire 113
Ambulance 118

Tourist information

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www.balitourismboard.org

BALI

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The urban atmosphere of Denpasar, Bali's bustling capital city and business and administrative hub, contrasts sharply with the serene Hindu temples, green terraced rice fields and superb sandy beaches nearby. Denpasar is a cosmopolitan, modern city that has grown rapidly in the three decades and in many ways it has more in common with other Indonesian regional capitals than with its island hinterland. Nevertheless, it is worth a visit, even if you prefer to stay in one of the resort areas nearby, rather than in the city itself.



THE CITY



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Located on the south coast of Bali, Denpasar is the regional capital and the main gateway to Indonesia's most popular holiday island. The city is a main business and administrative centre, and is home to a mixed population of Balinese, Javanese and other immigrants from elsewhere in the archipelago. Most visitors head for the neighbouring resort areas of Kuta, Sanur and Nusa Dua where most of the island's hotels, restaurants, shopping facilities and nightlife are located.

Jalan Gajah Mada is the city's main thoroughfare, running east to west, and is usually jam-packed with traffic. Medan Puputan (Puputan Square) is the hub of downtown Denpasar, with lawns and greenery, and is dominated by the elaborate Governor's Residence, the Bali Museum, and a monument dedicated to the royalty of Bali who were gunned down by Dutch rifles here in 1906.

Kuta, Bali's first and largest resort, lies a few kilometres southwest of the capital, and has spread from its original core for almost 20 kilometres along the coast, merging with neighbouring Legian. It has a number of upscale hotels, but is mainly popular with budget and mid-range travellers. Its main attraction is its superb beach, which is famed for its surf, but Kuta also has a huge choice of restaurants, bars, colourful shops, nightlife and places to stay.

Sanur, east of Denpasar on the south coast, is a more

recent development and is less raucous and a little more up-market than Kuta. It has fewer late-night bars and budget guesthouses and more mid-range resort hotels, but, like Kuta, it has superb beaches.

The Nusa Dua peninsula, which dangles from the south coast, is the epicentre of a planned resort area, with a selection of large, self-contained luxury resort hotels. North of Denpasar (less than an hour's drive from the airport) amid green valleys and rice fields, the hill resort of Ubud has excellent shopping, some of the world's finest boutique hotels, and a slightly cooler climate than the capital and its satellite resorts.

Cruise ships, excursion boats and some inter-island ferries leave from Tanjung Benoa, south of Denpasar on the Nusa Dua isthmus.

DO & SEE



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Bali Museum

The museum is one of the best in Indonesia and has a superb collection of the ornate carvings, painted masks, puppets, pottery and textiles for which Balinese artists are famous, and is set within a complex of well-kept courtyards.

Address: Jalan Mayur Wishnu, Taman Puputan

Puri Pemecutan Temple Museum

Next to the Pemecutan Palace Museum, this 100-year-old temple contains a collection of valuable ancient keris



daggers and other weapons, musical instruments and Hindu statuary.

Address: Jalan Hasanuddin

More Info: Corner of Jalan Thamrin and Jalan Hasanuddin

Taman Werdi Budaya (art Center)

This complex of ornate wooden buildings in traditional style contains contemporary Balinese artworks – wooden masks, carvings and paintings – and also has a number of souvenir stores where the work of local artisans are sold at fixed prices.

Address: Jalan Nusa Indah, Abiankapas

Conservatory Of Music And Dance (SMKI)

Bali is famed for its rich and several centuries old musical heritage and SMKI is dedicated to keeping these traditions alive in the 21st century. Visit SMKI in the morning (from 08.00-11.00) to watch dance teachers pass on their skills to a new generation of students.

Address: Batubulan

Traditional Music And Dance

No visitor should miss Bali's many traditional joged and legong dances, barong performances, or excerpts from the great Hindu dance-drama, the Ramayana. Most large hotels stage performances (open to non-residents as well as residents) nightly. For barong, also head for the open-air performances held every morning at Batubulan, northeast of the city centre. Wayang kulit (shadow puppet) shows are also performed frequently at many hotels and art centres.

Bali Safari & Marine Park

This park is home to hundreds amazing animals representing more than 50 species and is located in Gianyar. The park showcases much of Indonesia's protected wildlife. Here you can find some rare and endangered species in natural surroundings and environment such as the Sumatran Tigers.

Address: Jl. Bypass Prof. Dr. Ida Bagus Mantra, Km. 19,8

Phone: +62 361 950 000

Internet: www.balisafarimarinepark.com

More Info: Golden Line of Bali

EATING



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Denpasar has its share of functional warungs (basic Indonesian eating places). For the best of Balinese and international cuisine however, take a taxi to Seminyak or Kuta. Some of the best western, Asian and international food is to be found in the restaurants of the major resort hotels, which offer a wide choice of alternatives.

Tiara Dewata Food Center

One of the cheapest places to eat in Denpasar, with dozens of stalls serving almost 200 different Indonesian and Chinese dishes.

Address: Jasan Mayjen Sutoyo, Denpasar

Jp's Warung

This affordable eating place offers an international menu and is open all day, with live music most evenings after 21.00. It is also a great spot for breakfast.

Address: Jalan Dhyana Pura 6, Seminyak

Phone: +62 361 731 622

Internet: www.jps-warungclub.com

Antique

Reasonably priced international and Asian dishes are served in relaxed surroundings in one of the busiest nightlife areas, locally nicknamed 'Bar Street' – for



obvious reasons.

Address: 7 Abimanyu Arcade, Jalan Dyana Pura, Seminyak
Phone: +62 361 730 907
Internet: www.antiquebali.com

Puri Agung

The restaurant of the Bali Hotel is one of the best places to eat in downtown Denpasar, with an affordable set menu, pricier à la carte Western and Indonesian dining, and serves an excellent rijstaffel – a collection of many different small dishes with rice.

Address: Natour Bali Hotel, 1 Jalan Veteran, Denpasar
Phone: +62 361 225 681

Rumours

One of the cheapest international-style restaurants in the area, with steaks, burgers, pasta and pizza in slightly dated 1980s surroundings.

Address: Jalan Laksmana, Seminyak
Phone: +62 361 738 720

Ku De Ta

Highly rated by expats and visitors alike, with a menu that accentuates modern Australasian styles, along with Indonesian influences, Ku De Ta is one of the most stylish spots in Seminyak. The open plan restaurant is light, breezy and open all day. It's so popular that booking is recommended.

Address: Jalan Laksmana, Seminyak
Phone: +62 361 736 969
Internet: www.kudeta.net

Axiom

Book early to sample the superb tasting menu at this small restaurant, which, like Ku De Ta, focuses on modern Australasian cuisine – it is a revelation, and the seafood is especially good.

Address: Jalan Raya Seminyak 18A, Seminyak
Phone: +62 361 738 820

Gado Gado

As the name implies, the emphasis here is on Indonesian dishes, but the cuisine and the surroundings are a lot more sophisticated than the average warung. Gado Gado was formerly a club, but has recently been renovated as a stylish restaurant and its beachside location is practically unbeatable.

Address: Jalan Dyana Pura 99, Seminyak
Phone: +62 361 736 966
Internet: www.gadogadoreastaurant.com

CAFES



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Kopi Bali

Indonesia is known as the world's third largest coffee exporter. Sit down at Kopi Bali and enjoy a nice cuppa.

Address: Putra Bhineka Perkasa
Phone: +62 361 720589
Internet: www.kopibali.com

The Kopi Pot

An oasis in the bustling centre of Kuta, the Kopi Pot is a local institution and serves snacks and light meals as well as coffee, cakes and pastries.

Address: Jalan Legian, Kuta
Phone: +62 361 752 614
Internet: www.poppiesbali.com

Gusto Gelato & Caffè

The best Italian Gelato ice cream comes from Italian



people, and that's exactly what you get here at Gusto Gelato & Caffè. In addition to super tasty ice cream, they also have great coffee and a very relaxing café.

Address: Jalan Umalas 2, Kerobokan
Phone: +62 81 338 027 041
Internet: www.gusto-gelateria.com

Tutmak Warung

Popular among the locals as well as the tourists, hip yet casual. Tutmak Warung is a great place to chill and hang out, try the local specialties!

Address: Jalan Dewi Sita
Phone: +62 361 97 5754

Jazz Café Bali

The Jazz Café was created out of a love for music and design. The intimate atmosphere and the excellent jazz music soon made this café to a Bali landmark. Take your pick a candle-lit table close to the stage or a comfortable cushion on a platform. Either way it will be unforgettable!

Address: Jl. Sukma 2, Tebasaya, Ubud, Gianyar-Bali
Opening hours: Tuesday through Sunday from 5pm to midnight
Phone: +62 361 976 594
Internet: www.jazzcafebali.com
More Info: Live Performances 7.30 pm to 10.30 pm. Free pick up from hotels in the Ubud area and Laughing Buddha Bar on Monkey Forest Road.

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



© Dominic Alves

The most exciting nightlife in Bali – from throbbing dance clubs to hot karaoke bars and cool jazz cafés – is in Kuta.

Akasaka

This combined restaurant and live music venue is popular with locals and Asian visitors, with a karaoke room and live rock bands (mainly Indonesian) playing in its basement venue.

Address: Jalan Teuku Umar
Phone: +62 361 238 551
Internet: www.akasaka-bali.com

Hard Rock Cafe

One of the liveliest spots in Kuta, but very civilized, too, with a poolside restaurant, up-to-the-minute sounds, and all the fun you would expect from a venue run by this famous dining and entertainment chain.

Address: Jl. Pantai Kuta, Banjar Pande Mas, Kuta
Phone: +62 361 755 661
Internet: www.hardrock.com

Planet Hollywood

Quite a recent arrival to the Kuta nightlife scene, Planet Hollywood is a lively rival to the Hard Rock and is very much one of the places to see and be seen.

Address: Bali Galleria Jl By Pass Ngurah Rai
Phone: +62 361 757 827
Internet: www.planethollywoodbali.com



Hu'u

You could happily spend the entire evening at Hu'u from sunset onward – there's a fine lounge bar serving ace cocktails, outdoor tables in a lush garden area, a pool, and a cool club too. The menu is a mix of modern Asian and international.

Address: The Samaya Seminyak Bali Hotel
Phone: +62 361 736 443
Internet: www.huubali.com

Maccaroni Club

This is a restaurant and bar since 1996 located in the heart of Kuta. Here you can find an extensive drinks menu and live entertainment four times a week. This place has a hip and trendy atmosphere.

Address: Jl. Legian No. 52 Kuta
Phone: +62 361 754 662
Internet: www.maccaronicclub.com

SHOPPING



© William Cho

The epicentre of shopping in Denpasar is the huge, riverside Pasar Badung. It's a sweaty, multi-storey concrete complex of stores and stalls selling everything from fresh fish, fruit and vegetables to Balinese and Javanese crafts and textiles. On the opposite bank of the river, the Kumbasari Complex houses many small traders peddling cheap batik clothing, jewellery, silverware and dubious antiques.

For international-style retailing, Denpasar also has

numerous modern, air-conditioned malls such as New Dewata Ayu and Matahari (opposite each other on Jalan Dewi Sartika). Out of town, Sanggraha Kriya Handicrafts in the eastern suburb of Topathi (8 km from the city centre), has a huge assortment of all Bali's craft products. Prices are fixed.

However, most of the best out of the ordinary shopping in Bali is not in Denpasar, but in the nearby beach resorts of Kuta and Sanur, or in the hill resort of Ubud – all within less than an hour's drive from the city. Kuta is great for cheap beachwear and funky jewellery. Go to Ubud for the best of traditional and contemporary Balinese wood carvings – and be prepared to haggle fiercely to get the best price.

SLEEPING



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Accommodation in Denpasar caters mainly to Indonesian travellers. The city has its share of functional hotels and guesthouses, but most international visitors head straight for the luxury hotels of Legian and Nusa Dua, the plentiful budget guesthouses of Kuta, the mid-range resort hotels of Sanur, or – a little further away – the gorgeous boutique resorts around Ubud. Hotel prices are given in US Dollar and Rupiah.

Oberoi Bali

This superb complex of rooms and Balinese-style villas at Legian (around 30 minutes from downtown Denpasar) stands amid lush grounds on a fine stretch of beach and offers excellent service and facilities.



Address: Seminyak Beach, Jalan Kayu Aya
Phone: +62 361 730 361
Internet: www.oberoibali.com

Four Seasons Bali

Combining the best of island style with modern facilities and very high service standards, this splendid resort is located by the sea at Jimbaran Bay, between Denpasar and Nusa Dua.

Address: Jimbaran Bay, Denpasar
Phone: +62 361 701 010
Internet: www.fourseasons.com/jimbaranbay

Komaneka

Komaneka Resort is located in breathtakingly beautiful rainforest environments with spacious and comfortable rooms.

Address: Jalan Bisma, Ubud
Phone: +62 361 971933
Internet: www.komaneka.com

Inna Bali Hotel

This 80-year-old hotel has more character than any hotel in Denpasar. Built during the Dutch colonial era, it exudes nostalgia – one expects Joseph Conrad to walk in at any moment – and has comfortable air conditioned rooms with hot water and TV.

Address: 3 Jalan Veteran
Phone: +62 361 225 681
Internet: www.innabali.com

Pondok Sari Beach & Spa Resort

Pondok Sari offers three different types of bungalows: Standard rooms, Deluxe Bungalows and Family Deluxe Bungalows. The owner has said:

–“4 star”? For me Pondok Sari is more a spa resort with 3-star prices and the ambience of a 5-star resort in which our guests feel complete comfortable”.

Address: Gerokgak-Singaraja, Pemuteran
Internet: www.pondoksari.com

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



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Airport

Bali Ngurah Rai International Airport is 13 km (8 miles) west of Denpasar.

Facilities include shops, bar and restaurant, currency exchange, post office, internet access, tourist information office, tour agency, car hire, duty-free shops and VIP lounges.

A/P City Service buses are the cheapest way to reach the city centre and takes around 30 minutes, costing Rs 100.000. Timetables and tickets are available from the tourist information office in the arrivals hall. Taxis, deluxe taxis and bemos (mini-vans) are also available. Main resort hotels also offer complimentary minivan or limousine transfers.

Phone: +62 361 751011
Internet: www.angkasapura1.co.id

Public transport

Numerous bemos (minibuses) operate on fixed routes around the city and the rest of the island, leaving when full and stopping anywhere on their route on request. Most foreigners find the system confusing and find haggling over fares challenging.

Taxi

Blue and yellow city taxis can be hailed on the street, at



numerous taxi ranks, or called from your hotel or restaurant. They are cheap, by international standards and are much more convenient than bemos. However, be prepared to haggle over fares as taxi meters have failed to keep pace with inflation. Many drivers speak a little English.

Phone: +62 361 701 111

Post

Stamps and envelopes can be bought at the concierge desks of all hotels, and this is a much more convenient option than using public post offices.

Address: Jalan Raya Puputan, Renon

Phone: +62 361 223 565

Pharmacy

Kimia Farma is the city's main 24 hour pharmacy.

Address: Jalan Diponegoro 125

Phone: +62 361 227 811 12

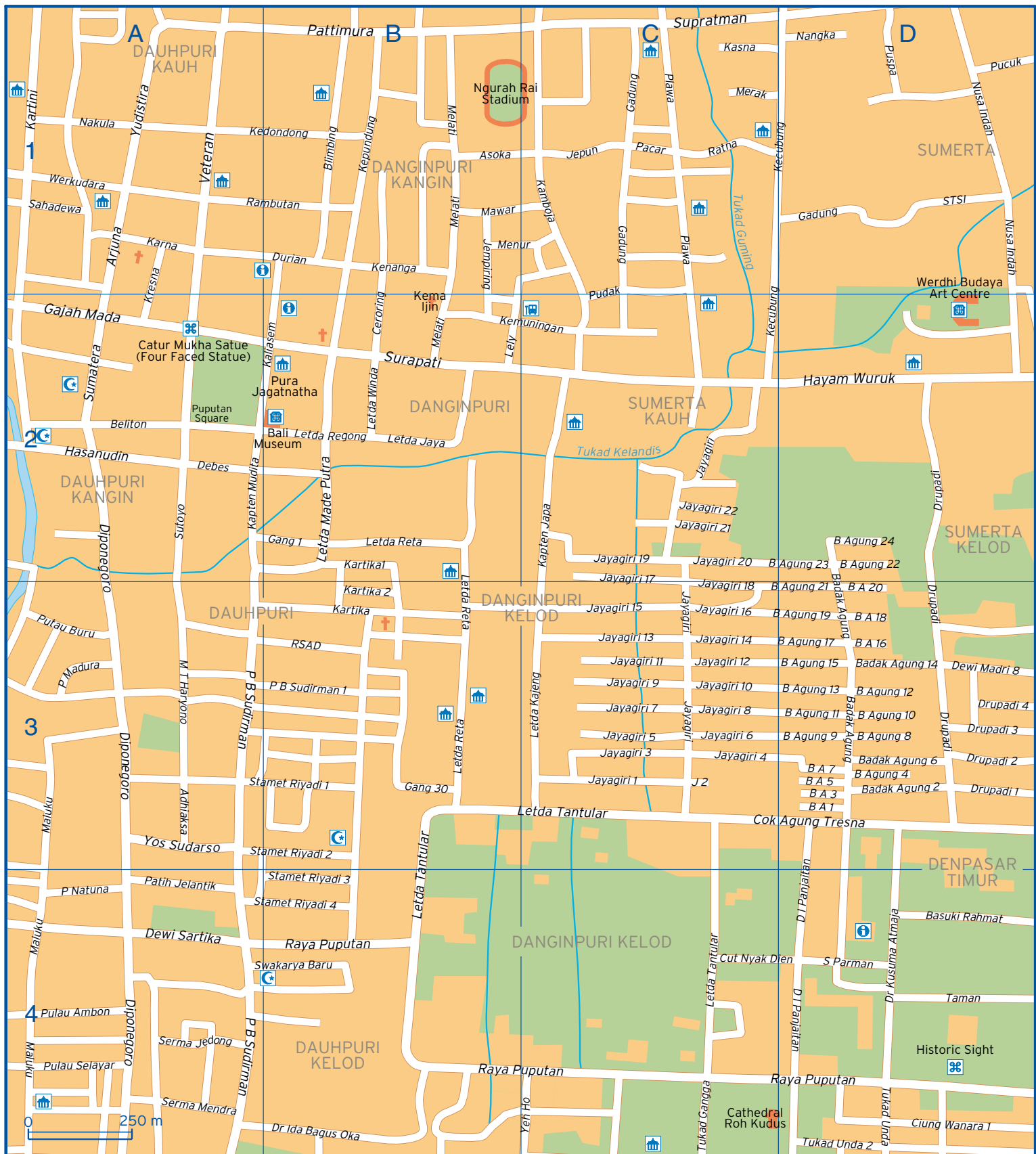
Telephone

Country code: +62

Area code: (0)361

Electricity

110V and 220V, 50Hz





Adhiaksa	A3	Gajah Mada	A2	Letda Made Putra	B2
Arjuna	A1	Gang 1	B2	Letda Regong	B2
Asoka	B1	Gang 30	B3	Letda Reta	B2 B3
Badak Agung	D2 D3	Hasanudin	A2	Letda Tantular	B3 B4 C3 C4
Badak Agung 1	D3	Hayam Wuruk	D2	Letda Winda	B2
Badak Agung 10	D3	Jayagiri	C2 C3	M T Haryono	A3
Badak Agung 11	D3	Jayagiri 1	C3	Maluku	A3 A4
Badak Agung 12	D3	Jayagiri 10	C3	Mawar	B1
Badak Agung 13	D3	Jayagiri 11	C3	Melati	B1 B2
Badak Agung 14	D3	Jayagiri 12	C3	Menur	B1 C1
Badak Agung 15	D3	Jayagiri 13	C3	Merak	C1
Badak Agung 16	D3	Jayagiri 14	C3	Nakula	A1
Badak Agung 17	C3 D3	Jayagiri 15	C3	Nangka	D1
Badak Agung 18	D3	Jayagiri 16	C3	Nusa Indah	D1
Badak Agung 19	C3 D3	Jayagiri 17	C2 C3	P B Sudirman	A3 A4
Badak Agung 2	D3	Jayagiri 18	C3	P Madura	A3
Badak Agung 20	D3	Jayagiri 19	C2	Pacar	C1
Badak Agung 21	C3 D3	Jayagiri 2	C3	Panglima Besar Sudirman 1	B3
Badak Agung 22	D2	Jayagiri 20	C2	Patih Jelantik	A4
Badak Agung 23	C2 D2	Jayagiri 21	C2	Pattimura	B1
Badak Agung 24	D2	Jayagiri 22	C2	Plawa	C1
Badak Agung 3	D3	Jayagiri 3	C3	Pucuk	D1
Badak Agung 4	D3	Jayagiri 4	C3	Pudak	C1 C2
Badak Agung 5	D3	Jayagiri 5	C3	Pulau Ambon	A4
Badak Agung 6	D3	Jayagiri 6	C3	Pulau Natuna	A4
Badak Agung 7	D3	Jayagiri 7	C3	Pulau Selayar	A4
Badak Agung 8	D3	Jayagiri 8	C3	Puputan Square	A2
Badak Agung 9	D3	Jayagiri 9	C3	Puspa	D1
Basuki Rahmat	D4	Jempiring	B1	Putau Buru	A3
Beliton	A2	Jepun	C1	Rambutan	A1 B1
Blimbing	B1	Kaliasem	B2	Ratna	C1
Ceroring	B1 B2	Kamboja	C1	Raya Puputan	B4 C4 D4
Ciung Wanara 1	D4	Kapten Japa	C2	RSAD	B3
Cok Agung Tresna	C3 D3	Kapten Mudita	A2	S Parman	D4
Cut Nyak Dien	C4 D4	Karna	A1	Sahadewa	A1
D I Panjaitan	D3 D4	Kartika	B3	Serma Jedong	A4
Debes	A2	Kartika 2	B3	Serma Mendra	A4
Dewi Madri 8	D3	Kartika1	B2	Stamet Riyadi 1	A3 B3
Dewi Sartika	A4	Kartini	A1	Stamet Riyadi 2	A3 B3
Diponegoro	A2 A3 A4	Kasna	C1	Stamet Riyadi 3	B4
Dr Ida Bagus Oka	B4	Kecubung	C2 D1	Stamet Riyadi 4	A4 B4
Dr Kusuma Atmaja	D4	Kedondong	A1 B1	STSI	D1
Drupadi	D2 D3	Kemuningan	B2 C2	Sumatera	A2
Drupadi 1	D3	Kenanga	B1	Supratman	C1
Drupadi 2	D3	Kepundung	B1	Surapati	B2
Drupadi 3	D3	Kresna	A1 A2	Sutoyo	A2
Drupadi 4	D3	Lely	B2	Swakarya Baru	A4 B4
Durian	B1	Letda Jaya	B2	Taman	D4
Gadung	C1 D1	Letda Kajeng	C3	Tukad Gangga	C4



Tukad Unda
Tukad Unda 2
Veteran

D4 Werkudara
D4 Yeh Ho
A1

A1 Yos Sudarso
C4 Yudistira

A3
A1