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Merapi Jeep Lava Tour

Discovering the Power and Beauty of Merapi Through an Adventurous Jeep Tour

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Mount Merapi stands as one of Indonesia's most active volcanoes, with its most significant eruption occurring in 2010. This catastrophic event took a toll on the region, causing hundreds of deaths and the loss of countless livestock. To this day, the remnants of the eruption can still be seen, and the Merapi Jeep Lava Tour takes you right to these historical sites. Highlights include the Museum Mini Sisa Hartaku, the Alien Stone, Kaliadem Bunker, Opak River, Mbah Marijan's House, and the Kali Kuning Water Trek.





The first place that the visitors will visit is Museum Mini Sisa Hartaku, or known as The House of Memory, this museum displays relics left by the eruption, such as houses devastated by lava, skeletal remains of livestock, burnt motorcycles, kitchen tools, and photos of the eruption. The museum serves as a reminder of Merapi's dual nature—majestic yet perilous.

After a visit to The House of Memory, Jeep Lava Tour takes the visitors to The Alien Stone. This large rock, naturally sculpted by the eruption, resembles a human face and stands as a geological marvel and a popular attraction for visitors.





Next is the Kaliadem Bunker, located at the base of Mount Merapi, this bunker was once a shelter during eruptions. Tragically, due to its inability to withstand Merapi's intense heat, it witnessed the passing of two brave volunteers, standing as a solemn reminder of the volcano's power.







These sites can be explored on the Jeep adventure tour, with rates around 400,000 IDR - 600,000 IDR per jeep (27 USD - 38 USD) Relish the thrill of traversing Merapi's rugged terrain, take in the breathtaking views, and absorb the rich history of Mount Merapi's powerful eruption.

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