

SUNDAY, 30 MARCH | TAWUR KESANGA AND OGOH - OGOH FESTIVAL

The night before the day of Silence, Sunday 30th March, the local communities will stage an ‘Ogoh Ogoh’, a cultural parade with the hotel’s staff performing as giant puppets (effigies). This is an event not to be missed!

The purpose of this parade is to frighten away and confuse the bad spirits and the negative forces of the underworld that are an intrinsic element in Balinese Hinduism. An Ogoh Ogoh is made from a wood frame with bamboo stripes intricately weaved. This special parade starting at 4.30pm from Hotel’s temple located near the Discovery Shopping Mall to lobby area, Villas and will be finished at the Helipad area.

Please note from 5.00pm to 9.00pm during these ceremonies, there is limited access for cars, and taxis will not be readily available. For guests wanting to go outside the resort we recommend that you go in close proximity to the resort and that you respect the traditions during this sacred time. Please observe the commencement of Nyepi at 12 midnight when you should be back in the resort.

MONDAY, 31 MARCH | NYEPI, THE DAY OF SILENCE

31st March marks the first day of the Balinese New year 1936 called Nyepi. According to the Hindu Belief, Nyepi is a day of complete silence without any noise, traffic, fire or lights. It is a day of stillness in the physical and spiritual words. For the Hindus, Nyepi is a day spent in total silence, meditation, fasting and introspection, reflecting on the past year’s events. Hindus believe the law concerning Nyepi is Catur Brata Penyepian (four ascetic practices) They are Amati Geni (no fire, which is both literal and symbolic of mental and physical obstacles), Amati Karya (no activities, a precondition to meditation), Amati Lelungaan (no going out of the house or compound, and Amati Lelanguan (no entertainment).

For those who are staying at the resort, it is a perfect time to relax.

We hope this Nyepi will bring you an unforgettable experience on the magical island of the Gods.

MONDAY, 31 MARCH | DO'S AND DON'T'S

To respect the local traditions and belief, the following Government Regulations will be applied from midnight on Monday, 31 March 2014 until Tuesday 1 April 2014 at 6am.

- Switch off all lights inside the room from dusk on the evening of 31 March and please keep movement and noise to an absolute minimum. You can contact our Receptions for any assistance needed.
- You will not be able to leave the Resort from midnight 30 March until 6 am on Monday, 31 March.
- We do not recommend using the pool after sunset on Monday, 31 March for safety reasons as lighting will be minimal. This also applied for the beach area.

MONDAY, 31 MARCH | RESTAURANT & BARS

LA CUCINA 6.30 am – 11 am

TEPAN NOODLE 6.30 am – 11 am

THE POND 6.30 am – 11 am

KUL Pool Bar 10 am – 5 pm

TUPAI BAR CLOSED

HAVANA LOUNGE 10 am – 5pm

SUNSET LOUNGE 10 am – 5pm

IN ROOM DINING Open 24 hours

MONDAY, 31 MARCH | SPA & RECREATIONS

Discovery Spa 9 am - 10 pm

Massage Hut 9 am - 5 pm

My Salon 9 am - 10 pm

Gym	6 am - 6 pm
Swimming Pool	8 am - 10 pm

A surcharge of 25% will apply from any treatments reserved on Nyepi Day, 31 March 2014 at Discovery Spa & My Salon.

Should you require further assistance please contact our Guest Relations Officer at ext. **7788**