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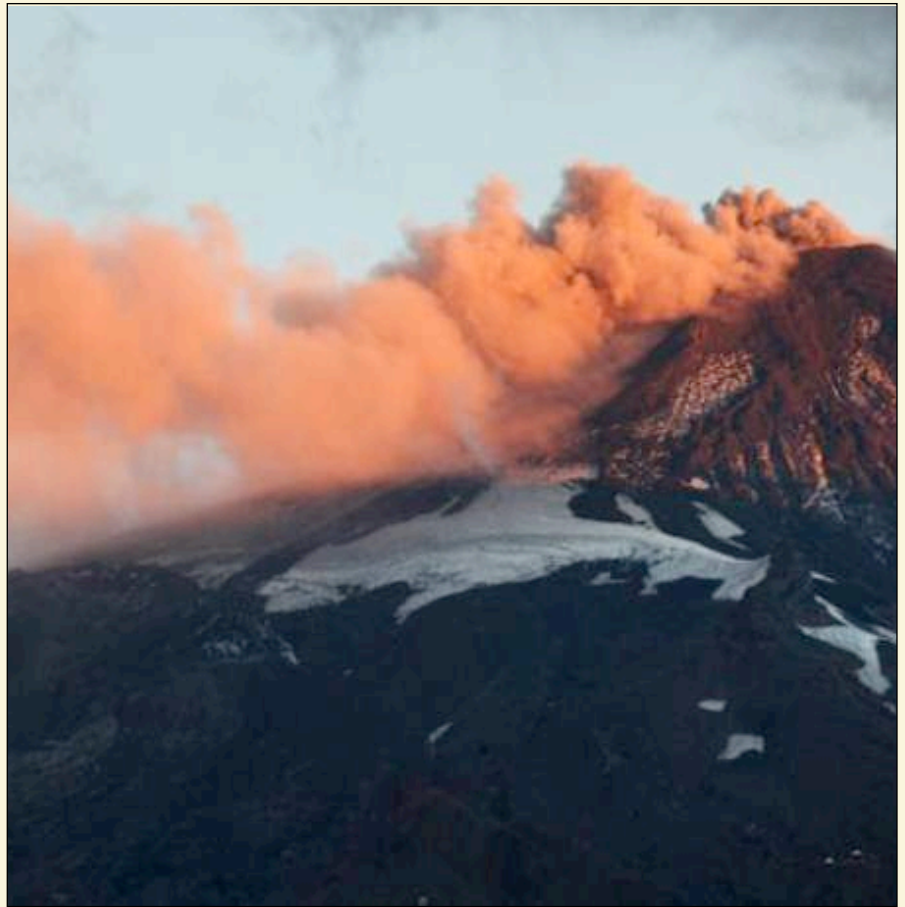
VOLCANO OUTBURST DELAYS WEDDING PARTY.

Antonia and Thomas(USA,living in South Korea) had planned their wedding party on 8 aug 2015 in villa bukit segara. The months before everything was prepared in frequent communication between the villa and the couple..up to details like the colour of the flowers,the taste of the wedding cake,the music,a detailed script for the ceremony(in modern hindu-style adjusted to the wishes of bride and groom.)

Groom and bride would arrive August 6 in Bali and Aug 7 in the villa..together with about 16 family and friends from Korea,China and the US..

In the villa everything was prepared, 500 fresh flowers,beautiful decorations,the wedding cake already in the cooling..the hindu-priest practicing his blessing in English.

Than there was the outburst of Volcano Mt. Raung on nearby East Java,spreading his ashes up to South Bali...the Airport had to be closed..bride and groom escaped to Jakarta..the hole planning had to be delayed, including the wedding ceremony.



But..Balinese people are masters in improvisation(maybe because they don't like planning..).So the planning was changed, every one cooperated..the orchestra,the dancers,the video-team,the hairdressers..Flowers and wedding cake were kept in the cooling..The Balinese priest had one day extra to exercise his English.

On Aug 9 ,so one day later,the wedding party took place ..smoothly.



See the report of the day and the comment of Antonia and Thomas in another article.



BALI- CULTURE : BALINESE SLAVES WERE MORE EXPENSIVE, 500 YEARS AGO.

There is nothing wrong when Bali is for you just another island under the sun. Its cheap, the climate is fantastic and the people are more than friendly.

In case you want to know something about the background ..here are 2 suggestions

1. Read the book of Vickie Baum: *Liebe und Tod auf Bali*, available in many languages. *Love and Death in Bali*, *Liefde en Dood op Bali* and so on.

2. Look at a movie from 1934 about the culture in Bali of that time. Guests working in the movie and theatre industry saw it and were impressed.

Book and movie are available in the villa..after reading/seeing you will understand why Balinese slaves were more expensive 500 years ago.



SWIMMING POOLS CAN MAKE YOU SICK AND KILL YOUR CHILD...NOT IN THE VILLA.



When booking a hotel/villa some things are difficult to judge on websites...one is the quality of the water and the safety of the pool.

Every year people get sick by swimming in bad swimming pools. This is what you can do to check the quality yourself:

1. SIGHT. Swimming pool water should be clear, not cloudy. You can see right to the bottom.
2. TOUCH. The tiles should feel clean, not slimy.
3. SMELL. You should not smell any chlorine.
4. SEE. You should see water constantly lapping over walls or grills, so you are sure that the pumping system works.

In the villa we guarantee a healthy swimming pool for you and your children:

-It starts with PERFECT WATER, from our own well. It's been tested, its drinking quality.

-DOUBLE FILTERING..A sand filter system combined with a mineral pure system. Together this kills nearly all sperms and removes the algae. Nearly, so we use a minimum quantity of chlorine to complete.

Another risk in swimming pools can be the force of the circulation pump. A Dutch boy, *Willem, 12 years old, died in 2010 because he was sucked into the grill of a pool. Three adults could not get him off, the boy drowned.

In big resort pools with unsafe grills this happens a few times every year..its impossible in the villa.

Our Putu is managing swimming pools already many years. He is proud to offer you perfect swimming water and a safe pool.

Every week Putu is testing the swimming pool water .

*note: See "Blue cap foundation", established by the parents of Willem, fighting against dangerous swimming pools.

SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE IN 2016?

JOIN THIS SPECIAL WEEK IN MAY!

From 7 May until 12 May 2016 the villa offers a special program for couples that want to celebrate being together...1 year,50 years and all in between.With a personal ceremony for their relation or even a wedding or blessing ceremony in Hindu, Christian or Buddhist style.

A program for people who want to celebrate that in a specially decorated Villa Bukit Segara with old and new friends with a lot of activities and events.

For every couple we will make a program.Here is an example:

day 1:Day of arrival,meet other guests,relax with massage,swimming,snorkling , prepare for your ceremony day.



day2:Ceremony day. A ceremony will be held in the villa to celebrate your relationship...The form can vary from an informal event to a wedding ceremony in Christian or Hindu-style. Elements of your day:a dinner,dance,music,a party.

The other guests in the villa will celebrate this day with you.

- day 3:Day of contemplation.A day,with massage,yoga and meditation .

- day4: Day of sports and games.With a sailing match with Balinese fishermen,sportive trips in surrounding mountain area's,diving or snorkling.

- day5 : Meet the Balinese .Work on a sawah,help to prepare the Balinese rice table,visit a traditional village, a lectures and a movie about Balinese culture in the past.

-day 6 :Relax and departure.

The program can be adjusted to your own wishes.

You can also invite family and friends ,we can provide extra accommodation with next door hotels.

We offer this program to max 3 couples,who stayed before in the villa.More info and prices ? Sent an email to villabukitsegara@gmail.com(Komang)

See also "weddings and Events"on the website of the villa.

“AN AMAZING CEREMONY AND CELEBRATION.”

That were the words of Antonia and Thomas Logan about their wedding party in a review on Tripadvisor, 27 august 2015.

Antonia and Thomas are Americans, partly with Chinese background, working and staying in South Korea.

Their wedding party was a great success: a beautiful decorated villa, a ceremony in modern - hindu style, modern and traditional music, dinner and cocktails.

For the villa- staff and the balinese priest it was a pleasure to serve this wonderful couple, their family and friends.

