

VALOR TOURS, LTD.

focussed expeditions



11,000 Japanese troops awaited the 1st Marine Division on September 15, 1944, as they landed on the southwest corner of the island – Peleliu was the site of some of the bloodiest fighting of WWII. Though only five square miles in area, there were 20,000 casualties in only two months of fighting. The American drive was halted for a month on Umurbrogol Ridge (know as the Battle of Bloody Nose Ridge). Organized Japanese resistance ended on October 13, 1944, although some Japanese soldiers held out for the remainder of the war to harass American forces. The scars of war are still evident today with the rusting remains of tanks, Amtracs, a Zero, canteens, helmets and ammunition scattered in the jungle, and the huge blockhouse used as the 1st Battalion aid station, now a museum.

Return to Peleliu – March 14 to 20, 2012

Or as an optional extension off the Iwo Jima tour – March 14 from Honolulu, returning to Honolulu March 20

March 14 Depart Honolulu – meet up with Andy Giles and Iwo Jima passengers on Guam March 15

Depart Guam on 6:50pm flight to Koror, Palau, and arriving 7:50pm.

Transfer to Landmark Hotel in Koror for overnight.

March 16 - 18

A chartered boat will take us through the Rock Islands to Peleliu each day to explore Bloody Nose Ridge, the 81st Infantry monument, Japanese HQ's bunkers, site of the temporary military cemetery, WWII Memorial Museum, invasion beaches and the airfield, the strategic objective of the Peleliu campaign; Angaur. Three days and two nights at tourist class hotel accommodations on Peleliu.

March 18

Evening boat back to Koror. Transfer and overnight Landmark Hotel, Koror.

March 19

Full day tour of Koror includes the new National Museum, Cultural Center, new Capital Building, Japanese guns and shrines, old Japanese Pineapple plantation. Late evening transfer to airport for...

March 20

2:35am Depart Koror, arriving Guam 5:30am. Connect to CO #2 at 6:00am, arriving Honolulu 5:05pm March 19.

Cost of optional Peleliu extension from Guam \$1400.00 per person, twin share. Single supplement \$200.00. Terms and conditions set forth in Iwo Jima 2012 tour brochure apply. Peleliu only from Honolulu March 14, returning March 20, 2012 \$3100.00 per person, single supplement \$200. Questions? Call 1-800-842-4504.



Invasion beaches of Peleliu



Caves of Peleliu



Corsair crash site on Angaur