



UPDATE ON MOUNT AGUNG 03 JULY 2018

Dear Guests,

Mt Agung has had a series of effusive eruptions, starting yesterday 2 July at 21:04 WITA, and continuing this morning Tuesday, 3 July at 04:13 WITA, 9:28 WITA and 09:46 WITA.

Emissions of gas and ash occurred with altitudes ranging from 500 mtrs -2000 mtrs above the peak. The wind is bearing west (Gaia is north), and all major airports nearby, including Bali, Lombok and Banyuwangi airports, are operating as normal.

The series of eruptions are classified as “Strombolian”, weakly effusive with continual mild eruptions in which lava fragments are ejected. Eruptions are small to medium in volume, with typically minor amounts of volcanic ash. Last night, flares of incandescent lava were ejected out the crater to a distance of 2 km. These flares started forest fires around the crater, which images have been widely circulated on social media and **wrongly described as lava flows**.

The activity status of the volcano of Mt Agung remains unchanged at Level III (Standby). The danger zone remains within 4 km of the crater, far from Gaia. Please see the map below. Guests are reminded **not to go within the 4 km danger zone**, as eruption and ash emission may continue and eruptions may happen at any time.

Gaia-Oasis is monitoring flight alerts and ash reports daily. We have prepared a detailed options guide and we offer 1 night’s free stay should your flight be delayed due to Airport closure. Please refer to the Safety Folder in your room for more information re: volcano preparedness.

We emphasise that Gaia-Oasis is not in the path of the volcano;

We are in a Safe Evacuation Zone over 30kms NW of Mt Agung.

Gaia is only at low risk of ashfall, which generally does not pose any longer-term risks for people without chronic lung conditions or severe heart disease.

We will not be subject to volcanic gases, lava flow or any life-threatening situation.

Gaia receives updates within a short period of any major event from local authorities.

We will continue to keep you updated on important changes.



We ask for your prayers that the situation of Bali will soon return to normal

Om Shanti Shanti Shanti Om

Putu and the Gaia Oasis Team