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At Sea

After leaving Darwin and the Australian continent behind we continued into the Indian Ocean with a western course towards Lombok, Indonesia. The distance separating Darwin & Lombok is 952 nautical miles and we were cruising about 16. knots, it was a beautiful day at sea.

The Indian Ocean is located between Africa, Austral-Asia and the Southern Ocean. The name originates from the location around the Indian peninsula. The Indian Ocean is actually the youngest of the major oceans. It is the world's third largest ocean and covers 20% of the Earth's surface, after the Pacific and the Atlantic Oceans. The greatest width of the ocean is between western Australia and eastern coast of Africa: 1,000km.

The lowest point is in the Java Trench which is about 7,258 meters deep. The average depth is about 3,890 meters. The temperatures of the Indian Ocean depend on the location and on the ocean's currents, the nearer to the Equator the warmer the water tends to be. The temperatures of 28C higher is reached in coastal regions near the equator. On average the Indian Ocean has a minimum temperature of around 22C. However in the southern regions, nearer to the polar regions the temperatures drop drastically below 40 degrees latitude south.



Today was laundry day, pedicure/manicure/ ear waxing and tonight was suggested evening dress: Elegant.