

## SOLMAR V in GUADALUPE (sample itinerary)

**DAY 1** - Safety briefing, crew introduction, necessary dive paperwork, cabin allocation and ship orientation will take place before departing the Harbour.

Guests are picked up at the Hampton Inn, San Diego close to the airport and escorted safely down to Ensenada, Mexico in an air-conditioned coach. A beautiful, scenic drive down the coast once you get past all the Tijuana border traffic!

During the journey to our first dive site for a check dive, please take this opportunity to familiarize yourselves with the vessel and make yourself comfortable.

**DAY 2 – 4** - Most important diving in Guadalupe is all about seeing Great White Sharks. Great White Sharks are the largest predatory fish in the world. Their method for catching prey is successful due to their camouflage underwater: the top of their bodies looks as dark as the seabed when looking down on them and the underside of their bodies is as light as the surface from underneath.

The dive sites in Guadalupe contain a lot of prey, hence the main reason the great whites like to hang around! The waters are filled with elephant seals, sea lions and fur seals, all great food for the great whites to enjoy.

Divers and non-divers alike can observe these predatory giants from the safety of cages, submerged just below the water line, in a natural setting and with heart-stopping, fantastic opportunities to get some amazing photos for your album!

Scuba diving in Guadalupe is best enjoyed between July and November, when 171 different great whites have previously been counted during this season.

Solmar V drops the cages as soon as possible once you have arrived, with days 2, 3 and 4 spent cage diving with great whites. A 3-man cage is lowered to 30ft to give those brave enough a totally different perspective! You must be a certified diver for this cage, and you will be accompanied by one of Solmar V's shark experts.

You could even try the new self-propelled ocean cage (SPOC)! With a speed of 5 knots, allowing you to keep up with the pace of a great white, impossible when swimming or diving. Ideal for filming smooth shots from every single angle of the shark. The SPOC and its pilot will be available on every single Guadalupe trip, switching between Solmar V and the fleets other boat called Vortex. Limited to 4x 45min inmersions per day, the SPOC can be chartered privately for a full trip, or hourly without previous reservation.

**DAY 5** - Unfortunately our trip has come to an end and we have to say goodbye, but we hope to see you again soon!