



Diverse **Sinai Wreck and Reefs**

For wreck lovers we are concentrating on some of the best wrecks worldwide such as Dunraven, World War II wreck of Thistlegorm and the ship's graveyard of Abu Nuhas with Giannis D, Carnatic, Chrisoula K and the Kimon M.

You will Dive - Eat - Sleep - Repeat for one week with 20+ dives

Magnificent old and modern wrecks paired with the best reef diving in Ras Mohamed area

You need to be an Advanced Open Water certified diver with at least 20 logged dives as several penetration dives are planned. Local marine park fees EUR 75.

Sample Itinerary

We do not announce a day by day plan but set up the best plan to cover all sites in the area, avoiding crowded sites and taking weather condition and regulations into consideration.

Day 1 In the evening, starting from 18:00 H (6 PM) onwards transfer to New Marina (El Wataneya) port and embark. Welcome on board, cabin arrangement and boat briefing. Permission work with port authority, sailing very early next morning.

Days 2 to 7 Start with a check dive at nearby Temple or Ras Katy. Sail into the Gulf of Suez passing Yolanda Reef that is named after a 74 m long Cypriot freighter which struck the reef on the 1st of April 1980. The wreck laid partially submerged on the reef top until a storm caused it to drop. Most of the ship finally has fallen over the drop-off, leaving a huge scar in the slope between Shark and Yolanda Reef. Although, a quantity of the cargo remains for the amusement of the divers: bathtubs, toilets and bathroom fittings. Continue with the historical wrecks of Dunraven. Recovered in early 1970's, the more than 125 years old wreck is largely intact, totally covered in corals and rich in marine life.

The most famous of the Red Sea wrecks may be even worldwide is the Thistlegorm. The wreck first gained fame when Jacques Cousteau dived it in 1956 but left the actual location a mystery until it was rediscovered in 1992. Lying upright on the seabed at 33 m, the 127 m long and 18 m wide wreck is absolutely impressive. Close to Shaab Ali in the early hours of 22 February 1881, the 78 m long Kingston ran aground at the northern edge of the reef that is known as Shag Rock.

Crossing the Gulf of Suez will take you to Abu Nuhas, a paradise for wreck lovers which is best known for the abundance of ancient and modern wrecks that lie here: Giannis D, Carnatic, Chrisoula K and Kimon M. All are located on the northern side of the reef, a sandy seafloor at the bottom of a steep sloping coral reef filled with table corals. The reef is very exposed to the prevailing wind and waves and was named after the oldest wreck which was carrying copper (Nuhas in Arabic). Sailing over to Gubal Island and you find the little wreck of the Barge *). During the day the wide open wreck is covered in soft corals and fish life, at night it is entirely different and becomes an outstanding site. If weather permits, you can dive the Ulysses or the Rosalie Moller. Only two days after the sinking of the Thistlegorm, the Rosalie Moller was also lying at anchor when hit and went down upright. The location outside of Gubal Island is extremely exposed to the sea, wind, and waves. The dive is deep, bottom time is limited and visibility is lower than elsewhere, so this dive is definitely only for very experienced divers.

* Dive Sites in the area of Gubal Island may not be dived due to an order from the military. This affects the dive sites of Ulysses, Barge, Malak and the Rosalie Moller. It is unknown how long the restriction will be in place.

In between wreck dives you will also visit some outstanding reefs at Shaab Mahmoud and Ras Mohamed National Park.

Day 7 evening / Day 8 early morning The last night will be spent at or close to port on board the liveboard. Depending on the itinerary and/or administrative conditions, on week long safaris the last

night might be arranged in hotel. This is usually communicated in advance. Depending on your check out and flight time return to New Marina (El Wataneya) port and disembark. Transfer to airport or hotel, disembark till 12:00 H (noontime) latest.

[Click here for a map of the itinerary](#)

Important Info

You need to be at least an Advanced Open Water certified diver and have 20 logged dives. Advanced Open Water level is mandatory for wreck penetration dives and some of the more demanding sites visited on this safari, you must have dived in the last year and recorded this in your log book to join this safari, if needed a Scuba Review is available onboard.

The itinerary is an example so if you have a special wish for a certain place in this area just let your dive guide know. Liveaboard itineraries are subject to various unpredictable changes including weather conditions. All dives and especially some wreck dives are subject to divers experience and weather permitted. Live aboard itineraries depend on the Egyptian Government, Coast Guard and/or Marine Police approval. Every effort is made but we cannot guarantee diving at specific sites. The final decision lies with the captain and guide. Safety always comes first!

Included

Shared transfers to/from liveaboard at embarkation/disembarkation times
Transfers are as a round trip in the area of Sharm El Sheikh (from Hotel or Airport)

Accommodation in shared twin berth, double bed cabin or Master Suite according to booking

Full board: 3 meals, starting with dinner on arrival day, ending with brunch on last day
Snacks between meals and after dives - Water, Tea, Coffee and Soft Drinks throughout the day

Fuel surcharge *Should an additional and substantial increase be enforced by the government we keep the right to review rates.*

Excluded

Your liveaboard is leaving the Aqaba Coast and the area of Sharm El Sheikh. A **full Egyptian Visa** (cost 25 \$ - 01/2022) is **mandatory** to join this itinerary. Guests are responsible for checking with an Egyptian Embassy that, for the passport they hold, a visa can be issued on arrival in Egypt.

Mandatory Local Fees for National Park, Environmental & Departure Fees: 75 EUR per person per trip
*) *All fees according to local rules and regulations, changes are possible on short or even without prior notice*

Equipment Rental, 15 L Tanks, Twin Sets & Manifolds

Local Alcoholic Beverages, Espresso (if available) – Guest can bring own alcohol on board and consume after leaving port

Recommended gratitude for the crew and guides per guest: 70 EUR on week long safari.