DIVING
DEEP-SEA DISCOVERIES
The world's third largest barrier reef, countless blue holes, thriving coral reefs, and near-forgotten shipwrecks offer endless thrills for experienced and first-time divers. With visibility of up to 200 ft and warm waters through most of the year, The Bahamas stands without much competition as a leading dive destination.
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READERS’ CHOICE AWARDS

#1 Best Big Animals
#2 Best Cave Diving
#3 Best Overall Destination
#4 Best Snorkeling
#5 Best Value
TYPES OF DIVING
DIVING WITH SHARKS

Some of the most intimate and up-close shark diving in the world can be found in The Bahamas. From tiger shark dives in Freeport, silky sharks in Nassau, or hammerheads in Bimini, come face-to-face with these impressive predators.
TOP DIVE SITES
SHARK DIVING

Shark Buoy
NASSAU & PARADISE ISLAND

Shark Rodeo
THE ABACOS

The Oceanic Whitetips
CAT ISLAND
The two hour boat ride from Grand Bahama’s West End is well worth it for one of the most unique dive sites you’ll find. Divers kneel on the sandy bottom, only 33 feet deep, while Tiger Sharks swim around, quite at home.
The Bahamas boasts some of the healthiest coral reefs and most impressive wall dives in the region. From shallow reefs perfect for beginners, to the Andros Barrier Reef and the Tongue of The Ocean, an impressive 60,000 ft canyon, The Bahamas is a bucket list dive destination.
TOP DIVE SITES

REEF & WALL DIVING

Victory Reef
BIMINI

Amberjack Reef
THE EXUMAS

Devil’s Backbone
ELEUTHERA

Vicky’s Reef
SAN SALVADOR
ANDROS BARRIER REEF

Spanning a length of over 190 miles, the Andros Barrier Reef is the third largest fringing barrier reef in the world, and one of the healthiest thanks in large part to the protection of the North & South Marine Parks. Colourful corals and marine life are plentiful, a treat for both beginners and experienced divers.
The Bahamas is unique in the sheer amount and diversity of blue holes it offers. Not to mention, complex underwater cave systems centuries in the making, many of which remain unexplored. For advanced divers, these islands are an unexpected playground.
TOP DIVE SITES
BLUE HOLES & CAVE DIVING

Dean’s Blue Hole
LONG ISLAND

Pelican Cays Land & Sea Park
THE ABACOS

Ben’s Cave
FREEPORT

The Lost Blue
NASSAU & PARADISE ISLAND
Tucked under the cliffs of Clarence Town, Long Island is the second deepest blue hole in the world. With a depth of 202 meters and stunningly clear waters, it’s an otherworldly dive and the site of an annual free diving competition. On good days, divers enjoy visibility of up to 115 feet!
A good wreck is a great dive, and The Bahamas offers natural and artificial wreck dives for divers of all levels. Shallow wrecks, exposed to plenty of sunshine, feature abundant colourful fish life, while deep wrecks, visible from great distances thanks to unmatched visibility, beg to be explored.
TOP DIVE SITES
WRECK DIVING

HMS Conqueror
RUM CAY

Comberbach
LONG ISLAND

James Bond Wrecks
NASSAU & PARADISE ISLAND

SS Saponia
BIMINI
Two shallow dive sites near Nassau attract film buffs and curious divers alike. A 92-foot tug boat was deliberately sunk for the James Bond film Never Say Never. Today, with a maximum depth of 45 feet, it’s a striking scene for divers of all levels. Not far off, the metal framework of a Thunderball prop plane has since become home to colourful corals.
Life begins just BEYOND your comfort zone.
DIVING TIPS AND RESOURCES
SAFETY IN NUMBERS
Always dive with a dive buddy, never alone.

NO-FLY ZONE
Wait at least 24 hours after your last dive before flying out.

HYDRATION IS KEY
Drink plenty of water and use sunscreen between dives to avoid dehydration.

STUDY UP
If it’s been a while, consider taking a refresher course from a local licenced dive company.

COME PREPARED
Don’t forget to bring your C-card and logbook.

TAKE THE NIGHT OFF
Limit your alcohol intake the night before your dive.
As a leading dive destination, The Bahamas is home to some of the first—and best—hotels in the world specialised in scuba diving. Stay at one of these hotels for a seamless dive vacation.

Bahamas.com/hotels
Throughout our islands, dive shops love nothing more than to introduce travellers to the wonders that lay beneath the ocean’s surface. Find a dive shop and start planning your adventure.

Bahamas.com/plan-your-trip
Bahamas Diving Ambassadors have unique stories to tell. They know our waters intimately and welcome the chance to share their wisdom with fellow divers. Whether you’re dipping your toe in for the first time or you’ve been diving for decades, they’re ready with dive site suggestions, useful tips, and more than a few tales of adventure.

Meet The Divers
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