



TIGER BEACH & BIMINI SHARK ENCOUNTER



AN EPIC DIVE EXPEDITION THROUGH BIMINI AND TIGER BEACH

Dive into an extraordinary underwater adventure in the Bahamas, the kingdom of sharks. Between Bimini and Tiger Beach, immerse yourself in a spectacular aquatic world where marine predators reign supreme, offering a unique experience for divers seeking thrilling encounters and unforgettable moments with some of the ocean's most magnificent creatures.

- **10 NIGHTS : Up to 37 dives over 9 days included**
7 NIGHTS : Up to 25 dives over 6 days included
- **Minimum level required: Level 2, Advanced Open Water or equivalent + 50 logged dives**
- **Departure and return: Freeport**

HIGHLIGHTS:

- The sharks of tiger beach
- The magical reefs of Bimini
- The variety of shark species

Itineraries and dive sites cannot be guaranteed and may be modified according to seasons. The instructors, in consultation with the captain, select the best itineraries based on local conditions. We always strive to offer the best possible dives while maintaining high safety standards.



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Circuit and dive sites



Bimini and Tiger Beach offer some of the best shark diving in the world with excellent opportunities to see not only great hammerhead and tiger sharks, but Caribbean reef, nurse, bull and lemon sharks in abundance. Several coral encrusted wrecks and healthy, vibrant reef systems make this a varied and inspiring itinerary.

The Bahamas' 240,000 square miles of ocean are home to no fewer than 40 different species of shark, and **the world's third largest barrier reef**. Over the course of our trip, we will visit numerous sites throughout the Bimini island chain, as well as the world famous Tiger Beach which lays some 20 nautical miles north off the tip of Grand Bahama's West End settlement. **With both day and night diving offered, we will offer up to 5 dives a day and cover some 300 nautical miles over the pristine Bahamian waters.** Our trip will start, and finish in Freeport, Grand Bahama.

BIMINI

The Western most islands of the Bahamas, 50 miles from Miami, we will dive the best of what Bimini has to offer. Bimini is perhaps most famous, in the diving world, for its aggregations of **great hammerhead sharks** which return year after year throughout the Bahamian winter months. Anchored off South Bimini island, we will dive with the awe inspiring **great hammerhead, bull, nurse, and sometimes tiger sharks** in the shallow, crystal blue waters. Guests will have the opportunity to be within arms reach of these phenomenal animals, for photographers and observers alike, this will undoubtedly be a memory you'll retain for life.

Bimini has some of the **healthiest reef that the Bahamas has to offer**. Sitting on the edge of the Gulf Stream, we will explore the best of Bimini including Victory Reef, Tuna Alley, Turtle Rocks and Hawksbill Reef to name only four.

For the wreck enthusiast, we will visit possibly one of **the most unique wrecks in the world, the SS Saponna**, which sits in only 10' of water, but is home to a wealth of marine life, you can expect to see scores of crab, lobster, rays and various turtle species. Steeped

in history, this is one for everyone.

A deeper wreck, Bimini Barge, sits closer to 100' is home to an array of healthy coral, eels, parrot fish, and sometimes we'll spot a nurse shark taking some rest amongst the wreckage.

TIGER BEACH

Needing little introduction, **Tiger Beach is a site unlike any other in the world**. You can expect to see numerous large female tiger sharks as well as **bull, lemon, Caribbean reef, silky, and nurse sharks**. Following extensive safety briefings, guests will be given the opportunity to dive with these amazing animals in groups of up to 8, under the supervision of our expert dive team.

Because we take the safety of our guests and crew with the utmost seriousness, our shark dives will be conducted with strict rules following a set format. **Rest assured that you will be in good hands.**

WHILE TIGER BEACH IS KNOWN FOR ITS SHARK DIVING, THERE IS MUCH MORE TO SEE:



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MOUNT OLYMPUS

A giant large underwater coral pinnacle. Visible from satellite imagery, it's on the outer reaches of the Tiger Beach area. The peak of the coral pinnacle starts at about 18 metres (60ft) and drops off to over 450 metres (1,500ft). As a reef dive, this site is definitely one of the best dive sites in the Bahamas with awe-inspiring canyons of coral that dwarf the scuba divers. Occasionally there are hammerheads, manta rays, dolphins, turtles, and even tiger sharks cruising along the wall.

MINI WALL

'Mini Wall', or Shark Ledge as you may find it called in some guides, is exactly as it sounds. A beautiful ledge that drops from around 5 metres to 21 metres (approx. 15 - 70 feet). The site is covered in **a mix of healthy soft and hard coral**, and is patrolled by multiple Caribbean reef and lemon sharks, with an abundance of coral fish. Occasionally, you will also see turtles and eagle rays here. You may even be lucky enough to spot one of the large great hammerheads that also visit the area.

Safety first

All aquatic activities are under the supervision of a qualified instructor (CMAS or PADI) of the Seafari team. Before each activity Instructors on board will make a detailed presentation of the site, currents, wildlife and safety rules to be observed.

The choice of sites is at the discretion of the captain and Seafari Senior Instructor depending on the season and weather conditions.

The senior instructor may impose In water supervision or restriction from diving to any diver whose technical level is not sufficient to guaranty safe diving conditions.

*Have a great trip!
The Seafari team*

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