

Live Aboard Diving

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Agenda

Why are Live Aboards So Great?
Jim's Experiences
Pricing and Comparisons
Safety
Caveats
Recommended Gear

Great Diving



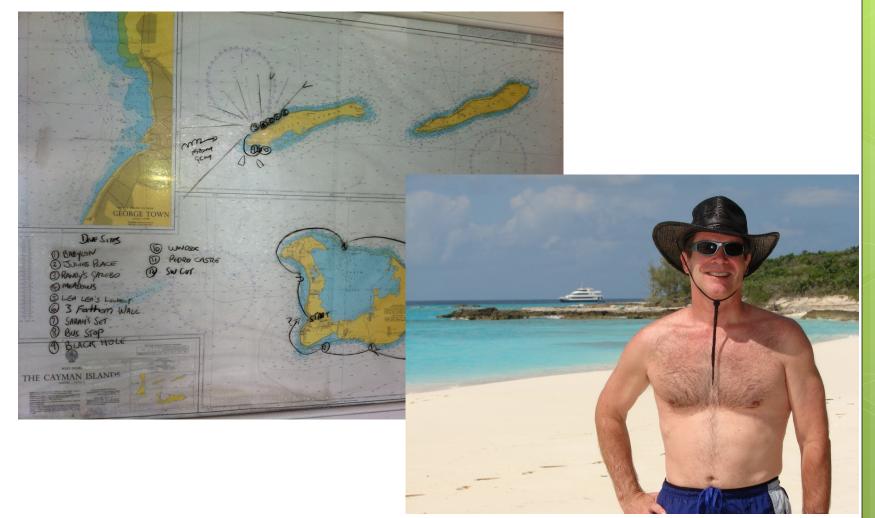


Great Food

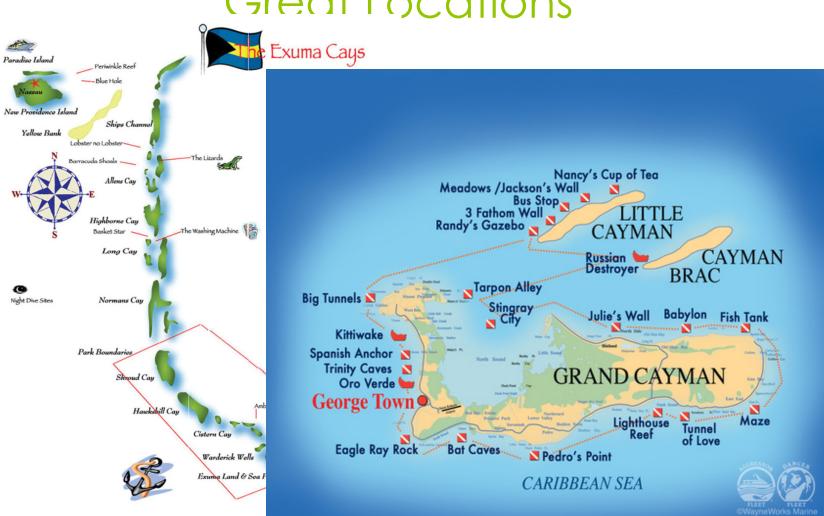




Great Locations



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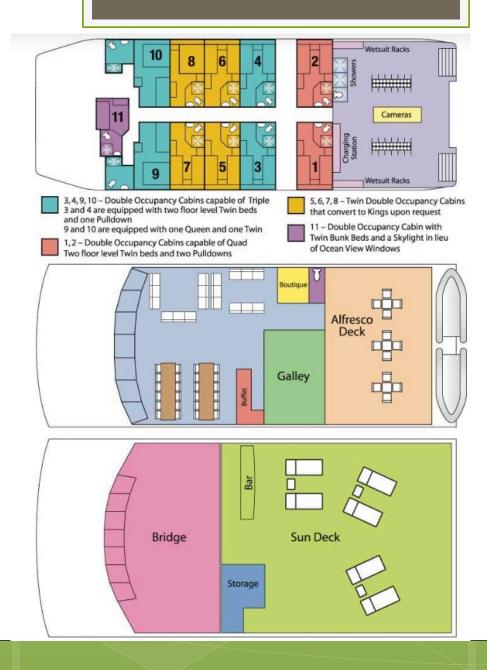
Great Crews

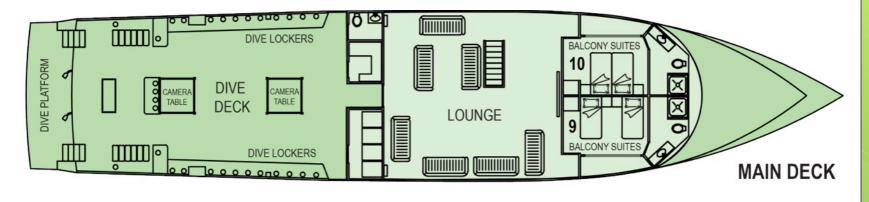


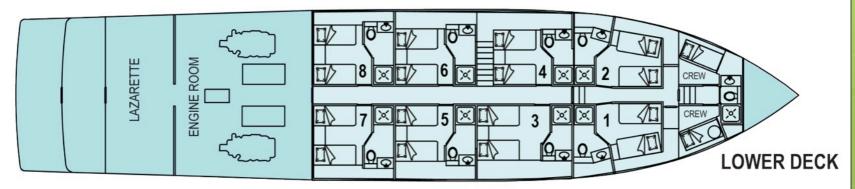
Comfort



AquaCat

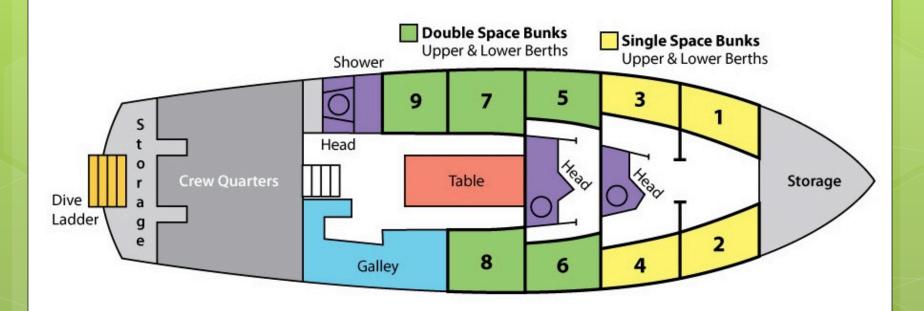






Cayman Aggressor V

Blackbeard "Low Frills"

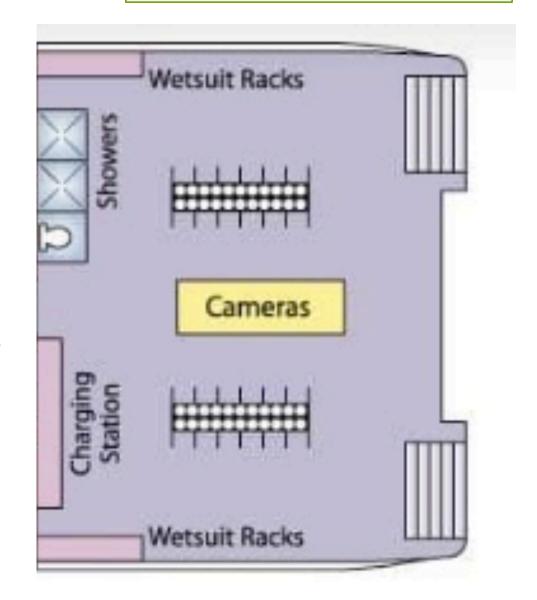


Lots of Easy Diving

Juliet Dive Deck



AquaCat Dive Deck



Self Serve Bars



Your Day

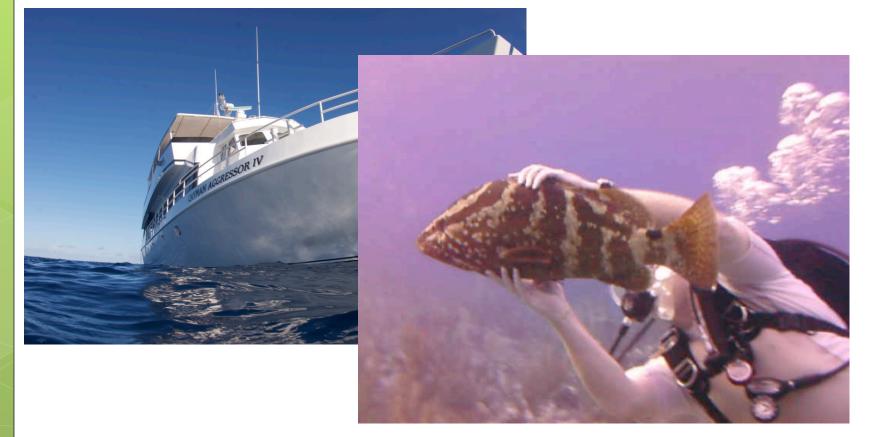
- Eat
 - Dive
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- Eat
 - Dive
- Drink
- Sleep

AquaCat 2010 – 21 dives

- Blue Holes
- Washing Machine
- Pillars
- Shark Feeding



Cayman Aggressor 2011 – 22 dives





Comparisons

Boat	Nights	Price PP	Sleeps	Travel Costs
Aquacat	7	\$2395	22	Medium
Cayman Aggressor	7	\$2995	20	Medium
Galapagos Aggressor	7	\$6595	16	High
Juliet	6	\$1690	12	Low
BlackBeard	6	\$1045	18	Medium

Additional costs: Tips, Nitrox, port fees, Travel

Safety







Caveats





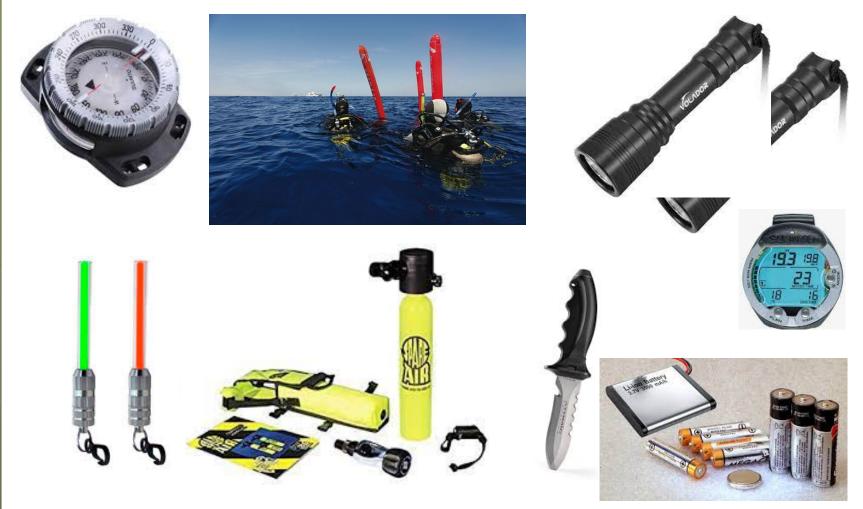
Advanced Open Water Diver

or equivalent from another training agency





Recommended Equipment



Summary

- Every diver should do at least one
- Will improve your confidence, experience and skill
- Will be a lot of fun