

THE VILLAGES SCUBA CLUB RETURNS TO BONAIRE!

Date: Sept. 5 - 12, 2026 (seven nights).

(changes made from the original Handout)

Join us on this fabulous ALL INCLUSIVE trip starting at only \$1602.00 pp/double occupancy! (Air travel not included.)



Our accommodations: Van Der Valk Plaza Beach Resort.

LAND PACKAGE INCLUDES (too good to be true but it is):

7 nights in your selected accommodation (see below).

Buffet style breakfast, lunch, and dinner (with live cooking stations). One full restaurant; and a beachside bar that serves small snacks and light meals during the day.

Unlimited drinks and alcohol (non-premium).

SIX-DAYS, 2-TANKS MORNING BOAT DIVING.

FIVE-DAYS, 1-TANK AFTERNOON BOAT DIVING.

NOTE: Boat dives include an underwater Dive Master guide. It is recommended, but not mandatory, that you follow the Dive Master.

Unlimited shore diving (except for arrival and departure days) from the sandy beach or dock on the premises.

I've been able to get Valet Diving included in the package cost at no extra cost this year. YEH!! In past years we had to pay extra. Once you bring your gear to the dive shop on day 1, the dive crew will set up your equipment, change it between dives, and

rinse and store it after the dives. **The diver is still responsible for double-checking their equipment before entering the water.**

Tanks, weights & weight belts.

FREE Nitrox upgrade (you must be certified).

Activities at the resort other than diving include: a huge pool, snorkeling, kayaking, beach volleyball, beach tennis, paddle boarding, and an on-site casino!

Round trip airport transfers from the Bonaire airport to and from the Resort.

All Resort taxes.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

All rooms include air-conditioning, a balcony or patio, satellite and national television, WiFi, a hot water boiler for tea or coffee (instant coffee only provided in the room), mini refrigerators, a hair dryer, and a safe deposit box. Price options are for scuba divers (NON-DIVERS CAN DEDUCT \$465.00) (room requests are **not** guaranteed, but I will do my best):

Option 1: Deluxe Room, Garden View (NEW) (closer to the restaurant) (king bed):

SINGLE: \$2311.00 pp DOUBLE: \$1602.00 pp

Option 2: Deluxe Room, Laguna (Harbor) View (NEW) (closer to the restaurant):

SINGLE: \$2626.00 pp DOUBLE: \$1759.00 pp

Option 3: Junior Suite Pool View **no longer available**. They're under construction.

Option 4: Grand Suite Laguna (Harbor) View (King or 2 Queen beds):

SINGLE: \$2311.00 pp DOUBLE: \$1602.00 pp

Option 5: Grand Suite Ocean View (King or 2 Queen beds):

SINGLE: \$2626.00 pp DOUBLE: \$1759.00 pp

Option 6: Also available are 2-bedroom, 1-bath apartments (Laguna View or Ocean View). Let me know if you're interested and I'll give you pricing.

NOTE: Participants must find their own roommates. I will help, but the final decision is up to you. If no roommate is found, the participant will need to pay the Single rate.

WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE LAND PACKAGE:

Air travel. United, Delta and American Air are options. Ask for my flights if you want to travel with a group. I usually fly American Air. United doesn't fly out on Saturday so you'd have to stay an extra night.

Tips for boat personnel. Please be generous. Customary recommended tip per diver is \$10.00 each tank for boat dives and \$5.00 each tank for shore diving.

Tips for restaurant personnel and housekeeping. Please be generous.

Car or truck. Your airline, or the tour desk at the resort, can help you handle rental.

NOTE: You don't really need a car/truck. There is great shore and boat diving right at the Resort. But, some people are "born to explore" other shore diving on the island.

A Marine Park Tag must be purchased online at stinapa.bonairenaturefee.org (\$45.00/divers; snorkelers must also pay) (price subject to change).

Visitor Entry Tax must be paid online at www.bonaireisland.com a few days prior to arrival (USD \$75.00)(price subject to change).

Dive gear (except tanks, weights and weight belt). You can rent dive gear.

Travel insurance (HIGHLY RECOMMENDED). I use D.A.N. Generali.

HOW TO RESERVE: DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENTS:

A \$200.00 **deposit** is due from each participant **NOW** to reserve your spot (**refundable based on the Cancellation Policy below**). **Final** payment is due on or before June 29, 2026.

Make checks payable to Joanne Sargent, and mail to 1732 Meadowlark Ave., The Villages, FL 32162. Or, please consider using Zelle (all you need is my name and phone number). Your payment will go directly to my dedicated Scuba Club account.

Let me know by email: (1) which suite option you're choosing, (2) for Grand Suite Laguna or Grand Suite Ocean option only, which bed configuration you request (king or 2 queens), (3) do you prefer first or second floor, (4) do you want to include valet diving (no extra charge), (5) will you be doing the free afternoon 1-tank boat dives, (6) will you be diving nitrox (no extra charge), (7) will you need to rent equipment (which and what size), (8) how much weight you anticipate using, and (9) if anyone in your room is a non-diver. Please help me out by providing ALL details. Don't make me chase you 😊.

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CANCELLATION POLICY

No penalty for rooms canceled outside of 60 days prior to arrival.

60 – 31 days prior to arrival = 25% of total cost nonrefundable.

30 – 15 days prior to arrival = 50% of total cost nonrefundable.

14 – 7 days prior to arrival = 75% of total cost nonrefundable.

Within 6 days prior to arrival = 100% non-refundable.

No refunds for un-used portion of package.

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