

Sudan 2 weeks- North from Port Ghaleb - Egypt



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Sample Itinerary from Scandinavia.

Please note that the itinerary can be changed and adjust because of the weather conditions, governmental regulations or other factors. Dive sites in this itinerary are subject to weather conditions. The last discretion is by your dive guides and vessel captain.

Day 1 : Departure Stockholm, Copenhagen or Gothenburg. Arrival Hurghada or Marsa alam. Transfer to Port Ghalib – Embarkation – Sailing at Night to Fury Shoel or St.John reef.

Day 2 : Check dive at Fury Shoel or St.John reef. Diving the whole day. Sailing after night dive to Shalalat reef.

Day 3 : Early morning dive at Shalalat reef. Sailing to Port Sudan.

Day 4 : Arriving early morning to Port Sudan for Visa Registration & local taxes payment (approx 2 - 3 hours), sailing to Umbria wreck for one or two day dives, one night & possible 2nd night dive after dinner.

Day 5 : Diving the whole day at Sanganeb reef (North & South plateau).

Day 6 : Early morning dive at North plateau of Sanganeb reef, then sailing to Shaab Rumi for second dive at "Cousteau Conshelf" and night dive.

Day 7 : Diving the whole day Shaab Rumi. Sailing early morning to Shab Suadi.

Day 8 : Early morning & morning dives at the Blue Belt (Toyota Wreck), third dive at the northern plateau of Shab Suadi, sailing at night to Angarosh reef.

Day 9 : Diving the whole day at Angarosh reef.

P.S : Sailing to Mesharifa for afternoon dive & overnight (only in October for the Manta season)

Day 10 : Sailing to Abington reef, diving the whole day, night dive and overnight.

Day11 : Sailing to Merlo reef, diving the whole day, night dive and overnight.

Day12 : Sailing early morning to Angarosh reef for 2 dives then Sailing to St.John reef.

Day13 : Depending on weather conditions and arrival time (one or two dives) at St.John reef , sailing to White Rock for afternoon & last dive, sailing to Port Ghaleb. last night hotel.

Day14 : Check-out and transfer to airport and flight back home.

Abington Reef

Marked by a lighthouse this reef only just breaks the surface. The reef is rectangular with strong currents to be found. If you like turtles then Abington reef is the place where you are likely to see these inquisitive creatures. They are truly delightful and seem to always enjoy having their photograph taken!

The reef is also well known to see schooling hammerhead sharks

Angarosh Reef

Angarosh means 'Mother of Sharks' and is appropriately named because of the number of sharks to be found in this area.

Angarosh has two plateaus, the shallower plateau going down to 25m and another plateau going down to 45m. Angarosh is a superb dive site to see and take pictures of sharks as they swim effortlessly around you , Also schooling of Barracuda may be seen here but the site is most famous for its Manta Ray.

The wreck of Umbria

The Umbria is the big crowd pleaser. World War 2 wreck with lots of munitions still onboard and 3 cars. We typically do one or two day dives and one or 2 night dives here.

Shaab Rumi

Some 25 miles North East from Port Sudan the reef here has a plateau at 9metres and a steep drop-off. This is where Jacques Cousteau and his team mounted an underwater base in order to study the effects of long term underwater stays of a diver once he was fully saturated with all the gases in his body. Hence the underwater expedition called 'Precontinent II' was set up in 1963.

The incredible outcome of this expedition was that once fully saturated, the diver could conceivably stay down forever given enough air to breath but what is truly incredible is that this experiment took place in 1963, by scientists who obviously had knowledge well beyond their years.

The remains of his expedition are still at this site and it is well worth a dive to take a look at the equipment which was left behind.

South of Sha'ab Rumi is a plateau which is about 23m deep. Here you will find numerous sharks, barracudas, jack fish, humphead parrot fish and almost anything else that you can imagine!

Sha'ab Rumi is a 'must' for all visitors!

The Sanganeb coral reef

Sanganeb is found about one and a half hours north of the "Umbria". This reef rises from 800m depth to the surface.

The Sanganeb coral reef is truly a beautiful place to dive or snorkel. The reef itself has one of the richest coral displays in the Red Sea.

The British built lighthouse is situated on the reef and close by there are caves and gullies for the avid diver to visit. There are two Sudanese men who take it in turns to live in the lighthouse (they rotate every 4/5 weeks) and love to welcome visitors. You can climb to the top of the lighthouse and look out over the coral reef which is crystal clear and an incredible sight to see.

Every person who has climbed the lighthouse comes back with a different number of stairs that they have climbed - they never seem to agree on the number of stairs that are in the lighthouse

You do not have to dive deeply to see the rich sea life and this is why Sanganeb is also great for snorkelling.

The South plateau on Sanganeb is a fabulous dive and soft and hard corals with schooling Jack, Barracuda, Tuna and Snapper are abundant. Grey reef sharks cruise close by you with the occasional White Tip reef shark swimming past. There are sometimes Hammerheads, Silky and Oceanic White Tips here as well as occasional Manta rays.

The North plateau is an outstanding dive. This is a deep dive with a lower plateau at 45m where schooling Hammerheads are common. It is normal to see Grey Reef Sharks, Silvertips and White tips here. Where the boat anchors inside the lagoon there is often a huge pod of dolphins and it is normal to snorkel amongst them