

# DIVING THE CARIBBEAN

Suggested Destinations







# SUGGESTED DESTINATIONS: DIVING THE CARIBBEAN & ATLANTIC OCEAN







# **AMONG THE SUN-KISSED** ISLANDS IN THE CARIBBEAN SEA AND ATLANTIC OCEAN THERE ARE MULTIPLE BEAUTIFUL. **ACCESSIBLE DIVE LOCATIONS PACKED WITH MARINE LIFE AND AMAZING VISUAL DELIGHTS!**

The British and American Virgin Islands host some of the most colourful species in unspoilt waters on earth and diving is simply a must!

From Antiqua to St Lucia, St Thomas to Barbados, Aruba, Grenada and Curação to Bonaire; we cannot wait to show you the stunning beauty that lies in the waters that you will be sailing on board Lady J.

### ST. THOMAS

If you are interested in wreck diving; St Thomas has over a dozen of its own! And with over 500 different species of fish, 40 types of coral and hundreds of invertebrates, it's a superb location to explore the underwater world. Here you can dive with vibrant Blue Tang (Dory Fish), Silvery Jacks, Queen Triggerfish, Spotted Eagle Rays, Hawksbill, Green and Leatherback Turtles plus much more!

A couple of great wreck dives in St Thomas include the two Navy Barges which housed men during WWII, these were sunk deliberately for diving purposes and now sit abundant with life including colorful Christmas Tree Worms (a personal favorite) and Clinging Crabs! Another is the Wit Shoal 11 Navy tank-landing Ship; again, sunk intentionally in 1985 which now provides a home to many beautiful corals and large shoals of fish including Barracuda, Snapper and Grouper!

Further to the wrecks and beautiful reef, St Thomas has amazing black rock arches and lava tubes indicative of the volcanic origin of the islands. You can dive through series of tunnels, under overhangs and through valleys (all depending on your experience and interest levels); all the while feasting your eyes on bright cup corals, boulders and gorgonian patches where Moray Eels and Spiny Lobster hide out! Cow and Calf is a great beginners dive site with great topography, we can scout for grey reef sharks here too!

You can expect the water to sit in St Thomas at (a very comfortable) 26 to 29 degrees with visibility ranging from 60-90 feet (depending on the weather), all making for a stress-free adventure!

## **BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS**

To see a fantastic natural wreck we recommend visiting the RMS Rhone, this was a UK Royal Mail Ship owned by the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company (RMSP). She was wrecked off the coast of Salt Island in the British Virgin Islands on 29 October 1867 in a hurricane, killing 123 people. She is now a popular Caribbean wreck dive site.

### ST. LUCIA

Have you ever thought about visiting St Lucia? The twin volcanic spires of the Piton Mountains? It's surrounded by miles of unspoiled rainforest however it's the underwater seascapes that will amaze you! You can dive pinnacles covered by life and brilliant colors. You can find coral reefs, sheer walls and shipwrecks! Drift through Soufriere Marine Park marvelling at the beauty



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and diversity of the protected area. The natural charm of Saint Lucia provides the perfect backdrop for adventure and exploration.

Anse Chastanet located in the Marine Park is a shallow reef great for diving and snorkelling, it's the perfect spot for taking photos and making memories! Lesleen M (another dive site here) is a 50 meter Freighter sunk in 1986, it lays at 18 meters and provides an artificial reef great for spotting juvenile fish and Hawksbill Turtles!

If you love Turtles, we suggest taking you to Turtle Reef afterwards! Or alternatively to Anse La Raye Wall; superb for spotting Rays and Seahorses! This is a great Drift Dive rich in color and life!

# CAYMAN ISLANDS, MEXICO, BELIZE, HONDURAS, BAHAMAS, TURKS & CAICOS, BERMUDA, GRENADA AND BEYOND.

For some of the best "Wall Diving" & "Drift Dives" we would also recommend the Cayman Islands, Mexico, Belize,

Bahamas or even Turks & Caicos! St Croix's north shore has a dive site called Salt River Canyon, it's a site with two walls facing each other across a quarter mile of blue water! There is nothing more breathtaking than gliding along in the blue following a reef or wall peppered with bright colors and amazing creatures.

For more "Wreck Diving" you must visit Bermuda & Grenada! We'd love to share the sites here with you!

For larger life, we suggest visiting the Bahamas, Belize, Cayman Islands or/ and Honduras! Here you can find Whale Sharks and Hammerheads! The world really is your oyster when sailing and diving the Caribbean Ocean and we will make sure you see the best!

It's a known fact that Utila in Honduras has the most spectacular diving in the world, it is located along the second largest barrier reef with diverse diving for all skill levels!

For shore dives Bonaire is renowned, there is great macro diving and the

visibility is insane! However there is also a hidden secret for Bonaire...
Klein Bonaire, a small uninhabited island off the coast, home to over 20 amazing dive sites! Near Bonaire, you have Curaçao, the Superior Producer is a large cargo freighter sunk in 1977 from carrying too much cargo, it sits perfectly upright at around 30 metres/100 feet where Great Barracuda can be found and schooling Tarpons! Night dives are also amazing here, the Tarpons will use your dive lights to hunt for smaller fish; making for perfect entertainment as we go!

If you are interested in diving and exploring we here at Lady J couldn't be happier to be the ones to take you!

The above recommendations are only diving destinations suggestions and can be selected and specified to fit the charterer's wishes. Contact your Favorite Charter Broker for booking availability.