

Adventure-Focused Itinerary

7 DAYS OF DIVING, SNORKELING & EXPLORATION | ABOARD PURELYBLU

Perfect for: Divers, snorkelers, freedivers, and active travelers seeking underwater adventures, marine encounters, and exploration of hidden gems in the Exumas.

Day 1 – Arrival & Dive Briefing

STANIEL CAY | ORIENTATION

- Arrive Staniel Cay Airport (TYM), transfer to PurelyBlu
- Board vessel, meet Captain Sammy and crew
- **Comprehensive dive briefing:** Equipment check, safety protocols, dive sites overview
- Review Nitrox compressor use and dive planning
- Gear fitting and buoyancy check (optional warm-up dive)
- Sunset snorkel at nearby reef
- Welcome dinner with dive plan discussion

Overnight: Staniel Cay

Day 2 – Thunderball Grotto & Wall Diving

WORLD-CLASS REEF SYSTEMS

- **Morning:** Scuba dive Thunderball Grotto
 - Swim through underwater caves and tunnels
 - Encounter massive schools of tropical fish

- Explore James Bond filming location underwater
- Surface interval: Lunch aboard, tank fills with Nitrox compressor
- **Afternoon:** Wall dive at nearby drop-off
 - Vertical wall plunging 100+ feet
 - Eagle rays, nurse sharks, barracuda common
 - Pristine coral formations
- Optional: Third dive/night dive (blacktip reef sharks)
- Dive log review and photo sharing

Overnight: Near Thunderball Grotto

Day 3 – Freediving & Spearfishing

UNDERWATER SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

- **Morning:** Freediving clinic with Captain Sammy
 - Breath-hold techniques and safety
 - Progressive depth training (20-60 feet)
 - Practice at sunken plane wreck (10 feet)
- Brunch aboard with Nitrox tank refills
- **Afternoon:** Spearfishing expedition (in season, with Bahamas license)
 - Target lionfish (invasive species)
 - Sustainable reef fish hunting
 - Captain Sammy demonstrates techniques
- Chef prepares your fresh catch for dinner
- Evening: Nurse shark encounter at Compass Cay Marina

Overnight: Compass Cay

Day 4 – Exuma Cays Land & Sea Park

PROTECTED MARINE SANCTUARY DIVES

- **Dive 1 (Morning):** Warderick Wells North Wall
 - No-fishing zone = abundant marine life

- Sea turtles, groupers, and reef sharks
- Pristine coral coverage (healthiest in Bahamas)
- Surface interval: Hike Boo Boo Hill for panoramic views
- **Dive 2 (Afternoon):** Coral Gardens
 - Shallow reef dive (20-40 feet)
 - Macro photography opportunities
 - Eel gardens and cleaning stations
- Optional: Sunset underwater scooter exploration (Sublue Navbow+)
- Stargazing from cockpit (zero light pollution)

Overnight: Warderick Wells

Day 5 – Blue Holes & Drift Diving

ADVANCED ADVENTURE DIVES

- **Morning:** Blue hole exploration
 - Dive the mysterious blue hole formation
 - Experience halocline (freshwater/saltwater boundary)
 - Explore cavern system (within recreational limits)
- Lunch and tank refills
- **Afternoon:** Drift dive through current-rich channel
 - Effortless drift over vibrant reefs
 - High chance of pelagic fish encounters
 - Captain Sammy coordinates boat pickup
- eFoil lessons during surface intervals (Lift5 electric hydrofoil)
- Evening: Review dive footage and plan tomorrow's sites

Overnight: Shroud Cay

Day 6 – Wreck Diving & Shark Encounter

ULTIMATE UNDERWATER PHOTO OPS

- **Morning:** Sunken drug plane dive (iconic Exumas site)
 - Twin-engine plane resting in 10 feet of water
 - Perfect for photography and videography
 - Multiple angles and swim-throughs
- Brunch at Staniel Cay Yacht Club (optional)
- **Afternoon:** Shark dive at designated site
 - Caribbean reef sharks and nurse sharks
 - Safe observation and photography
 - Captain Sammy's expert guidance
- Final tank refill, gear cleaning and maintenance
- Celebration dinner: Chef's special menu with fresh lobster (in season)
- Share dive logs and favorite moments

Overnight: Staniel Cay

Day 7 – Departure

FAREWELL TO PARADISE

- Leisurely breakfast aboard
- Finalize dive logs and certifications (if applicable)
- Pack dive gear and personal items
- Disembark by 10:00 AM
- Transfer to Staniel Cay Airport (TYM)

Diving Details & Safety

Equipment Included

- **Onboard Nitrox compressor** (unlimited fills for certified Nitrox divers)
- BCDs, regulators, dive computers (if needed)
- Masks, fins, snorkels
- Weight belts and weights
- Safety sausages and dive lights
- 2× Sublue Navbow+ underwater scooters

Certification Requirements

- **Minimum:** Open Water Diver certification (or equivalent)
- **Recommended:** Advanced Open Water for blue holes and drift dives
- **Nitrox certification required** for Nitrox diving
- Current dive insurance strongly recommended
- Dive medical clearance within past 12 months

Safety Protocols

- All dives planned conservatively using dive computers
- Captain Sammy (PADI Divemaster) supervises all dive operations
- Oxygen and first aid kit onboard
- VHF radio contact with Staniel Cay medical center
- Emergency evacuation plan in place

What's Included

- Unlimited scuba diving for certified guests (up to 3 dives/day)
- Nitrox fills (for certified Nitrox divers)
- Dive site selection and planning with Captain Sammy
- All dive equipment (BYO gear welcome)
- Underwater photography tips and guidance
- Spearfishing equipment and licenses (in season)

Not Included

- Dive certifications or training courses (can be arranged separately)
- Personal dive computers (recommended to bring your own)
- Underwater camera rental (GoPros available on request)

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