





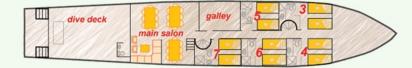
## ABOUT EXPLORER II® LIVEABOARD

The Explorer II comfortably accommodates 20 passengers in 10 double staterooms, each of which has private bathroom facilities, individually controlled air conditioning, hanging closet and wardrobe. The air-conditioned main salon on the main deck includes dining tables, TV, CD/DVD, video library and lounge area.

A large sundeck with lounge chairs and buffet area is located off the upstairs deckhouse, which contains two additional passenger staterooms, pilothouse, and Captain's cabin. A large, awning-covered flybridge with wet bar, barbecue, and seating for 12 to 15 is accessed from the sun deck as well. The dive deck is equipped with a bathroom, individual gear bins, camera table, recharging station, air and nitrox filling stations, tank racks, freshwater showers, and a separate freshwater rinse stations for both scuba and underwater camera equipment. There are two large stairways accessing the dive platform, where two in-water ladders hang for easy access to and from the water. The Turks & Caicos Explorer II is also equipped with a satellite telephone for outgoing calls worldwide.

Aboard the Turks & Caicos Explorer II, evening meals usually consist of lots of fresh vegetables, rice, pasta, chicken, beef, turkey, pork, and fish. Breakfast is the usual fare of eggs, bacon, pancakes, French toast, muffins, Danish, and fresh fruits. Lunches vary from soup and sandwiches, burgers, pasta, assorted salads, and quiche. Homemade baked breads, cookies and brownies are offered between dives. If you have any dietary restrictions or requests, please indicate so on your application form.

### **MAIN DECK**



# **BOAT DECK**



# LOWER DECK



NEED GEAR? Email Devin to coordinate rental gear from our NY or CA dive shops prior to the trip, or onboard the Explorer II. All trip guests get 10% OFF your next full-priced gear purchase with code TURKS10 and 20% OFF your next full-priced wetsuit purchase with code TURKS20 in store or via our phone sales team at 212.645.1234.

## **DEVIN HOAG**

YOUR SCUBA.COM INSTRUCTOR ESCORT

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Contact details will be provided closer to the trip date. Download WhatsApp before the trip to communicate freely via text with Devin while in Turks & Caicos

#### TRIP INCLUDES

- 8 days / 7 nights aboard the Turks & Caicos Explorer II<sup>®</sup>
- 5 1/2 days of diving (up to 5 dives daily) - including night dives
- · Scuba.com Instructor Escort
- Accommodation, meals, snacks, and alcohol/non-alcohol beverages
- Opportunities to dive Providenciales, West Caicos, and French Caye
- Around-the-clock service from a fun, experienced, and English-speaking crew
- Diving amenities including camera table, and rental equipment
- Scuba.com Swag Bag & Group T-Shirt
- Dive Green & Green
  Fins sustainability

#### TRIP DOES NOT INCLUDE

- × Flights
- x Port Fees: \$95 USD per person
- x Departure tax
- Fuel Surcharge: \$160 USD per person
- Crew gratuities
- Photographic and/or scuba instruction
- x Optional island tours
- x Dive gear rentals (other than tanks, weights and weight belts)
- x Retail sales (shirts, scuba accessories, etc.)
- × Nitrox Fills (\$150/week)

## **ABOUT TURKS & CAICOS**

Crystalline turquoise waters and white sand beaches are trademarks to the over forty islands and cays that make up the 'Beautiful by Nature' Turks & Caicos Islands. A British Overseas Territory located in the North Atlantic, and geographically part of the Bahamas islands chain, TCI is composed of two island groups: the Turks Islands and the Caicos Islands. There are 8 major islands, of which 6 are inhabited. Providenciales is home to the majority of the population and most of the development in the country. Turks & Caicos is a mecca for scuba divers. The group of idyllic Caribbean islands is surrounded by dream-like turquoise waters containing over 1,000 square miles of vivid coral reef, dramatic walls, and a thriving Caribbean reef shark population.

## **ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE**

Arrival Airport: Providenciales International Airport (PLS)

The boat is currently scheduled to depart from the Marina at South Bank (Caicos Marina and Shipyard), Providenciales at 3pm on August 2nd. You should schedule your flight's arrival with enough time to get to the marina and board on time. Please note the vessel may depart early due to tides or weather and the exact departure location might change.

If you are staying on the island, please check in with the vessel on Saturday morning to determine when and where to meet the boat. If you are arriving on Saturday, you will be met at the airport by a local driver who will be aware of the boat's location (transfer is at an additional cost). If you are not met at the airport and are unsure where to meet the boat, simply ask your cab driver to call the boat's cell phone number or VHF Channel 16 and ask for instructions. Cab fares can vary but generally are up to \$45 each way for up to 2 people, and up to \$25 for each additional person. We will provide the boat's cell phone number prior to departure.

The Turks & Caicos Explorer II arrives back in Providenciales midday Friday and docks until Saturday morning. Transportation will be provided for a casual dinner on Friday evening. Passengers stay aboard the boat ends at 9am Saturday. There will be enough time to catch a flight out on Saturday.

# DAILY CRUISING & DIVE DETAILS

- 4-5 daily dives
- Up to 27 dives total
- Water Temp: 82°F/27°C
- Water Visibility: Avg. 100ft
- · Air Temp: 90°F/32°C

#### TRAVEL TIPS

#### **ELECTRICITY**

120v, 60Hz electricity and U.S. style power plugs. No adapters or converters are needed for American visitors.

#### **WEATHER**

Tropical climate, warm temperatures year-round with an average of 90°F/32°C in August.

#### **CURRENCY**

US dollar

# LANGUAGE

English

#### **PASSPORTS**

Don't forget to check your expiration date prior to departure!

## TIME DIFFERENCE

Turks & Caicos is set Eastern Standard Time and 3 hours ahead of Pacific Standard Time.



## SATURDAY, AUGUST 2ND

- · 3pm: Guests began to board\*
- 6:30pm: Dinner
- 8pm: Captain's Briefing

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 3RD

- · Cruise to Provo's Northwest Point
- 4 to 5 dives
- · Night spent at mooring

# MONDAY, AUGUST 4TH

- · 2 morning dives at Northwest Point
- · 2-hour trip to West Caicos & 3 dives
- Night spent at mooring

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>

- Up to 5 dives at West Caicos
- Night spent at mooring

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6™

- · 2 dives at West Caicos
- Transit to French Cay & 3 dives
- · Night spent at mooring

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 7TH

- 5 dives at French Cay
- Night spent at mooring

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 8TH

- Dawn dive and morning dive at French Cay
- 2-hour trip back to port
- Dinner ashore, with the night spent aboard the vessel

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 9TH

- · 7am 8:30am: Continental breakfast
- · 9am: Guests depart vessel

\*Please note due to tides, weather, the vessel's size, and available facilities in Providenciales, the location and departure schedule of the vessel may change. This itinerary is an example only and will change depending on weather and logistics at the Captain's discretion

All tank and weights rentals are included in your ticket price. Additional scuba equipment rentals are available through Scuba.com NYC or CA for you to pick up before your trip, or locally onboard the Turks & Caicos Explorer II.

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