



PRE-TRIP INFO

All Star
Cat Ppalu

TRIP INFO

- Trip Duration:** Saturday - Friday (6 nights)
Boarding: Saturdays at 12:00pm
Disembarking: Fridays by 9:00am
 – Individual Booking = Up to 4 dives/day –
 – Full Charter = Flexible itinerary! –

US OFFICE CONTACT INFO

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DIVING INFO

- Number of Dives:** Up to 19 (weather permitting)
Difficulty Level: Suitable for all skill levels!
First Dive: Saturday afternoon/evening (shallow, easy refresher dive)
Last Dive: Thursday late morning (so you can fly out after disembarking on Friday)

ITINERARY

Best of the Exuma Cays

The Exuma Cays are home to some of the best reefs and shore excursion opportunities in the Bahamas. Dive site variety, sharks, and easy diving conditions are the highlights of this itinerary. Eleuthera is often included on these trips depending on weather conditions.

ITINERARY DETAILS

- Water Temps:** 72-87F / 22-30C
 View chart on pg. 3 for monthly avg temps
Dock: Nassau Harbor Club - Nassau
 - Passport Required -
Airport: NAS (Lynden Pindling Intl Airport)

ECO-ADVENTURES

Usually 1-2 eco-adventures are offered per week, but more are possible on full charter reservations.

Possible Adventures*

- Pristine Beaches
- Feed Iguanas on Allen's Cay
- Snorkeling
- Camp Driftwood
- Keg Rodeo
- Plus many more!

*weather permitting

CANCELLATION POLICY

In the event the participant cancels **at least 6 months prior to departure**, the deposit will be refunded less a 5% fee. If cancelled less than 6 months prior, all payments are forfeited unless the trip departs full. The 5% fee applies to all refunds.

If a named storm affects your trip, we will issue a credit with no expiration date for future travel based on missed dives, but there will be no refund. **We strongly recommend trip insurance.**

BOARDING

Cat Ppalu begins boarding at 12:00pm on Saturday, and we shove off by 3:00pm (unless unforeseen circumstances occur). **Your flight should land by 1:00pm at the latest**, or plan to arrive the day before. We'll need those three hours to get you checked in, briefed, unpacked, and lunch served before we throw the lines and set off for the adventure!



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FAQS

Familiarize yourself with our [FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS](#).

- Where should I stay if I arrive early?.....Visit [this page](#) for our hotel suggestions.
- What time do we disembark Cat Ppalu?.....By 9am on Friday.
- What size tanks are available?.....63CF (9L) and 80CF (12L), subject to availability.
- Are drinks included?.....Yes! Rum drinks, vodka, beer, and wine are available.
- Is there Wi-Fi onboard?....Yes, the vessel is equipped with complimentary satellite Internet.
- What if I have a special dietary request?.....Make sure to put it on your Trip Application.

DIVING/TRIP INSURANCE

It is strongly recommended for all passengers to purchase trip insurance to protect you in case of cancelation, interruption, weather delays, or other unforeseen circumstances. It is also recommended for all divers to have dive accident insurance. We suggest [DiveAssure](#) (annual dive insurance and travel insurance), [Travelex](#) (travel insurance with optional Adventure Sports coverage), and [DAN Short-Term](#) (dive accident coverage for specific dates).

GROUND TRANSFERS

Transfers are not included. Transfers cost \$18.00 per person per pick-up or \$36.00 per person for round-trip between the airport and dock. Transfers must be arranged before the Wednesday prior to departure. If you choose not to arrange transfers through us, taxis are readily available. **(Airbnb and VRBO properties are NOT eligible for transfers.)**

SAMPLE ITINERARY

Saturday

Board 12pm, check in, lunch, unpack, safety briefing, depart by 3pm for the Exuma Cays. During long summer days, we can offer 1 check-out dive upon arrival in the Exumas.

Sunday-Wednesday

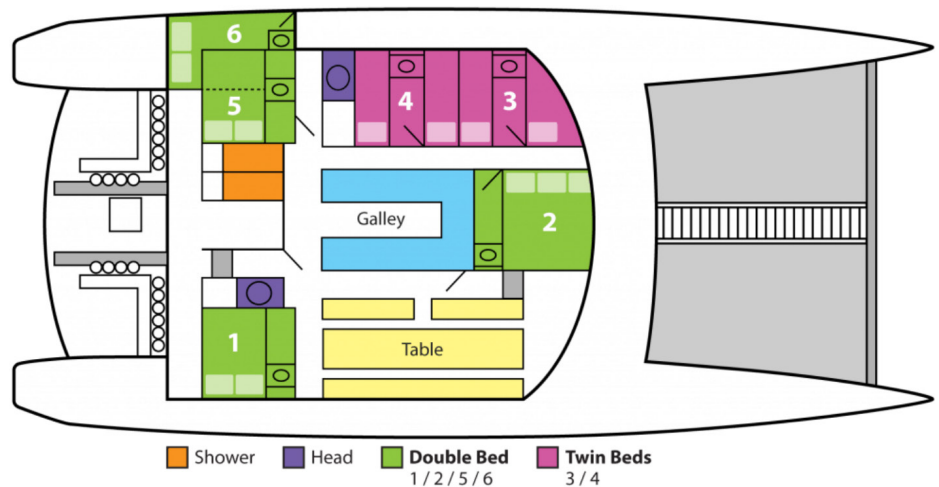
3 daytime dives and 1 night dive per day/night in the Exuma Cays and/or Eleuthera.

Thursday

2 daytime dives, return to Nassau 2pm-5pm depending on weather and travel distance, port night in Nassau with dinner onboard. The evening is yours to enjoy on your own in Nassau!

Friday

Disembark vessel by 9am. Fly out any time on Friday or later thanks to 24 hours no-fly time built into the schedule.





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WHAT TO PACK

A suggested checklist of what to bring can be viewed [here](#). For shore excursions, we highly recommend proper footwear. Flip flops are not suitable. We suggest water shoes or TEVA type sandals. Sneakers are fine, but they might get wet! Please remember that it gets chilly on the water, especially at night. Pack warm clothes and an adequate wetsuit to avoid being cold. If our 3mm rentals are insufficient, your local dive shop likely has thicker suits for rent.

Personal Items

- Passport
- Money
- Refillable Water Bottle
- Sunscreen
- Motion Sickness Meds
- Any Other Meds
- Toiletries
- Chargers (US-Style Outlets)

Dive Gear

- Certification Card(s)
- Mask
- Fins
- Snorkel
- Logbook
- Computer
- Wetsuit
- BCD
- Regs & Gauges
- Dive Light
- Tank Light
- Dry Bag

Clothes

- Bathing Suits
- Hat
- Sunglasses
- Rain Jacket
- PJs
- Socks
- Casual Shorts/Sweats/ Tees
- Flip-flops/Sandals
- WARM Clothes (Sweater, Coat, Sweatpants, Beanie, etc.)

To Be Stored

- Suitcases
- Nonessentials

Optional Fun

- Camera
- Book

NOT to Bring

- Tanks
- Weight Belt or Weights

Month	Water Temp. (F/C)	Air Temp (F/C)	Wetsuit Recommendation
January	72-75 / 22-24	72-80 / 22-27	Full Wetsuit 5mm
February	72-75 / 22-24	72-80 / 22-27	Full Wetsuit 5mm
March	73-77 / 23-25	72-85 / 22-29	Full Wetsuit 5mm
April	75-79 / 24-26	76-90 / 24-32	Shorty or Full
May	77-80 / 25-27	80-90 / 27-32	Skin or Shorty
June	79-81 / 26-27	80-90 / 27-32	Skin or Shorty
July	83-87 / 28-30	80-90 / 27-32	None
August	83-87 / 28-30	80-90 / 27-32	None
September	83-87 / 28-30	80-90 / 27-32	None
October	78-82 / 26-28	76-90 / 24-32	Skin or Shorty
November	75-80 / 25-27	72-85 / 22-29	Shorty or Full
December	73-78 / 24-26	72-85 / 22-29	Full Wetsuit 5mm



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GEAR RENTALS

Dive tanks (63 & 80 - depending on availability) and weights/weight belts are provided. The following is available to rent onboard. For more information about gear rentals on Cat Ppalu, visit [this page](#).

Regulator.....	\$50/week
Dive Computer.....	\$50/week
Dive Light.....	\$30/week
Wetsuit (full-length 3mm only).....	\$35/week
BCD.....	\$50/week

DIVE COURSES

For more information about our onboard dive instruction, visit [this page](#). Ask upon boarding whether any other specialties are offered by the crew of your charter.

Open Water Checkouts	\$100
Advanced Open Water.....	\$150
Deep Diver.....	\$125
Night Diver.....	\$125
Discover Scuba.....	\$125

We recommend doing e-learning for your course rather than using physical course materials. If you begin a certification with a dive shop, you must get a referral letter from the shop so we can complete the certification. You must complete the medical form (with doctor's signature if necessary) to bring with you in order to take a course onboard.

A GUIDE TO CREW GRATUITIES

The liveaboard dive business is a service industry, and although the general public is seldom aware of it, **gratuities are a major part of a crewmember's salary**. We have found few other recreational activities where the general public relies so heavily on the professionals in charge for their enjoyment and safety.

Besides being at the mercy of Mother Nature, the quality of your experience is based on the people who provide it. The crew is generally multi-talented and does several jobs onboard. If the service is great, the dive sites are outstanding, the food hot and plentiful.... don't forget who made it possible.... the crew!!! They make the difference that really counts.

If the service is acceptable, **it is not unusual for satisfied customers to tip 15% of the trip value**. If you are disappointed with the service in any way, please inform the captain of your feelings so we may rectify the situation immediately. Our mission is to provide you with an enjoyable vacation!

The crew looks forward to welcoming you aboard for a great week of diving and exploring the Exuma Cays with them!