

Buddy Dive



Your Buddies on **BONAIRE**



Our Favorite...

Dive sites | Restaurants | Activities | Courses | Things to pack





Your Buddies on Bonaire



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**MORE THAN
60 DIVE SITES
TO EXPLORE
FROM SHORE!**

DIVING ON BONAIRE

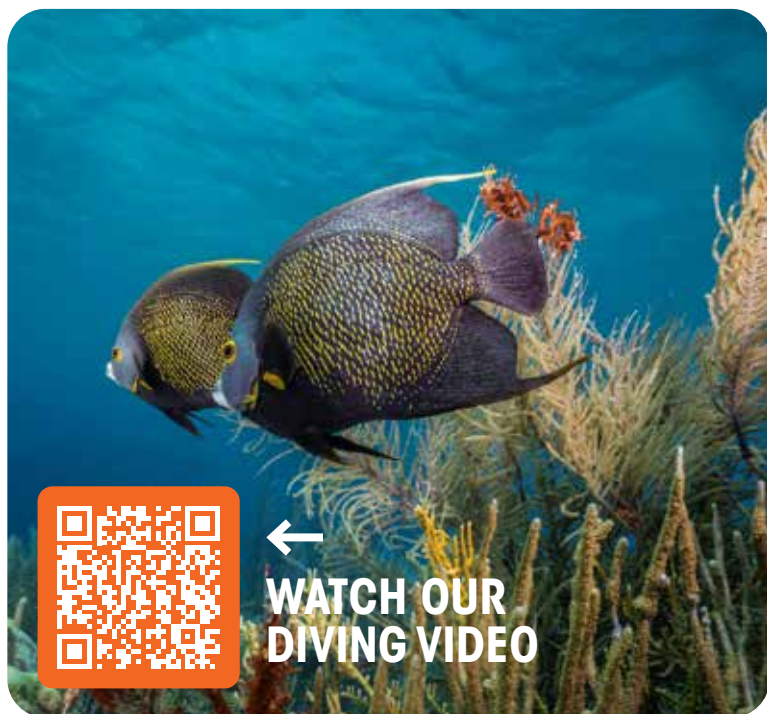
OVER 80 DIVE SITES

With as many as 60 officially listed dive sites on Bonaire and another 20 dive sites on Klein Bonaire, the island truly is a Divers Paradise!

Diving on “shore diving paradise” Bonaire is a wonderful experience for both new and experienced divers. There are hardly any places in the world like Bonaire, where you can park your car anywhere along the shoreline, gear up and walk right in for a great dive, giving divers the opportunity to choose when and where to dive.

With no strong currents, an average of a 100ft/ 30 meters visibility, and water temperatures around 82-degrees F/ 28 C degrees, the crystal-clear waters are pool-like.

All water surrounding Bonaire is protected and the Bonaire national marine park is one of the oldest marine reserves in the world (est. 1979). The healthy reefs, and the abundant marine life offer a playground for divers and snorkelers. Especially macro lovers will have a good time on Bonaire. The ones with good eyes can look for seahorses and frogfish but divers can also spot rays, turtles and an amazing variety of fish species.

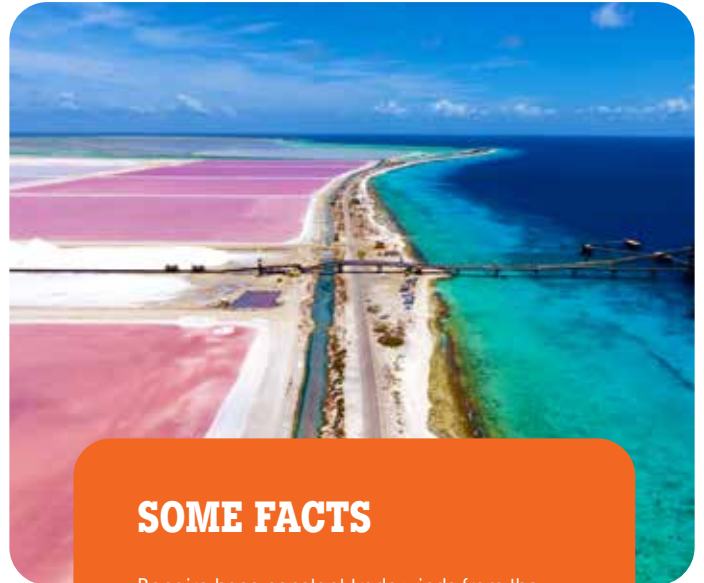




THE ISLAND

Bonaire is in the southern Caribbean, outside the hurricane belt close to Aruba and Curaçao, which are only respectively 86 and 30 miles (138 and 44 kilometers) away. Consistently rated as one of the top dive destinations in the world and as a pioneer in preserving nature, Bonaire is a dream for every diver.

However, this small boomerang-shaped island also offers a variety of activities for those who do not dive. The eastern mangroves, the "nursery of the reef", is best discovered by kayak, while on the western part of the island, several caves are open for guided tours to explore this unknown and mystical side of Bonaire. Lac Bay in the south has near perfect windsurfing conditions, making the area ideal for beginners and advanced wind surfers alike, whereas the hilly landscape in the north is every mountain biker's dream. Klein Bonaire, a small, deserted island a mile off Bonaire's coast, is well known for its turtle hatching area and beaches.



SOME FACTS

Bonaire has constant trade winds from the east ensure a pleasant breeze over the 113.5 square mile (294 square kilometers) island. An average annual rainfall of 22 inches (56 cm), an almost constant water temperature of 80 degrees Fahrenheit (27 degrees Celsius), and a slightly higher air temperature of 82 degrees Fahrenheit (28 degrees Celsius), makes Bonaire a pleasant environment in which to vacation.

But most visitors are attracted by the perfect scuba diving conditions. With as many as 60 officially listed dive sites on Bonaire and another 20 dive sites on Klein Bonaire, the island truly is a Divers Paradise!



DIVING, DINING & RELAXING ALL IN ONE PLACE

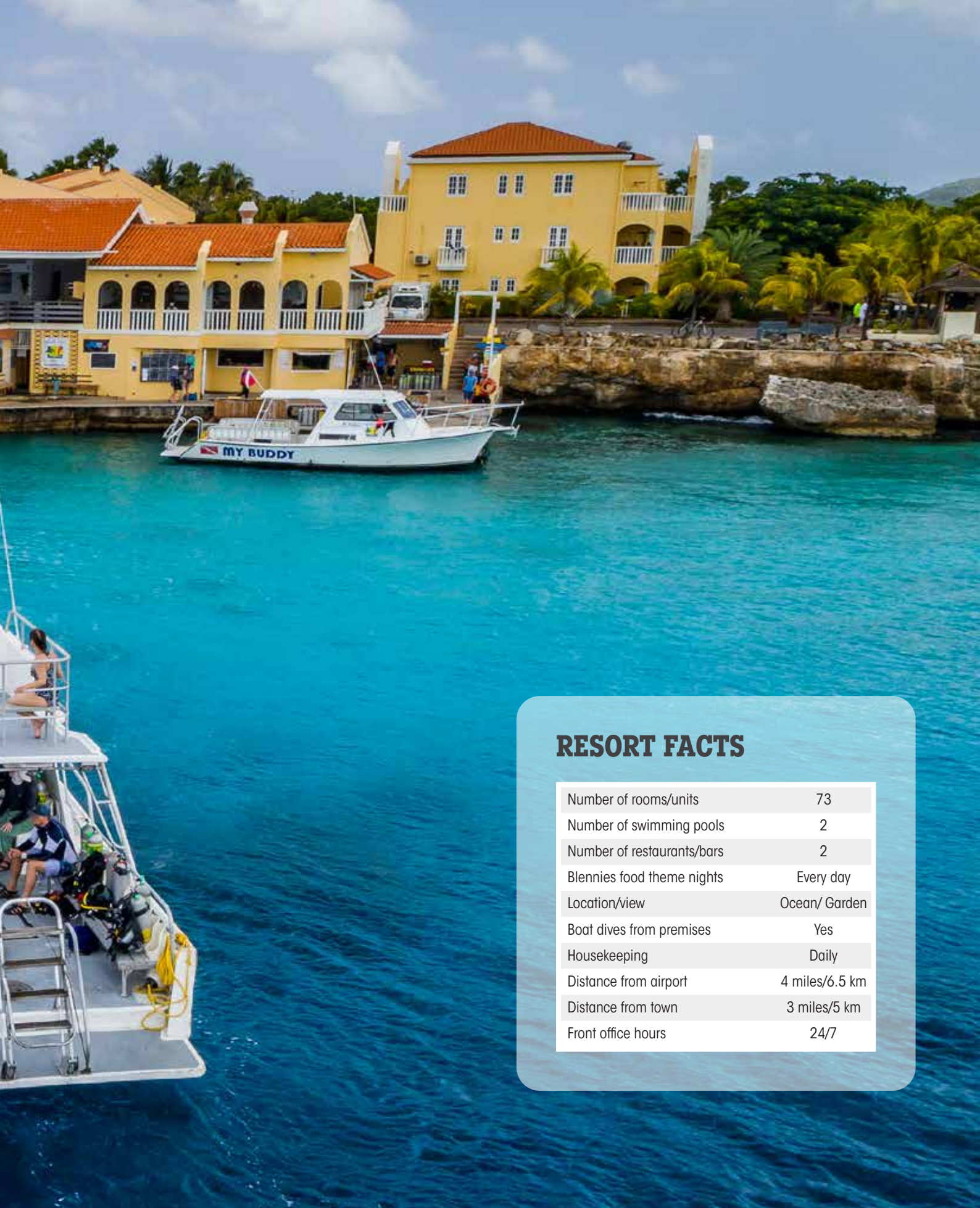
DIVERS, SNORKELERS, ADVENTURERS, AND LEISURE TRAVELERS WILL FEEL EQUALLY AT HOME AT BUDDY DIVE RESORT.

At Buddy Dive, we are known for our casual atmosphere, personable staff, spacious accommodations, and a dive operation that keeps the needs and wishes of its guests in mind. Our guest services include 24-hour front office staff and security on the premises - ensuring you receive the assistance you need at any time.

To make sure our guests have the best time, there is a full-service dive operation, two restaurants; Ingridiënts & Blennies, two swimming pools, a Kids Activities Center, and our own fleet of pick-up trucks on site!



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RESORT FACTS

Number of rooms/units	73
Number of swimming pools	2
Number of restaurants/bars	2
Blennies food theme nights	Every day
Location/view	Ocean/ Garden
Boat dives from premises	Yes
Housekeeping	Daily
Distance from airport	4 miles/6.5 km
Distance from town	3 miles/5 km
Front office hours	24/7



DRIVE & DIVE

Buddy Dive Resort is a full-service 5-star PADI dive resort that is ideally located and has all facilities you need for your perfect dive vacation.

Booking our Drive & Dive package ensures you to enjoy the 60 beautiful shore dive sites of Bonaire in the best way. Drive your truck (that comes with your package) through the Drive-Thru filling station to easily pick up your tanks. With this package, you can use as many air or Nitrox tanks as you want.

Right in front of the dock, you find Buddy's Reef. The 24/7 accessible house reef is a great dive during the day and at night. With rinse tanks, a shower, gear rental, and a retail shop right there on the dock, great diving is guaranteed.

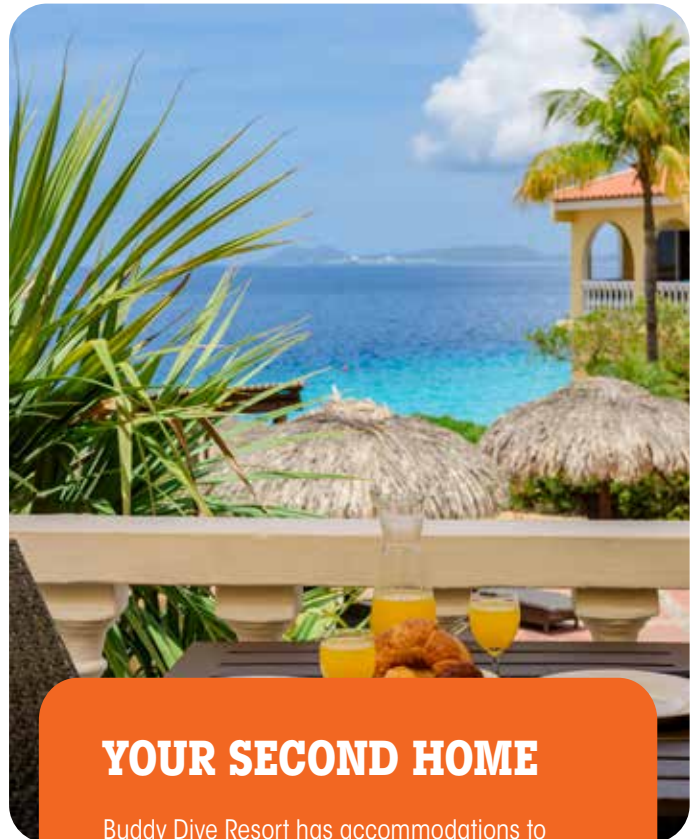
Our complete Drive & Dive packages include accommodation, daily breakfast buffet, airport transfers, shore diving with unlimited air and Nitrox.



BOAT DIVES

Boat diving on shore divers paradise Bonaire? Yes, we do! Buddy Dive Resort has got 6 dive boats that go out multiple times per day. The boats depart from the Buddy Dive dock, making the logistics as easy as can be!

In consultation with the guests on board, the crew chooses one of the dive sites that cannot be reached from the shore. How about Klein Bonaire, Rappel, or Country Garden? Another advantage of boat diving is that the professional guides can show you all the well-hidden critters on the reef. The dive sites are only 5 - 20 minutes away from the resort and the crew will make sure your boat ride is relaxed and comfortable. Will we take you on an adventure soon?



YOUR SECOND HOME

Buddy Dive Resort has accommodations to host single travelers, couples, families, and even larger groups. Our studios, 1-, 2-, and 3-bedroom apartments have air-conditioned bedrooms, a balcony or porch with ocean or garden view, and a kitchen to make your stay as easy as possible so you can focus on exploring the island.

During your surface interval, you can relax on your balcony or porch, in the swimming pools, at one of the raised sand beaches, or spoil yourself with a tropical drink at the pool bar.

Our amazing house reef is just steps away from your apartment. Whether you are looking for a romantic Caribbean vacation or the best resort for your dive shop group trip, Buddy Dive Resort is the place to go!



4-WHEEL D(R)IVE

Buddy Dive Resort has got its own car rental fleet with single and double cabin trucks. When booking the Drive & Dive package, you have your very own rental truck included in your package. This way you can enjoy shore diver's paradise in its best way. There are approximately 60 dive sites that can be reached from shore. Your own rental vehicle gives you the opportunity to enjoy them all!

At Buddy Dive Resorts Drive Thru, you can easily pick up your tanks for shore diving. Drive your truck right into the filling station and load your tanks. There are lockers, rinse tanks and Nitrox analyzers available for your convenience.

HOME IS WHERE THE SNACKS ARE

Buddy Dive Resort hosts two oceanfront restaurants. At Blennies restaurant, we welcome you for breakfast, lunch, dinner, or just a refreshing cold drink. Relax in the pool bar or enjoy the Caribbean sunset during one of the Blennies theme nights. Blennies is the perfect place to enjoy a good lunch after your watersport activities, enjoy the sun on one of the comfortable beach beds or celebrate the Caribbean evenings with good company and the best burger on the island.

Ingridiënts restaurant offers fine dining with a stunning ocean view. Situated above Buddy Dive Resort's dive shop you can enjoy European-style dishes, with perfectly matched wines in an elegant décor. Ingridiënts restaurant is open for dinner from Thursday to Monday from 6.00 P.M. Choose the Chef's Surprise Menu or go for creamy pasta, juicy steak, or fresh local fish.



NEW SKILLS

At Buddy Dive we value dive training and continuous development of our team, facilities, and our guests. In 2010 we decided to bundle our 30 years of experience and started the Buddy Dive Academy. All the hard work got awarded when the Buddy Dive Academy became a PADI 5-star Career Development Center. Something to be proud of as there are only 100 Career Development Centers worldwide and the Buddy Dive Academy is the only one in the southern Caribbean.

Buddy Dive Academy offers every level of dive training imaginable, conducted in several languages. We start with introductory courses such as Discover Scuba Diving (DSD) and Open Water Scuba certification and offer professional level Instructor Development Courses (IDC) as well. In addition, we offer a variety of continuing dive training; besides the standard PADI specialties, we also offer you the chance to become a tec diver or start your career in diving and become a dive instructor.

Blennies

EASY DRINKS - EASY FOOD



SIT BACK AND RELAX

Every day is a celebration at Blennies Restaurant. Come and join us for lunch, dinner or just to hang out and enjoy our beautiful views.

Lunch is served from 11:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. with a selection of salads, sandwiches, burgers and delicious fruit shakes to choose from. It's the perfect time to observe the activity happening on the dive dock below you.

Join us for drinks at the bar at the end of the day. Relax with friends and recapture the day's events while enjoying refreshing

tropical drinks. If you're among the lucky, you might even see the famous green flash as you watch a beautiful island sunset.

In the evening enjoy the view of the darkening horizon followed by an explosion of color in the night sky as you peruse the menu. Blennies is open for delicious dinner daily from 6:00 p.m. till 10:00 p.m. Deciding between the daily special or our a la carte menu will be a hard choice. Every night is special around here during Blennies Theme Nights with for example Tuesday Steak-night, Raw & Roasted on Saturday, Sunday Pizza Funday, and many more!

Ingridiënts

dine-different



Buddy Dive Resort is the home of Ingridiënts Restaurant. Sweeping ocean views and elegant Caribbean decor make this the perfect place to enjoy your delicious dinner.

Our focus is to use locally produced fresh ingrediënts with dishes inherent to the Mediterranean cuisine, using the basic principles of French, Spanish, and Italian cooking. Our chefs are constantly experimenting with new flavors and texture combinations by selecting only the freshest seasonal produce. To surprise you on your next visit, we proudly offer seasonally changing menus and daily varying specials.

With Ingridiënts Restaurant we wanted to create a space of comfort and luxury, of fresh elegance: a place for you to dine different. We thrive to give you an unforgettable dining experience, while seaside dining right next to the magical blue waters of the Caribbean Sea. Hopefully, we'll earn a place in your good memories.

While seeking the best place to eat on Bonaire, come and visit Ingridiënts restaurant and let us inspire you with our food.

LEARN ALL ABOUT OUR ISLAND

MARINE LIFE

Bonaire's reefs are home to over 350 fish species and is known for its' great macro-life and many small critters. We love every single reef inhabitant but here are some of our favorites.

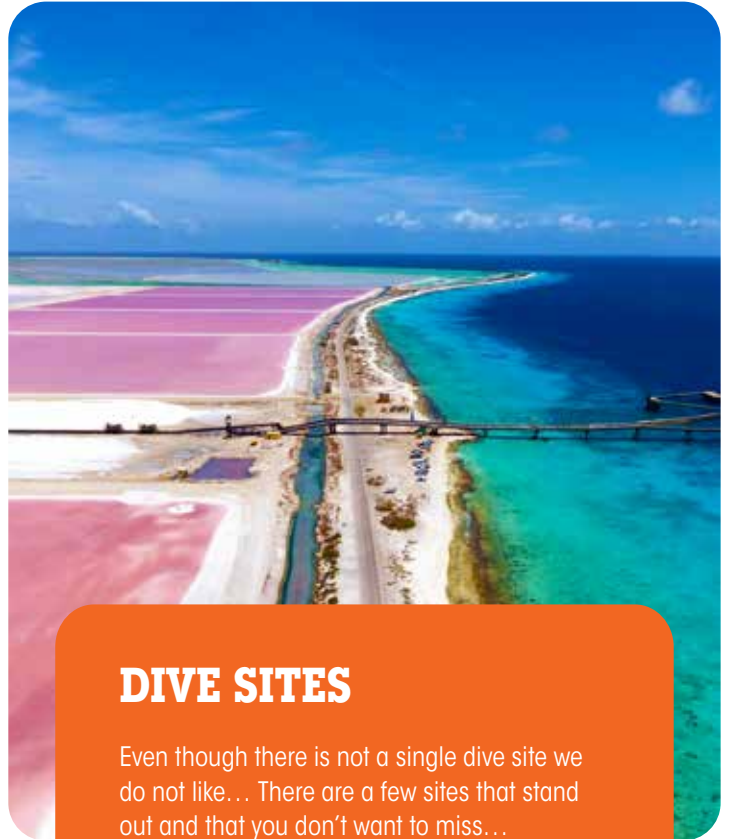
- **Blennies** - Over 15 species on Bonaire, many can be found at Buddy's Reef.
- **Frogfish** - Master of disguise, found on sponges and corals, lures its prey with its angler.
- **Turtles** - Common on Bonaire, great to spot while snorkeling or diving shallow reefs.
- **Tarpon** - Our night dive buddies like to hunt in your light while night diving our house reef.
- **Seahorse** - Mysterious sea creatures, hard to find and extra fun to find, the dive team is happy to point them out to you.



THINGS TO DO

Scuba diving is our favorite activity, but for those who need a break or don't dive, here are our favorite things to do on Bonaire.

- **Windsurfing** - Lac Bay offers pool-like waters, perfect trade winds and the coolest surf bars to take a lesson or to watch the pros do their thing while enjoying a drink.
- **Mangrove kayaking** - Explore the unique mangrove ecosystem with a guide and snorkel among its roots for a truly unique experience.
- **Hiking Brandaris** - For the sports enthusiasts, a hike up the Brandaris hill is a fun workout, and the view from the top is absolutely worth it!



DIVE SITES

Even though there is not a single dive site we do not like... There are a few sites that stand out and that you don't want to miss...

- **Buddy's Reef** - In front of the resort, easy access, huge diversity of species. Bonus: You can see the coral nurseries of Reef Renewal Bonaire here.
- **Invisibles** - On the South of Bonaire, sandy plateau, easy access, vibrant and healthy reef.
- **Karpata** - Shallow plateau, corals, turtles, steep drop-off, striking topography.
- **Salt Pier** - Dive between the pillars of the salt cargo dock, colorful sponges, shallow dive, lots of marine life.
- **Something Special** - Easy dive at the Kralendijk Boulevard, garden eels, the perfect place to look for critters.

COURSES

The Buddy Dive Academy offers an interesting course for everyone. From DSD to IDC and from Peak Performance Buoyancy to Trimix diving... Here are our favorites...

- **Reef Renewal Specialty** - Learn about coral restoration techniques and become a volunteer for Reef Renewal Foundation Bonaire.
- **Dive Master Course** - Go Pro! A fun, intense, and rewarding course. Learn how to guide divers, assist instructors and to work in a dive operation. With an optional internship at Buddy Dive!
- **Discover Tec** - Learn the basics of technical diving and check out if you are ready for the challenge of becoming a tec diver!
- **Lionfish Hunter Course** - Learn how to safely eliminate invasive lionfish from the reef. **Bonus: you'll get to enjoy your catch for dinner!**

RESTAURANTS

Bonaire is a true foodie's paradise, with options that range from delicious food trucks and cozy cafés to stylish restaurants and fine dining. On-site, you'll find:

- **Ingredients** - Above the Buddy Dive dock with the island's best view. Fine dining and a locals' favorite.
- **Blennies** - Casual beach bar at Buddy Dive. Enjoy theme nights like all-you-can-eat BBQ, a swim-up pool bar, and great cocktails.

Just five minutes from Kralendijk's city center, you'll discover even more restaurants and cuisines. Our staff is always happy to recommend their favorites and arrange reservations.



THINGS TO PACK

What to bring on your dive trip to Your Buddies on Bonaire? You are going to need your dive gear to enjoy all 80+ dive sites on Bonaire but here are some extra items that we recommend bringing.

- **Dive boots** - Since Bonaire is shore divers paradise, you will most likely start many of your dives from shore. Decent boots will protect your feet from sharp rocks and sea urchins.
- **Water bottle** - Single-use plastics are not allowed on Bonaire and you can drink the water from the tap. Bringing your own bottle will help you stay hydrated and eliminate the use of plastic water bottles.
- **Reef-safe sunscreen** - The sun is always shining on Bonaire and it is important to protect your skin. Sunscreens that are harmful to the reef are not allowed on Bonaire, so bring your reef-safe sunscreen or buy some in our shop.
- **Reef Renewal Bonaire wish list items** - Certain items that our friends from Reef Renewal Foundation Bonaire need for their work are not available on Bonaire. Check out their website to see what to bring to help.

YOUR BUDDIES

Best picks

Looking for the places locals and our team genuinely recommend? We've done the searching for you.

From stocking up on island essentials and finding the best watersports gear to enjoying ice cream, unforgettable dining, and vibrant nightlife - these are the spots our buddies love to visit time and time again.

BONDIGRO
DISCOUNT SUPERMARKET

**Your local supermarket
on Bonaire.**



Find everything for your holiday on Bonaire here! Fruits, vegetables, meat, seafood, dairy, bakery items, household essentials, and a wide selection of local and international grocery products. It's the perfect place to stock up on everything you need.



Kaya Industria 29, Kralendijk
www.bondigro.com

**Your favorite retail store
for courses, dive gear and more.**

Buddy Dive



Your one-stop shop for watersports gear, courses, tanks, and more! They offer expert advice and everything you need for your Bonaire adventure.

6 Kaya Libertador Simon Bolivar, Kralendijk



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Ingridients
dine-different

FINE DINING WITH OCEAN VIEW

Refined Mediterranean-inspired dining experience, featuring fresh locally sourced ingredients, seasonal menus, expertly paired wines, and breathtaking oceanfront views.

Kaya Gob N. Debrot 85, Kralendijk
www.ingridientsrestaurant.com





Cuban flavors & sizzling nightlife.



Cuba Compagnie brings the sultry charm, vibrant rhythms, and bold flavors of Old Havana straight to Bonaire. Indulge in a mouthwatering menu featuring daily fresh local catch, authentic Cuban specialties and signature cocktails crafted with ingredients grown in their own lush courtyard. As the sun sets, stay for their legendary Thursday Latin Night, where live salsa beats and a buzzing atmosphere guarantee an unforgettable Caribbean evening out.



1 Kaya Grandi, Kralendijk
www.cubacompagniebonaire.nl

Burgers, Beers & Nightlife.



The Bucket Bonaire is the island's ultimate high-energy spot for juicy smash burgers, island-inspired bites, and ice-cold buckets of beer. Catch your favorite live sports games on the big screens while enjoying a late-night kitchen that keeps the grill firing all the way until midnight. With daily happy hours, lively Wednesday karaoke, and Friday DJ sets, it's the perfect place to hang out with friends and dive into Bonaire's best nightlife scene.



Kaya L.D. Gerharts 2, Kralendijk
www.thebucketbonaire.com



SWEET TREATS & WATERFRONT VIEWS

Luciano Bonaire is the ultimate spot to kickstart your day with premium coffee or cool off after a dive with authentic, handcrafted Italian gelato. From freshly baked treats and savory lunch sandwiches to tropical smoothies and refreshing cocktails, every item is served alongside unbeatable Caribbean Sea views. Whether you're stopping by for a sweet afternoon treat or a sunset espresso, this vibrant waterfront cafe delivers pure island relaxation in every bite.

Kralendijk City Center
Kaya Isla Riba

Open daily from
7.30 am - 23.00 pm

Bonaire District Shopping Center - Hato

Mon - Sat 9 am - 10 pm
Sun 3 pm - 10 pm

www.lucianobonaire.com



YOUR BUDDIES

Course highlight



LIONFISH HUNTER COURSE

In this hands-on program, you'll learn how to safely track, hunt, and handle invasive lionfish while contributing to the protection of Bonaire's fragile reef ecosystem. And as a rewarding finale, you can even enjoy your own catch (or feed it to the tarpons).

REEF RENEWAL SPECIALTY

Make a real difference beneath the surface with the Reef Renewal Specialty. This inspiring course introduces you to coral restoration techniques, including fragment collection, nursery maintenance, and reef outplanting. Guided by passionate experts, you'll actively contribute to rebuilding Bonaire's vibrant coral reefs.



PADI WRECK DIVER

Discover how to safely navigate and explore wrecks such as Hilma Hooker while learning about their history, structure, and unique marine life. With guidance from experienced instructors, you'll gain the skills and confidence to dive wrecks, wherever you are.

**DISCOVER ALL
COURSES →**





BELMAR
Bonaire

INTIMATE, INDEPENDENT & INSPIRATIONAL

These are words that go hand in hand with this place of tranquility that combines the conveniences of home with a relaxing atmosphere.

As soon as you walk around the corner at Belmar oceanfront apartments, you'll feel the peacefulness of this beautiful oceanfront resort. The small scale resort is perfect for those who like to take it easy and enjoy a private family or couple vacation.

The ocean view pool deck with a colorful garden is an intimate oasis of tranquility where you can read a book on a beach chair, go for a swim of our private dock or in the Magna pool or go for a dive on the beautiful house reef.

DRIVE, DIVE & STAY

The PADI 5 Star Resort has its own dive shop and Universal Referral Center. Booking our Drive & Dive & Stay package ensures you to enjoy shore diving paradise Bonaire in its best way!

Once you arrive, all you have to do is enjoy the beautiful island. Your apartment, rental vehicle and unlimited diving are all taken care of. Additional boat dives, restaurant reservations or recommendations for the best activities on Bonaire can all be arranged by our staff.

When booking our famous Drive, Dive & Stay package you will have everything your need: accommodation, airport transfers, unlimited shore diving (plus optional boat dives) and a rental vehicle.



SMALL-SCALE & PERSONAL

The friendly staff at the PADI 5-star dive shop, which is situated on-premises, is there every day to teach courses on all different levels, rent out top-notch rental equipment or to go valet boat diving with you.

Our dedicated PADI instructors teach PADI courses from beginner level all the way up to Dive Master and all PADI specialties.

Belmar is also a Universal referral center. Offering a more personal service for our divers with private courses and guided shore dives. Visit the modern retail shop to shop for dive accessories and souvenirs or to just share your experiences with the staff or other divers. Our staff is more than happy to help you book other activities like windsurfing, kitesurfing or sailing. Belmar is located close to the best kitesurf and windsurf spots on the island.



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YOUR BUDDIES

Best Packages

DRIVE & DIVE PACKAGE

- 7 Nights in selected accomodation
- 7 Days rental vehicle
- 6 Days unlimited shore diving (+ optional boat dives)
- Free Nitrox Upgrade
- American-style breakfast daily
- Free WiFi
- Airport transfers
- Car insurance

BECOME A DIVER PACKAGE

- 7 Nights in selected accomodation
- 7 Days rental vehicle
- Full E-learning open water course
- Unlimited air and rental equipment for the week
- American-style breakfast daily
- Free WiFi
- Airport transfers
- Car insurance



ADVENTURE PACKAGE

- 7 Nights in selected accomodation
- 7 Days rental vehicle
- 7 Days snorkel equipment rental
- Trip to Klein Bonaire
- Unguided boat snorkel trip
- 1 Windsurfing lesson
- Guided mangrove kayak tour
- 1-Hour land sailing
- American-style breakfast daily
- Free WiFi
- Airport transfers
- Car insurance



YOUR BUDDIES

Yearly events



CONSERVATION WEEK

Discover how you can make a real difference for Bonaire's reefs. Through guided dives, snorkeling activities, marine life workshops, and visits to coral restoration sites, guests will learn about the underwater world while actively helping to protect it. Designed for both divers and snorkelers, the week combines education, action, and fun in partnerships with local conservation experts.



MARINE LIFE EDUCATION

Join us for a week full of activities, presentations, and guided dives to learn about life on the reefs and underwater fauna. Marine Life Education is set up and supported by Fish ID expert Eric Riesch. His program will focus on marine life identification and reef fish behavior with an emphasis on species found right off the dock at the resort. Activities include Fish ID boat dives, mangrove snorkeling, presentations and more!



BONAIRE TEK WEEK

During the most significant technical diving event in the Caribbean, we offer demos and tryouts with the newest equipment, presentations from renowned names in the industry, and lots of tec dives. We host guest speakers from several agencies and equipment suppliers. We thrive to bring together tec divers from all over the world, creating a community and initiating new partnerships. Bonaire Tek guests get to experience some amazing deep dives like a dive on the deep wreck of "The Windjammer".



WRECK WEEK

On September 12, 1984 cargo ship the Hilma Hooker sank. Buddy Dive Resort celebrates Hilma Hooker and other wrecks with a weeklong event, including presentations, dedicated boat dives and lots of wreck diving! The event takes place every September.



KIDS SEA CAMP

Kids Sea Camp is a fun family event hosted each year by Margo Peyton at Buddy Dive Resort. This complete program integrates both educational events for the children on land and underwater as well as private family time to make this a memorable experience for the whole family. The kids can participate in a large variety of courses, whether they are just starting the dive experience using the SASY gear or are advanced junior divers.





TECHICAL DIVING

FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO EXPERIENCE IT ALL

HOW IT STARTED

Buddy Dive Tek opened its doors in 2007, with the mission to provide quality technical support and training to its guests at Buddy Dive and on Bonaire. Since then, Buddy Dive Tek has become a very important component of the dive operation at Buddy Dive and has built itself a reputation on Bonaire as the "Premier Technical Diving Facility" on the island. The Buddy Dive Tek team represents a wealth of technical knowledge and certifications from all fields of diving. With a fully operational tec support service; extensive equipment rental and technical training on all levels, Buddy Dive Tek offers a wide range of services for tec divers. The Buddy Dive Tek team stays active throughout the year by teaching, promoting, guiding, and exploring the deep reefs, caves, and wrecks of Bonaire.

BLENDING STATION

Our blending station is located at the heart of our Tec Office at the Drive Thru. We can deliver all types of O2 and TRIMIX blends you ask for, including standard GUE gases.

CCR SUPPORT

Buddy Dive Tek is a 100% rebreather-friendly facility. We offer a large stock of different size rebreather cylinders, different types of CO2 absorbent and a state-of-the-art filling station with booster pumps capable of reaching high-pressure fills of Oxygen and TRIMIX. All of this is always in stock! Our 100% Rebreather friendly facility is operated by staff trained on different CCR units like the X-CCR and the O2ptima.

BUDDY DIVE TEK OPEN CIRCUIT

Diving doubles or sidemount? No problem! We provide all necessary equipment to support your preferred configuration; backplates with harness, wings, regs, spools, DSMB's, etc.

BUDDY DIVE TEK TRAINING

From trying out doubles, sidemount or CCR, to your very first decompression dive, to reaching down to 90m/300ft, Buddy Dive Tek has multiple instructors who can help teach you the required course(s). If you want to explore in silence we can also train you on the O2ptima CM CCR.

COURSE HIGHLIGHT

- **TEC TRY OUTS**
Dive with a different configuration such as sidemount or doubles.
- **TEC TRIMIX**
Explore the deep to 90m/300 ft. Learn how to use hypoxic gas blends.
- **ENTRY LEVEL CCR**
Start your CCR diving, learn the basics and extend your limits to 40 m/132 ft.
- **DSAT GAS BLENDER**
Learn all the essential skills needed to become a Mixed Gas Blender.



LEARN
MORE ↑



YOUR BUDDIES

Careers in Diving



OUR IDC

- IDC materials (crew pack)
- Instructor Examination
- Instructor Application
- EFR & O2 Provider Instructor application
- EFR & O2 Provider Instructor Materials
- IDC tuition fee
- EFR & O2 provider tuition fee

DIVE MASTER & INTERSHIP

- E-learning Divemaster course
- Divemaster materials
- 6 Week internship
- Free staff meal on intern days
- DAN Professional Liability insurance (during internship only)

FROM DIVER TO INSTRUCTOR

Has it always been your dream to dive every day and to share your passion with others while working in the most beautiful places in the world? Take the step and become a PADI Pro!

Buddy Dive Resort is THE place to go if you are looking to become a PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor. We have been offering PADI Instructor Development Courses for over 10 years. At Buddy Dive, you will learn the tricks of the trade at a resort that has been known for its top-notch diving operation for over 40 years.



Rosie Alvelais
Course Director

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The Dive Academy is led by Platinum Course Director Rosie Alvelais and a dedicated team of IDC Staff Instructors. Since 2026, Rosie has been conducting instructor training at Buddy Dive. She is a strong supporter of Reef Renewal Bonaire, a commitment reflected in the IDC with its focus on environmental care, buoyancy, and trim.



ALVARO - IDC CANDIDATE

"I couldn't have chosen a better place than Buddy Dive to do my IDC. The staff is committed to the fullest to make all of us succeed in the course. Bonaire is a great place to become an instructor due to the beautiful reefs, and warm, shallow water."



JOIN US FOR A BETTER WORLD

REBUILDING REEFS TOGETHER

Since 2012, Reef Renewal Foundation Bonaire, a non-profit organization, is dedicated to assisting the natural recovery of Bonaire's reefs through large-scale active restoration.

Supported by research and collaborations worldwide, they use innovative techniques to restore coral species, while educating, engaging, and inspiring the community to take action to preserve our reefs.

Buddy Dive Resort is the founding partner of Reef Renewal Bonaire. At Buddy's Reef, you will find the first coral nurseries and transplantation sites so you will get the chance to get a close look at what Reef Renewal Bonaire does. Would you like to learn more? Take the Reef Renewal Specialty Course and become a volunteer!

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HONORING MURPHYN'S LEGACY

The Murphyn Henar Foundation was established to honor Murphyn, who worked as a Divemaster for Buddy Dive from 1993 until his passing in 2019. He was known for his bright mood, endless patience, and knowledge of diving on Bonaire. He was a mentor for many and he still is a true icon on Bonaire.

The mission of the Murphyn Henar Foundation is to give young adults on Bonaire the opportunity of a job in the dive industry. By training these young people, who might not have the funds to do so themselves, we want to give them a future in the thriving dive industry on Bonaire. This way, we continue Murphyn his role within the Bonaire society. The role of a mentor who passes on knowledge with great passion and enthusiasm.

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KIDS PROGRAMS

ADVENTURES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Imagine a family dive vacation at Buddy Dive Resort.

Share your love for the ocean, watch your kids take their first breaths underwater, and enjoy time together in and around the water.

Buddy Dive Resort has welcomed families for decades. As a family-run resort, we know what you need for a smooth, stress-free trip.

For younger children, our Buddy Rangers morning program blends learning and fun: snorkelling or SASY (Supplied Air Snorkeling for Youth), fish and coral ID, driftwood painting, and a surprise outing. Older kids and teens can join PADI SEAL Team, Junior Open Water, or Junior Advanced Open Water. Our instructors are experienced with children and focus on safety and confidence.

While the kids are having fun, parents can relax and enjoy their own dives. Many families end the week diving together.

Bonaire's calm, clear, pool-like conditions make starting to dive easy and safe. On property you'll find pools, classrooms, and a house reef, everything close at hand. The island is peaceful, family-friendly, and full of activities beyond diving.

Buddy Dive Resort, quality time above and below the surface. We look forward to welcoming your family soon.



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AVAILABLE PROGRAMS PER AGE

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
				Buddy Kids Club										
				SASY										
							Seal Team							
							Bubblemaker							
									Junior PADI Courses					
									Discover Scuba Dive (DSD)					





Your Buddies on Bonaire

Diving + Activities

Recreational/ professional diving courses

Discover Scuba Diving ½ day \$104**

Incl. theory, pool training & 1 ocean dive (min. age 10 yrs).*

Additional Discover Scuba Dive ½ day \$70

Incl. Dive Guide & 1 ocean dive.*

ReActivate Scuba Refresher ½ day \$104**

Incl. instruction, course materials & 1 ocean dive.*

E-learning PADI Open Water 2-3 days \$525**

Complete PADI online theory at home & the practical dives on Bonaire.*

Referral Course 2 days \$295

Incl. instruction, certification & 4 ocean dives.*

Current referral papers & medical statements required.

E-learning PADI Advanced Diver 2 days \$375**

Complete PADI online theory at home & 5 ocean dives on Bonaire. ***

PADI Adventures Dives ½-1 day \$60

Incl. 1 dive & materials.***

E-Learning Rescue Diver 2-3 days \$425**

Complete PADI online theory at home & confined water training and open water dives on Bonaire. ***

E-learning Emergency First Response 1 day \$175**

Complete PADI online theory at home & the practical part on Bonaire.

E-learning Dive Master 14 days \$975**

Complete PADI online theory at home & the practical dives on Bonaire. Excluding PADI application fee. ***

Dive Master + Internship 8 Weeks \$975**

Including Divemaster materials. DAN Professional Liability insurance and air are included during the 6 weeks internship.

The package does not include the PADI fee for your Divemaster application nor dive accident or medical insurance. ***

All-inclusive IDC 14 days \$3625

Includes shared accommodation, meals, e-Learning materials, IDC, EFR Instructor course, Emergency Oxygen Provider course, Instructor applications, and Instructor examination.

Local IDC 14 Days On request

Includes eLearning materials, IDC, EFR Instructor course, Emergency Oxygen Provider course, Instructor applications, and Instructor examination.

For everyone living / working on Bonaire, best deal on the island.

* Use of all required equipment is included.

** Including online PADI fee.

*** Equipment & dive air not included.

Dive Packages

A La Carte	Daily
U/L Shore Diving	\$48
1-Tank Boat Dive & U/L air	\$88
2-Tank Boat Dive & U/L air	\$125
1-Tank Boat Dive, if on U/L Shore Diving	\$57
2-Tank Boat Dive, if on U/L Shore Diving	\$88

A La Carte	Weekly
U/L Shore Diving (6 days)	\$205
U/L Shore Diving (7 days)	\$239

6 Days U/L Shore Diving + 6 boat dives	\$470
Upgrade to 11 Boat Dives	+ \$205
Upgrade to 12 Boat Dives	+ \$246

2 Tank Boat Dive ALL -IN \$156

Includes 2 Tank boat dive, air and equipment for the day

Important note:

Tank rental includes the use of weights & weight belt.

All air packages include nitrox.

A \$90 surcharge per week applies when diving (double) sidemount.

An upgrade to 11 or 12 boat dives applies only when 6 boat dives & 6 days unlimited shore package is booked.

Guided Dives

1 dive 1/2 day 1 day

Check Dive with Divemaster \$62 - -

Includes a Divemaster.

Check Dive with Divemaster ALL IN \$104 - -

Includes Divemaster, 1 Tank and equipment for 1 dive.

1 Guided Dive with Divemaster \$52 - -

Excludes dive equipment, tanks & weights. Max 2 divers. Price per person.

2 Guided Dives with Divemaster - \$83 -

Excludes dive equipment, tanks & weights. Price per person.

Group ½ Day Guided Dive (2 dives) - \$210 \$295

One price for 3-6 guests. Excludes transport, gear, tanks & weights. MAX 6. ½ day (AM only): 2 dives. Full day: 3 dives.

1 Guided Shore Dive + Equipment \$93 - -

Includes: equipment, tanks & guide, price per person.

1 Guided Shore Dive ALL IN \$114 - -

Includes: equipment, tanks, guide & transportation- Price per person.

2 Guided Shore Dive + Equipment - \$135 -

Includes: equipment, tanks & guide- Price per person.

2 Guided Shore Dives ALL IN - \$156 -

Includes: equipment, tanks, guide & transportation. Price per person.

Guided DPV Dives (2 dives) - \$155 -

Reef Renewal Specialties

Discover Reef Renewal ½ day \$90

Incl. 1 dive, & Air / Nitrox.

Reef Renewal Distinctive Specialty 1½ - 2 days \$250

Incl. 3 dives, material, & Air / Nitrox.

Reef Renewal Day* 1 day \$100

Incl. 2 dives & Air / Nitrox.

Snorkeling

Guided Boat Snorkel Trip

1 Stop	\$32
2 Stops	\$62

Unguided Boat Snorkel Trip

1 Stop	\$26
2 Stops	\$42

Guided Snorkel 2 hrs \$52

Snorkel through Bonaire's underwater world with a guide.

Guided Night Snorkel (Dive light is required) 1 hr \$68

Under expert guidance you will experience the different night creatures.

Tours

East Coast 2 Tank Boat ½ day \$160

2 Tank Boat with ECD, includes air/nitrox, in the mornings.

East Coast 1 Tank Boat ½ day \$90

1 Tank Boat dive with ECD, includes air/nitrox, in the afternoon only.

Cave Exploration and Snorkel ½ day \$60

Guided through 2 caves, 1 dry & 1 fresh water, you will see the majestic stalactites & stalagmites. *Note: some physical fitness is required.*

Boat Fishing Charter ½ - 1 day - Only on request

Go fishing with people who know how to help you catch the fish you have always dreamed of!

Mangrove Kayak & Snorkel Tour \$60

A guide will lead you in your kayak & teach you about the protected Red Mangroves, a real must see!

Water Taxi to Klein Bonaire Adults \$25 - Kids \$15

Adventure to Klein Bonaire, snorkel along the shoreline or just enjoy the beautiful white sandy beach.
Departure: 10 am, 12 pm & 2 pm.
Return: 12 pm, 2 pm & 4pm.

Dive Equipment Rental

	Daily	7 days
Mask & Snorkel	\$8	\$40
Fins	\$8	\$40
Snorkel set	\$12	\$60
Snorkel vest	\$8	\$40
BCD	\$15	\$75
Regulator with gauges & octopus	\$15	\$75
Dive computer	\$15	\$75
Mesh bag	\$5	\$25
Wetsuit	\$15	\$75
Octopus or gauges	\$8	\$40
Wetsuit (full)	\$22	\$110
Open Heel Fins	\$15	\$75
Dive Light LED (without batteries)	\$15	\$75
Scuba set*	\$48	\$240
DIN-Adapter	\$3	\$15

* BCD, Regulator, Mask, Snorkel, Fins, Wetsuit & free rental of dive computer.

TECH DIVING



Tech Prices

Gases

All blends available (40% - 100% O2 / TRIMIX)

O2 blends per cu.ft of O2	\$1
He blends per cu.ft of Helium	\$3.50
Handling fee per blend	\$10

Rebreather Sorb

Sofnolime 812 per lbs	\$6
Sofnolime 812 per Keg	\$264
ExtendAir	\$56

Guided Tech Shore Dives \$120

Guided Tech Boat Dives \$125

Tech Equipment Rental

Cylinders	Daily	Week
Doubles Al 80's	\$26	\$130
Deco/S. Mount/Bail out Al 80's - Al 40's	\$13	\$65
Faber Steel 3lt - 2lt & 3lt (Rebreather)	\$13	\$65

Regulators

Reg sets for Doubles / Side Mount	\$26	\$130
Stage Reg with SPG	\$13	\$65

Technical Rig

Back plate, harness, regs, wing, tanks	\$60	\$300
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Essentials

Lift bag / DSMB	\$8	\$40
Reel	\$8	\$40
Dive Rite O2ptima CM CCR	\$200	\$1000

(includes consumables, but no bailout).

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Marine Life ID Map



French Angelfish



Queen Angelfish



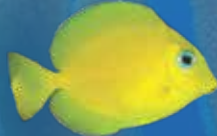
Cherubfish



Foureye Butterflyfish



Blue Tang



Juvenile Blue Tang



Whitespotted Filefish



Scrawled Filefish



Black Durgon



Spotted Drum



Seahorse



Frogfish



Sand Diver



Scorpionfish



Red Lionfish



Peacock Flounder



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Yellowhead Wrasse



Creole Wrasse



Rainbow Wrasse



Rainbow Parrotfish



Queen Parrotfish



Redtail Parrotfish



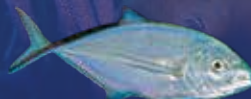
Spotlight Parrotfish



Tarpon



Bonefish



Bar Jack



Horse-eye Jack



Great Barracuda



Bigeye



Blackbar Soldierfish



Longspine Squirrelfish

The Caribbean Sea has many different fish species.

This overview shows you the fishes you will most likely meet when diving on Bonaire.



Porcupine Fish



Web Burrfish



Sharnose Puffer



Spotted Trunkfish



Honeycomb Cowfish



Trumpetfish



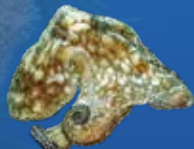
Barred Hamlet



Yellowtail Damsel



Caribbean Reef Squid



Octopus



Lettuce Sea Slug



Flamingo Tongue



Red Hind



Harlequin Bass



Tiger Grouper



Coney



Schoolmaster



Yellowtail Snapper



Cubera Snapper



Yellowhead Jawfish



Redlip Blenny



Green Turtle



Hawksbill Turtle



Sharptail Eel



Spotted Eagle Ray



Southern Stingray



Green Moray



Spotted Moray Eel



Caribbean Spiny Lobster



Yellowline Arrow Crab



Banded Coral Shrimp



Christmas Tree Worm

