

## Red Sea Aggressor V

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**Itinerary:** Deep South – Zabargad & Rocky Islands -or-  
Deep South – Elba Reef

**Adventure Schedule:** Saturday to Saturday (7 nights)

**Yacht Local Name:** M/Y Azul

**Home Port:** Port Hamata Marina, Red Sea Governorate, Egypt

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In an emergency, family and friends can contact the Aggressor Reservations Office. After hours, they may call the Aggressor emergency cell number.

## Red Sea Aggressor V – Quick Reference Summary

Charter Schedule: Saturday → Saturday

Vessel Local Name: M/Y Azul

Home Port: Port Hamata Marina, Egypt

### Arrival & Transfers

Item	Details
Recommended Airports	Hurghada (HRG) – Best for most flights. Marsa Alam (RMF) – Closest to Port Hamata.
Arrive By	All guests are strongly encouraged to arrive 1-day early. HRG → Before 8 am (Saturday) to utilize the bus service RMF → Before 12 noon (Saturday) to utilize the bus service
Check-In / Out Window (from the yacht)	Check-In: Saturday 3–6 pm <b>(No late arrivals accepted)</b> . Check-Out: Saturday by 8 am
Bus Service (Optional group transfer to port)	Hurghada → Port Hamata (\$60 pp) Port Ghalib → Port Hamata (\$40 pp). Reserve via GIS.
Private Transfers	detours@aggressor.com (Book ≥ 14 days prior)

### Deadlines & Documents

60 Days Before Departure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diving Medical Form Review. (Make plans if you need a physician signature).</li> </ul>
30 Days Before Departure:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Israeli passport upload deadline</li> </ul>
14 Days Before Departure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All passport uploads due</li> <li>• Aggressor’s Guest Information System registration due</li> <li>• Bus &amp; Private Transfer Reservations Due</li> </ul>
Item	Details
Passport	Valid ≥ 6 months beyond trip. Upload to GIS ≥ 14 days before departure.
Visa	\$30 single-entry (on arrival) \$60 multi-entry (optional).
Guest Info System (GIS)	Complete all sections ≥ 14 days before departure.
Diving Medical Form	Print & bring. Doctor signature required for any “Yes” answers.
Dive Certification Card	Required for all divers (+ Nitrox if applicable).

### Fees & Payments

Item	Details
Rocky / Zabargad	\$45 Port + \$105 Marine = \$150
Elba Reef	\$45 Port + \$205 Marine = \$250
Fuel Surcharge	\$50 per person
VAT	14% on all on board charges
Payment Methods	USD / EUR / GBP / EGP cash   Visa / MasterCard

### On Board Highlights

- All staterooms A/C with private bath.
- Power: 220V (Type C/F plugs) – bring adapters.
- Wi-Fi only available in port.
- Meals: Breakfast à la carte, lunch buffet, dinner served.
- Beer & wine included; bring liquor from duty-free.
- Smoking → rear sun deck only.

### Diving Essentials

- 20-22 dives per 7-night adventure.
- Max 3–5 dives per day. Recreational diving only.
- Mask, fins, BCD, regulator, computer, SMB + reel & wetsuit (bring or rent).
- Tanks (12L / 80 cf) provided; 15L available for rent.
- Nitrox available (extra fee).
- Nearest hyperbaric chamber: Marsa Alam (132 km).

# 1. BEFORE YOU GO

## Passports

Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months after your trip ends.

**UPLOAD DEADLINE:** 14 days before your adventure starts

- Go to the Aggressor Guest Portal
- Upload a clear photo or scan of your passport
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**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- Egyptian citizens: Upload passport AND Egyptian ID
- Israeli citizens: Upload 30 days before trip (not 14 days)

Children traveling: Some countries have special rules for children leaving the country. Check your government's travel website for requirements.

*Why we need this:* Egyptian immigration requires passenger lists before arrival for port departure clearances.



If you miss the deadline, you may not be allowed on the yacht. Egyptian port authorities require this information for clearance.

## Visa

Egypt charges visa fees. These fees can change without notice.

Type	Fee (USD)	Notes
Single-entry Visa	\$30*	Pay on arrival
Multi-entry Visa	\$60*	Optional: If returning to Egypt within 6 months

\* Prices accurate as of the last document update. These are government fees and are subject to change without notice.

You are responsible for:

- Getting the correct visa for Egypt
- Having documents to re-enter your home country
- Checking visa rules for any connecting flights

Where To Check:

- USA citizens: [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov)
- Other countries: Contact your foreign affairs office or embassy
- All travelers:



The [IATA Travel Centre](#) is a helpful resource for travelers checking current travel, visa, and health requirements.

Questions? Contact the Aggressor reservations office.

## Required Forms

You need three things before you can dive:

### 1. GUEST INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)

*What:* Aggressor's online cruise application forms, including waiver and travel details

*When:* Complete 14 days before departure

*How:* You'll receive a link by email. If you didn't get it, contact reservations.



Include your flight arrival time or hotel name in the GIS.

If you want to use the Aggressor bus service, you must reserve in the GIS.

### 2. MEDICAL FORM (RSTC)

*What:* Diving Medical History Form

*When:* Complete form before you arrive

*How:*

- We'll email you the link 60 days before your adventure, or download it now at <http://www.aggressor.com/RSTCMedical.pdf>
- Answer all questions honestly
- The form will tell you if your answers require a doctor's approval.
- If no doctor approval is needed, you can sign it yourself
- Print it and bring it to the yacht



ALREADY HAVE ONE? If you have a medical form signed by a doctor in the last 12 months, you can use that instead.



There are no doctors near Port Hamata. If you need a doctor's signature and don't have it, you cannot dive.

### 3. DIVE CERTIFICATION CARD (C-CARD)

*What:* Your diving certification card

*Bring:* The physical card or digital proof

*Note:* If diving with Nitrox, bring your Nitrox certification card as well.

*What if I forget to complete these forms?*

- You cannot dive without the medical form
- You cannot board without a passport upload confirmation
- Missing forms may result in missed dives or trip cancellation without refund.

## Travel & Health Insurance

We strongly recommend you purchase insurance to protect your investment and health.

### SUGGESTED COVERAGE:

- Travel Insurance (Trip Cancellation and Interruption)
- Dive Insurance (Dive Accident and Medical)
- Equipment Insurance

### CONSIDER ADDING:

- "Cancel For Any Reason" (CFAR) upgrade – extends coverage beyond traditional policies without the constraints of “covered situations”.
- "Liveaboard Rider" upgrade - addresses liveaboard-specific issues such as missed dives due to illness, weather, or accidents to others, which impact your experience and more.

These policies provide financial security if unexpected events occur.

Get quotes: [www.aggressor.com](http://www.aggressor.com) → [Insurance](#) for options.

## 2. PREPARING FOR YOUR ADVENTURE (2-4 WEEKS BEFORE)

### Recommended Packing:

Travel light. Space on liveaboard yacht is limited.

**LUGGAGE:** Use soft luggage like duffel bags (not hard suitcases) for easy storage in your cabin.

### CLOTHING TO BRING:

- Lightweight, comfortable sportswear
- Swimsuits
- Light sweater or jacket for evenings
- Walking shoes for time ashore
- Sunglasses and hat

Dress code: Always casual and informal

### ESSENTIALS:

- Sunscreen (reef-safe recommended)
- Sunglasses
- Hat
- Walking shoes

**PACKING CHECKLIST:** Use this QR code to grab our free Packing Guide. It's a simple checklist that makes sure you bring everything you need for your adventure. No more forgotten essentials!



### Electronic Devices

Personal Electronics are welcome:

- Cameras, phones, computers, tablets, and e-readers

The following devices are prohibited:

Prohibited Equipment	Notes
⊘ Drones	Prohibited by Egyptian Customs.
⊘ Underwater Scooters	Prohibited.
⊘ Electric Surfboards	Includes e-foils, jetboards, powered surfboards, and similar devices.

## ⊘ Satellite Phones

Prohibited by Egyptian Customs. Includes other devices communicator devices as well (ie: Garmin InReach Product)



**CHECK WITH AIRLINE:** Some airlines have restrictions on lithium batteries in checked bags. Check your airline's rules before packing.

## Required Dive Equipment

All divers are required to have the following equipment. You may either bring your own or rent on board.

- Mask
- Fins
- Snorkel
- Buoyance Compensator
- Regulator with an Alternate Air source and a visible pressure gauge
- Dive Computer
- Safety Sausage (SMB) and Reel
- Tank (*provided*)
- Weights (*provided*)
- Weight belt (*provided*)
- Wetsuit

### *WHY SMB & REEL ARE REQUIRED:*

Drift diving means surfacing away from the yacht. The tender needs to see your surface marker to track your location for pickup. This is a required safety equipment for all guests. We encourage you to practice deploying yours before the trip or on the initial check-out date.

## Personal Dive Equipment

Each item of your personal gear should be marked with waterproof paint or tape. Many pieces of diving equipment look similar, so it's crucial that yours is clearly labeled.

Guests should also consider additional personal safety equipment such as:

- Dive Alert
- Nautilus Rescue Radio
- Whistle
- Mirror

## Airline Travel & Checked Bags:

**WHAT TO CARRY ON THE PLANE:** Pack these in your carry-on bag (NOT checked luggage):

- Passport and travel documents
- Dive certification card
- Medical form
- Money and credit cards
- Prescription medications
- One change of clothes
- Basic toiletries

Why? If your checked bag is delayed, having essentials in your carry-on means you can still dive on Day 1. Once the yacht leaves port, we cannot receive deliveries until it returns.

**CHECK YOUR AIRLINE'S RULES:** Different airlines have different limits for:

- Number of bags
- Weight limits
- Size restrictions
- Extra fees

**BUSY SEASON RESTRICTIONS:**

- Some airlines reduce luggage allowance during high season (December - February).
- You might only get one checked bag instead of two.

**DIVE GEAR FEES:**

- Many airlines charge extra fees for dive equipment.
- Check if your airline offers a "sports equipment" allowance.

**PRINT YOUR TICKETS:**

- Some Egyptian airports still require paper tickets.
- Bring printed copies plus your confirmation numbers.

## **Communication with Home – Staying In Touch**

Before departure:	Share your itinerary with family
Emergency contact:	+1-706-664-0111 available 24/7
In port (Saturday/Sunday):	Brief WiFi access to send quick updates
At sea:	No contact for 5-6 days
Return day:	WiFi access again

Tip: Send a “heading out for 6 days” message Saturday evening so family knows you're offline by choice.

## **Green the Fleet Tips**

Contribute to our Green the Fleet sustainability initiatives. Here are a few reminders to keep in mind as you get ready for your adventure:

- Avoid traveling with single-use plastics.
- Remove packaging from any new purchases before traveling.
- Travel with a refillable water bottle for hydration.
- Use rechargeable batteries whenever possible. Plan to bring home used batteries so they can be properly disposed of.
- Use an environmentally friendly or ocean-safe sunscreen.
- Be environmentally conscious in everything you do.

### 3. GETTING THERE

#### Arrival Airports:

Two options for arrival:

- Hurghada (HRG) – More international flights, 6.0 hour drive to port
- Marsa Alam (RMF) – Fewer flights, 3.0 hour drive to port

#### Recommended Arrival Times:

**WE RECOMMEND: Arrive one day early**

- Flights can be delayed
- Luggage can be lost
- Customs can take longer than expected
- Better to arrive relaxed than stressed

You will be responsible for transfers between the airport and your hotel.

If you choose to arrive on embarkation day, please note the cut-off times if you plan to use the bus service to the port.

Airport	Latest Arrival Time (to make bus departure)
Hurghada (HRG)	Before 8am
Marsa Alam (RMF)	Before 12 noon

If your flights are scheduled to arrive after the latest listed arrival time above, you will need to arrange a private transfer. See Transfer Options below.



**ARRIVING ON EMBARKATION DAY?** Passengers must arrive and check-in on board the yacht by 6pm. Due to port clearance regulations, no late arrivals can be accepted. The yacht departs Port Hamata once final clearances are received which is typically early Sunday morning. If your flight is delayed, the yacht cannot wait. This is why we recommend arriving one day early.

#### Transfer Options:

Which transfer option is right for you?

**Use the Aggressor Bus if you:**

- Arrive before cutoff times
- Want the most economical option
- Are comfortable with scheduled departures

**Book a Private Transfer if you:**

- Arrive after bus departure time
- Travel with oversized equipment
- Prefer direct service
- Have a group of 4+ people  
(cost becomes similar)

Guests are strongly encouraged to use the Aggressor bus service or Aggressor Detours private transfers. (Note: Aggressor Detours private transfers are provided by the same company that operates the Aggressor Bus Service.)

You are also allowed to arrange your own transportation and go directly to Port Hamata. You must arrive at the yacht on Saturday during the scheduled check-in hours. (See Port Hamata and Home Port.)

#### Option 1: AGGRESSOR BUS SERVICE (Shared shuttle)

Cost: See below

Pick up locations: - Hurghada or Marsa Alam:

To use the bus:

- Reserve your seat in the Guest Information System (GIS)
- Must reserve at least 14 days before departure
- Bus leaves on schedule - if you miss it, you need a private transfer

#### Option 2: PRIVATE TRANSFER

To arrange for private transfers:

- Contact: [travel@aggressor.com](mailto:travel@aggressor.com)
- Must reserve at least 14 days before

## Port Hamata and Home Port

The Red Sea Aggressor V docks at Port Hamata, located in the southernmost part of Egypt near the remote diving sites you will visit. Because of the distance, it's recommended that guests use the Red Sea Aggressor V bus service or arrange a private transfer through Aggressor Detours to and from Port Hamata. This way, the local Aggressor staff can oversee your journey as they stay in contact with the transportation provider.



### Port Hamata Marina

79PH + 8JV, Halayeb We Shalateen Rd, Marsa Alam, Red Sea Governorate, Egypt

**Check-In:** Saturday 3 – 6 pm

**Check-Out:** Saturday by 8 am

Port Hamata is remote - no hotels, restaurants, or shops nearby. Plan to arrive by bus or pre-arranged transfer.



Everyone must be on the yacht by 6:00 pm Saturday due to government permissions and clearances. No late arrivals will be allowed to board, and no luggage deliveries will be accepted. If you are delayed in arriving, you will be unable to board the yacht.

## Aggressor Bus Service & Transit Hubs

The Aggressor Bus Service uses these two locations as its main transit hubs. The hub you choose is based on the airport you fly into. Each hub offers an area for guests to gather and wait before their scheduled bus departure.

- You will need to get to one of the transit hub locations on your own to catch the bus.
- The bus service will pick up and drop off guests only at these locations.

Hurghada Office:

Red Sea Aggressor IV/V Office,  
488 El Madares Street, Hurghada – Location



Port Ghalib Meeting Point:

Divino Restaurant and Coffee Shop  
@ Port Ghalib Marina



The Aggressor Bus Service operates every Saturday using the schedule below and includes an English-speaking guide.

Route	Departure Time	Stop / Arrival	Arrival Time	Costs (USD pp one-way)
<b>Hurghada (office) to Port Ghalib</b>	10 am	Port Ghalib	1 pm	\$60 (total to Port Hamata)
<b>Port Ghalib to Port Hamata</b>	2pm		5pm	\$40 (from Port Ghalib)

Note: Prices subject to change without notice. Pay locally in cash (USD, EUR, GBP, or EGP) or Visa/MasterCard.



The Aggressor Bus Service requires reservations. To make a reservation, please indicate in the Travel Section of your GIS that you want to use the bus service.

## 4. ON BOARD LIFE

### Accommodations & Services

All rooms are air-conditioned and equipped with:

- Private toilet, shower, and sink
- Hair dryer
- Towels changed as needed - hang to dry and reuse to support Green Fleet
- Linens (changed upon request)

STATEROOM SIZE:

- Rooms are compact (80-120 square feet) but comfortable
- The rooms are designed for divers who spend most of their time on deck or underwater
- Guests store soft luggage under their beds
- There is limited storage – so travel light

### Electricity

- Egypt uses 220V 50Hz outlets, types C and F.
- You should bring a plug adapter.
- Most phone chargers and laptop adapters work with 110V or 220V - check yours to be sure
- Many guest rooms have USB-C charging ports instead of outlets, which eliminates the need for adapters.



## Meals

We offer a diverse and abundant menu featuring Mediterranean and Egyptian cuisine, along with some Western dishes.

- Breakfast: Made to order
- Lunch: Buffet-style
- Dinner: Formal sit-down meal with tableside service
- Snacks: Available mid-morning and mid-afternoon

Meals feature fresh fruits, hot entrees, homemade breads, soups, salads, seafood, beef, and chicken, served with fresh desserts. Out of respect for local cultural traditions, pork is not available.

## Dietary Medical Restrictions:

If you have special medical dietary restrictions, please note them in your GIS reservation and discuss them with the yacht chef upon boarding so they can properly prepare to meet your needs.

Our remote location means limited access to specialty items. For strict dietary needs:

- Bring critical items with you (gluten-free pasta, specific protein powders, etc.)
- Discuss options with chef on Day 1
- Be flexible - ingredients may not match exactly what you eat at home.

## Beverages

Complimentary beverages include:

- Fruit juices
- Soft drinks
- Iced water and iced tea
- Coffee
- Limited selection of local beer and wine

We recommend purchasing your preferred liquor(s) from the duty-free shop at the airport before departing for Egypt.



Drinking and diving do not mix. Once you consume alcohol, you become a sunbather until the next day.

## Communications / Internet

Wi-Fi is only available when the yacht is in port. Email and satellite phone are not accessible on board.

## Ships Boutique

- There is a small on board boutique offering assorted t-shirts and other items.
- Your bill for on board services and boutique items will be settled on the last day of diving.
- After returning home, if you still want boutique items, please visit the Aggressor online boutique at [www.aggressor.com](http://www.aggressor.com).

## Fees & Taxes (Pay on Board)

Guests will pay the following port and marine park fees per person on board:

Itinerary	Port Fee (USD pp)	Marine Park Fee (USD pp)	Fuel Surcharge (USD pp)	Total	Notes
Rocky/Zabargad	\$45	\$105	\$50	\$200	
Elba Reef Itinerary	\$45	\$205	\$50	\$300	

Note: Prices subject to change without notice by government authorities without notice.

The yacht accepts cash (USD, EUR, GBP, or EGP) or Visa/MasterCard.

A 14% Value Added Tax (VAT) is required by Egyptian Federal Law for all on board charges, including port fees, marine park fees, dive courses, clothing sales, and nitrox.

## Smoking Policy

- **Smoking is strictly prohibited anywhere inside the yacht or on the dive deck.**
- Smoking is only permitted at the rear of the sun deck.
- Please respect non-smoking guests.

## Entertainment

There are a variety of nightly entertainment options:

- Diving videos
- Movies
- Games
- Marine life identification presentations

We offer a collection of 1000 classic and new release movies and TV shows that can be watched in the salon or in your room.

If you have a favorite movie, digital slide show, or video to share, we encourage you to bring it along.

A small library of marine life identification books is also available for reference.

## Special Occasions

Whether it's your anniversary, birthday, honeymoon, wedding, or celebrating a 100th dive, please let us know so our staff can join in celebrating your special occasion.

Kindly inform the US office before traveling so we can notify the staff in advance.

## Gratuities

- Staff gratuities are not included in the charter.
- We believe gratuities should be voluntary and based on the quality of service provided by the staff.

- When settling your bill, the Captain will have an envelope for gratuities that will be divided equally among the staff.
- Payment can be made by cash (USD, Euros, British pounds, or EGP - Egyptian pounds), Visa, or MasterCard.

## Health & Medications

The Red Sea Aggressor V has a basic first aid kit on board, including oxygen and an AED.

**Motion Sickness:** You might want to bring motion sickness medication if you think you'll need it. There are several over-the-counter brands for motion sickness medication. You can also consult your doctor about prescription options, such as the transdermal patch or Scopace tablets.

Currents and winds may cause moderate movement of the yacht at times.

### Medication Storage:

The Red Sea Aggressor V and their staff cannot accept any medication brought on board for safekeeping, including those that require refrigeration.

Guests needing temperature-sensitive medication should travel with a cooling case or a small storage cooler filled with blue ice packets. The staff will gladly store and recharge the blue ice but cannot accept responsibility for the proper care or storage of medication. This should be kept in the stateroom.

## 5. DIVING INFORMATION

### Diving Operations

All diving on Aggressor Liveaboard yachts is recreational and non-decompression.

In the Red Sea, dives are performed from the back of the main yacht or from one of two 7.5-meter/24-foot tenders. Each tender can carry up to 13 guests, providing quick access to even the most remote dive sites.

**Diving from the Yacht:** When diving directly off the yacht, at least one staff member will be in the water providing support, underwater photography, videography, and critter spotting services. A staff member will be in the water to assist guests in locating specific points of interest.

**Diving from a Tender:** When diving from a tender, a staff member will accompany each tender group and be in the water to offer assistance and ensure the group stays together.

If a buddy team needs to surface early, the entire group is not required to abort the dive and follow. The buddy team should follow the briefing and their training procedures for surfacing from a dive and signal the tender driver that everything is OK once on the surface.

Once the dive time expires (per the briefing), the staff member will organize the remaining buddy teams to surface together for pickup by the tender.



New to tender diving? Tell dive team on Day 1 for extra support during first few dives.

## Typical Schedule (Saturday – Saturday)

- 18-22 dives per week (depending on itinerary & weather)
- Maximum 3-4 dives per day
- No decompression dives (recreational limits only)
- Night dives available on several evenings

Day		Activity
<b>Saturday</b>	3-6pm	Boarding – Port Hamata  Stateroom Orientation Setup Dive Gear Dinner Welcome and Safety Briefing Initial Dive Briefing  Port authority clearances finalized.
<b>Sunday Morning</b>	est. 10am	Departure (based on – Port authority authorization)  1 <sup>st</sup> dives begin
<b>Sunday – Thursday</b>		Eat, Sleep & Dive 3-4 dives per day (including night dives)
<b>Friday</b>	AM 2-4pm 6pm	2 dives in the morning Return to Port Hamata Cocktail party then dinner served on board
<b>Saturday</b>	2am 8am 8am	Private transfers to Luxor depart Aggressor Bus Services departs to Port Ghalib Last Check-out w/ Private transfers

## Dive Supervision

- We understand that diving is not just an activity; it's a passion for exploring our underwater world. That's why we empower you and your buddy to take control of your diving experience.
- While in the water, you and your buddy are in charge.
- Every dive starts with a thorough briefing from our experienced staff, giving you the essential information.
- As certified divers, you and your buddy are responsible for planning and carrying out your dives while respecting your experience limits and those set by the briefing and your certification agency.
- We do not directly supervise divers; each buddy team manages their own dive.

## Equipment Storage:

- Each guest will be assigned a designated seat on the dive deck.
- Under each seat is a storage bin for personal equipment.
- There are also rails and hangers for your wetsuits.

## Tanks & Fills & Nitrox

The yacht provides each diver with an 80 cu/ft (12-liter) aluminum tank. These have convertible valves that work with both K-valve (American type) and DIN (international) regulator connections.

Large capacity tanks (i.e., 15-liter / 100 cu/ft) are available for rent for guests who want extra capacity.

The default fill inside a tank for all guests is air.

Nitrox (32% blend) is available for divers who are Nitrox certified for an additional fee. Please see our website for pricing.

## Equipment Rentals:

The following dive equipment is available for rental:

Item	Item	Item			
Mask	✓	Fins	✓	Snorkel	✓
BCD	✓	Regulators System	✓	Dive Computer	✓
Dive Light	✓	Safety Sausage (SMB)	✓	Large Capacity Tank (15L, 100 cu ft, or similar)	✓
Nautilus Rescue Radio	✓	Wetsuits	✓	U/W Cameras	⊘

Please visit Aggressors' website at [www.aggessor.com](http://www.aggessor.com) for detailed information on costs for dive equipment rentals, certification courses, and large tanks.



If any of your dive equipment fails while on board, the staff will loan you equipment free of charge.

### Wetsuit Rentals:

We strongly recommend bringing your own wetsuit to ensure optimal comfort and thermal protection during your dives. Since wetsuit fit is highly individual and vital for both comfort and warmth, bringing your personal wetsuit will provide the best diving experience. Other rental equipment is readily available, but the unique nature of wetsuit sizing makes it especially important to bring your own.

### If you can't bring your own wetsuit:

You can request a rental wetsuit using the GIS. Your requested size will be sent from the Hurghada office to the yacht for your use.

If you need to try on several different sizes, you can also rent a wetsuit locally by visiting a land-based dive shop in Port Ghalib. These shops offer a large selection of wetsuits in various sizes. This can be easily arranged by arriving early at Marsa Alam before catching the shuttle bus.

Alternatively, if you're traveling on the shuttle from Hurghada, the bus will stop in Port Ghalib for 1 hour, giving you time to rent from the local dive shops. This way, you can try on multiple suits and find one that fits best.

**Emergency Rentals:** The yacht has a small stock of emergency rentals in standard sizes. Understand that if you wait to rent a wetsuit on the yacht and it doesn't fit, there is no time to go back for a "Plan-B".

## Itinerary Details:

The diving operations plan may vary depending on weather conditions; however, the general plan for each itinerary is as follows:

**Rocky & Zabargad Islands Itinerary:** 60% of dives are drift dives from tender, while the other 40% are from the mother yacht's back deck. On this itinerary, guests will enjoy 3 to 4 dives per day with 2 dives on the last day. The typical trip features 20-22 dives plus a snorkeling encounter with dolphins.

**Elba Reef Itinerary:** This itinerary features about 70% drift diving from skiffs over protected coral reefs and 30% swim-throughs or protected reef diving from the back of the mothership.

Between dives, guests can snorkel or relax with a cold drink and a mid-morning or mid-afternoon snack.

On this itinerary, guests will enjoy 3-4 dives per day with 2 dives on the last day. The typical trip features 18-20 dives plus a snorkeling encounter with dolphins.

## Diving Conditions

- You'll be diving in water that averages 74°- 84° degrees or 23°- 29° C.
- Most guests do as many as 4 to 5 dives each day, so some form of protection is necessary. A 3mm wetsuit in the summer and a 5mm in winter should be comfortable and sufficient.
- Season-by-Season:
  - o Winter (Dec-Feb): 74°F (23°C) water, use 5mm wetsuit, some wind/waves
  - o Spring (Mar-May): 77°F (25°C) water, use 3-5mm wetsuit, great conditions
  - o Summer (Jun-Aug): 84°F (29°C) water, use 3mm wetsuit or shorty, very warm
  - o Fall (Sep-Nov): 80°F (27°C) water, use 3mm wetsuit, excellent visibility
- Please see our "Adventure Log" on our website for current diving conditions.

## Scuba Training:

Enhance your education while on board an Aggressor yacht!

The courses available include:

- Advanced Open Water Diver (SSI or PADI)
- Enriched Air / Nitrox Courses (SSI or PADI)

Course fees are due once on board and after the instructor confirms your course. The training agency providing your course will depend on your instructor's affiliations.

A diver participating in scuba training will need to complete a medical history form. (The same one you used to board the yacht is fine.). Please be sure to review the form and ensure you do not need a physician's signature.



## Photo & Video

**Photography:** The Red Sea Aggressor V provides photography coaching while on board. It has a charging station and a large camera table available for your camera and video equipment. As a safety precaution, all lithium-ion batteries must be charged outside at the camera station and cannot be charged inside the yacht.

**Video Service:** The Video Professional can capture your diving adventure on board the Red Sea Aggressor V to share with family and friends.

The video of the week (including all guests and staff) is available for an additional fee. See [www.aggressor.com](http://www.aggressor.com) for current pricing.



## Nearest Chamber

The nearest hyperbaric chamber is the Marsa Alam Hyperbaric Chamber, located 132 kilometers from Port Hamata. We recommend a full physical exam before your adventure if you have any concerns, and always dive conservatively.

## Prohibited Diving Activities:

The following diving activities are not supported and prohibited on Aggressor Liveboards

- Use of Spear guns, Hawaiian slings or collecting of any kind are not permitted.
- Solo Diving
- Use of double tanks
- Use of underwater scooters
- Decompression or Technical Diving

## 6. AFTER YOUR ADVENTURE

### Check-Out Time:

Check-out time is 8:00 am for all guests. At this time, all guests and their luggage must be off the yacht so staff have adequate time to prepare for new guests arriving in just a few hours. If you are making your own transfer arrangements, please ensure that you are picked up at or before check-out.

### Departure Schedule:

For those taking the shuttle bus, guests will depart from Port Hamata to the Marsa Alam or Hurghada transit hubs according to the following schedule:

Route	Departure Time	Stop / Arrival	Arrival Time	Costs (USD pp one-way)
<b>Port Hamata to Port Ghalib</b>	8am		11am	\$40
<b>Port Ghalib to Hurghada (office)</b>	11am	Port Ghalib	2 pm	\$60 (from Port Hamata)

Note: Prices subject to change. Pay locally in cash (USD, EUR, GBP, or EGP) or Visa/MasterCard.

### **From Hub to Final Destination:**

Guests traveling to hotels or other destinations will need to arrange their own transportation from the hub to their final location.

### **Hurghada Transit Hub:**

Guests departing on the same day can relax here and wait until it's time to go to the airport.

The earliest flight departure time (from Hurghada) that should be booked is 5pm. Access to the airport is limited: travelers must have a printed boarding pass and will not be allowed in until 3 hours before their flight.

Group transfers from the hub to the airport will be arranged. The last group transfer departs at 8pm.

### **Port Ghalib Transit Hub:**

The Port Ghalib Transit hub is situated at Divino Restaurant and Coffee Shop.

Talk to a staff member at Divino's to arrange luggage storage.

Access to the airport is limited: travelers must have a printed boarding pass and will not be allowed in until 2 ½ hours before their flight.

It's easy to spend several hours exploring the Port Ghalib shops. There is also a spa inside the Radisson Hotel that offers massages.

## **Transfers for Back-to-Back Adventures**

For guests continuing their adventures on the Red Sea Aggressor II, the Red Sea Aggressor IV or Nile Queen River Cruise, transfers can be arranged and are scheduled at the times listed below. An additional fee applies for transfers, and reservations must be made at least 14 days in advance.

Route	Type	Departure Time	Notes:
<b>RSA5 to Nile Queen (Luxor)</b>	Private	2 am Saturday	Pre-book, 14 days in advance
<b>RSA5 to RSA4 (Port Ghalib)</b>	Shuttle Bus Private Transfer	6 am 8 am	Shuttle Bus transfer fee applies. Additional charges apply

<b>RSA2</b> (Hurghada)	Shuttle	6 am	Shuttle Bus transfer fee applies. Additional charges apply
	Private Transfer	8 am	

## Post Adventure Extensions

We highly suggest adding an extension to your itinerary either before or after your Red Sea Aggressor V adventure. Several options are available. Visit [www.aggressor.com](http://www.aggressor.com) for more details. Aggressor Detours, a division of Aggressor Adventures, specializes in booking flights, tours, resorts, and extended packages for guests. A few examples include:

**2 Nights in Cairo** – Experience Cairo at night and enjoy fantastic day tours, including visits to the Great Pyramids of Giza & Sphinx, the Egyptian Museum, and the Old Bazaar of Khan El Khalili.

**5 Nights Aggressor Nile Queen Itinerary** – On the same trip, guests can choose to participate in cultural activities and visit the Karnak Temple, Luxor Temple, Valley of the Kings, Hatshepsut Temple, Valley of the Nobles, Colossi of Memnon, and more, or participate in bird watching along the Nile River Delta between Luxor and Aswan in a specially designed floating bird hide. Egypt hosts over 500 endemic and migratory bird species that visit annually. When you return from your adventures relax and enjoy the intimate 20-passenger riverboat. .

Book extensions at least 30 days before departure for best availability. You've come all this way - make the most of it!

## Guest Surveys

We will send you a detailed survey via email three days after your adventure ends. (If you've completed back-to-back adventures, you'll receive one survey for each.) We truly value guest feedback and integrate the feedback into the continuous improvement of our programs.

Many amenities and experiences you enjoyed during your adventure were inspired by guest suggestions. We sincerely appreciate this feedback, as it helps us enhance our operations and exceed future guest expectations.

Your survey also offers a valuable opportunity to recognize exceptional staff performance. These evaluations directly influence staff recognition programs, awards, and promotions. The staff is dedicated to making your adventure memorable, and your feedback helps us celebrate their outstanding service. We appreciate you taking the time to provide thoughtful responses that help us to maintain the highest standards of the Aggressor experience.

## Stay Connected

Each week, we upload the previous charter's Adventure log to the website. Feel free to visit [www.aggressor.com](http://www.aggressor.com) and check the Adventure log for water temperature, visibility, and sightings.