

Pulau Perhentian Kecil, Perhentian Islands, Malaysia Fundiving in Perhentians - Private room

The diving

Dive Dive Dive... Hammock time! Combine chilled Malaysian Island life with the daily life of a dynamic, professional and really lovely dive center. You will be treated like family here and by the end of it, you will not want to leave.

Dive centers vary as much as the diving does. But sometimes you hit a strike, and this is one of those cases. Wake up in your wooden bungalow, tip toe through the white sand down to the dive center on the beach, grab a cup of coffee and experience the vibe of divers at work. As a PADI 5 Star Instructor Development Center, you will be in the hands of talented people with a great passion for diving to expand your experience.

The Perhentian Islands are lovely for all levels of divers, and perfect for beginners. With sites including a spectacular pinnacle, half a dozen wrecks, awesome reefs and even cool macro life there is something for everyone, all within a 15 - 25 minute boat ride of the dive shop



Area name / Island name

Coral Bay, Perhentian Kecil, Malaysia

Nearest airport

Kota Bharu

Season

The Perhentian dive season runs from February until October

Center type

PADI 5 Star IDC Center
Friendly and very experienced
International instructors and dive guides

Experience level

PADI Open Water Certificate or equivalent

Minimum age for participation

10 years

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The Location

Explore the reefs with the dive center, trek through the jungle that covers the island, or snorkel from beach to beach. It is a green island, full of life, but no roads, no cars, and absolutely NO stress! As the sun sets, grab a seafood bbq dinner on the beach. And if you are not diving the next day, take a 10-minute walk over to Long Beach and dance barefooted in the sand till the morning arrives together with backpackers and locals alike.

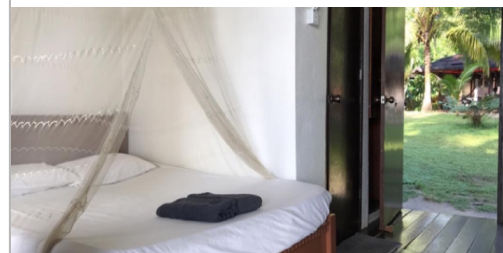
You can always grab a boat taxi to a secluded beach, or do the short walk through the jungle to the famous long beach for a party, but the serenity and the all time presence of nature in Coral Bay will always drag you back in the morning! And if you are a little fresh, then jump in the ocean for an early morning snorkel on the corner reef to maximize your luck of seeing little black reef sharks buzzing around beneath you.

Your Accommodation

We have chosen the accommodations at Maya Chalets because of the amazing beach frontage these funky little bungalows provide and the overall peace and calmness that overflows the place... Plus, it is right next door to the dive center.

Your room

Your private wooden bungalows is pretty straight forward. It has a fan to cool you at night, and a cold fresh shower in a private bathroom to cool you during the day. The best feature is your private bungalow porch with a hammock and oceanview. Perfect for afternoon napping!



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This is only a selection of the many dive sites represented on this particular diving destination. The diving is dictated by the safeness of the environment.

The Pinnacle

Also known as Tokong Laut (Temple of the Sea). This is a superb site for any level of experience. Located a 15 minute boat ride west of Perhentian Kecil, the top of the pinnacle just clears the water line. On entry, divers drop down the permanent mooring line to around 12m before starting their exploration. Amongst the lovely hard corals look for bamboo sharks, moray eels, shrimp and octopus while in the blue allow the swirling schools of five-lined snapper to captivate you. Behind them, and perhaps a little deeper, look for black tip reef sharks and, very occasionally, fingers crossed, a whale shark...

Sugar Wreck

This site, 20 minutes west of Kecil, is tailor-made for newer divers looking to expand their underwater experience. At 80m long this is a substantial cargo ship; it sank in a storm in the late 1990s while under tow for repairs. Lying on its starboard side in 18m of water it is complete, sheltered and acts as a fantastic artificial reef for local wildlife and gets better as the years go by. Batfish, snapper and barracuda school alongside the hulk while juvenile fish, scorpionfish and lionfish peer from the holds. On the "wreck-geek" side, note the instruments still on the bridge and common gear down on the sand. A great dive worthy of many repeat visits!

Serenggeh

Arguably the dive site with the best coral gardens in the Perhentians, Tanjung Basi, located on the north point of Perhentian Besar, is a must-see for anyone on a multi-dive package. Away from the point the reef is shallow but as you proceed towards the headland, greater depth and bigger creatures are attainable... off the final cluster of boulders, 15m of blue water greets you, filled with batfish, barracuda, snapper and fusiliers. As you move shallower, you are greeted by large table corals, staghorn gardens and brain corals, inhabited by lionfish, octopus, morays and scorpionfish. Finally, enjoy the attentions of the reef fish as you complete your safety stop... this is relaxed tropical diving!



Conditions:

Visibility
10-25m

Temperature
Tropical: 28-30C

Current
None – medium.

Surface
Tropical. 25-35C with generally calm conditions.

Special marinelife
All the denizens of a tropical reef: turtles, black tip sharks, bumphead parrotfish, more tropical fish than you can shake a stick at!

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Itinerary

On the day of arrival you will be greeted at the dive center by the dive staff, shown your room and given an orientation of the area, the dive center and the diving courses you will be doing. You'll typically do two dives a day, but this can easily be extended to three if you so choose. Between dives you'll go back to the dive center for coffee, tea or lunch. Extra dives or a night dive can be organized on location for an extra fee. There will be no refund on dives not used. Checkout time is at noon. It is highly recommended that you book extra nights prior to and after your package as both the dorm beds and bungalows has limited space, and in high season it can be quite impossible to extend your stay once you are there.

DIVE PACKAGE 1: Fundiving - 4 days / 3 nights - 4 dives

The short option with 4 dives spread out on 2 days of diving, 1 day of arrival and 1 day of departure, 5 nights of accommodation. The dive sites will vary depending on weather and experience level. One dive can be done as a night dive with an extra charge.

DIVE PACKAGE 2: Fundiving Extended - 6 days / 5 nights - 8 dives

The longer option with 8 dives spread out on 4 days of diving, 1 day of arrival and 1 day of departure, 5 nights of accommodation. The dive sites will vary depending on weather and experience level. One dive can be done as a night dive without extra charge.

If you want a longer itinerary, you can add extra days of diving and accommodation upon booking.

Please note

Due to ocean and weather conditions, the itinerary can be subject to change.



Activity starts

Please note that daily start times can vary from day to day

You will be notified about the specifics of your daily schedule upon arrival

Activity starts from

The dive center

Please contact your dive center no later than one week prior arrival to confirm your arrival and pickup times

Group Size

No limit Max. 4 divers pr.
Instructor/Divemaster

Language

English

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Transfer Information

To get to The Perhentians and your tropical island paradise, you will have to find your way to Kuala Besut jetty. Popular ways to get to Kuala Besut from the nearest airport (Kota Bharu) are via the "Grab" App or an airport taxi. Once you reach the jetty complex at Kuala Besut, find the office for "Save Park Holidays". This is the boat company that will arrange your boat transfer. You just need to mention to them that you are a customer of our dive center (more details on your voucher). Once you get on the boat the boat driver should know to drop you off at Coral Bay.

Once you get off at the Coral Bay jetty on Perhentian Kecil, just walk down the beach for around 100 metres. The dive center and your accommodation is right in the middle of the beach.

You need to let the dive center know your approximate arrival time at least one week in advance. You will find the details for the dive center on your voucher. For transfer advise, feel free to reach out to the dive center who has an updated knowledge of routes and schedules.



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Prices below are based on 2 persons sharing accommodation, unless stated otherwise.

FUNDIVING - BUNGALOW - OPEN FEB 15TH TO OCT 15TH	
Days / Nights	4/3
Amount of dives	4
Price (incl. accommodation)	146 EUR

Supplements	
1 extra day of diving (2 dives)	34 EUR
1 extra night in bungalow (after package)	19 EUR
1 extra night in bungalow (before package)	19 EUR
1 extra night in dorm (after package)	4 EUR
1 extra night in dorm (before package)	4 EUR
Refresher dive (added to first dive in package)	29 EUR

Prices for supplementary accommodation are based on 2 persons sharing accommodation, unless stated otherwise.

Supplements

A supplement can be chosen to add on your package. All supplements can also be booked on site. In high season, bungalows, dorms and boats get filled fast and you might find trouble getting an extra night of accommodation or an extra day of diving. If you are booking a diving course, it is definitely recommended to book an extra day prior to your course to get settled and get up front on the studying.



Included
Accommodation in private bungalow
Towels and bed sheets
Wifi at the dive center
Diving as described in package
Dive Guide
Boat for diving activities
Diving equipment
Use of dive computer

Not included
Transfer
All meals
Soft drinks and alcohol
Boat transfer between islands

Also available on site
Extra days of diving
Extra nights of accommodation if space

General terms and conditions

GENERAL CONDITIONS

CHANGES OF BOOKINGS:

You can change your booking request or start date free of charge.

If you need to change your booking you must contact the **dive center** directly by e-mail or phone. You will find the contact details on your voucher. For verification purpose, please remember to mention your name and booking ID.

If you want to change your start date, we recommend that you do so minimum 10 days before the beginning of your dive package. Later than this, might cause the accommodation to be fully booked for alternative dates. During high seasons, 10 days might not be sufficient time, please allow extra time for changes in the high season. As a reminder, you will receive an email with general information and contact information of your dive center 10 days prior to your start date.

CANCELLATION RULES:

Any customer has the right to cancel their booking with Blue Venture Diving. In order to do so, you must contact your selling agent. The cancellation fees and rules of your selling agent will apply for your cancellation.

Blue Venture is not liable for any cancellations done by the customer of personal reason such as/or in the same category as sickness, family, missed flights etc, or other circumstances that is beyond reasonable control such as force majeure.

Blue Venture booking cancellation

In the unlikely event that Blue Venture is forced to cancel a booking, the customer will get direct notice. A cancellation will only happen if Blue Venture finds that the contracted dive center can't perform the needed service of the booked package or if the dive standards can't be fulfilled accordingly. Minor changes in the itinerary will not be defined as a valid cancellation reason, as diving is dictated by the environment and the people enrolled in the activity.

Blue Venture will always do their best to find another operator of same or higher standard, but it is up to the customer to decide whether they want to accept the change or get a refund.

INSURANCE:

A cancellation insurance is not included. It is highly advised recommended that you obtain adequate travel insurance prior to your departure from your home country.

REFUNDS:

Medical Statement

To enroll in an Open Water Course, all students **MUST** fill in the Medical Statement. Please ensure that you have received the medical statement from your travel agent. If any questions are replied with a "Yes", the medical statement must be signed by a doctor. Failing the medical statement at the destination, and therefore not being able to enroll in the diving course, you will not be entitled to a refund.

If you have not received your Medical Statement, please make sure to print it from this link.

<https://blueventure.net/files/information/12.pdf>

Restricted dives

Diving is dictated by the environment and the people enrolled in the activity. All diving is performance based. It is up to the discretion of the dive guide/instructor to restrict divers from entering activities that goes beyond their experience level. All guides strive to reach the expectations of the customers. However, if they find that the safety of the group or an individual is jeopardized or at risk by one or several individuals, it is up to the dive guide/instructor to restrict any divers from entering the water.

In this event the dive center or Blue Venture is not obliged to give a refund.

Dives not completed

There is no refund for dives not carried out.

Refund for dives not done for any reason is up to the discretion of the dive center. Most dive centers do not give refunds for dives not done with personal causes such as seasickness, low on air situations or a failure in mastering the equipment etc. All log books will be checked prior to the dive and the dive sites will be chosen accordingly to the experience level. It is however expected that certified divers keep within their limits and do not cross their comfort zone. Blue Venture and your travel agent is never responsible to pay a refund for dives not done.

Courses not completed

There is no refund for courses not completed! All courses are performance based, but it is up to the instructor to pass the student. If a customer can not complete a course with success they will receive their course documents for an optional referral, but the contracted dive center, your travel agent and Blue Venture is not responsible to pay a refund.

Boats or dives not departing

If boats or dives are cancelled due to bad weather or sea conditions, it is up to the dive center to re-schedule and compensate with a similar dive trip when conditions allow. If the customer does not have adequate time to enroll in another trip/course it is up to the customer to make sure the dive center notify Blue Venture of this in order to secure a refund via the sales agent who completed the sale with the customer. There will only be refund on the diving and not the accommodation.

ACCOMMODATION:

Unless mentioned in the destination information folder the accommodation is always part of the package.

If the dive center by any means can't deliver the agreed accommodation, it is up to their discretion to supply immediate accommodation of the same or higher standard. (the destination information folder is found on the Blue Venture website.)

If the accommodation somehow does not live up to satisfactory standards of the customer, the customer must contact Blue Venture by phone or email as soon as possible (preferably while still on site) in order to solve the problem.

DIVE INSTRUCTORS & DIVE GUIDES:

All contracted dive centers has been handpicked based on their level of professionalism and expertise. Blue Venture ensures that all guides and instructors have the correct education and experience. In the unlikely event that a customer suffers a bad experience with any guide, instructor or dive center facilities, Blue Venture is entitled to know, but can't by any means be held liable.

At the end of you dive experience as questionnaire will be sent out to you, that we would like you to answer. By doing this, you help securing a high level of professionalism towards all customers.

MEDICAL STATEMENT & LOGBOOK:

If you are about to enroll in a dive course (entry level only), you must fill out the RSTC Medical Statement before you leave your home country. Please make sure your agent has provided you with the RSTC Medical Statement. You can also print the medical statement from the link, further up on this page. If you need the medical statement reviewed by a doctor, you have 10 days from the date of the booking with the option of cancelling for free.

If you are already certified as a diver and about to go fundiving, you must remember your current dive certificate and your personal logbook or dive computer.