

Tarutao national park, Butang archipelago, koh lipe Liveaboard for Open Water certified divers (for 10 days)

The diving

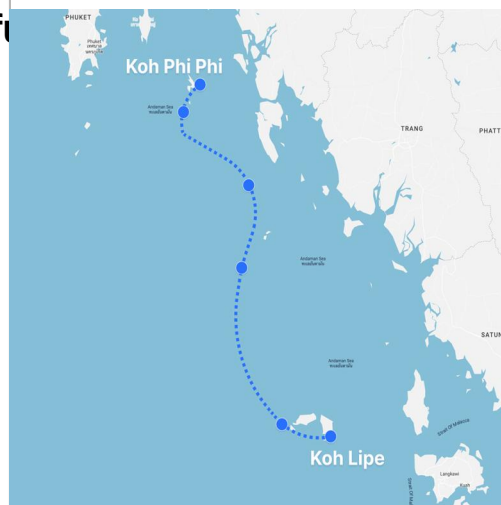
Experience the ultimate diving adventure with this marine safari liveaboard, where you'll explore the breathtaking dive sites of the South Andaman Sea, including three national marine parks. Benefit from expert guidance, as the dive center has been a pioneer in liveaboard diving since 2009. Enjoy comfortable accommodations, a well-equipped boat, and exceptional marine biodiversity, including the chance to encounter majestic manta rays and whale sharks.

Drop-off at Koh Phi Phi or return to Koh Lipe

It's a perfect way to travel between Koh Lipe and Koh Phi Phi where you can offboard for your onward journey. At the end of the trip you will be dropped off at Koh Phi Phi, before the local ferries depart to main land and Koh Lanta.

Adventure Deep and Adventure Night Dive

For Open water certified divers, a Deep Dive and a Night adventure dive is included. These 2 dives will be training dives conducted by a diving instructor. Both dives can be credited towards the full Advanced Course at another dive center, within 1 year of completion.



Area name / Island name

Tarutao national park, Butang archipelago,
Koh lipe
To Koh Phi Phi via Lanta Marine Park

Nearest airport

Langkawi, Hat Yai, Phuket, Krabi

Season

All year

Center type

CMAS Dive center
PADI Courses
Friendly and professional
French-Thai owned

Experience level

Open Water Diver
Deep and Night adventure dives included

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Locations

Dive into the South Andaman Sea's most captivating sites, where vibrant coral gardens and towering walls teem with marine life. Explore iconic spots like Hin Daeng, famous for its red coral walls and sightings of manta rays, and Koh Bida Nok, where colorful reefs and hidden caverns reveal lionfish, scorpionfish, and sometimes whale sharks. Every dive promises thrilling encounters with both vibrant reef fish and majestic pelagics, making for a truly unforgettable adventure.

The Boat

Relax on the 23-meter MV Chalan 10, a "glamping-style" liveboard where you can choose to sleep in cozy cabins or under the stars on the open-air deck. With its friendly, laid-back atmosphere, the boat provides a safe and professional way to explore the Andaman Sea in comfort.

Cabin or Deck Space?

Once aboard, pick a cabin or claim a deck spot for a night under the stars - whatever makes your adventure unforgettable. The cabins are shared, so if you travel solo, you might be sharing a cabin with your new best friend. Whenever possible, the cabins will be delegated without mixing genders. However, this can not be guaranteed on all trips.



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The liveaboard diving schedule is fixed, but subject to change, due to local ocean and weather conditions.

Key dive sites

Below you will find descriptions of select dive sites from the schedule. Explore additional dive site descriptions on: <https://www.asiadivesite.com/thailand-dive-sites/>

Stonehenge is a prized dive site for photographers. Strong currents add excitement, with sheltered spots revealing crabs, gobies, and ghost pipefish. Drifting along unveils vibrant gorgonian fans and colorful soft corals dotted with blue tunicates. Towering boulders rise like silent sentinels, often with a circling leopard shark.

Koh Sarang, the southernmost of the Far Islands, features an exciting wall drift dive. Its southern corner reveals vibrant pink and purple soft coral gardens and the Christmas Tree Pinnacle, a coral-covered formation resembling a decorated tree. Strong currents, especially during Full and Black moons, make this dive suitable for experienced divers.

Hin Daeng is one of the country's top dive sites, featuring walls and ledges covered in red soft corals. Its isolation attracts larger marine life, including mantas and occasionally grey reef or whale sharks. The vibrant marine life includes clown and redtooth triggers, powder blue surgeonfish, and large morays, along with patrolling barracuda and a resident school of batfish. While popular, expect ocean traffic during peak times.

Koh Hah is a group of five islands 25 km west of Koh Lanta, with six dive sites and good visibility. Abundant marine life includes morays, nudibranchs, and larger species like tuna and jacks. At Koh Haa Yai, a series of caves leads to an underwater chamber lit by natural light, showcasing stunning stalactites. The entrance is about 12 meters deep, allowing divers to surface for a breathtaking view.

Bida Nok, a small islet 2 km south of Koh Phi Phi Ley, is a top dive site. It has a shallow bay with vibrant coral gardens and a steep hard coral wall that shelters various moray eels. Caverns and overhangs hide bearded scorpionfish and lionfish. From December to February, manta rays and whale sharks are occasionally spotted here.



Conditions:

Visibility

Inside islands 10 - 20 meters
Outside islands 20 - 30 meters

Water temperature

27 - 29 degrees

Surface temperature

Depending on the wind but generally 30+ degrees

Current

Can be strong during full & black moon. But this is feeding lots of fish. There are always protected bays to find shelter.

Special marinelif

Mantas, devil rays, whale sharks, leopard sharks, schooling trevally and barracuda all depending on dive sites and the season, macro is good too!

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Dive Package: 5 dayd & 4 nights - 18 dives

Minimum one day prior to departure, please go to the dive center, located in Koh Lipe walking street, to complete your check-in, paper work and prepare your gear box with diving equipment in the correct sizes.

On the day of departure, please be at the dive center at 7AM. Departure to the liveaboard is between 07-08 AM. The liveaboard boat can't wait, in case you don't make it on time. Find your cabin or spot on the boat and get comfy. Before diving activity start, you'll get an orientation briefing on the boat and its safety measures.

You'll do up to 4 dives per day. There is no refund on dives not used. Between dives you hang out on the boat where all meals are served.

Soft drinks and beer are additional charge and paid on the boat.

The daily boat routine

06.30 wake up, coffee time
07.00 first dive
08.15 breakfast
10.30 second dive
12.00 lunch
14.30 third dive
16.00 snacks and chill, watch the sunset
19.00 night dive
20.30 dinner time

Dive schedule, day by day

Day1: (1) 8 Mile Rock, (2) 8 Mile Rock, (3) Stonehenge, (4) Night dive

Day2: (1) Yong Hua wreck, (2) Koh Sarang, (3) Koh Pung, (4) Koh Rok

Day3: (1) Hin Daeng, (2) Hin Muang, (3) Hin Daeng, (4) Koh Haa

Day4: (1) The Chimney, (2) The Cathedral, (3) Malong/Kled Gaeow, (4) Night dive

Day5: (1) Sunrise - Bida nok, (2) Bida Nai. Passenger drop-off at Koh Phi Phi by 12:30. You may also stay on the boat and return to Koh Lipe. It will arrive in the early hours of the next morning.

Important!

We highly recommend that you book a pre-night as a supplement to the package. Pre-night(s) will be booked at Eco Lodge Resort on Sunrise Beach in a fan cooled wooden bungalow.

Please note



Activity starts

Please refer to trip schedule for departures

Activity starts from

7 AM at dive center

Check-in time at dive center

Min. one day in advance at dive center

Group Size

No more than 4 divers pr. instructor or dive master

Language

English

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



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Transfer Information

It's easy to get to Koh Lipe from Southern Thailand. In high season there are several ferry routes in the Andaman Sea. From November until May you will find direct ferries from Koh Phi Phi, Koh Lanta, Langkawi, Pak Barra, Koh Ngai, Koh Muk and Koh Laoliang. Coming from the islands on the east coast like Koh Tao or Koh Samui, it is recommended you stay the night on Koh Lanta, from where it's easy traveling to Koh Lipe.

Liveaboard trip calendar (2025-2026)

2025 departure dates

TRIP #01 - FROM 13/11 TO 17/11

TRIP #02 - FROM 29/11 TO 03/12

TRIP #03 - FROM 12/12 TO 16/12

2026 departure dates

TRIP #04 - FROM 11/01 TO 15/01

TRIP #05 - FROM 27/01 TO 31/01

TRIP #06 - FROM 10/02 TO 14/02

TRIP #07 - FROM 25/02 TO 01/03

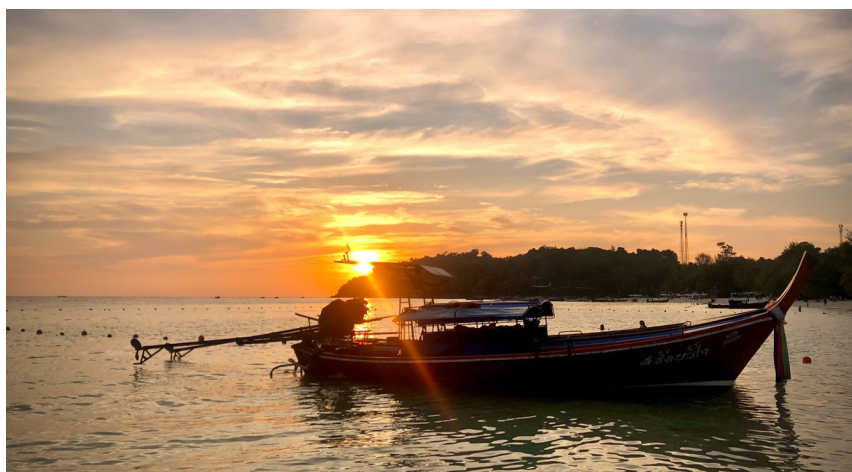
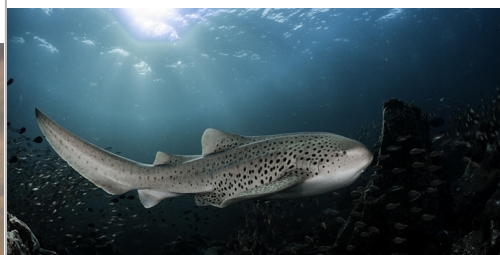
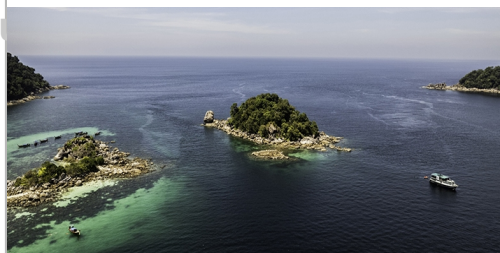
TRIP #08 - FROM 12/03 TO 16/03

TRIP #09 - FROM 26/03 TO 30/03

TRIP #10 - FROM 11/04 TO 15/04

TRIP #11 - FROM 25/04 TO 29/04

TRIP #12 - FROM 10/05 TO 14/05



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

LIVEABOARD (FULL TRIP) - OPEN WATER DIVERS	
Days / Nights	5/4
Amount of dives	18
Price (incl. accommodation)	935 EUR

Supplements	
Extra night of accom. (before)	20 EUR

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

Supplements

All supplements can be added to the trip or booked on-site. Please mind, bungalows and boats get filled fast - you might find trouble getting an extra night in your resort or an extra day of diving if not booked in advance.

Important

Departure from from Koh Lipe island to the liveaboard boat starts from the Dive Center in walking street at 7 AM on the day of departure.

We highly recommend that you book a pre-night on Koh Lipe as a supplement to this package!



Included

All meals on the liveaboard
Drinking water
Accommodation on boat
Diving as stated in package
Deep Dive + Night Dive
Diving equipment
Dive guide

Not included

Alcoholic beverages
Soft drinks
All transfers
Diving Insurance
National park fees

Also available on site

Extra Accommodation if available
Continuing diving education

Cancellation

Terms on voucher

Dive insurance

Basic dive travel insurance required

Insurance be purchased at the dive center for 70 THB.

Price subject to change without notice.

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>

Medical statements, specifically for courses in Cairns (Australia)

Entry level (E.g. Open Water course)

<https://blueventure.net/files/required/138.pdf>

Continuing education (e.g. advanced course)

<https://blueventure.net/files/required/139.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.