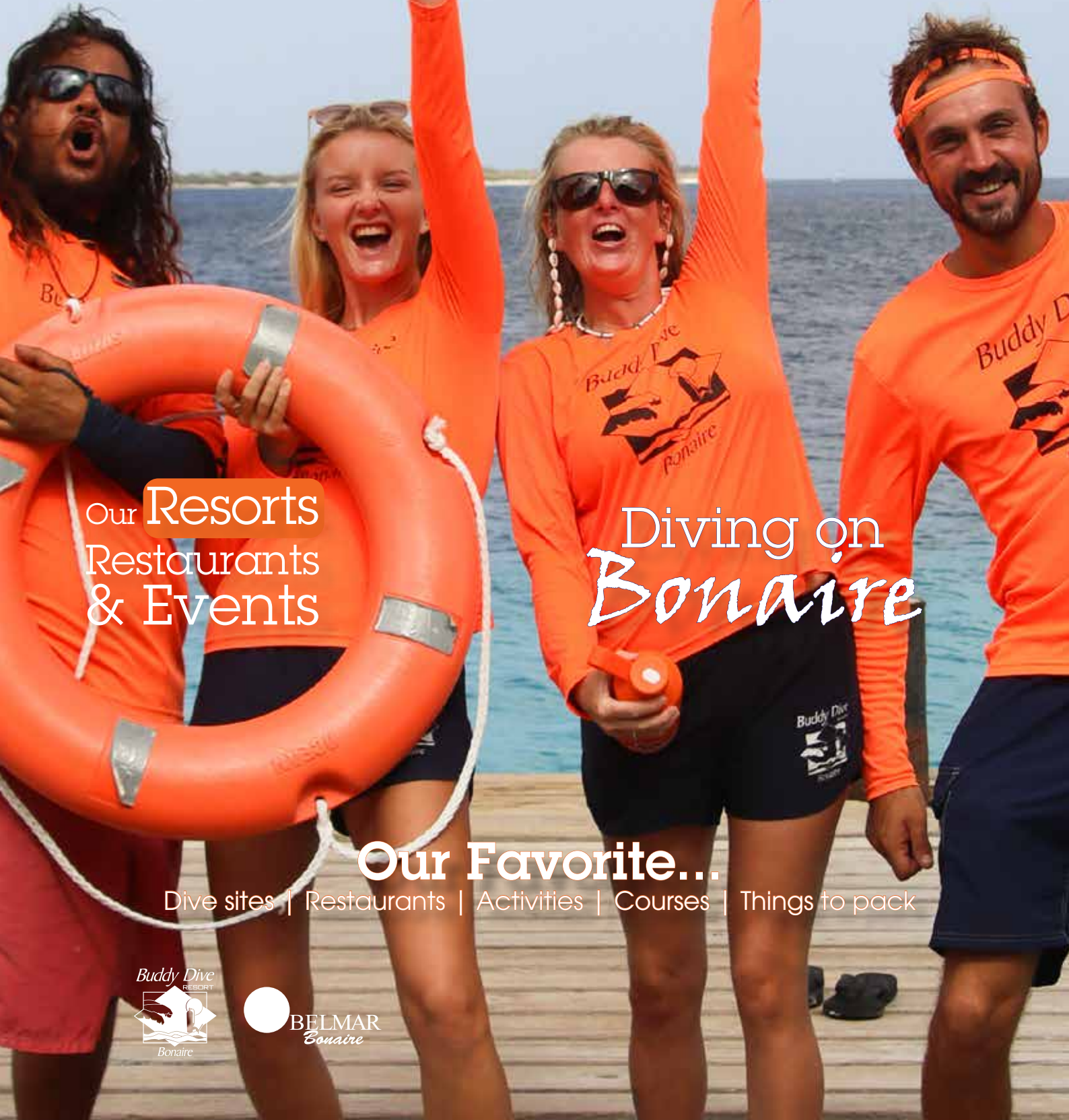


Buddy Dive



Your Buddies on Bonaire



Our **Resorts**
Restaurants
& Events

Diving on
Bonaire

Our Favorite...

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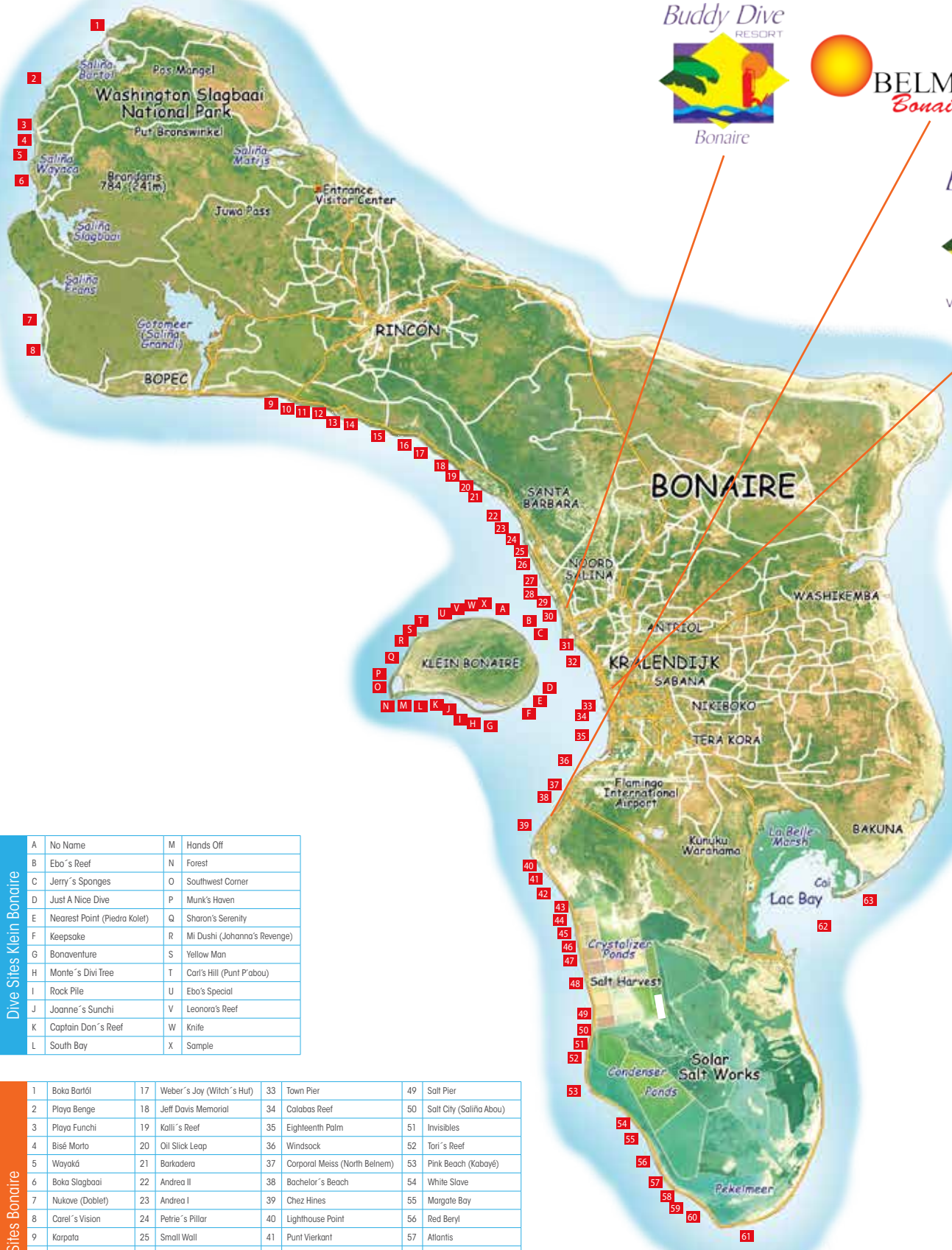
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Buddy Dive
RESORT



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WATERSPORTS

Dive Sites Klein Bonaire

A	No Name	M	Hands Off
B	Ebo's Reef	N	Forest
C	Jerry's Sponges	O	Southwest Corner
D	Just A Nice Dive	P	Munk's Haven
E	Nearest Point (Piedra Kolet)	Q	Sharon's Serenity
F	Keepsake	R	Mi Dushi (Johanna's Revenge)
G	Bonaventure	S	Yellow Man
H	Monte's Divi Tree	T	Carl's Hill (Punt P'abou)
I	Rock Pile	U	Ebo's Special
J	Joanne's Sunchi	V	Leonora's Reef
K	Captain Don's Reef	W	Knife
L	South Bay	X	Sample

Dive Sites Bonaire

1	Boka Bartól	17	Weber's Jay (Witch's Hut)	33	Town Pier	49	Salt Pier
2	Playa Benge	18	Jeff Davis Memorial	34	Colabas Reef	50	Salt City (Saliha Abou)
3	Playa Funchi	19	Kalli's Reef	35	Eighteenth Palm	51	Invisibles
4	Bisé Morto	20	Oil Slick Leap	36	Windsack	52	Tori's Reef
5	Wayaká	21	Barkadera	37	Corporal Meiss (North Belnem)	53	Pink Beach (Kabayé)
6	Boka Slagbaai	22	Andrea II	38	Bachelor's Beach	54	White Slave
7	Nukove (Doblet)	23	Andrea I	39	Chez Hines	55	Margate Bay
8	Carel's Vision	24	Petrie's Pillar	40	Lighthouse Point	56	Red Beryl
9	Karpata	25	Small Wall	41	Punt Vierkant	57	Atlantis
10	La Dania's Leap	26	Cliff	42	The Lake	58	Visto Blue
11	Rappel	27	La Machaca	43	Hilma Hooker	59	Sweet Dreams
12	Bloodlet	28	Reef Scientifico	44	Angel City	60	Red Slave (Peleké)
13	Ol' Blue (Boka di Tolo)	29	Buddy's Reef	45	Alice in Wonderland	61	Willemstoren Lighthouse
14	Country Garden	30	Bari Reef	46	Aquarius	62	White Hole
15	Bon Bini Na Kas	31	Front Porch	47	Larry's Lair	63	Cai
16	1000 Steps	32	Something Special	48	Jeannie's Glory		

Buddy Dive
RESORT



Your Buddies on Bonaire

**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!



Did you know you can enjoy fantastic night dives on our house reef?

QUICK FACTS

Number of rooms/units	73
Number of swimming pools	2
Number of restaurants/bars	2
Theme nights	Tue - Thu - Fri - Sat - Sun
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



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360 RESORT TOUR



RESORT VIDEO



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 (plus optional boat dives) and a rental vehicle.

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 private balcony or porch, in one of 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!



SAIL AWAY

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 you join us on our well-equipped dive boats?





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.

Ingridiènts 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. Ingridiènts restaurant is open for dinner from Thursday to Monday from 6.00 P.M. Choose the 4-course week menu or go for creamy pasta, juicy steak, or fresh local fish.



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.

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. at Blennies, 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 Tuesday Steaknight, Thursday Ribsnight, the Friday night BBQ., Raw & Roasted on Saturday and Sunday Pizza Funday, or dinner under the stars.



Reserve a table: +599 717 5080 - Restaurant opens daily at 10 a.m.
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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.



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YOUR BUDDIES'

Favorites



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

Of course, scuba diving is our favorite thing to do and we could do it all day every day, but for the ones who need a break or who do not dive at all, here are our favorite Bonaire activities.

- **Windsurfing** - Lac Bay offers pool-like waters, perfect trade winds and the coolest surf bars to take a lesson or to just watch the pros do their thing while enjoying a drink.
- **Mangrove kayaking** - Let a guide show you the unique ecosystem of our mangroves. Combined with a snorkel tour through the mangrove roots this experience is truly unique.
- **Hiking Brandaris** - For the sports enthusiasts, a hike up the Brandaris hill is a fun workout but the view from the top is absolutely worth it!
- **Sunset sailing** - A sunset sailing tour on the Caribbean Sea with snacks, drinks and friends. Feel the true island vibe.



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** - Right in front of the resort, easy access, huge diversity of species. Bonus: You can see the coral nurseries and transplanted coral of Reef Renewal Bonaire here.
- **Invisibles** - On the South end of Bonaire, sandy plateau, easy access, vibrant and healthy reef.
- **Karpata** - Shallow plateau with a variety of corals, turtles, steep drop-off and amazing 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!

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.

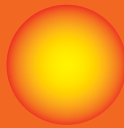
- **Dive boots** - Since Bonaire is shore divers paradise, you will most likely start many of your dives from shore. Decent boots will protect your feet from sharp rocks and sea urchins.
- **Water bottle** - Single-use plastics are not allowed on Bonaire and you can drink the water from the tap. Bringing 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 make sure to bring reef-safe sun protection or to 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.



RESTAURANTS

Bonaire offers plenty of great places for lunch and dinner. From food trucks to high-end restaurants... you will find it all. Below is a selection of our favorites. Our staff is always happy to help you choose and to make reservations.

- **Ingredients** - Above the Buddy Dive dock, the best view on the island, fine dining, locals' favorite.
- **Rose Inn** - Try true local food like goat stew and iguana, located in Rincon.
- **Mi Banana** - True Krioyo food, fair price, fresh fish
- **Capriccio** - Amazing homemade Italian food, along the Kralendijk boulevard, good wine.
- **Blennies** - Located at Buddy Dive Resort, casual beach bar, theme nights like ayce BBQ, swim-up pool bar, and great cocktails.



BELMAR
Bonaire

Your Buddies on **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.



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Did you know that Belmar has one of the most beautiful private house reefs called Sara's smile?



ESCAPE TO PARADISE

Everyone is invited to escape their hectic daily life and enjoy the sun on the swimming/dive docks or at the oceanfront Magna swimming pool with its amazing panorama view. This is truly the ultimate way to relax.

The private house reef, Sara's Smile, is located just steps away from the apartments and is only accessible to Belmar guests. It offers amazing snorkeling and scuba diving opportunities. During this easy but stunning dive, divers can look for small critters. Seahorses are not a rare find at Sara's Smile.

With tanks, rinse tanks and benches for setting up your gear, available on the dock. Logistics are as easy as can be.



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 will have to do is enjoy beautiful Bonaire. 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 helpful team. Belmar is a small-scale resort with only 22 apartments. That is why we can fully focus on you.

When booking the famous Drive, Dive & Stay package you will have everything needed for a successful week of diving: Accommodation, airport transfers, shore diving with unlimited air and nitrox (plus optional boat dives) and a rental vehicle.

SMALL-SCALE AND 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.





Sail, Dive & Dine

Are you looking for a diving experience that goes beyond the incredible shore and boat dives on Bonaire? Look no further. The Sail, Dine & Dive tour combines Buddy Dive's guided diving with all-inclusive service from Epic Tours, ultimate relaxation, and the luxury of a lunch and 4-course dinner on board a catamaran!

During the 8-hour Sail, Dive & Dine tour from 11 am – 7 pm, you will make two guided dives in the Marine Park of Bonaire and Klein Bonaire. After the first dive, while you enjoy a sunny or shady spot on the 44ft catamaran, we serve lunch along with drinks (remember, no alcoholic drinks before dives). We will smoothly sail toward our next dive spot while you gear up for the second guided dive. After the second dive, we'll find a beautiful sheltered spot for you to enjoy ice-cold drinks and downtime on board the catamaran while the crew prepares dinner. You will end the day enjoying a 4-course dinner and drinks during one of Bonaire's famous sunsets.

This is the perfect tour for divers, but we have some spots available for the non-divers of your party too! During the dives, they can enjoy guided snorkeling.



Book Now!




YOUR BUDDIES'

Best packages

We offer you complete customized packages to fit all your vacation-related wishes.

Drive & Dive Package

- 7 Nights in selected accommodation
- 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



Our packages cater to all divers' needs, no matter how long you have been diving.

Become a Diver Package

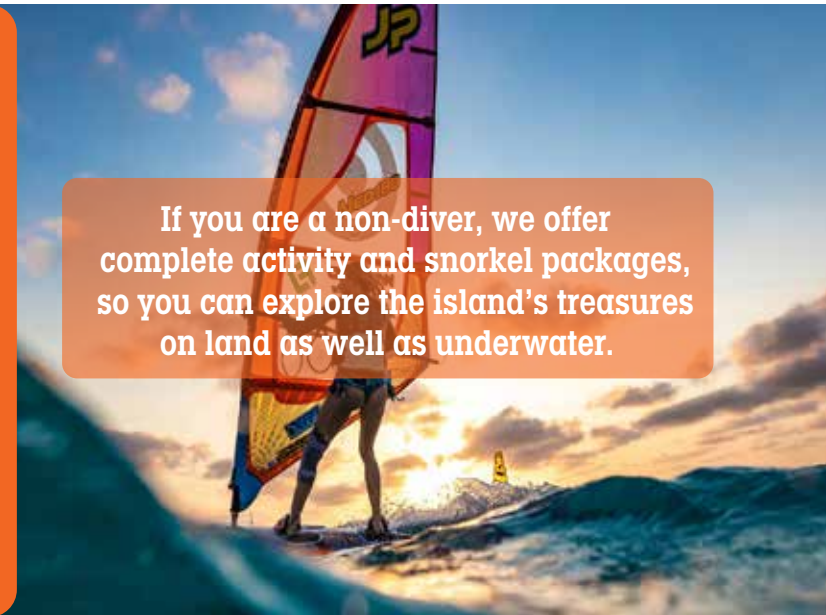
- 7 Nights in selected accommodation
- 7 Days rental vehicle
- Full E-learning open water course
- Unlimited air and rental equipment for the week
- American-style breakfast daily
- Free WiFi
- Airport transfers
- Car insurance

Explore all
our packages,
rates and specials!



Activity Package

- 7 Nights in selected accommodation
- 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



If you are a non-diver, we offer complete activity and snorkel packages, so you can explore the island's treasures on land as well as underwater.



Buddy Dive
TEK

Technical Diving

For those who want to “experience it all”!

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 in different CCR units like the JJ CCR, 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

At Buddy Dive Tek we offer a large variety of technical diving courses, try-out sessions for those who are not certified yet, and more advanced courses for those who want to extend their knowledge. We offer programs on several levels. Courses can be taught in various languages.



Blending Station	CCR Friendly	Tec Courses



For more information and tec diving specific questions, please contact our tec team directly.
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OPERATION CCR

Every year in May, Buddy Dive Resort turns into CCR heaven! During this weeklong event, Buddy Dive Resort offers a program filled with gear try-outs, demos, presentations and of course lots of CCR dives! We will have a boat reserved exclusively for all CCR divers and you can join our guided Windjammer dive! So, would you like to learn about CCR diving, connect with other divers that have the same goal, and try out the latest equipment on the market? Don't miss out and make sure to be a part of this very special week!

BUDDY DIVE THRU THE LENS

In August, Buddy Dive Resort hosts THE underwater photography event on Bonaire. Buddy Dive thru the Lens is especially for divers who are new to underwater photography as well as those who want to optimize their skills.

During Buddy Dive thru the Lens, our underwater photographer Guillermo Alcorta, offers an accessible program to develop skills and knowledge through workshops and presentations. Participants will have the chance to practice newly learned skills in a perfect environment – the beautiful reefs of Bonaire.

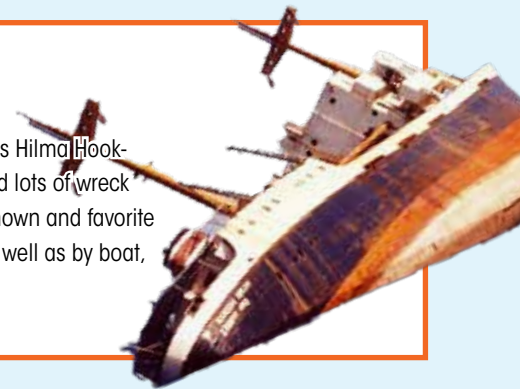


MARINE LIFE EDUCATION

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! During the Marine Life Education weeks, we offer a second diver dives for free special and you will receive a discount on the Reef ID books.

HILMA HOOKER WEEK

On September 12, 1984 cargo ship the Hilma Hooker sank. Buddy Dive Resort celebrates Hilma Hooker-wreck diving with a weeklong event, including presentations, dedicated boat dives and lots of wreck diving! The event takes place every September. The Hilma Hooker is one of the most well-known and favorite (wreck)dives on Bonaire. The wreck is in great shape and easily accessible from shore, as well as by boat, making it the favorite wreck in the Caribbean for many.



BONAIRE TEK

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".

YOUR BUDDIES

for a better world



**Reef Renewal
Bonaire**

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.

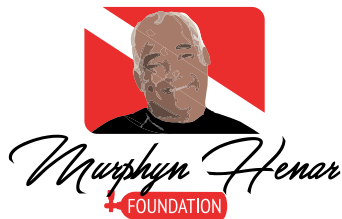
At Buddy's Reef, you will find the first coral nurseries and transplantation sites so you will get the chance to get a close look at what Reef Renewal Bonaire does.

Would you like to learn more?

Take the Reef Renewal Specialty Course and become a volunteer!

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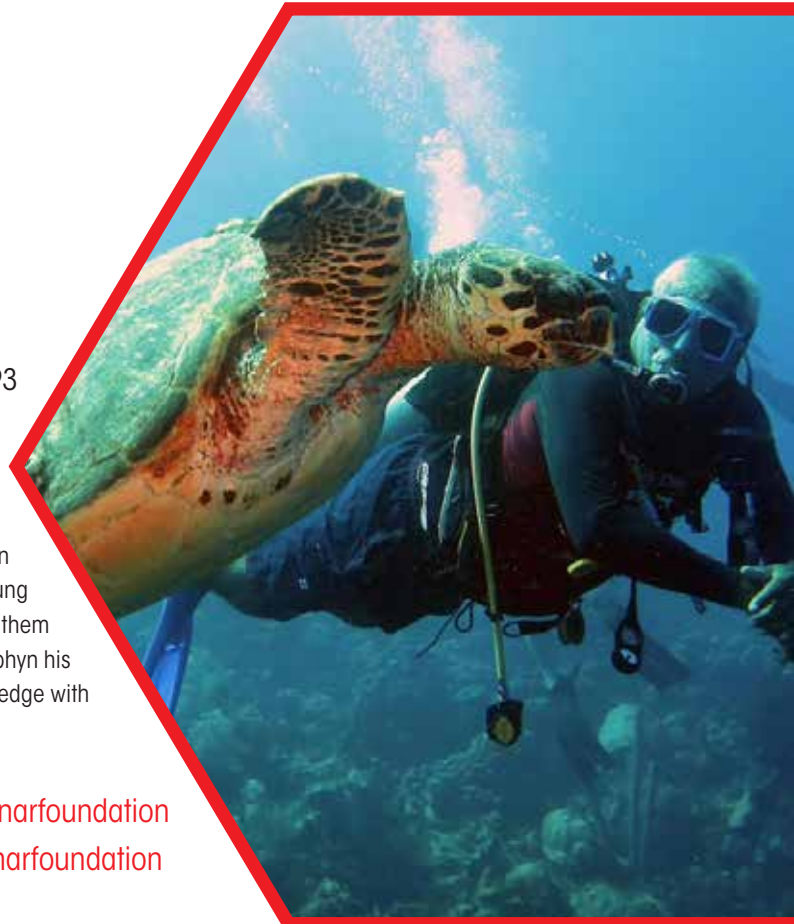


The Murphy Hendar Foundation was established to honor Murphy, who worked as a Divemaster for Buddy Dive from 1993 until his passing in 2019. He was known for his bright mood, endless patience, and knowledge of diving on Bonaire. He was a mentor for many and he still is a true icon on Bonaire.

The mission of the Murphy Hendar 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 Murphy his role within the Bonaire society. The role of a mentor who passes on knowledge with great passion and enthusiasm.

www.murphyhendarfoundation.org

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Your Buddies Go Pro

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.



Lars Bosman
Course Director

Sara Grosen - IDC candidate



Bonaire is the perfect place to do the IDC, the beautiful reefs and biodiversity really make you remember why you started diving in the first place.

Buddy Dive Resort provides the perfect conditions and minimal logistics. 2 Pools, dedicated areas on the house reef to practice in-water skills, and a big classroom. The whole staff group was supportive and went out of their way to ensure we got everything we needed. Becoming an instructor is a big step, and I couldn't have asked for a better place to become one than at Buddy Dive Resort.

coursedirector@buddydive.com

The Dive Academy is led by Platinum Course Director Lars Bosman and a dedicated team of IDC Staff Instructors. Lars has been a Course Director since 2019 and has been conducting instructor training at Buddy Dive ever since. He is also a strong supporter of the Reef Renewal project on Bonaire, and you'll see this commitment reflected in the IDC, with a focus on environmental care, excellent buoyancy, and trim. In addition to being a recreational diver, Lars is a PADI tec trimix instructor, cave diver, and rebreather diver, bringing a wealth of knowledge and experience to your professional training.

Best Selling Pro Packages

Divemaster + Internship

Package includes:

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

The package doesn't include the PADI fee for the Divemaster application.

All-inclusive IDC

Package includes:

- * IDC materials (crew pack)
- * Instructor Examination
- * Instructor Application
- * EFR & O2 Provider Instructor application
- * EFR & O2 Provider Instructor Materials
- * Shared accommodation (14 nights)
- * 3 meals a day
- * IDC tuition fee
- * EFR & O2 provider tuition fee

Buddy Dive



Academy

WWW.BUDDYDIVE.COM/IDC





The Ultimate Family Vacation

Can you imagine a dive trip with the whole family? Sharing your love for the ocean with your children or seeing them have their first scuba experience in a safe and calm environment? Family cannonballs in the pool or have the kids getting to know all the fish in the ocean?

Buddy Dive Resort has been welcoming families for decades and is the perfect resort for a complete family vacation. As a family business, we know exactly what you need for the entire family to have the best time. We offer a wide range of kid's programs and courses for kids of all ages.

For the little ones we offer the Buddy Rangers program, a full morning program where we mix education with fun. We'll teach the young ones to snorkel or use SASY equipment, do fish- and coral ID, paint driftwood, and have a surprise trip at the end of the program.



For the older ones, we offer PADI SEAL Team, Jr. Open Water, or Jr. Advanced Open Water courses. Our staff is trained to work with kids and is very experienced in giving kids a safe and fun introduction to diving.

Our programs give the moms and dads the opportunity to enjoy their dives while the kids have fun. Who knows if you will be diving with the entire family by the end of the week? If that isn't quality time...

Bonaire's pool-like diving conditions and the logistics of the resort, including on-property pools, classrooms, and a house reef, make it safe, easy, and relaxed for your kids to start diving. Bonaire is a calm and safe island with SO many fun activities for the entire family!

We hope to welcome your family to Buddy Dive Resort soon!

Available programs per age



FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT WWW.BUDDYDIVE.COM/KIDS

Kids Scuba Camp
Bonaire 2023
Jesse Albert



Buddy Dive Watersports

Buddy Dive Watersports can be found at 3 different locations on Bonaire, spread out conveniently over the island. Buddy Dive watersports is serving guests on our resorts, guests staying at rental homes and those who visit for a day by cruise. There is always a Buddy Dive Watersports location for you! All Buddy Dive Watersports locations are PADI 5-star resorts, Universal Referral centers as well as DAN business member.

Buddy Dive Watersports has been making diving convenient, comfortable and fun for years already! The experienced, friendly and multilingual staff provides service with personal attention to assure your vacation will be one to remember.

All Buddy Dive Watersport Locations offer a (dive) retail shop, dive tanks (both air and Nitrox), equipment rental, diving courses from beginner level up to professional level and guided (boat)dives.

Especially for the guests staying in rental houses or apartments, Buddy Dive Watersports provides tank delivery service. Fresh scuba tanks can be delivered on your doorstep on a daily basis.

When in town, drop by in our Buddy Dive Watersports store – Downtown Kralendijk to shop for fashionable beachwear, souvenirs and a wide variety of dive gear and accessories. The staff is happy to help you choose or to advise you on your next piece of dive equipment.



Retail shop



Tank Delivery



Dive courses



Equipment rental



Visit our Watersports store at: Kaya Libertador Simon Bolivar 6

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Diving on Bonaire

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.



Diving on Bonaire video



About Bonaire

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.

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!



Your Buddies on Bonaire

Recreational/ professional diving courses

Discover Scuba Diving	½ day	\$90**
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	\$90**
Incl. instruction, course materials & 1 ocean dive.*		

E-learning PADI Open Water	2-3 days	\$485**
Complete PADI online theory at home & the practical dives on Bonaire.*		

Referral Course	2 days	\$285
Incl. instruction, certification & 4 ocean dives.* Current referral papers & medical statements required.		

E-learning PADI Advanced Diver	2 days	\$325**
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	\$395**
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	12 days	\$975**
Complete PADI online theory at home & the practical dives on Bonaire. Excluding PADI application fee.***		

Dive Master + Internship	12 days	\$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	\$3550
Including shared accommodation, meals, materials, IDC, EFR Instructor and Emergency Oxygen Provider course, Instructor applications, and the Instructor examination		

* 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	\$85
2-Tank Boat Dive & U/L air	\$120
1-Tank Boat Dive, if on U/L Shore Diving	\$55
2-Tank Boat Dive, if on U/L Shore Diving	\$85

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	\$455
Upgrade to 11 Boat Dives	+ \$196
Upgrade to 12 Boat Dives	+ \$235

- 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.

Private Dive Guide*

	1 dive	1/2 day	1 day
Check Dive with Divemaster	\$60	-	-
Dive Master Guide	\$50	\$130	\$255
Private Instructor	\$60	-	-
Guided DPV dives (2 dives)	-	\$130	-

* The private guide rates exclude dive equipment, tanks & weight.
Max 6 pax.

Night Dives

Guided Night Dive*	\$90
Light included.	
Ostracod or Fluorescent Dive*	\$90
Black Water Night Dive*	\$150
Light is included. Black water dive focuses on finding unique creatures in the water column, attracted from the deep by high powered light sources.	

* By arrangement & subject to availability, sign up onsite 24hrs in advance.

Reef Renewal Specialties

Discover Reef Renewal	½ day	\$90
Incl. 1 dive, & Air / Nitrox.		
Reef Renewal Distinctive Specialty	1½ - 2 days	\$225
Incl. 3 dives, material, & Air / Nitrox.		
Reef Renewal Day*	1 day	\$100
Incl. 2 dives & Air / Nitrox.		

* For Certified Reef Renewal Divers.

Snorkeling

Guided Boat Snorkel Trip

1 Stop	\$30
2 Stops	\$60

Unguided Boat Snorkel Trip

1 Stop	\$25
2 Stops	\$50

Guided Snorkel 2 hrs \$50

Snorkel through Bonaire's underwater world with a guide.

Guided Night Snorkel* 1 hr \$65

Under expert guidance you will experience the different creatures that only come out at night!

* Dive light is required, available for rent at the dive shop.

Tours

Sail, Dive & Dine 1 day \$286

Full day of sailing onboard a catamaran, including 2 guided dives, lunch, dinner & drinks. Excl. gear & tanks. Price incl. tanks \$300.

Cave Exploration and Snorkel ½ day \$55

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 \$50

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	\$7	\$35
Fins	\$7	\$35
Snorkel set	\$11	\$55
Snorkel vest	\$7	\$35
BCD	\$14	\$70
Regulator with gauges & octopus	\$14	\$70
Dive computer	\$14	\$70
Mesh bag	\$4	\$20
Wetsuit	\$14	\$70
Octopus or gauges	\$7	\$35
Wetsuit (full)	\$21	\$105
Open Heel Fins	\$14	\$70
Dive Light LED (without batteries)	\$14	\$70
Scuba set*	\$46	\$230
DIN-Adapter	\$2	\$10

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

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

*REBREATHER – Try out & courses upon request

Guided Tech Dives (per diver) \$120

Windjammer Wreck or any other shore dive site. Equipment & gas are excluded.

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
Essentials		
Lift bag / DSMB	\$8	\$40
Reel	\$8	\$40

Tech add ons

Add boats (3x 2hrs bottom time) \$375

Wind Jammer Tech Dives \$120

Dive and explore our deepest wreck!
(price is per person per dive)

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Marine Life ID Map



French Angelfish



Queen Angelfish



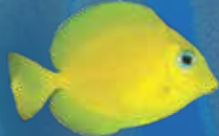
Cherubfish



Foureye Butterflyfish



Blue Tang



Juvenile Blue Tang



Whitespotted Filefish



Scrawled Filefish



Black Durgon



Spotted Drum



Seahorse



Frogfish



Sand Diver



Scorpionfish



Red Lionfish



Peacock Flounder



Bluehead



Yellowhead Wrasse



Creole Wrasse



Rainbow Wrasse



Rainbow Parrotfish



Queen Parrotfish



Redtail Parrotfish



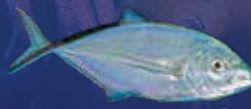
Spotlight Parrotfish



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



Sharpnose Puffer



Spotted Trunkfish



Honeycomb Cowfish



Trumpetfish



Barred Hamlet



Yellowtail Damselfish



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



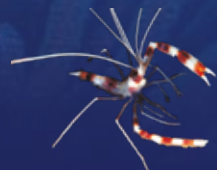
Spotted Moray Eel



Caribbean Spiny Lobster



Yellowline Arrow Crab



Banded Coral Shrimp



Christmas Tree Worm



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