

LITTLE PALM ISLAND

Resort & Spa

Little Palm Island Divers

Little Palm Island Divers is an on-island PADI Resort Dive Center staffed with experienced professional boat captains and scuba instructors. We provide all the necessary equipment for your snorkeling or diving adventure. All dives are instructor guided for your safety and enjoyment.

All trips are aboard the Island Girl a 30-foot Coast Guard licensed and inspected dive boat. It is designed for the comfort of both snorkelers and divers.

Looe Key Reef Trips

This trip departs daily, weather permitting, in the morning and afternoon with snorkelers and divers on board the Island Girl. We stop at two different locations for about an hour each before returning to the resort. Looe Key is a protected area within the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary. It is a barrier reef with distinctive spur and groove coral formations and a wide variety of marine life. With depths between 5 and 30 feet, it is one of the best reefs in the Florida Keys.

Discover Scuba Diving

This is an introductory scuba diving experience for those not yet certified. It consists of a short classroom session, learning a few basis skills in the pool and then two dives on the reef with your instructor.

Scuba Review

This is a pool refresher session where we review many of the skills you learned in your certification course. This is for those who want to review their skills in a controlled environment (the pool) prior to diving at the reef. It is required if the diver has not been diving within the past two years. This course includes two dives with your instructor.

The Adolphus Busch Dive

The Adolphus Busch is a 210-foot island freighter intentionally sunk on December 5, 1998 in about 115 feet of water. Combine this dive with a reef dive to see the best we have to offer all in one trip. Enriched Air is available upon request.

Twi-Nite Dive

This dive on Looe Key is offered during the summer months when the sun sets later than 7:30 pm. This is two dives at one location -a twilight dive before sunset and a night dive after sunset. Dive lights are provided.

Certification Courses

The PADI Scuba Diver course certifies you to dive under the supervision of a professional to depths of up to 40 feet. The PADI Open Water Diver course certifies you to dive independently (with a dive buddy) to depths of up to 60 feet.

In order to minimize the amount of vacation time you spend in training, we recommend that you associate with a PADI Dive Center in your area to complete the knowledge development and pool training prior to your arrival at Little Palm. Upon arrival, you only have to complete your training dives with us to finish up your certification.

If you prefer to do the entire course with us, we also offer these certification courses as home-study programs. You need to contact us in advance so we can send you the training materials to complete the book work at home. When you arrive, we review the knowledge development, conduct the pool training, and complete the required open water training dives.

Advanced Training

If you are already a certified Open Water diver, you can continue your education with these courses. The PADI Adventure Diver course introduces you to three specialty dives of your choice, and the PADI Advanced Open Water Diver course introduces you to five specialty dives, including U/W Navigation, Deep Diving, and three other specialty dives of your choice. Advanced Open Water certification qualifies you to dive to depths of up to 100 ft and is required by most dive operations when making dives deeper than 60 ft.

We offer advanced training courses as home-study programs. You need to contact us in advance so we can send you the training materials to complete the book work at home. When you arrive, we review the knowledge development and complete the required open water training dives.

Check with us on the availability of other certification courses in which you may be interested.

For additional information and pricing, please contact our dive instructor at diveshop@littlepalmisland.com or call 305-872-2524.