



Advanced Diver Training Facility

Diving Matrix

TEC LAB

EXPLORATION THROUGH EDUCATION...

Torreveyja, Alicante, Spain, 2014

Date: 9th – 16th, November 2014
Cost: £715 all in (exc: gas, flights, transfer)
Deposit: £150
Spaces: 12



This trip to Alicante is boat based diving for five days providing technical wreck diving around the Alicante region of The Mediterranean Sea. We will be looked after by some experienced locals. This trip is suitable for all levels of technical diver, both Open and Closed Circuit. If you are not suitability qualified yet, let us know as this will be an awesome trip to do you qualifying Technical dives! We will also be on hand to help plan the dives if you so require. This trip promises to be an absolute treat of an adventure!

Torreveyja

Torreveyja lies about 30 miles south of the city of Alicante and has a population of 104,000 (2008). Torreveyja was originally a salt-mining and fishing village as it is located between the sea and two large salt lakes (*Las Salinas*), which give Torreveyja a healthy micro climate.

More info can be found here... <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Torreveyja>

Diving

The diving in Southern Spain has been described as amongst the best wreck diving in the world.

We will be diving some classic wrecks which include:

SS Mardinian, she was a British steamer of 3322 tons. On May 19th, 1917, Mardinian, on a voyage from Calicut to London with general cargo, was torpedoed and sunk by the German submarine. She is upright and intact and sits in 55m with the bridge starting at about 35m and she has a gun on her stern and is one of the most popular dives.

SS Ville De Verdun was a 4500 ton French steamer sunk by u34 on the 6 Feb. 1918. She lies in 55m of water on her starboard side. She has 3 guns and is fairly in-tact. Entering her can be done but caution is required due to the levels of silt on the seabed. The massive con-rods can be seen clearly within in the wreck. The large 4-bladed propeller can be seen resting on the seabed.

SS Lilla was a 2300 ton steamer that was sunk in 1917 and sits upright in 45m se is a very pretty and popular dive and is a great ship to swim right through with good access to her engines and boilers.

SS Doris was a 3900 ton Italian steamer sunk in 1917, she lies upside down and broken in 47m and has an abundance of fish life and is a very enjoyable dive with holes for penetration.



Unknown wreck in 96m, upright and broken at the rear, this is an old steamer that was also rigged for sailing.

Unknown steamer in 109m, this is a large steam ship of 5000 ton plus that lies completely on her side, it is a project that has only been dived a few times and more exploration will be done in 2013.

Wrecks outside of the 15nm range are:

Unknown Steamer in 76m. She's an upright and intact steam of about 3500tons with a gun on her stern and yet to be identified.

The Naranjito max. depth 44 metres approx. 144ft. (cargo liner)

The Nalon max.depth 35 metres approx. 115ft. (destroyer)

The Ulla max.depth 34 metres approx. 112ft. (destroyer)

The Turia max.depth 35 metres approx. 115ft. (destroyer) the Nalon, Ulla and Turia were sunken by Spanish navy divers a couple of years ago for training purposes, and to create artificial reefs

The Standfield max.depth 60 metres approx. 196ft.

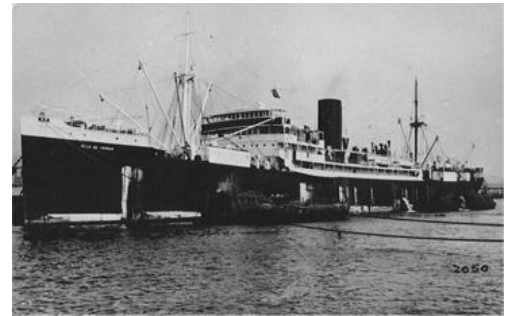
The Kasenga max.depth 50 metres approx. 164ft. (cargo steamer)

The German **U-boat** U-77 max depth 80 metres approx. 262ft

The Prudenza max. depth 73 metres (cargo liner)

The Atlantic max. depth 115 metres (cargo steamer)

The Caprera max. depth 80 metres (armed merchant cruiser)



Training

Diving Matrix will be offering all OC training programs on this trip, so if you are new to tec or want to complete a full 100m Trimix dive just let us know.

Boat

For the beginning of the 2013 dive season we will be using the best diving platform available for charter in Spain, in the form of a Blyth 33 catamaran fitted with a diver lift.



Accommodation

Accommodation in Torrevieja is provided for the duration of the stay (7 nights) and included in the cost. We will be staying in superior 2 bedroom self-catering apartments overlooking the harbour where the hard boat is moored, at the end of the days diving your cylinders are taken off of you for filling and the rest of the day is yours to enjoy.



The apartments are within walking distance of many restaurants', bars and shopping and have use of a shared pool.

Our primary villa also consists of an under build (large cellar) where kit can be stored safely, it also has a large roof solarium equipped with a BBQ and use of a large communal pool as well as front and side sun terraces. Included in the package is the cost of all transfers to and from the villa to boat and back again each day.



Gas

We will sort all the difficult logistics of technical diving.

For CCR divers all you have to do is take the cylinders off the rebreather and pack as light as possible. Diving Matrix will provide cylinders for your rebreather, all the gas that you require, sofnalime, and bail-out cylinders. We will supply cylinders for all rebreather along with 7lt and 11lt stage bottles and some limited 5lt as well.

For Open Circuit divers we will supply 12lt, 15lt and 18lt twinsets, as well as all stage bottles.

We run an L&W 450 compressor and have full boosting facilities along with trimix and nitrox blending.

You only pay for the gas you breathe!!

Travel

Flights into Alicante are available from any major airport and are CHEAP!!! We will also sort all airport transfers for you.

Weather

November in Torrevieja is a time when things start are fairly cool, with humidity hovering around 70%. November tends to be a bit breezy with winds averaging around 9 mph. The average high temperature is around 20°C, but recent temperatures have hit as high as 28°C in recent times.

Average rainfall in November is almost nonexistent at about 35mm.

Perfect for diving!!!!





Terms and Conditions

Booking

A deposit of £250 per person is required. The balance is to be paid no later than ten weeks before the trip starts. If you pay the deposit then you are responsible for paying the balance or finding someone to take your place.

Cancellation

If Diving Matrix has to cancel your booking for any reason we will refund your monies payment paid in full without further claim against us. If you cancel your booking it is up to you to find someone to take your space. Taking out holiday insurance to cover this and other possibilities is highly recommended and is your responsibility.

Cylinder test requirements

We will follow the guidelines as all UK dive centres, as such all cylinders are required to be in visual/hydro test (IDEST) and if requiring Nitrox, Trimix or O2 fills the cylinders and valves must also be O2 cleaned and in O2 service.

If a cylinder is not in test it will not be filled, and will hold no liability for any missed diving incurred as a result of cylinders being out of test.

Safety

Diving Matrix will not be responsible for any injury or accident caused to any person or persons arising from the use or presence of commercial and recreational diving equipment.

Insurance Cover

Diving Matrix do not accept any responsibility for loss of or damage to any personal items, e.g. diving and photographic equipment.

Weather

Diving Operations will always commence on the date stated no matter what the weather. If bad weather occurs Diving Matrix will make every attempt to get to a dive site but will not refund any of the fees.

Fuel surcharge

Diving Matrix reserves the right to charge a fuel surcharge if the price of fuel increases significantly.