# SPECIAL EXPEDITION







# **BLACKWATER DIVING**

## WHAT IS BLACK WATER DIVING?

Blackwater diving is an extraordinary new way of night diving!

The concept is simple: It's a night dive in deep open ocean where divers simply hang out on top of very deep water with no other reference than a downline fitted with powerful lights. Blackwater diving gives us the opportunity to encounter marine life never seen on our usual dives, such as all types of cephalopods, fish larvae and tinny crustaceans floating mid water until they are strong enough to settled down on the reef or deep sea creatures who will never visit a reef such as the Paper Nautilus or tripod fish.







### 22 DIVES IN THAILAND'S BEST DIVES SITES: SIMILAN + RICHELIEU ROCK

On this Special Blackwater expedition, we will do one blackwater dive per day not too far from Thailand's best dive sites in the Andaman Sea which we can explore during the days!

### DATES:

From 23/01/2024 (phuket 5pm) To 29/01/2024 (Khao Lak 4pm)

### PRICE PER DIVER:

THB 51,500 in Standard THB 56,500 in Deluxe THB 60,500 in Master

#### INCLUDED

- Full accommodation and board

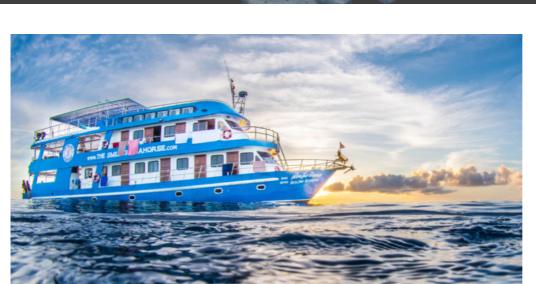
  (Breakfast, Lunch, afternoon bites, Dinner)
- · All soft drinks, drinking water, fresh coffee & tea
  - · Fresh fruits, yogurt & snacks all-day
  - · 12 L scuba tank, Weights & Weight Belt
- PADI Professional Dive Guide (for up to 4 divers)
  - 5 Blackwater dives + 17 day dives included
  - Daily underwater photography presentations
    - Towels, reef-friendly amenities
      - · Sea kayak and hammock

#### NOT INCLUDED

- Marine Park Fee\* 2,600-THB / diver \*subject to government's change
  - DIVING INSURANCE COMPULSORY
    - · Alcoholic drinks and cigarettes
    - Equipment rental (600 THB/ day)
    - · Computer rental (300 THB/day)
      - PADI Courses
    - · Private guide 3,000 THB/day
  - One-on-one photo courses by Alex Tyrrell (from 2000thb)
  - · Nitrox: 250 THB/tank or 4,500 THB for the whole cruise
    - · Transfers and hotels before/ after the cruise

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# **DETAILS**

### 7 D/6 N 22 DIVES

From Phuket on the **23/01/2024-17:00**To Khao Lak on the **29/01/2024-16:00** 

Black Water Diving Expedition North Andaman THAILAND



# SPECIAL GUEST: ALEX TYRRELL

# **OUR BOAT**

### **MV SMILING SEAHORSE**

Built by and for divers in 2018 MV Smiling Seahorse has all the "little extras" you may want :

- a spacious dive platform
- a camera room. 2 Black water lines.
- · lovely lounge areas
- a massive sun deck
- 8 A/C cabins opened to the ocean
- · only 16 guests
- · delicious food to enjoy surface intervals as well!
- onboard pro photographers

Alex Tyrrell will give daily lectures to get the best photos, and is available for one on one lessons at an amazing rate!

## Optional: One-on-one photo course with Alex Tyrrell

- perfect your gear set up
- get tips in and out of water to improve your shots
- learn to edit your images more efficiently

Start at 2000thb only!





### DAILY PRESENTATIONS BY PHOTO PRO TRAINER

- camera prep. diving for photos
- u/w etiquette and care for environment
- exposure & lighting basics
- · capturing sunbeams & sun balls
- macro & w/a composition
- blackwater photography (focusing, lighting, TTL/manual flashes, composition)
- Wide Angle, motion blur
- Photo editing