

## The Nautilus Explorer

The people behind the Nautilus Explorer have thought of just about everything! There's a hot tub, perfect for post-dive relaxing and socializing. The ship's main salon features a 42" plasma TV mounted above the ship's library. Next to the TV is a well stocked bar. (How well-stocked? Choose from over 40 microbrews and 50 kinds of wine.) The ship is very photographer friendly and the main lounge is fitted out with both a Mac and a PC computer, complete with Photoshop Elements for our guests' convenience. There are comfy couches too!

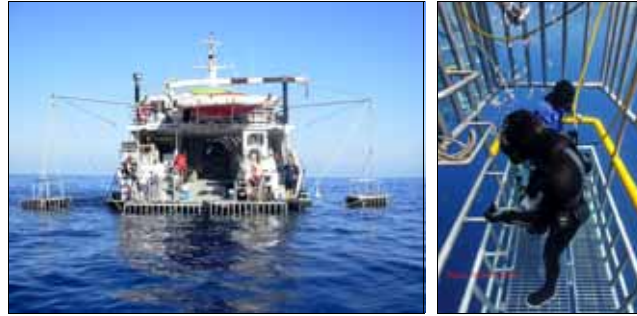
Although we doubt you'll spend much time in your stateroom, if you do, you'll find it first-rate too. While a dive boat isn't a cruise ship, you definitely won't be roughing it! Each Nautilus Explorer stateroom has two beds (side by side) and its own private head with shower.

## Certified Safe & Seaworthy

The Nautilus Explorer was custom built and launched in 2000 as a liveaboard expedition dive boat. Her heavy stabilized steel hull provides an easy ride across the open ocean. She is certified to the same stringent international standards as the largest cruise ship, and has earned a SOLAS passenger certificate. This liveaboard dive boat is the ultimate confirmation of seaworthiness and safety. The Nautilus Explorer is the only Canadian flagged passenger vessel with this certification.



## Incredible Comfort at Sea



## One Great Boat, Five Great Cages

The Nautilus Explorer carries five shark cages, each designed to hold three people. (We should really call them people cages!) Four surface cages float at the rear and sides of the boat and are open from 6:30 am until dusk for hookah diving by both certified divers and non-divers. A new submersible cage can take cage divers to a depth of 40 feet. This cage is much like the submersible cages used in Australia and can only be used by certified divers. (Dive tanks and regulators are provided by the Nautilus Explorer.)

## What Do I Need to Bring?

You'll need to bring your own mask and wetsuit and may want to bring along a hood, booties and gloves. The water can be cold, with temperatures typically in the high 60's to low 70's. Captain Mike uses a 5 mil suit. You may prefer a heavier suit. (A limited number of wet and drysuits are available for rent. Check in advance to see if we have your size.)

Surface weather should be nice and summer clothes, like shorts and t-shirts should be fine for on the boat. We do recommend bringing a sweater and windbreaker/jacket just in case. Don't forget to pack personal toiletries, your camera and a good book. If you have any packing questions, please don't hesitate to ask us.

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## Sample Itinerary

### DAY ONE

Arrive either San Diego, California or Tijuana, Mexico. Check in with a team member stationed in the Nautilus Explorer hotel hospitality suite. Transportation provided from the hotels to our dock in Ensenada. Evening departure for Isla Guadalupe.

### DAY TWO

At sea. Welcome Aboard safety briefing. Presentation on Guadalupe great white sharks. Afternoon video and cocktail hour. Arrival at our sheltered anchorage at Guadalupe Island just before dinner time. We will put our shark cages in the water tonight.

### DAY THREE

Cages open for diving at 0630. Shoreline expeditions daily while on site to check out the local populations of elephant seals, Guadalupe fur seals, California sea lions and even the odd feral cat! We will wrap the diving at sunset and finish the day with a crab feast on the hot-tub deck under the Mexican sky.

### DAY FOUR

Cages open for diving from 0630 until sunset.

### DAY FIVE

Our last dive day unfortunately. So sad. The diving will wrap at 5pm today and then it will be time to steam back to Ensenada.

### DAY SIX

Morning slideshow of the trip's highlights with copies for everyone to take home. Arrive in Ensenada at about 2:00 PM for port clearance and coach transfers back to Tijuana and San Diego.

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## Shark Dive Details

Trips to Isla Guadalupe are offered annually, from late August through early November. The 116 ft Nautilus Explorer can comfortably accommodate 25 shark divers. We welcome individual divers as well as couples and groups.



Executive Stateroom  
\$3250 per person\*

Standard Stateroom  
\$2850 per person\*

*\*Note: Price doesn't include wetsuit rental, bar tab, \$65 port fee or suggested crew gratuity of 10-15%.*

## Diver Requirements

No dive certification is required, unless you want to dive inside our submersible cage. Our boat is equipped with "hookah" air supply system that provides air to our four floating surface cages. You should be in reasonably good health and minimum age restrictions apply. This is a live-aboard adventure so participants should be comfortable on the water. A current passport is required for travel to and from Mexico.



Isla Guadalupe or Guadalupe Island, is a volcanic island located off the west coast of Mexico's Baja California Peninsula. It is considered one of the best places in the world to view great white sharks. Great whites travel to Isla Guadalupe to dine on the area's large population of seals. The recent discovery of a baby great white shark near Isla Guadalupe indicates great whites may also breed in the area. The island is part of a protected biosphere and has been a pinniped sanctuary since 1975.

The Nautilus Explorer is proud to support the Guadalupe Conservation Fund and in two years has raised and donated over \$35,000 to help protect of this very special place.



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## Dive With The Great White Sharks of Isla Guadalupe



**There's no other place on the planet like it.  
Isla Guadalupe, Mexico is a shark diver's dream.**

**Spend three adrenaline-filled days inside one of our five shark cages viewing big sharks in crystal clear water.**

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