

About Your Captain



Tim Taylor is an accomplished naturalist and explorer with over 25 years of underwater experience. His discovery of Sherwood Forest Reef in the Dry Tortugas earned him acceptance into the Prestigious Explorers Club.

Tim's experience includes 18 years as a US Coast Guard Captain, numerous instructor ratings, underwater still and video expertise and extensive field work. He has hosted many noted marine specialists, including Dr. Sylvia Earle, Dr. Eugenie Clark, Dr. Jeff Carrier and Wes Pratt. He produced, shot and directed "The Florida Keys Sportsman", founded Scubaworld Online; one of the first scuba industry databases on the Internet, and has guided many world famous researchers and explorers on expeditions in the Bahamas, Cuba and the Florida Keys. The ocean and Key West are home for Tim, his 8 year old son Garrett and 6 year old daughter Brooke.



Incredible Dolphin Encounter

July 16th—22nd or July 23rd—29th

\$2600 per person**

**Charter & group rates available.

Price does not include travel to and from Freeport, Bahamas.



Stenella frontalis =
Spotted Dolphin

Tursiops truncatus =
Bottlenose Dolphin

Dolphin Encounter =
Incredible Adventure

Each participant will receive a membership in the Wild Dolphin Project, a subscription to the WDP newsletter and a complimentary copy of Dr Denise L Herzing's book: "Wild Dolphin Project: Long Term Research of the Atlantic Spotted Dolphin in the Bahamas."

Optional Program Additions

Complete your SCUBA certification while onboard the R/V Tiburon. Rebreather training is also available for advanced divers. Contact us for pricing and details.

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Life is either an incredible adventure or nothing at all.

The Adventure



DAY ONE

Arrive in Freeport, Bahamas. Board the Tiburon at Port Lucaya Marina and Yacht club by 5pm. Settle into your stateroom then join the crew for orientation and a safety briefing at 5:30pm. Refreshments and hors-d'oeuvres served onboard. Free time to explore Freeport. Be back on board by 12 midnight for an early morning departure.

DAY TWO

Wake up on the dolphin banks in the early morning. Receive briefing in dolphin interaction protocols. Take turns spotting for dolphins or using the tender scouting other locations throughout the day. Evening lectures on dolphin biology given by our naturalist.

DAYS THREE THROUGH FIVE

Help photograph, video and document the dolphins encountered. Use a catalogue of images to identify specific dolphins by name.

DAY SIX

Depart the dolphin grounds by noon. Return to Freeport, stopping along the way to snorkel the shallow Sugar shipwreck. Dock at Lucaya Marina by late afternoon. A farewell dinner is served aboard. Those with flights the next day can stay overnight on the Tiburon.

DAY SEVEN

Continental breakfast is served. Depart the Research Vessel Tiburon by 9 am.

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The Wild Dolphin Project



Join us on our Dolphin Encounter and you'll be helping to support the Wild Dolphin Project.

Dr Denise L Herzing
founder
www.wilddolphinproject.org

Dr Herzing is a Fellow with the prestigious Explorer's Club and has been studying the spotted dolphins of the Atlantic for twenty years. Dr Herzing's work has been featured in *National Geographic* and on PBS, the *Discovery Channel*, *ABC* and *BBC*. She holds a B.S. in Marine Zoology from Oregon State University; an M.A. in Behavioral Biology from San Francisco State University; and a Ph.D. in Behavioral Biology and Environmental Studies from the Union Institute Graduate School. She's a member of the Research Faculty in Biological Sciences at Florida Atlantic University and is the author of several publications.

Your Role in the Research

Our week-long Dolphin Encounter provides an opportunity for you to get up close and personal with incredible dolphins in the wild. At the same time, you'll be helping to gather critical photographs and video that will help catalogue a population of over 200 spotted and 200 bottlenose dolphins. Observations are made underwater while snorkeling, as well as from the surface.



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The R/V Tiburon



The R/V Tiburon is a 63-foot United States Coast Guard certified passenger vessel designed for research and exploration. She is equipped with state-of-the-art safety gear, electronic equipment, and air/nitrox compressors. Her homeport is Key West, located within the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary. She is designed to sleep 14 guests and 4 crew in air-conditioned comfort; each intimate cabin is equipped with TV and vanity, 300 thread count sheets and tempur-pedic mattress pads. Two bathroom/showers are shared along with the common areas that include salon, entertainment center, galley and outside deck areas. She carries with her a small fleet of kayaks, expedition tender, snorkel gear, dive tanks and weights.



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Dolphin Encounter

*an incredible adventure aboard
the Research Vessel Tiburon*



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Travel to the home of:
200 Atlantic Spotted Dolphins
200 Bottlenose Dolphins

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