



AQUA BLU

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Diving

Aqua Blu Detailed Diving Equipment



The equipment shown above acts as a guide and will be provided to all divers onboard.

Frequently Asked Questions – Diving

What is the Diving Sheet?

The diving sheet indicates the level of experience needed for each location/dive site, outlining the depth of dive and particular requirement or procedures. It also includes information about the equipment provided and the FAQs for the dive session.

Is there a diving fee?

There is no additional fee for diving sessions for certified divers.

What is the minimum and maximum age for diving?

The minimum age for diving is 10 years old. Guests over 55 years old are required to provide a medical certificate allowing them to dive.

What are the safety measures taken during each diving experience?

Each dive begins with a comprehensive diving brief including an emergency plan for each dive site. Divers will be escorted by our dive guides and crew who are trained in emergency first response. All divers will be assessed on their experience levels and will only be allowed to dive at corresponding dive sites. Consumption of alcohol prior to a dive session must be restricted at least 8 hours before. Mandatory safety measures in line with global diving protocols apply.

How many guests and dive guides are there per dive?

The number varies based on the ship's occupancy. Each dive follows a 5:1 guest-to-guide ratio, with a maximum of 10 guests per dive.

How many diving opportunities are there per day?

Across Aqua Blu itineraries, there will be at least one diving session — accommodating up to 10 guests — hosted on most days. Diving sessions are conducted at the discretion of our onboard crew, who ensure the highest standards of safety. During the voyage, all interested guests will have the opportunity to dive, albeit not in every session.

What is the duration of each dive session?

The average dive time is around 45 minutes, depending on variables such as air consumption and dive site conditions.

Will the diving be done in open sea or soft areas?

This depends on the dive sites. However, most of the locations are near the shore.

What is the maximum depth allowed?

The maximum dive depth is 30 meters. The depth also depends on the diver's expertise and certification.

What equipment is provided for diving?

Full dive equipment including BCD (Buoyancy Control Device), regulator set, dive cylinder, weight belt and weights, wetsuit, fins, mask, dive computer, and submersible pressure gauge, is provided.

Is nitrox available onboard Aqua Blu?

No, nitrox is not available onboard Aqua Blu. The dive sites visited have relatively shallow profiles, with an average depth of 15 meters. Under these conditions, divers typically reach their air limits before exceeding their no-decompression limits, making nitrox unnecessary.

Are 15L tanks available onboard Aqua Blu? What is the standard tank size for diving?

Yes, Aqua Blu has two 15L cylinders available. The standard tank size for diving is 12L.

What type of diving certifications are required?

Any diving certification from a recognized agency is accepted — PADI, SSI, NAUI, BSAC, etc. Please note that divers will need to present their diving certificates to the Cruise Director once onboard to be able to dive.

How is “Advanced” defined on the diving sheets? What qualifications or skills are required?

There is no strict definition for “Advanced” dives. Instead, it is based on each guest’s personal assessment of their skill and comfort level. This classification does not correspond to specific certification levels but rather to a diver’s confidence in handling various dive conditions. Before each dive, the dive guides provide a detailed briefing and assess each guest’s abilities to ensure they are suited for the dive’s difficulty. Guests can then decide whether to proceed with the dive or opt for snorkeling instead.

Are there any diving experiences for non-certified guests?

Yes, novice divers can go for the “Discover Scuba Diving” experience. This comprises a safety briefing, basic underwater skills practice, and a dive to a maximum of 12 meters/40 feet. The cost of this experience is IDR 1,450,000 per person (subject to 10% tax). Do note that this is not an actual scuba diving certification.

What happens in case of a diving accident?

Rest assured that Aqua Blu is prepared in the rare event of a diving accident. The casualty will be swiftly evacuated to the ship, with first aid and emergency oxygen administered during transport in the tender. Once onboard, further first aid will be provided, and if necessary, medical evacuation will be arranged immediately.

Is dive insurance required?

While the utmost care is taken with regards to safety, guests are recommended to purchase dive insurance prior to their voyage. Guests can consider DiveAssure and DAN which offer insurance specific to dive accidents.