

Red Sea Boats
Holidays



Our company, Red Sea Boats Holidays, is a Hungarian-Egyptian joint enterprise.
We have been organising diving tours to the Red Sea for close to 10 years.

We are a team of professionals with years of experience
in the fields of business and tourism.

Our crew and staff are highly trained with extensive experience
in the local diving industries and boat management.

The Who

The What

Red Sea Boats Holidays operates mainly as a diving tour wholesaler.
We cater to diving tour operators, diving schools and diving clubs
with clients wishing to take part in our diving holidays.

Our main business activity is providing diving liveaboards for recreational
diving services in the Red Sea, to Egypt and Sudan diving destinations,
and providing all-encompassing services to our partners and clients
to other exotic destinations.

We operate and organise diving trips onboard our own 2 luxury vessels,
M/Y Cassiopeia and M/Y Andromeda.



The Offer

Own liveboard vessels: You will be able to book the luxury vessels directly from us – the owners and operators of M/Y Cassiopeia and M/Y Andromeda.

Professional booking services: You will receive courteous service when booking your trips. Your payments will be handled properly through secure bank transfers. You will always be able to reach our representatives to finalise all details of your bookings.

Years of experience – reputability – reliability: You can rely on our experience of almost 10 years in the diving industry in the Red Sea. Our name and our vessels are trusted in the diving industry worldwide.

Strong partnerships: You and your guests will receive professional and high-quality service thanks to our strong partnerships we have created over the years with local suppliers, agencies and agents.

High-quality full liveboard services in Egypt: Your guests will be transferred between the airport and the boats. They will enjoy luxury accommodations in double en-suite cabins, full-board accommodations, delicious and plentiful meals and beverages. Their relaxation and comfort is provided by air-conditioned indoor areas, spacious sun decks, a comfortable salon with full technical equipment (LCD TV, DVD player, stereo system) and a unique Arabian café – our shisha room.

High-quality full liveboard services in Sudan: Your guests' Sudanese visas, permissions and taxes will be arranged by us. They will also be assisted in Cairo as part of our Cairo Package, including transfers between the airport and the hotel, airport assistance, Cairo-Port Sudan-Cairo flights. They will receive full assistance in Port Sudan and aided by our local agent.

Safe diving: Your guests are guided by our professional and experienced dive guides, adhering to strict diving and safety regulations. Divers are equipped with our SEA MARSHALL lost diver locator security system to further enhance their safety. The guides are attentive and helpful, assisting all divers from beginner to more advanced levels.



Andromeda



The new boat was completed in 2009, following the same design as M/Y Cassiopeia. She is similarly a 40m long steel liveaboard with 2 powerful engines and stabilisers for a comfortable diving trip. She has been working in Sudan for the past 2 spring seasons.

There are 13 en-suite double cabins with twin and queen-bed accommodations. The spacious, elegantly designed cabins are perfect for relaxing and there is plenty of storage space for all the equipment.

The same extensive upper sun deck provides shaded areas for reading and spending time in the fresh sea air as well as uncovered areas with sun beds and cushions for sunbath-

ing. There is more lounge space on the upper deck, in front of the salon and in front of the captain's bridge with a great view onto the sea ahead. Diving preparation is made easy and comfortable by the large dive deck and the extensive diving platform, perfect for groups entering the water at the same time. Showers on the platform are available to rinse off and there is also storage for the camera equipment.

The shisha room is a must here too. It is the most popular "corner" on the boat. Original Egyptian shisha is available to enjoy along with some hot tea and coffee. The Arabian music and the Oriental feeling will leave the guests with memorable experiences.

She was built in 2006 to be one of the leading luxury liveaboards in Egypt and later, in Sudan. She is a 40m long steel vessel with 2 powerful engines and unique stabilisers under the water surface to make the long journeys to far destinations more comfortable even in tough weather conditions.

Thirteen en-suite double cabins provide comfortable accommodations for 26 guests. Comfortable and large beds give a good night's sleep and plenty of storage is available for gear and other belongings.

The dive deck has lots of space for divers for gearing up all at once and for storing equipment. The spacious diving platform at the back of the boat is perfect for divers to get into the water or into the zodiacs together.

One of the unique features is our one-of-a-kind Arabian café – the shisha room where guests can relax in an Egyptian atmosphere of authentic seating, décor and tapestry. Arabian music and the traditional water pipe (shisha) make this the most loved place on the boat by all guests.

The other outstanding feature of the boat is the 100 m² sun deck on the 4th deck. It is the ultimate relaxation point with comfortable cushions, sun chairs, tables and most of all, lots of space to lounge and to enjoy the view.





Length/Breadth: 39.2 m/7.2 m

Engines: 2 MAN diesel engines, 1,150 HP each

Generators: 2 Mercedes silent generators, 130 KW each

Fresh water capacity: 15 tons plus 2 tons /day from desalination devices

Fuel capacity: 65 tons

Electricity: 220 v in every cabin and throughout the boat

Navigation equipment: GPS, compass, depth sounder, VHF, radio, radar, EPIRB

Safety equipment: 2 life rafts, 40 life jackets, 2 50l emergency Oxygen tanks, first-aid kit, fire extinguishers,

Satellite phone, life buoys, SEA MARSHALL diver search and locate security system

Diving: 26 12l tanks, 10 15l tanks with DIN and INT connections, weights, diving equipment

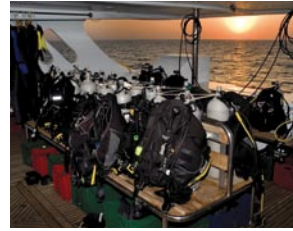
rental upon request, 2 zodiacs with 40 HP engines

Decks: lower deck with cabins; main deck with cabins, dining room, sun decks, dive deck;

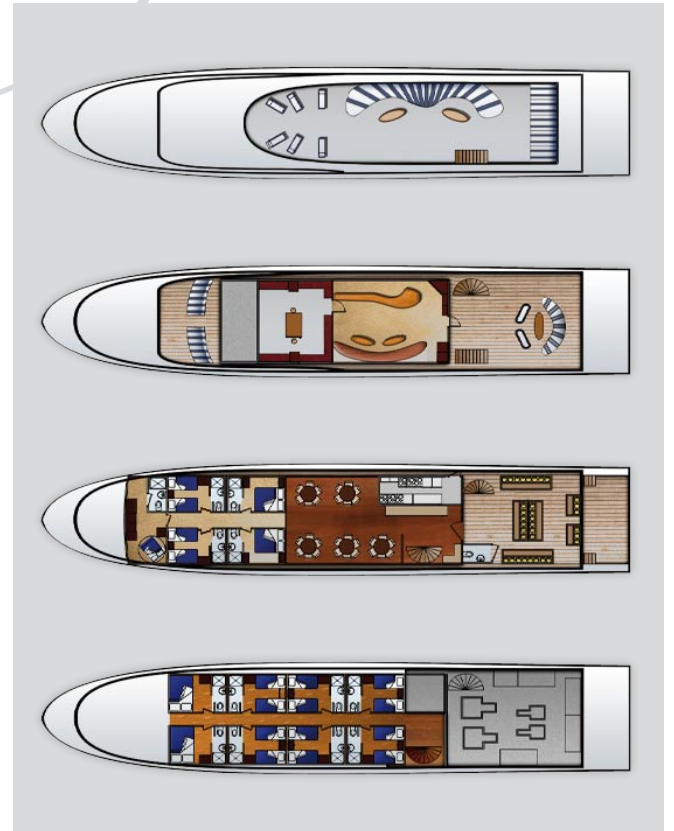
upper deck with shisha room, salon, sun deck; upper sun deck

Cabins: 10 twin, 3 queen-bed





Length/Breadth:	39.6 m/8.2 m
Engines:	2 MAN diesel engines, 1,150 HP each
Generators:	2 Mercedes silent generators, 100 KW each
Fresh water capacity:	16 tons plus 2 tons /day from desalination devices
Fuel capacity:	35 tons
Electricity:	220 v in every cabin and throughout the boat
Navigation equipment:	GPS, compass, depth sounder, VHF, radio, radar, EPIRB
Safety equipment:	2 life rafts, 40 life jackets, 2 50l emergency Oxygen tanks, first-aid kit, fire extinguishers, Satellite phone, life buoys, SEA MARSHALL diver search and locate security system
Diving:	26 12l tanks, 10 15l tanks with DIN and INT connections, weights, diving equipment rental upon request, 2 zodiacs with 40 HP engines
Decks:	lower deck with cabins; main deck with cabins, dining room, sun decks, dive deck; upper deck with shisha room, salon, sun deck; upper sun deck
Cabins:	8 twin, 5 queen-bed





Sunday



Diving in Sudan is one of the most beautiful and adventurous in the world. Dive sites in the Sudanese waters are untouched and can be reached only by zodiacs. The pristine sea hides some of the most amazing coral formations and underwater life in the world. Hundreds of metres deep drop-offs, the wildest variety of marine life make diving so exhilarating here. It is also home to the legacy left behind by Cousteau in his man-made underwater world. As the Port Sudan area used to be one of the largest commercial ports in the world, there are also exciting wrecks to discover.

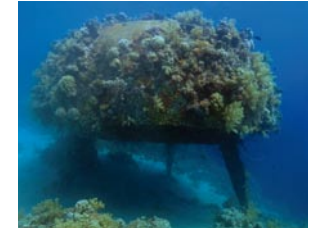
Shaab Rumi, where Cousteau conducted his underwater experiments, offers a glimpse into the life of those who had lived beneath the water surface in futuristic looking housings, studying life underwater. The shark cages are left where they used to be in the time of Cousteau where shark feedings were carried out for the sake of science. Sharks still gather near here, reminiscent of the times decades ago.

Sharks are a definite drawing force for divers. The Northern area of Shaab Rumi stretches out as a balcony and near the steep drop-off, plenty of reef sharks, grey sharks and hammerheads can be seen dancing in the blue of the deep.

The wreck of Umbria lies about 1 ½ km from Port Sudan in shallow waters. She rests at about 25m in a 45-degree angle and in low tide the masts even come above the water surface, making this a wreck easy to dive. About 18 tons of ammunition and explosives still lie in her cargo holdings as do about half a million of Maria Teresa coins. It is exciting to discover all the rooms and cargo spaces inside, some almost perfectly intact, and to meet up with barracudas, butterfly fish, spiny fish and hundreds of little red fish swarming around.

Angarosh makes her mark with gorgeous coral formations. Dozens of star corals join sparkling cherry red bushes and whip corals gathered into a violet blue bouquet. The crevices of walls are filled with snowy white spiny corals and crown corals sway their yellow branches in the current. Besides such a colour cavalcade, this site is place for hammerheads and grey reef sharks alike.

At the end of the safari tour there is a chance to visit Suakin, the ancient main port city in the Red Sea. Today gentle winds blow through the blindingly white walls and building remains that were made of coral "bricks". It is easy to imagine the beautifully built houses with their mashrabeyas and the bustling city it used to be...



North tour:

We sail all the way to Angarosh and Abington, visiting Umbria, Sanganeb, Shaab Rumi, Shaab Suedi – Blue Bell, Merlo Reef, Abington, Mesharifa and Quita el Bana.

Times of the tours: February, March, April, May, June

Small North tour:

We sail to Shaab Suedi and visit Umbria, Sanganeb, Shaab Rumi, Shaab Suedi – Blue Bell and all the sites in this area.

Times of the tours: February, March

Ultimate Sudan tour:

We visit all the best sites in Sudan in the Northern and Southern regions, including Shaab Ambar, Jibna, Suakin Islands, Sanganeb, Shaab Rumi and Umbria.

Times of the tours: April, May, June



Our strengths in Sudan

Our regular **North itinerary includes dive sites all the way North to Angarosh and Abington**, visiting the sites of Umbria wreck, Sanganeb, Shaab Rumi, Shaab Suedi – Blue Bell wreck, Merlo Reef, Abington, Mesharifa, Quita el Bana, Angarosh.

There are **no extra charges for dive sites**.

There are **at least 4 night dives on every tour**.

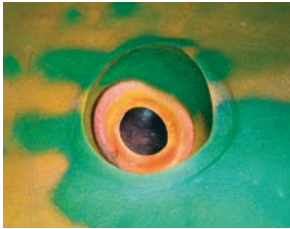
We offer **at least 4 dives every day** (except for the first and last days).

Our new itinerary, **Ultimate Sudan tour**, includes the best dive sites from the North and South Sudan dive sites.

Our **divers' safety is further enhanced by our SEA MARSHALL lost diver locate system**.

Egypt





Beside the mystical towers of the pyramids and the legacy of pharaohs, Egypt is also home to an amazing array of dive sites. Perfect weather all year round and warm waters provide a home for a spectacular marine life. There are over 1,000 known species of invertebrates, many of which cannot be found anywhere else in the world. More than 1,100 fish species and over 200 coral formations have been identified in the Egyptian Red Sea waters. Being a main travel way for cargo ships, this area provides a great array of wrecks to dive.

One of the most exciting ones is Thistlegorm which was discovered by Cousteau in 1956. The British vessel was carrying ammunition when the Germans bombed her in 1941. She rests on a sandy sea bottom in 28m deep waters surrounded by various items having been ejected from the boat such as boxed weapons, tanks and ammunition. What makes diving Thistlegorm so exciting are the war supplies (trucks, bicycles, jeeps, car tires, military uniforms) that despite the corrosion and mud, lie on the main deck untouched. Two islands in the middle of the Red Sea are the Small and Big Brother Islands, the

latter can be easily identified by its lighthouse built in 1880 by the British. On the Northern side of the island rests the wreck of the big military ship Aida II. She sank in 1957. The Western side of the islands is home to large schools of barracudas, surgeonfish, mackerels, snapperfish and of course, sharks, often tiger sharks.

The lagoon of Satayah, also known as Dolphin Reef, is home to hundreds of bottlenose dolphins. Just beneath the water surface soft and hard corals bask in the most lively colours. An abundance of marine life like mackerels, tuna and turtles circle among the corals and in the deeper waters hammerhead and grey sharks cruise.

And here is also one of the most visited sites in the Red Sea – Ras Mohamed. It received National Park status in 1989 to protect its unique marine life. In the underwater coral gardens among giant corals swim grey sharks, barracudas, snapperfish, mackerel, tuna, morays coral-fish and dozens of other schools of fish. Thanks to the currents from Akaba Bay, large oceanic species also find food and shelter here.



POSSIBLE DIVE SITES TO VISIT:

North or North wrecks or Hurghada tours: Shaab el Erg, Abu Nuhas, Shaab Mahmoud, Ras Mohamed, Thistlegorm, Rosalie Moller, Bluff Point, Gubal Kebir, Gubal Shagir, Umm Gammar

South tour:

Shaab Sharm, Satayah, Shaab Maksour, El Malahy, Claudia, Abu Galawa, Selenyat, Gota el Sharm, Marsa Alam, Elphinstone

St Johns or St Johns/Abu Fandira tours:

Shaab Sharm, Habili Ali, St Johns, Dangerous Reef, Small Gota, Um Aruk, Big Gota, Sirnaka, Shaab Maksour, Claudia, Malahy, Satayah, Gota el Sharm, Abu Fandira

Brothers tour:

(starting from Hurghada) Gota Abu Ramada, Big Brother, Small Brother, Salem Express, Ras Abu Soma, Abu Hashish, Ras Disha

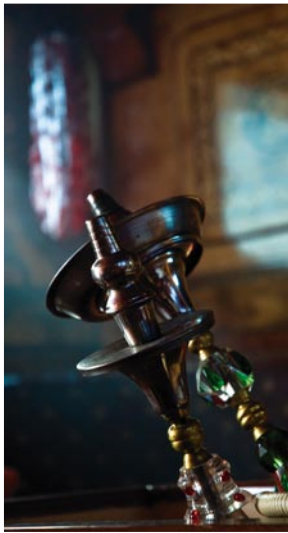
(starting from Marsa Galeb) Gota el Marsa Alam, Habili Marsa Alam, Big Brother, Small Brother, Elphinstone, Abu Dabab

Brothers/Daedalus/Elphinstone tour:

Gota Abu Ramada, Big Brother, Small Brother, Daedalus, Elphinstone

Rocky/Zabargad tour:

Abu Galawa, Sirnaka, Zabargad, Rocky, Stayah, Shaab Maksour



Russia – Alexey: "Many thanks for those unforgettable days, which we have spend on-board Cassiopeia. Also I thank you and your team for professional work and the help in the organization of this safari. Once again many thanks and I hope for the further cooperation."

South Africa – Fiona: "Just a quick note to thank you for organising the Sudan trip. It was unbelievably well run – from the moment that we arrived until we left. ... it was the friendliest and most helpful crew we had ever had."

Spain – Jose: "One of the best. ...the whole of the trip was PERFECT, and in particular I want to emphasis the efficiency of your agent in Cairo. Also your agent in Port Sudan was very efficient. ... the crew was very nice and they were very helpful, the food was good, and is important to remark the person of the Dive Master, excellent professional. ...this has been an excellent Diving Aboard Safari and all together with the excellent service it has been one of the best that I have done."

So that means that for future occasions we shall get in contact with you."

Japan – Yukie and Hiroki: "Thanks to you, we really enjoyed the trip for Sudan. Superb liveaboard, great crews, great captain, great dive guides, great dive sites, beautiful corals, amazing visibility and all of stars in the Red Sea. We won't be able to forget the trip forever. When we decided to go to Red Sea, we definitely will choose your travel agency. Thank you so much."



From the Guestbook



Slovenia – Gregor: "Best time on Andromeda. The boat is huge, cabins are the biggest I have ever seen on any liveaboard. Food was great, what surprised me the most was very healthy style of cooking from the chef. Diving was great, we had great itinerary for our north tour."

I loved that we did 4 dives on Thistlegorm, including a night dive and very early morning dive, when our group was the only one in the water at that time! I will sure return to Andromeda very soon."

Finland – group: "A. was one of the best dive guides we have had. [Don't let him go!]. The food was good and the buses on time. Nothing to complain! The whole group sends their regards and thanks to you. In future I will contact you regarding our next safari."

Italy – Paolo: "We have had a pleasant trip and a wonderful cruise on your Andromeda Boat in Sudan. Thanks a lot for high level services and flexibility demonstrated to assure us a special vacation. Thanks."



Portugal – diving tour operator: "Clients LOVED IT!!" Excellent dive masters. Great dives, the dive masters were helpful and really nice buddies. Very thoughtful crew."

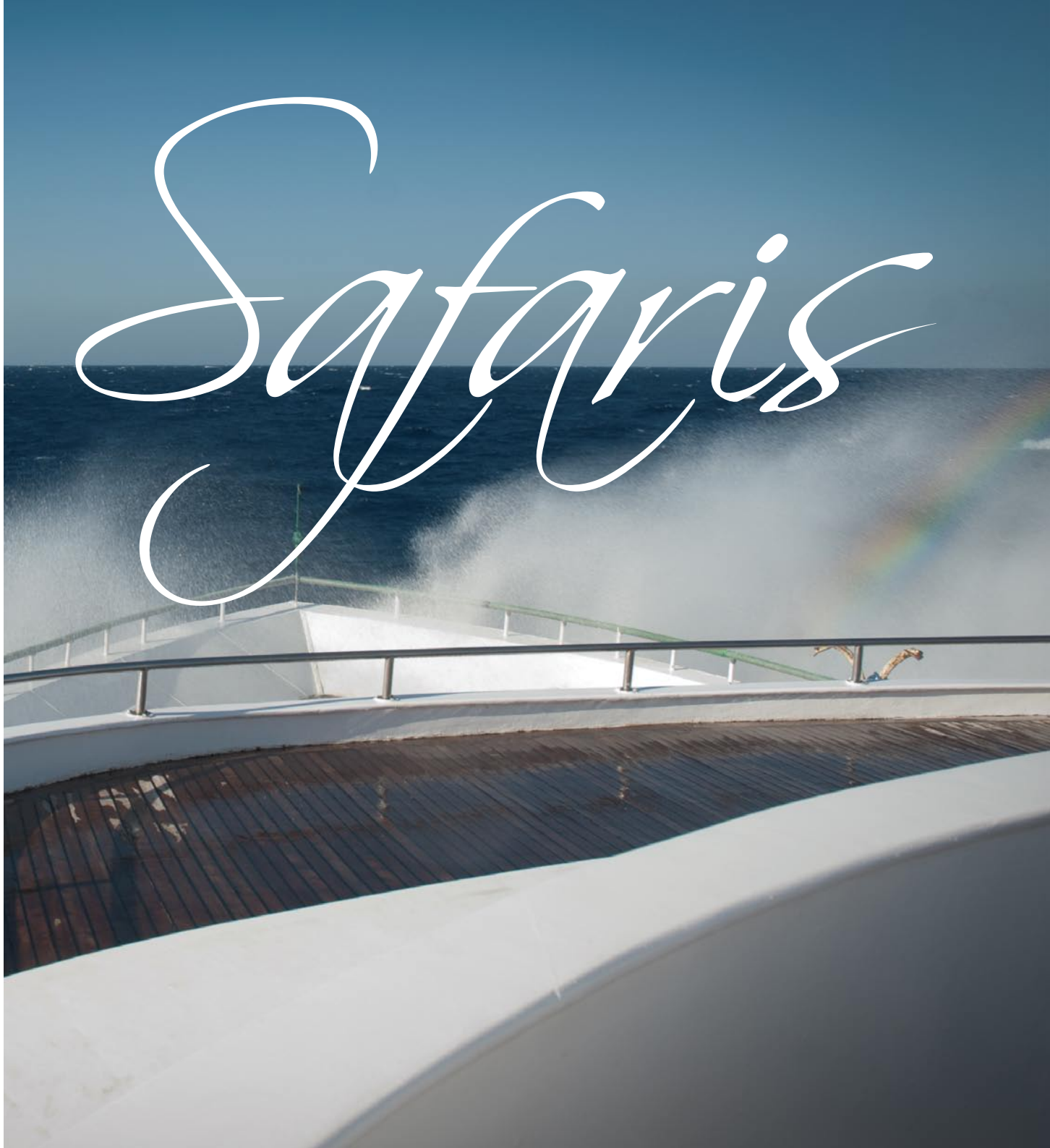
Turkey – diving tour operator: "The group is happy with the trip and your service. Thank you... Hopefully we'll do more business in the future."

Booking

Contact us to check the availability onboard M/Y Cassiopeia and M/Y Andromeda and reserve the places for your customers' Red Sea Holidays!

We will provide:

- Value for the money
- Premium service
- New ways of communication
(Facebook, Twitter, Flickr, blog, etc.)
- Uniquely designed liveboards
- Always expanding portfolio of itineraries
- Safe diving
(SEA MARSHALL lost diver search and locate system)
- Unforgettable diving holidays



Gallery



Big Brother



Claudia reef



Big Gota





Marsa Abu Dabbab
Marsa Shagra

Shaab Rumi

Shaab Maksour

Elphinstone

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