

News, Travel & Events

Tiger Beach Shark Trip Bahamas 2019



Underwater at Tiger Beach, Bahamas several large tiger sharks cruise in a pattern while lemon sharks mingle with graceful Caribbean reef shark. Diving without a cage among these large sharks allows you to get up close and personal for a thrilling adventure full of action. Seeing this many species of sharks is an opportunity to appreciate and value their role in our oceans.

October 12 – 18 2019 is our 7 day Tiger Sharks at Tiger Beach Charter. Hammerheads are not in season so the action is all Tigers and other sharks. Multiple tiger sharks move into the area since this is the start of their mating season.

Photographers will enjoy the clear water and bright sand bottom and taking images of sharks over the green sea grass or reefs. The tigers and other

sharks come close to divers creating opportunities for beautifully detailed video or stills.

Divers must be experienced: these are long and multiple dives with no cages and filled with the consuming action of sharks swirling around you.

We depart/return to West Palm, Beach Florida making for easy flight connections to any southeast Florida airport.

Our boat is the MV Dolphin Dream, a 86' expedition charter yacht with 5 shared cabins and diving platform. It holds 10 guests plus crew and is very stable and comfortable to ride through the Caribbean waters.

Underwater photographer host Gregory Sweeney is your host and is available to offer photography help and tips during the trip and while preparing for travel.

A few spaces remain on these popular trips

www.TigerSharkDive.com



NAD-Lembah Resort is a small, owner-operated, photography-oriented dive resort in the Lembah Strait.

Situated in a private bay on Lembah Island, you can enjoy being away from the hustle and bustle of the mainland.

Guaranteed 2:1 guest to guide ratio as standard, which makes for a private dive experience and lots of time to take pictures.

NAD is often the choice of film crews and production companies. We also offer Blackwater Night and Mandarin Fish Dives if you would like to try something different!



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Blackwater Safari style gathering

January 27th -Feb. 4th 2019



Crystal Blue Resort in Anilao, Philippines is dedicated to underwater photography and photographers. Our state of the art camera room, nitrox, chef prepared meals and professionally trained guides create a support team that will allow you, to be you.

Join Mike Bartick and Alex Tyrrell for this Blackwater Safari style gathering. 8 Nights full accommodations / 7 nights of Blackwater diving / 14 total BW dives plus 6 afternoon dives included. Nitrox/3 meals a day/Airport transfers 1802.00 pp dbl. occ/ 2162.00 solo. This is a full inclusion price with no hidden costs.

Blackwater diving is the ultimate for natural photo ops, underwater.

Imagine drifting in the open ocean at night to witness the vertical plankton migration in Anilao.

Paper Nautilus, Settling Wunderpuss, Blanket Octopus, Diamond Squids and more will be our target subjects in this special all night diving get together.

The day begins in the afternoon with photo reviews and a Bonfire sunset dive. Followed by 2 blackwater dives in deeper waters to explore the bay and surrounding areas.

This group setting is not a formal workshop but a sharing experience. 12 Guests maximum for this group experience

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2019 Asia Divers Underwater Photography Workshop

with Phil Rudin & Beth Watson

June 16-23, 2019

Take your underwater photography to the next level! Join professional photographers Phil Rudin and Beth Watson at Asia Divers for a week of fun, learning, laughter and friendship!

Phil Rudin

Based in Florida, Phil Rudin began taking underwater photographs while in the U.S. Navy. Phil is now a Freelance Writer, Photo Instructor and Travel Photographer.

As seven time President of the South Florida Underwater Photography Society Phil has served on the Board of Directors for over twenty years and enjoys the diverse makeup of the clubs members. Phil's images have appeared in a verity of magazines including Popular Science, Sport Diver, World's Best Diving, Reflections, Scuba Diving, Underwater Journal, Skin Diver, Florida Underwater, South Florida Adventures, MexicanDiver.com and Underwater Photography Magazine (UWPMAG.com). Phil is Senior Reviewer for Underwater Photography



Magazine having contributed over seventy articles on new equipment photo, photography techniques and dive travel.

Phil has conducted underwater photography workshops for Reef Photo & Video, Underwater Digital Fiesta, Hasselblad Xcursion, SFUPS, Dive Into Photography and more. Phil is a Platinum Pro 5000 Diver who also lectures on travel destinations and photography around the world.

www.facebook.com/philtrudin

Beth Watson

Photography and scuba diving are Beth's passions. Absolutely loving the ocean and everything it has to offer, she focuses on capturing images that are unique, creative and thought-provoking. Through her imagery she hopes by illustrating the beauty and wonders of the sea, it will bring awareness to conserving and preserving the health and vitality of our ocean environment. Fascinated by it all, she enjoys the challenges of



photographing wide angle reefs and wrecks but also has the deepest adoration for the smallest critters in the sea. Always striving for perfection, she is continually learning, experimenting and trying different lighting techniques, attempting to capture that next thought-provoking image.

Beth is an international multi-award-winning photographer and a judge for international photography competitions. Her images have been published in books, magazines, calendars, brochures, newsletters, postcards, on websites and have been selected for juried art exhibitions.

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www.asiadivers.com/2019-underwater-photography-workshop/

**Lembeh Photo Workshop with Doug Sloss,
Mike Veitch and Luca Vaime**
July 27 - August 3 2019 at Nad Lembeh Resort



Following the success of the last three years, Doug Sloss, Mike Veitch and Luca Vaime are teaming up once again to announce another awesome workshop at the best photo resort in Lembeh Strait, NAD Lembeh

The package includes seven days of incredible diving, 2:1 guest to guide ratio, one-on-one underwater instruction to help improve your shooting techniques and informative lectures throughout the day to hone

your photo skills and post processing prowess.

A limited number of participants gives you plenty of personalized attention above and underwater, as our instructors do not take their cameras underwater.

www.underwatertribe.com

UW Photography Tune-Ups in the Philippines



Award-winning photographer Henley Spiers is now offering tune-ups for underwater shooters visiting the Philippines.

Designed to help you make the most of your trip to the heart of the Coral Triangle, the tune-ups are an easy way to get back in the underwater photography groove, or learn new techniques - both in-water and in post processing.

The relaxed and friendly tune-ups are entirely customised to each individual's needs. Whether you're just getting to grips with the basics, or aiming to create competition winning shots - Henley's teaching

will be tailored to your requirements. The tune-ups take place in his home base of Mactan, Cebu, which is just minutes from the airport, and the international access point for diving hotspots such as Malapascua, Moalboal and Dauin, and only a short flight from Manila.

The tune-ups are offered year-round, and can be run over one day or more, making them easy to tag on to the start of your trip to the Philippines.

To find out more, please visit:

www.henleyspiers.com

Gregory Sweeney Photography Adventures

Tiger Shark Live Aboard Dive Trip



www.TigerSharkDive.com 12 -18 October 2019

Tiger Beach, Bahamas

Underwater Photo Fun Week in Bali, Indonesia with Doug Sloss, Mike Veitch and Luca Vaime 20-26 July 2019

We are happy to announce our macro and wide angle Bali Underwater Photo Fun Week as an addition to our annual Lembbeh Photo Workshop. The dates will be 20-26 July 2019.

This adventure is the perfect warm up for our Lembbeh Strait workshop the following week, combining two of the best spots in Indonesia in one extraordinary trip. However, this event can also act as a stand alone Photo Fun Week in and of itself so everyone is welcome!



Swim with Killer Whales/Orcas in Norway

Swim with the world's most intelligent predator in the Arctic Circle!

Join us in January on a tour to the coastal fjords of Norway to view the spectacular herring migration which attracts large pods of whales. The trips are arranged to allow both boat based viewing and a strictly supervised swimming encounter. This area has also provided our most stunning Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights) experience to date.

Along with the orca, there are chances to see majestic humpbacks, sei and fin whales, along with sea eagles, otters, seals and a variety of seabirds. This is all set against wonderful mountainous landscape and magical sunrise/sunset light.

Our base has very little light pollution and there are excellent opportunities for stunning northern lights pictures. If you're a bit unsure of how to take great photos, we'll be on hand to run a workshop.

Our in-water encounters are all snorkelling/swim encounters with the orca, no scuba diving. This means anyone with a basic level of fitness can take part as long as you are comfortable with 100m open water



swimming and can get on/ off the boat. The weather can be challenging so the right equipment is a must, along with the right attitude.

We have a maximum of 8 guests per boat. This is a premium wildlife experience and in a challenging environment so we tailor the trips as such. Places are extremely limited so booking well in advance is recommended. We are based on a beautiful island in cosy and comfortable lodge style accommodation; the trip is fully catered (vegetarian included). Rooms are on a single occupancy basis with a reduction for couples or if there are same sex passengers willing to share (dependant on other booking guests).

Winter - January 2019 - We are returning to our same base that we have operated since 2014. Tour is now full but there are spaces in November 2019 & January 2020

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<https://baskingsharkscotland.co.uk/our-tours/overseas-tours/swim-with-killer-whales-orcas-in-norway>

Two Trips Back to Back! Halmahera to Raja Ampat

Nov 25th to Dec 5th, 2020 & Dec 7th to 17th, 2020



Join Optical Ocean Sales for one or two 10 day all-inclusive Photo Expeditions on the luxurious Damai II liveaboard from Halmahera to Sorong and from Sorong around Raja Ampat back to Sorong the second trip!

These cruises feature a wide range of areas with unique diving opportunities to shoot everything from mantas to nudibranchs, soft coral mangroves to hard coral reefs! Do one or the other – or both!

Halmahera to Raja Ampat (Nov 25th- Dec 5th, 2020):

Departing from the Sultanate of Ternate, the Damai II liveaboard will make the first stop at the volcanic island of Tidore to enjoy schooling fish and some cool macro. From here you will island hop through the picturesque northern Maluku islands; from Makian into the archipelago

of Goraici with its seamounts with possible manta sightings and great reefs and beautiful coral gardens to Bacan with its world class muck diving in the morning along the black sand slopes in front of the boat-building beach and its schooling barracuda off the wall in the afternoon.

Cross the Seram Sea to the remote island of Pulau Pisang with its spectacular topography of pinnacles and plateaus teaming with schooling fish.

Continue onto Misool in the south of Raja Ampat to experience the unique Blue Water Mangroves where the reef meets the mangrove roots. An excellent opportunity for wide angle photography.

We shall spend our final cruise days enjoying the variety of dive sites around Misool in southern Raja Ampat, which provide a superb mix

of wide angle and macro subjects, along with plenty of excellent “muck” diving and the opportunity to visit local villages. Our liveaboard cruise ends in Sorong.

Raja Ampat (Dec. 7-17th, 2020):

Departing from Sorong, Papua, the Damai II liveaboard will make the first stop at the eastern end of the Dampier Straits for a check-out dive. We will spend the following day here diving iconic sites like Cape Kri, Blue Magic and Mioskon enjoying the schooling fish, cruising sharks and maybe rays and pygmy seahorses.

We will head west to Gam where there are beautiful orange soft corals at Citrus Ridge and fish action at Mayhem before heading to Wofoh for an afternoon wall dive and night dive.

The following morning we hope to experience some Manta action at

Kawe followed by a macro afternoon in Aljui Bay. That night we will move south to Penemu for some world class coral reefs and the photo opportunity of the lagoon from the viewpoint.

Moving south to the unique destination of the Blue Water Mangroves for some wonderful wide angle opportunities and then east to the colorful soft coral-covered reefs around the island of Misool where we can enjoy the pinnacles at Wayilbatan and Fiabacet or a nice drift along the channel at Neptune Fan Sea.

Moving north we will explore the caves at Farondi with another opportunity for a lagoon tour on the tenders and then our last morning's diving we will enjoy a critter hunt on the black sand slopes at Batanta.

Our Raja Ampat liveaboard cruise will end in Sorong.

www.opticaloceansales.com

Reef Photo & Video's Lembeh Photo & Video Retreat October 4-14, 2019



We are very excited to offer this 10 night trip to Indonesia to participate in a one of our photography workshops.

Price includes transfer from Manado to the resort, nitrox, and 26 daytime boat dives. This resort offers a 2:1 diver to guide ratio + Reef Photo staff will be there too for photo support and expert guidance. Don't miss your chance to come along, so reserve your spot by putting down \$1000 deposit today.

Dive packages include full board (3 meals per day), hot drinks and water, evening dinner on the day of arrival, and breakfast on the

day of departure. The dives stated in the package are day boat dives only. Dives are non-transferrable and unused dives non-refundable. Package and room rates are based on double occupancy.

The resort does offer specialty dives for those that are interested: night dives, mandarin fish dives, and black-water dives for an additional fee. Minimum of 2 divers to book.

Best flights to choose are Silk Air from Singapore to Manado; and lots of airlines fly from the USA to Singapore.

NAD-Lembeh Resort and the Lembeh Strait are famous all over the world for the peerless macro

and muck diving. NAD-Lembeh is expert in Nitrox, Rebreathers, and Photography.

The Lembeh Strait region offers more than just face to face encounters with weird and wonderful muck critters. We also have wall diving, technical diving, big fish dives but most importantly – a lot of muck and sand.

NAD is also owner-operated, almost all year Simon and Zee are present on site. If they aren't at the resort, they are off on a photographic adventure or diving. They have 15 full-time guides who between them have over 100 years of diving experience in Lembeh.

The Resort Location is directly opposite Nudi Falls, a little south of Lembeh Resort. It is built at the foot of a hill, and the Standard Beachfront Rooms are at ground level with 2 steps (we can add ramps for wheelchairs). The Bungalows are up approximately a dozen steps. All the rooms have air conditioning and hot water.

\$2,249 Per Person, Beachfront Room, Double Occupancy

\$2,499 Per Person, Deluxe Seaview Bungalow, Double Occupancy

\$2,799 Per Person, Beachfront Room, Single Occupancy

\$3,049 Per Person, Deluxe Seaview Bungalow, Single Occupancy

Guests' passports should have at least 6 months validity from the date of arrival in Indonesia.

We strongly recommend that all divers have DAN Insurance or an equivalent. Reef Photo & Video/PT Bakri Cono/ NAD-Lembeh Resort will not take any responsibility for expenses that occur due to inadequate insurance coverage (chamber treatment will easily top USD 5,000).

www.reefphoto.com

<https://reefphoto.com/collections/workshops-1/products/lembah-photo-video-workshop-october-04-14-2019-1-850-per-person-beachfront-room-double-occupancy>

2019 Digital Shootout In Little Cayman

June 15-29, 2019

Warm Up Week: June 15-22, 2019 Event Week: June 22-29, 2019



Take it seriously or take it slow, the Digital Shootout is an underwater photography/videography vacation designed to take the shooter in the group to the next level.

If you're a new or an intermediate shooter, the Digital Shootout is our fast-track to better underwater imaging. In six days of seminars and diving, the Digital Shootout team will help dial in your underwater system and shooting techniques.

In early 2009, Little Cayman Beach Resort completed major room renovations to its popular dive resort. Guestroom upgrades include new furnishings inspired by tropical colors and textures. We have a total of 40 air-conditioned, spacious rooms situated in two-story 'palm-tree height' buildings and surrounded by

lush tropical foliage.

Each afternoon we offer professionally produced seminars on basic and advanced photo and video techniques. Just learning how to assemble your camera for the first time? Looking for the secrets of exposure and strobe placement? Our seminars are world renowned for their simple delivery of complex topics and will take you to the next level.

The workshops and experts assembled at this event will whisk you along the learning curve of underwater photography. By the end of the week, you will be shooting well enough to enter our friendly competition. The best images shot during the week will be awarded over \$30,000 in prizes.

www.thedigitalshootout.com



with Mike Bartick at Crystal Blue Resort

Improve your macro underwater photography skills with Photo Pro Mike Bartick at Crystal Blue Dive Resort in Anilao Philippines.

With its healthy reefs and incredible diversity of marine life, Anilao has some of the best macro photo opportunities in the ocean. Known as the nudibranch capital of the world, Anilao is home to over 600 species of Nudibranchs. You're also likely to see many species of frogfish, octopus, Rhinopias, pipefish, seahorses, and many other macro reef and muck diving critters.

Beginner, intermediate and advanced photographers will all benefit from this workshop. The workshops are fun, informative and will include natural history and photo techniques along with demonstrations and photo coaching.

The best way to learn is by

shooting and our photo pros will be on location with you to help improve your technique and to correct mistakes. Daily seminars throughout the trip will cover Macro shooting techniques such as:

Focus techniques, Lighting and Exposure, Strobe placement, Composition, Avoiding backscatter, Snooting, Shooting with Diopters, Backlighting.

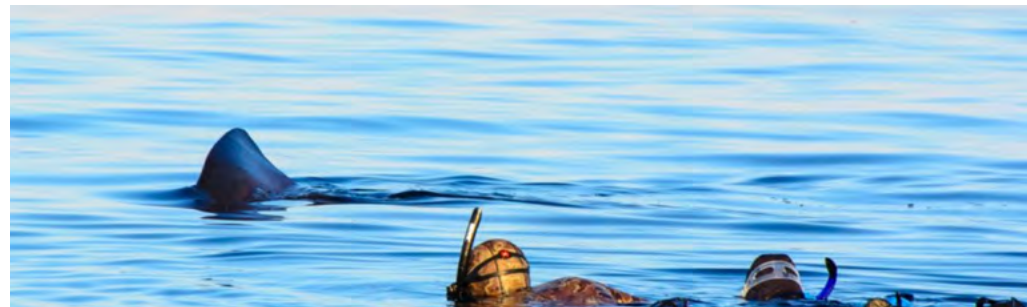
Mike will also conduct some live edit sessions using his workflow method for improving your images and learning stronger compositions.

This course is limited to just 20 guests in order to maximize the one-on-one time with our instructors. Each boat dive is limited to just 4 divers and a guide. The guides are professionally trained critter spotters and know how to assist photographers in getting the best shots.

www.backscatter.com/reviews/post/Anilao-Philippines-Macro-Underwater-Photography-Workshop



Three Day Basking Shark & Wildlife Tours



This basking shark tour is ideal for people who'd like to spend a little more time immersed in the Hebrides. On this tour we have three full days at sea and this will give you the best opportunity to experience basking sharks, natural wonders and other wildlife in the area. A longer trip also gives much better chances of success for sharks with the Atlantic weather too.

These trips are all based from the Isle of Coll and we visit Fingal's Cave and the seal lagoon.

You will spend three nights on Coll, allowing you to get to know the locals a little better over a wee dram. You'll have plenty of chances for early morning and evening otter spotting, wildlife watching in the bay and taking some nice pictures.

The schedule for the trip will be adapted to suit the group on board, the wildlife present at the time and the weather. We can spend the whole time with the sharks and add in as little or as much of the other highlights as

desired.

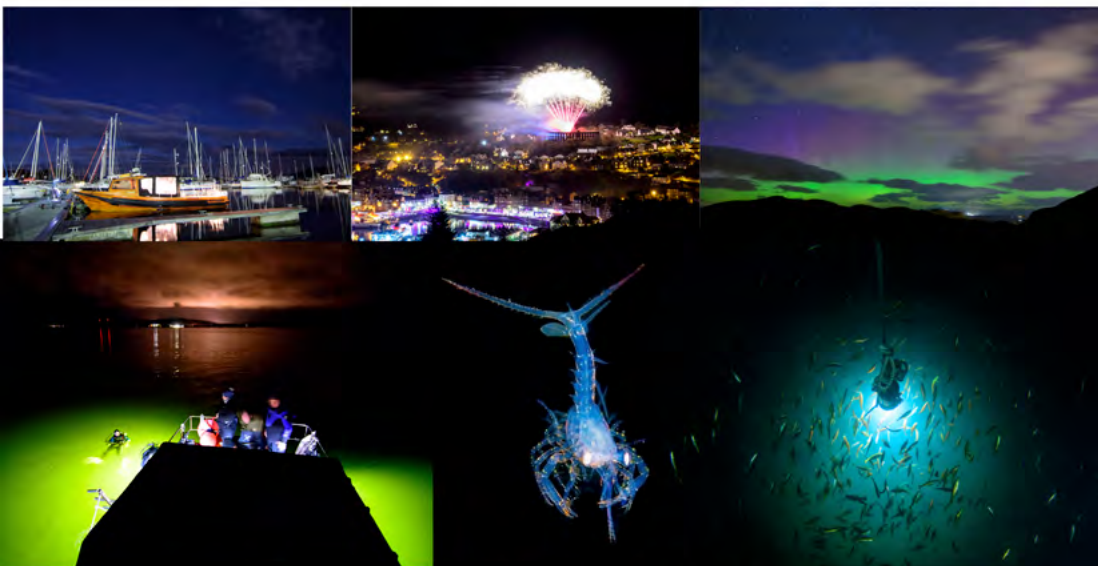
Our geographical area of operation is a basking shark 'hotspot', widely known as one of the best areas in the whole world for basking sharks. We offer a wide range of basking shark swimming and wildlife excursions to the Inner Hebrides. Our mission is to provide you with great interactions with basking sharks and the abundant wildlife of the area.

We create opportunities for you to experience in-water swimming with basking sharks, plus wildlife and adventure excursions. You can choose to swim, snorkel and kayak with sharks, seals and other amazing native marine life, or simply enjoy the rich experiences from the boat.

These tours run exclusively during July, August and the start of Sept.

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Bonneville Seabase



In the deserts of western Utah, there are secrets beyond imagination. Bonneville Seabase is one of those secrets.

Located 40 miles west of Salt Lake City on the outskirts of Granstville, there is a natural phenomenon where spring water rising through the ancient lake bed of Bonneville becomes almost 3% saltwater. At the salinity of the ocean, the water wells up as warm springs, and with the addition of ocean fish, an inland ocean was formed for SCUBA and snorkeling.

Scuba divers and snorkelers are welcomed to come and explore the depths. With a little patience, you will see what lies beneath the surface of our little inland sea.

The popular facility has

received several improvements to make the experience even more enjoyable for divers and visitors. The oceanic wonderland is available by appointment Thursdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. After several years of growth, many of Bonneville Seabase's resident fish have become enormous.

Besides the thrill of scuba diving or snorkeling just below the scenic Stansbury Mountains, Bonneville Seabase's unique saltwater thrives with abundant marine life. Easily seen are Damsels, Lookdown Jacks, Puffers and Pompanos. There's also Angel Fish, Groupers, Grunts, Jacks, Tangs, Rabbit fish—and our resident nurse sharks, one of which is over eight-feet long.



Moalboal and Anda, Philippines August 2019



Join downunderpix, for an amazing underwater photography dive trip with something for everyone diving Cebu & Bohol in the Philippines.

We leave on 17 August 2019 from Adelaide and travel to Cebu via Singapore, staying overnight there. We have 5 days diving at Moalboal, 1 of which will be a day trip to Oslob for a dive and snorkel with the whalesharks. After Moalboal we head for Anda by road and boat, via Cabilao where we will have 2 dives. We then have 5 days diving at Anda, before returning home from Cebu.

The estimated cost per person for the trip is \$5,450.



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Sea Shepherd Operation Virus Hunter Major Victory for Wild Salmon and Orca Whales



Operation Virus Hunter began in 2016 as a collaboration between Sea Shepherd, Dr. Alexandra Morton and the Kwikwasut'inuxw Haxwa'mis, 'Namgis and Mamalilikulla First Nations.

Sea Shepherd provided our sailing vessel Martin Sheen each summer for 2016, 2017 and 2018. The objective was to assist and support the research efforts of Dr. Morton and the activist activities of the First Nations of British Columbia.

Dr. Morton and our Sea Shepherd crew visited salmon farms throughout each summer to do tests that successfully exposed evidence of salmon retroviruses and sea lice parasites being transmitted from domestic alien Atlantic salmon to indigenous native Pacific salmon.

The Sea Shepherd crew also provided transportation and support for First Nations activists who boarded and occupied salmon farms.

These activities led to a recent decision by the Provincial Government of British Columbia to remove salmon farms and to give First Nations the power to inspect salmon farms and order their removal from their legal territories if they should so choose.

Removing salmon farms from the salmon migration routes is a huge step in the right direction for the salmon, as well as the Southern Resident Killer Whales who rely on wild salmon as a major food source.

www.seashepherd.org

www.uwpmag.com

Japan Announces End of Whaling in Southern Ocean Whale Sanctuary

Since 2002, Sea Shepherd has opposed Japanese whaling operations in the Southern Ocean Whale Sanctuary with expeditions to Antarctic waters first in 2002 followed by continuous campaigns from 2005 until 2017.

During this period over 6,000 whales were saved from the harpoons of Japanese commercial whalers posing as research whalers by Sea Shepherd interventions.

In 2017, the Japanese government began to invest millions of dollars in security efforts to prevent Sea Shepherd from engaging their fleets. These security measures included military grade real time surveillance.

Although this prevented Sea Shepherd from returning to the Southern Ocean in 2018, it also placed Japan in a position of expending huge resources on continuous security.

In other words, the cost of preventing Sea Shepherd intervention became very expensive.

This and the verdict of the International Court of Justice that exposed Japanese research as fraudulent, coupled with worldwide condemnation of their Southern Ocean activities has in the opinion of Captain Paul Watson of Sea Shepherd led to this decision to declare they will



Photo Credit: Sea Shepherd & Marianna Baldo

openly undertake commercial whaling activities.

The scheme to pose as researchers will now be dropped and that means there can be absolutely no justification for hunting whales in an internationally established whale sanctuary. This will be the last year of Japanese whaling activities in the Southern Ocean.

Sea Shepherd's objective of ending the slaughter of whales in the Southern Ocean Whale Sanctuary has been realized. This is a victory for the campaign to make the Southern Ocean a whaling free zone.

If Japan decides to withdraw from the International Whaling



Photo Credit: Sea Shepherd & Barbara Veiga

Commission (IWC) it will allow the IWC to pass the motion to establish the South Atlantic Whale Sanctuary thus effectively ending whaling in the Southern Hemisphere.

Japan will now join Norway and Iceland as rogue outlaw whaling nations in the North Pacific and the North Atlantic.

The Whale Wars in the Southern Ocean will soon be over. The focus now must be the Northern Hemisphere.

Sea Shepherd welcomes this announcement by Japan and views it as a positive development.

Captain Paul Watson issued a statement saying, "We are delighted

to see the end of whaling in the Southern Ocean Whale Sanctuary. We are delighted that we will soon have a South Atlantic Whale Sanctuary and we look forward to continuing to oppose the three remaining pirate whaling nations of Norway, Japan and Iceland. Whaling as a 'legal' industry has ended. All that remains is to mop up the pirates."

www.seashepherd.org

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Palau ban on sunscreen ingredients

Stream2Sea may be located in Florida, but it was conceived in Palau. “We were on a live-aboard, diving a spectacular reef when I noticed a sunscreen oil slick coming off a group of snorkelers,” recalls Autumn Blum, an avid diver and award-winning cosmetic chemist.

“I knew then that I had to start making products that were truly safe for the oceans I love.” The reason sunscreens are so loaded with marine toxic ingredients is that each one covers a tiny spectrum of sunlight that causes sunburn and ages skin – it takes several to cover a broad spectrum of UV rays.

Mineral sunscreens, on the other hand, can provide full spectrum, natural coverage by sitting on the top of your skin instead of being absorbed into it. “Scientists have known that ingredients like oxybenzone and octinoxate – which the Hawaiian government banned earlier this year – were not safe for humans since the early 1990s,” said Blum, now chief formulator and CEO of Stream2Sea.

“Palau has taken it a step further and has banned other ingredients from the Haereticus Environmental Lab’s toxin list that researchers have proven to be dangerous to coral reefs.”



Stream2Sea is growing in popularity in Palau where it is used because it is the only mineral-based sunscreen that has been tested and proven safe for fresh and saltwater fish, as well as vulnerable coral larva, she adds. In Florida, where the political climate is different, Stream2Sea has developed an “educate not legislate” program that provides watersport operators with deeply discounted reef-safe sunscreen so that their clients can use it at no charge. “The operators understand the issues and know that they need to protect the coral reefs to stay in business.”

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