

5D4N Learn to Dive Package with Borneo Dream (PADI OW)

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Description

Fancy learning to dive in the tropical waters near Kota Kinabalu, Sabah? Then choose the 5D4N Learn to dive package and become a PADI Open Water Diver with Borneo Dream. An exciting, highly personalised and fun introduction to the wonderful world of scuba diving!

The PADI Open Water Diver course is a 3 day course (with pre-study completed in advance) and, upon successful completion, certifies you to dive to 18m with a Buddy. The course takes place in sheltered bays and along pretty coral reefs in Tunku Abdul Rahman Marine Park (TARP), located just in front of Kota Kinabalu. The Marine Park is home to wide variety of beautiful, tropical marine life – including range of colourful coral reef fish species including 'Nemo', Yellow Snappers, Barracuda, Puffer Fish, Damsel Fish a lots more.

During the 5D4N Package you will stay in a private twin sharing room with aircon (includes breakfast, includes taxes). We provide a choice of three different accommodation options – all provide affordable, centrally located, clean and comfortable accommodation.

Promotional package prices are based up on minimum 2 persons booking together (valid up to 31st March 2012):

- 5D4N Learn to Dive Package (Step In Lodge – Twin private room) = RM1355 per person.
- 5D4N Learn to Dive Package (Gaya Centre Hotel - Superior Double Room) = RM1545 per person.
- 5D4N Learn to Dive Package (Jesselton Hotel - Superior Double Room) = RM 1645 per person (Off Peak)
- 5D4N Learn to Dive Package (Jesselton Hotel -Superior Double Room) = RM1695 per person (Peak period from June - August, December – February)

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Itinerary

Day 1

Arrive in Kota Kinabalu in the morning. Check in check-in into your city Hotel / Lodge.

Come by our office from 1pm – 5pm to complete the required pre-study for your PADI Open Water Diver Course. During the study session you will watch the PADI DVD (Section 1,2 and 3) and complete the associated knowledge reviews, followed by the relevant quizzes. A PADI Professional will be around to assist you during your study session which will take approximately 4 hours.

Our office is located at F-G-1, Plaza Tanjung Aru (near Air Asia Terminal). You can find a map to our office at <http://www.borneodream.com/about/borneo-dream/boreno-dream-office-location-map.html>.

Day 2 - Dive

Breakfast at your hotel.

Make your own way to Jesselton Point Jetty in central Kota Kinabalu (a short stroll, or a very short taxi ride).
9.00am – Meet us at the Jesselton Point Jetty to start your underwater adventure. The team will be at the entrance of the jetty to escort you to our boat.

9.10am – Depart Jesselton Point Jetty for the Tunku Abdul Rahman Marine Park, a 20-30 minutes boat transfer. Our dive crew will show you around our spacious catamaran during the boat briefing.

9.30am – Your Instructor will go through the course outline for the day and the fun begins! First of all you will complete the 200m swim test and a 10 minute float test (the water stamina tests for this course). Once completed, you will be provided with an overview of your dive gear, and the buddy checks you should perform before you enter the water. Once you are ready, the wet stuff begins with your first confined skill sessions. Your Instructor will demonstrate some simple diving skills for you to learn that will be applied during your dives. The confined skill sessions will be done in shallow water, starting in water deep enough for you to stand in.

12.00pm – Head back to the boat and break for lunch at a local café on a nearby island. Your lunch will be hot cooked food based on an a la-carte menu.

1.30pm – Return to the catamaran. Your PADI Instructor will provide a briefing for your first ocean dive. Get your dive gear ready and go diving along a shallow coral reef. The diving adventure continues!

3.00pm – End of Day 1 for your PADI Open Water Diver Course. Your instructor will show you how to rinse your scuba diving gear and how to properly take care of it. Rinse yourself with fresh water shower, get changed and have a coffee (or two) while we head back to the city.

3.30pm – 4:00pm – Estimated return time to Jesselton Point Jetty.

Overnight at your hotel.

Day 3 - Dive

Breakfast at your hotel.

Make your own way to Jesselton Point Jetty in central Kota Kinabalu (a short stroll, or a very short taxi ride).

9.00am – Meet us at the Jesselton Point Jetty to start the second day of your PADI Open Water Diver Course. The team will be at the entrance of the jetty to escort you to our boat.

9.10am – Depart Jesselton Point Jetty for your first dive site in Tunku Abdul Rahman Marine Park, a 20-30

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9.30am to 11:30am – Your PADI Instructor will brief for your confined skill sessions (2 – 5) that you will complete during your morning session. Set up your dive gear, perform your buddy checks and start your morning skill sessions.

12.00pm – Head back to the boat and break for lunch at a café on a nearby island.

1.30pm – Return to the catamaran. Your PADI Instructor will provide a briefing for your second ocean dive. Get your dive gear ready, perform your buddy check and go diving along a shallow coral reef.

3.00pm – End of Day 2 of your PADI OW Course. Rinse your scuba diving gear, enjoy a fresh water shower, get changed and have a coffee (or two) while we head back to the city.

3.30pm – 4:00pm – Estimated return time to Jesselton Point Jetty.

Overnight at your hotel.

Day 4 - Dive

Breakfast at your hotel.

Make your own way to Jesselton Point Jetty in central Kota Kinabalu (a short stroll, or a very short taxi ride).

9.00am – Meet us at the Jesselton Point Jetty to start the third, and final, day of your PADI OW Course. The team will be at the entrance of the jetty to escort you to our boat.

9.10am – Depart Jesselton Point Jetty for your first dive site in Tunku Abdul Rahman Marine Park, a 20-30 minutes boat transfer.

9.30am to 11:30am – Your PADI Instructor will brief for your third ocean dive. Set up your dive gear, perform your buddy checks and start your morning dive.

12.00pm – Head back to the boat and break for lunch at a local café on a nearby island.

1.30pm – Return to the catamaran. Your PADI Instructor will provide a briefing for your fourth, and final ocean dive. Get your dive gear ready, perform your buddy check and go diving along a shallow coral reef.

3.00pm – Up on successful completion of your last open water dive you are now a PADI Open Water Diver – great job! Still a bit more to do - rinse your scuba diving gear and log your ocean dives with your PADI Instructor. Rinse yourself with fresh water shower, get changed and have a coffee (or two) while we head back to the city.

3.30pm – 4:00pm – Estimated return time to Jesselton Point Jetty.

Overnight at your hotel. Time for a celebratory drink!

Day 5

Check out of your hotel. End of 5D4N package.

What to bring

To get the most from your Borneo Dream scuba diving course please bring with you swimming gear, dry clothes, sun tan lotion, sun hat and sun glasses. You will also need to bring your PADI Open Water Diver

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manual, and Recreational Dive Planner, with you for the three days of your PADI Open Water Diver course.

Included

Borneo Dream sets the standard in Kota Kinabalu in the delivery of highly personalised, high quality, safe and enjoyable scuba diving experiences. The following are included as part of your PADI Open Water Diver Course price:

- Five confined open water dives, four open water dives (as per PADI standards).
- PADI material (as per PADI standards for the specific course).
- PIC card and certification.
- Instruction from highly experienced, friendly and fully qualified Staff - PADI Dive Professionals in 'active' status.
- We can provide instruction in English or Mandarin.
- Boat transfers on our spacious and fully equipped catamaran Borneo Dream 3 (the largest, most well equipped diving day boat in Kota Kinabalu) - complete with sun deck, fresh water shower, cabin and toilet.
- Free use of our high quality, well maintained rental dive gear (includes BCD, regulator and gauges, 3mm tropical wet suit - shorty or full length, mask, fins, snorkel).
- We have small ratios of students per PADI Dive Professional (so you will get personalised attention). Maximum three students per PADI Instructor (lower than PADI standards). Private instruction is available on request (at a surcharge).
- A la carte lunch at a cafe on a Island - with a wide choice of western, Malaysian and Asian dishes.
- Refreshments on our boat including free flow of fresh water, tea, coffee and hot chocolate.
- Towel for drying yourself off after dives.
- Jesselton Point Jetty fee.
- Sabah Parks diving permit and island conservation fees.
- We take you to the best dive sites on the day based on weather, sea state and diver experience levels (all with GPS co-ordinates so we start the dive at the nicest part of the dive site).
- We have a full range of safety equipment on our boats - personal buoyancy aids, VHF radio, GPS Plotter, emergency medical grade oxygen with DAN portable oxygen kit.
- We are the only Dive Operator to only use Offshore qualified Skippers (for minimum Domestic offshore waters).

Accommodation is also included for three nights in a twin-sharing / double room with aircon (with breakfast for 2 persons).

Excluded

- Dive computers and cameras (with underwater housing) are available for daily rental.
- Hotel transfer from your hotel to Jesselton Point Jetty for the three days of the dive course.
- Airport transfers from BKI airport to your hotel.

Trip Pre-Requisites

There are some pre requisites for the PADI Open Water Diver course:

- You need to be 10 years or older.
- To become a scuba diver, you need to be comfortable in the water and have basic swimming skills. You will be required to complete a 200m swimming test (this is not timed so you can swim at a pace comfortable for yourself) and a 10 minute float test as part of a PADI Open Water Diver course.
- You should also be in good overall general health to dive, particularly your respiratory and circulatory system. You will be asked to self-certify before starting a course or entering the water.
- You need to have completed some pre-study before you start the PADI Scuba Diver course.
- And you need to complete the required PADI forms - these can be downloaded from <http://www.borneodream.com/downloads.html#owd> (download the forms listed under 'PADI Open Water Diver Course').

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Trip Notes

Please note that you also need to have minimum 18 hours free after diving before flying on a plane (www.borneodream.com/scuba-diving/general-information/padi-current-flying-after-diving-guidlines.html).

Please note that you need to complete the required pre-study in advance of your course starting. If you do not complete the pre-study then we will not be able to progress to day 2 of your PADI Open Water Diver course (as per PADI Standards).

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