

**Red Sea**  
**Sharm El Sheikh**  
**26<sup>th</sup> April – 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2008**

We will be flying from Gatwick on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April and arriving back on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. We have booked 5 days diving with Camel Dive Club starting on the Monday morning. All of our usual evening activities will be arranged and we will be conducting most PADI and TDI courses during the week.

### **The Diving in Sharm**



Sharm offers a spectacular and diverse range of dive sites that are amongst the best in the world. From the famous Ras Mohammed Marine Park, to some of the most renowned wrecks in the Red Sea, the sheer number of sites means that there is something for all divers. Boat diving is the norm in Sharm and there are also some superb house reefs for diving and snorkelling.

Sharm is a good destination for novice and learner divers, with many easily accessible coral gardens that offer safe, shallow water and excellent visibility. This area benefits from the shelter of the land, which means conditions are usually calm to moderate and ideal for those new to diving. We will be conducting the PADI Open Water Diver Course

qualifying dives during the holiday so you can learn in the pool before you go and finish in the warm waters of the Red Sea. The exciting dive sites of Ras Mohammed Marine Park are what attract the legions of experienced divers to Sharm each year. Situated at the tip of Sinai, where the Gulfs of Suez and Aqaba meet, Ras Mohammed's strong currents and nutrient waters are packed with schools of snappers, barracuda and jacks, coupled with the sharks that come to stalk them.



Steep coastal cliffs are mirrored underwater with impressive vertical walls, which drop off 70m or more. You need to be qualified to Advanced Open Water level to experience these dive sites. We can help you on your way; you can join us on these dives and get the qualification at the same time. The Strait of Tiran separates Tiran Island from the east coast of Sinai and is famous for four large reefs that rise from the depths like vast underwater mountains. Here, the strong currents and dense plankton attract an impressive range of reef and deep sea species providing some exceptional drift dives.

Further west, round the southern tip of Sinai lay some of the best wreck dives in the Red Sea. The legendary Thistlegorm is the most famous - a 415 foot World War II British supply ship which lies in 30m with an amazing cargo of motorbikes, trucks, guns and shells.



### **Our Hotel**

We will be staying at the Camel Hotel in Naama Bay. The Camel Hotel is always very popular and even has its own dive centre on site, Camel Dive Club. The shops and restaurants of Naama Bay are right on our doorstep and the beach area is a short distance from the hotel. The Camel Hotel represents good value with comfortable rooms. There are 38 air-conditioned rooms at this hotel with en-suite bath, shower and WC, and most with balcony/terrace overlooking the pool. Rooms are equipped with satellite TV, fridge, telephone, tea/coffee making facilities and a safe deposit box. The hotel also has FREE wi-fi access in certain areas. Breakfast is buffet style. There is a large swimming pool at the hotel, as well as a beach (a few minutes walk away). There is a variety of restaurants and bars at the hotel, including the famous landmarks that are the Camel Bar and the Roof Bar.



### **Holiday Price is £645 (Non-Diver Price £TBC)**

*Price includes flights, airport transfers in Sharm, 7 nights accommodation with breakfast at the Camel Hotel and a 5 day dive pack, inc tanks and weights.*

**Diving costs and courses are as follows:** (Kit hire is included for the days whilst on course)

Advanced Open Water £160

Specialities from £ 65

Technical Courses from £275

Kit Hire is not included, and can be provided with a 10% discount on our normal prices. Club members receive 40% discount on kit hire.