Dive Sites – Inner Reef



1. Sea Grass Reef

<u>What:</u> Very nice shore dive and wonderful night dive location. Marine life found on site includes healthy hard corals, schools of tropical fish, lots of christmas tree worms and clown trigger turtles.

Where: 5 minutes boat ride located near Sea Grass Restaurant.

When: Dive on rising tide.

2. Dorian's Reef

<u>*What:*</u> Nice and easy dive; very good for beginners. It has the best visibility around Laucala Island. Depth ranges from 2 - 15 meters (6.5 - 50 feet). Marine life found includes hard corals, white and black tip sharks, giants Trevally fish, different kinds of tropical fish and giant sting rays.

<u>*Where*</u>: 7 min boat ride located just inside the barrier reef of Laucala Island. <u>*When*</u>: Dive at any tide.

3. Fish Patch

<u>*What:*</u> With a depth range of 5 - 20 meters (16 - 65 feet), the name says it all. Marine life here includes barracuda, sharks, trevally, sting rays, lion fish, octopus, turtles and giant Maori wrasse.

 $\underline{Where:}$ 5 min boat ride located near Laucala Island Airport. It is also a 5 minute swim from shore.

When: Dive at incoming tide.

4. Wonderland

<u>*What:*</u> It is sunken patch with healthy hard corals and a variety of soft corals. Depth ranges from 5 - 20 meters (16 - 65 feet) with a marine life of white tip sharks, turtles, moray eels and different types of tropical fish.

<u>*Where:*</u> 5 min boat ride in front of the resort towards the main reef. <u>*When:*</u> Dive at low tide.

5. Channel

<u>*What:*</u> With gradual slopes at the beginning of the dive and beautiful pinnacles towards the end depth range from 3 - 15 meters (10 - 50 feet) marine life includes Clown triggers, garden eels, angel fish, scorpion fish, stone fish, leopard shark, a variety of Spanish dancers, red anemones with hard and soft corals.

<u>Where:</u> It is located at the barrier reef.

When: Dive at rising tide.

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6. Turtle Alley

<u>*What:*</u> This is where divers weave between the alleys. It has depth ranging from 5 - 20 meters (16 - 65 feet). A variety of soft corals are found on the overhangs and untouched hard corals on top of the seabed. Marine life includes also a variety of nudie branches, occasional sea snakes, white tip sharks, leopard sharks, red anemones, stone fish, hawk fish, emperor angel and masses of dragon fish.

<u>Where:</u> Located in Wonderland in front of the resort.

When: Dive on high tide.

7. Garden EEL

<u>*What:*</u> This site has sandy bottom covered with garden eels, healthy hard corals, different types of stag horn and soft corals. Marine life consists of white tip & leopard sharks, moray eels, lobsters and snapper. The depth ranges from 5 - 15 meters (16 - 50 feet). <u>*Where:*</u> It is a 5 minute boat ride from the resort.

When: Dive on incoming tide and great for night dives.

8. Long Beach

<u>*What:*</u> An easy dive with a nice sandy bottom. The depth ranges from 5 - 15 meters (16 – 50 feet). Very healthy hard corals found here and all different colors of soft corals. Marine life includes white tip sharks, basket sea star in different colors, feather sea star Crinoids onto the sea fans and schools of tropical fish.

<u>Where:</u> A quick 5 minutes boat ride around the island.

When: Perfect for night dive.

9. Sunrise

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Where: A quick 5 minute boat ride around the island.

When: Perfect for night dive.

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1. Eagle Ray

<u>*What:*</u> Lovely easy drift along the main reef. A variety of hard corals with turtles, lots of different tropical fish and sea slugs and white tip reef sharks. Depth ranges from 5 - 18 meters (16 - 59 feet).

Where: 5 minute boat ride from Laucala Island.

When: Dive on rising or falling tide.

2. Big Blue

<u>*What:*</u> This is an Atoll with great wall dives. The depth is ranging from 5 - 1,000 meters (16 - 3,280 feet) plus a vertical drop off with a variety of soft corals, long sea whip on the side of the walls and tons of fish life everywhere. You may also see sharks and hump headed parrot fish, beautiful soft corals and magnificent hard corals at 10 - 30 meters (33 - 100 feet) depth.

<u>Where:</u> This Atoll is a 10 minute boat ride from Laucala Island.

<u>When:</u> Dive with falling or rising tide.

3. The Point

<u>*What:*</u> An Atoll with a vertical drop off at 5 - 30 meters (16 - 100 feet). It is famous for black corals with long nose hawk fish, beautiful hard corals at 10 meters (33 feet). It includes soft corals, sea fans , sea whips, sharks, tuna, Trevally fish, king mackerel and lots of giant clams.

<u>Where:</u> A 10 minute boat ride from Laucala Island. <u>When:</u> Dive at falling tide.

4. White Wall

<u>*What:*</u> With a depth of 10 - 30 meters (33 - 100 feet) it has a wall covered with mostly soft corals, which becomes a shimmering white wall at about 15 meters (50 feet) when you look at it. Marine life found on site includes sharks, tuna, barracuda, mackerel, moray eel, lion fish and the most stunning tropical fish.

When: A 30 minute boat ride from Laucala Island.

When: Dive at falling tide.

5. Barracuda Point

<u>*What:*</u> This is a wall dive a depth ranging from 5 - 60 meters (16 - 200 feet). Marine life includes big barracuda, clown trigger fish, schools of Jack trevally, sharks, eagle ray and different types of tropical fish with healthy hard corals.

<u>Where:</u> Located outside the Laucala Island barrier reef, only 15 minutes by boat <u>When:</u> Dive with incoming tide

6. Shark Alley

<u>*What:*</u> An atoll with depths of 5 - 30 meters (16 - 100 feet) with nice swim through alleys. Amongst the sharks you will find sting rays, eagle rays, all kinds of tropical fish, barracuda, and giant Trevally and healthy hard corals.

<u>*Where:*</u> A 10 minute boat ride outside of the Laucala Island barrier reef. *When:* Dive recommended at low tide.

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7. Corner

<u>*What:*</u> This dive is a gradual drop off with a wall at the end. The amazing coral heads come up to about 5 meters (16 feet) where dives weave between and you will find a perfect location for safety stops. The marine life is full of wrasses, moray eel, clown trigger fish, aagle ray and sharks including sleeping leopard sharks.

<u>Where:</u> This spot is located on the Laucala Island barrier reef, a 5 minute boat ride away. <u>When:</u> Best time to dive is at falling tide.

8. Mystery Reef

<u>*Where:*</u> Named after it's hard to find location. This wall dive is about the size of a football field. The top of the reef is about 10 meters (33 feet) and drops to about 900 meters (2,950 feet). You will find giant grouper, probably weighing in at about 70 - 80 kg (150 – 180 pounds) and schools of barracuda. Also seen there are dogtooth tuna, giant Gorgonian fans, sea whips and many healthy hard corals.

<u>Where:</u> A 25 minute boat ride in the middle of Laucala Island, Nanuku Island and Ring Gold Islands.

Where: Dive at incoming tide.

9. D. M. F.

What: This wall is amazing with marine life, which includes soft corals, Trevally, tuna, sea whip and schools of barracuda.

<u>*Where:*</u> At the bottom end of Mystery reef. <u>*When:*</u> Great dive at any tide.

10. Fingers

<u>*What:*</u> Nice and easy shallow dive. The reef sticks out like fingers where divers can swim in and through. Its depth ranges from 5 - 15 meters (16 - 100 feet). Marine life found includes white tip sharks, sting rays, turtles, fans and healthy hard corals.

<u>Where:</u> A 5 minute boat ride from D. M. F. and 30 minutes from Laucala Island, located inside the barrier reef of Millers Mystery Reef.

When: Diving at any tide is great.

11. Red Wall

<u>*What:*</u> This lagoon has very calm waters next to a sand bank and is very good for surface interval and snorkelling. A good second dive after D. M. F. The depth ranges from 5 -15 meters (16 – 50 feet). The site is covered with red Gorgonian fans and you will find turtles, a lot of sharks and groupers.

<u>Where:</u> Located close to Fingers dive site in a lagoon, 30 minutes from Laucala Island. <u>When:</u> Dive at rising tide.

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12. Grouper Villa

<u>*What:*</u> This site has a flat sandy patch which meets up with a wall depth of 10 - 60 meters (33 - 200 feet). Amongst the giant grouper and a variety of hard corals you can see cod, barracuda, rainbow runner, hammer heads, moray eel aand eagle rays.

Where: A 5 minute boat ride from D. M. F. site.

When: Dive at falling tide.

13. Yellow Wall

<u>*What:*</u> With beautiful swim through areas its gradual drop off with depth ranging from 5 – 200 meters (16 – 650 feet). The name stems from the wall at 15 - 30 m (50 – 100 feet) which is covered with yellow coral. Marine's life includes Wrasses, schools of parrot fish, tuna Sweet lips, Moray, Sharks.

<u>*Where:*</u> A 5 min boat ride from D.M.F. site located inside the barrier reef <u>*When:*</u> Dive at rising tide

14. Amaze

<u>*What:*</u> Amazing... with depths ranging from 10 - 60 meters (33 - 200 feet) and great visibility of 20 - 30 meters (66 - 100 feet) you will find tons of fish including mackerel, barracuda, Jack Trevally and sharks (usually in schools). A nice, shallow reef at the end of the dive, which is excellent for safety stops.

<u>*Where:*</u> Located outside of Laucala Island barrier reef, a 10 minute boat ride <u>*When:*</u> Dive at rising tide.

15. Canyons

<u>*What:*</u> Numerous caverns and caves make up this lovely adventure in depths of 5 - 30 meters (16 - 100 feet). At 10 - 12 meters (33 - 40 feet) there are swim through areas like canyons. The marine life consists of white tip sharks in the tunnels, cods, mackerels, turtles, angel fish, schools of parrot fish and very healthy hard and soft corals. <u>*Where:*</u> Located outside the Laucala Island barrier reef, 8 minutes by boat <u>*When:*</u> Dive at high tide.

16. Playground

<u>*What:*</u> It is a wall dive, ranging from 5 - 900 meters (16 - 2,950 feet). At this dive site you are greeted by schools of barracuda and Jack fish. Furthermore you will see sting rays, different sharks, including hammer heads, groupers, there will always be clown trigger fish, angel fish, cods, mackerels, tuna and lots of pelagics that swim by.

Where: A 25 minutes boat ride from Laucala Island.

When: Dive at rising tide.