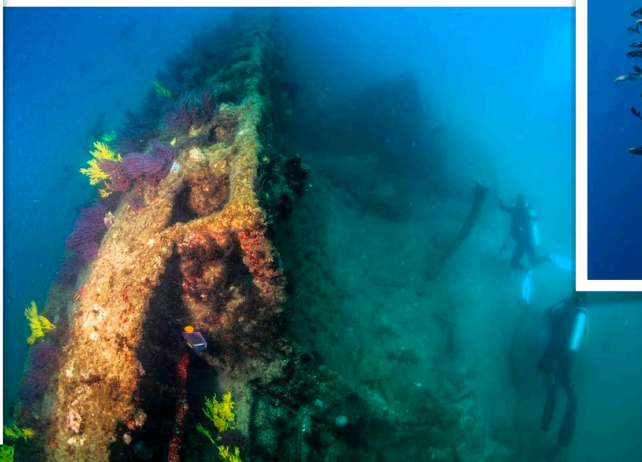
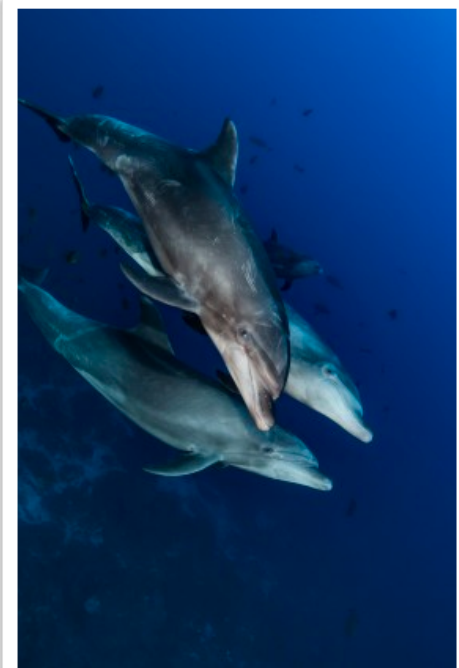


Magdalena Bay

Mexico Sardine Run
November 18 - 25, 2021



BlueGreen Expeditions is headed to one of the most amazing dive spots in the world, the Mexican Sardine Run! During October and November, a magical event happens in the nutrient rich swirling blue waters off Magdalena Bay where striped marlin gather to hunt on the second largest sardine run in the world. This thrilling underwater action is spectacular. There is an excellent chance of also seeing California sea lions, dolphins, wahoo, pelicans, different species of gulls, boobie birds, frigate birds, shearwaters and even the awe inspiring albatross. While it's best to snorkel or free dive around the bait balls there will be plenty of scuba diving opportunities on your week long trip with massive schools of fish, turtles and the wreck of a WW1 submarine and the passenger steam ship SS Independence. But wait, there is more! Humpback whales are on the move at this time of year and if we are really lucky, we might even see orcas or blue whales! We will be onboard the Nautilus Gallant Lady. The Gallant Lady is a top of the line 116' liveaboard which only takes 12 guests. We encourage you to fly in early and take advantage of an underwater photo workshop or a complimentary warm up dive or both!



Itinerary

DAY 1

Check in to SeeCreatures Dive Centre in the inner harbor of Cabo San Lucas to get fitted for any rental gear you might need and to take advantage of a complimentary Backscatter underwater photography workshop or a complimentary warmup dive or both! Meeting at the Dive Centre by 4:30 to board the Nautilus Gallant Lady, a sunset cruise and overnight run up to Magdalena Bay.

DAY 2

Let's go diving with the option of 4 dives at the south end of Isla Santa Margarita. You will be amazed at the abundance and variety of life and both dive sites are home to California sea lion colonies. Our second dive site has an especially large and impressive sea lion colony.

DAY 3

We are going to be diving 2 different shipwrecks today weather permitting. A WW1 submarine that is remarkably intact with loads of life. And the wreck of the SS steamship Independence of the Vanderbilt Line that sank with the loss of 150 lives.

DAY 4 - 6

Bait balls, striped marlin, incredible predatory behavior- adrenaline rushes!! The sardine run off Magdalena Bay is massive with untold millions of fish. Our plan is to divide into groups of 6 or 7 divers per skiff and head out in individual groups when we spot a good bait ball. Unlike the smaller bait balls we see down at Socorro Island, these bait balls are so large that they can survive hours of predatory attacks giving us ample opportunity to snorkel, free-dive and experience this incredible behavior. We will be out on the water all day, each day, before heading into shelter for cocktail hour and a calm anchorage every evening..

DAY 7

Spare day! While the swell is generally quite low during this time of year, we have allowed for an extra FLEX day in case of weather. We can always duck inside the Bay and explore the mangrove swamps and get some extra diving in. Weather permitting, we are aching to further explore Thetis Bank to find an offshore pinnacle rumored to be as shallow as 40 feet. You can be sure that our captain and crew are going to do their very best to maximize your experience all week long subject to any weather constraints. We could also head back towards Cabo early if the baitballs are not active and do a day of diving around Gordo Banks looking for hammerheads and more.

DAY 8

Return to Cabo San Lucas for breakfast and disembarking by 8:30 a.m.

Price Includes:

- Accommodations aboard the Nautilus Gallant Lady
- Transfers to and from the airport
- All meals onboard
- Non alcoholic beverages
- Mexican Port Taxes
- Nitrox, tanks and weights

Not Included:

- Gratuities
- Airfare
- Dive Insurance (required)
- Trip Insurance (highly recommended)

Pricing (based on double occupancy):

- \$3195 USD per person, standard cabin
- \$3695 USD per person, premier cabin
- A non-refundable \$1000 USD deposit is required to reserve your spot
- Final Payment due August 1, 2021



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