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## PADI ADVANCED COURSE INFORMATION

Thank you for your inquiry into the PADI Advanced Open Water Diver Program with Coral Divers. The Advanced course is the first step beyond Open Water Diver certification and offers different experience and training options that range from simple introductions to underwater activities to more challenging experiences. Whether it is the extra depth you are trying to achieve or simply a well structured supervised means to gain additional experience this course is for you. Here are a few facts regarding the course for your interest.

### • **PADI Adventures In Diving Program Overview**

The Advanced course comprises of two core (compulsory) dives which are deep and underwater navigation and three additional Adventure dives that you and your instructor decide on.

*The Adventure dives we offer at Coral Divers are:*

AWARE – Fish Identification  
Boat Adventure Dive  
Drift Adventure Dive  
Multi – Level Dive

Peak Performance Buoyancy  
Search & Recovery Dive  
Underwater Naturalist

### • **Course Structure**

The Advanced course is divided into Knowledge Development and Practical Application.

The Knowledge Development section consists of five Knowledge Reviews (one for each of the chosen dives) which are reviewed with your instructor. However, there is no written exam.

Independent study is a must and can begin before your arrival at Coral Divers if you would like to get ahead start. You would require the PADI Adventures in Diving Manual which can be purchased at your local PADI Dive Centre or ordered through Coral Divers. However, if you are not able to do so the materials are available on arrival.

The Practical Application section consists of five dives that were completed in the knowledge development section. These dives are conducted under the supervision of a PADI Instructor and allow for the best possible experience on these pristine reefs. This course allows you to explore different reefs in Sodwana that would normally not have been accessible to you as an Open Water Diver because of the depth restriction; Seven Mile 16m – 24m and Nine Mile 21m – 24m. Your deep dive will be conducted to 30m, provided you are older than 15 years otherwise children aged 12 – 14 years will dive to a maximum depth of 21 meters.

### • **Course Prerequisites**

To qualify for acceptance into the PADI Advanced Open Water Diver Program, you must meet the following requirements:

1. Be certified as a PADI Open Water Diver or have equivalent rating. "Equivalent" is defined as proof of an entry – level scuba certification with a minimum of four scuba – training dives.
2. Be 10 years of age or older. Students under the age of 15 may obtain a PADI Junior Advanced Open Water certification. A junior diver is required to meet all requirements for certification other than age. The minimum age for the course is 10 years.
3. Answer all the questions on the PADI Medical Statement and if you answer "yes" to any of the questions acquire a clearance for diving signed by a physician attesting to fitness to dive. The medical clearance must be current within the previous 12 months. The physician signing the form cannot be the individual. \* Please find attached a copy of the Medical Statement.

## **Course Costs and Breakdown - Course Price: R3775.00**

The Advanced course includes 4 nights accommodation in a safari tent. Our safari tents are basic budget accommodation and you are required to provide all necessary linen. You may upgrade if you wish to a standard cabin (R85pppn), standard cabin with private bathroom (R165pppn) or Ensuite chalet (R265pppn) **Low Season Rates** or standard cabin (R115pppn), standard cabin with private bathroom (R175pppn) or Ensuite chalet (R325pppn) - **High Season Rates**

All equipment is included in the course price as well as the PADI Advanced Open Water Manual (required) and PADI certification.

- ✓ Catering is not included but can be provided on a Dinner and Breakfast basis (R170 pppn) Please note that our cost does not include the Kwazulu – Natal Conservation Service fees:

Gate Fee: R20pp

Camping Fee: R70pp For the First Night (R5 community levy)

R65 pp per night thereafter