

Little Cayman

Dive Bloody Bay Wall, one of the most pristine underwater sites in the world!

May 27 to June 3, 2023



Little Cayman is the smallest and least developed of the three Cayman Islands. It is located 87 miles northeast of Grand Cayman, five miles west of Cayman Brac and 480 miles from Miami. First discovered by Christopher Columbus in 1503 and rarely visited (except for the occasional pirate) until recent times, Little Cayman is now a favorite destination of modern day explorers, photographers, naturalists and, of course, divers. The moment you arrive, you'll understand why. The island itself - just 10 miles long and 1 mile wide - is blessed with 22 miles of spectacular coastline and, just offshore, incredible coral reefs teeming with over 150 kinds of coral and more than 500 species of fish. Bloody Bay Wall, which starts in shallow water, is one of the most pristine underwater sites in the world, is part of a unique ocean reef system surrounding Little Cayman. Rated as the best diving in the Caribbean by National Geographic photographer David Doubilet and underwater cinematographer Stan Waterman, Bloody Bay Wall's natural beauty has been protected for future generations with its designation as a marine park. Here, coral canyons and sand chutes lead you into the pristine deep blue waters of the outer reef before plunging to 6000ft (1800m). These exhilarating walls are covered with brightly hued sponges, corals and sea fans. The 80° F (26.6°C) water is second to none when it comes to clarity and it is said that more underwater photographs are taken in the Cayman Islands than in any other Caribbean destination. The Caymans' trademark turtles are a common sight and eagle rays, angelfish, reef sharks and grouper count among the 500 species of fish that have been documented here.

Dive with Aqua Ventures group package

Diver, double, Pool View \$2,325 pp / Diver, double, Ocean View \$2,675 pp

Our Vacation Package Includes:

- 7 Nights accommodations at the Little Cayman Beach Resort <https://www.littlecayman.com/>
- Breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily, no drinks (dinner arrival day through breakfast departure day)
- 6 x 2-tank AM boat dives, 5 x 1-tank PM boat dives, (17 dives total)
- Possible dive trip to Cayman Brac /MV Capt. Keith Tibbetts' wreck (weather permitting)
- Tanks, weights, weight belt and complimentary use of dive computer
- Welcome rum punch, Manager's Cocktail reception (typically Monday evening)
- Complimentary WiFi, resort fees, taxes and gratuities (except dive gratuities which are not included)
- Airport ground transfers

Deposit, final payment, extras and special notes: A \$1000 per person deposit (cash or check only) is required to sign up and reserve a space. Full payment is due by 2/27/23 (cash, check, or debit/charge card add 4%). Prices are based on diver, double occupancy and are subject to change and availability. Triple accommodations and pricing are available (\$2,171 Diver, triple, Pool View / \$2,405 Diver, triple, Ocean Front) Non-diver double occupancy, subtract \$250. Only one non-diver per room. All diving begins the day after arrival and must be on consecutive days. No dives are permitted on the afternoon prior to departure. Night dives are not included in packages but can be purchased at the dive shop. Drink package available, add \$200 (Equivalent to 3 drinks per night. Drink packages include menu cocktails and well drinks, single-serve beers and ciders, house wines by glass, and non-alcoholic beverages. All guests in the same reservation must be on the same drink package) No refunds on unused portions. A valid passport is required for travel to the Cayman Islands.

Not Included: Air Fare into Little Cayman, gratuities for the dive staff, beverages, nitrox, personal purchases.

Have Fun - Life's Too Short!

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Room information:

Little Cayman Beach Resort is situated on a white, sandy beach in Blossom Village, the first area of the island resettled in 1833 after Spanish privateers ran off the turtle fishermen who'd settled there. The two-story resort has 40 air-conditioned guest rooms with: ceiling fans, mini-refrigerators, private bathrooms with hair dryers, soap, shampoo, and hair conditioner, small drip coffeemakers, closets with hangers, desks, televisions (although availability and quality of channels is very limited). Little Cayman Beach Resort offers oceanfront and pool view rooms with either two doubles or one king bed. A maximum of four guests may stay in a room. The oceanfront rooms are slightly larger and come equipped with a microwave, as well as a small lounge area. Although we'll make every effort to accommodate bed requests, it's not always possible to do so.

Entry Requirements:

Visitors must carry valid passports with a minimum validity of 3 months on arrival. Visas are not required where the visitor is a citizen of the USA. A return or ongoing airline ticket is required for all visitors. Please visit <https://www.worldtravelguide.net/guides/caribbean/cayman-islands/passport-visa/>

At Time Of Reservation:

A \$1,000 per person deposit (cash or check only) is required to sign up and reserve a space. (made payable to Aqua Ventures, Inc.) Prices are based on diver, double occupancy and are subject to change and availability. At time of reservation, please provide us the following information to assist in setting up your trip and reservations.

- Your full first and last name as they appear on your passport. Also, let us know if you have a preferred name or nickname.
- Specify diver or non-diver. Each room must have at least one diver.
- Roommate name. Single and triple rooms are available, ask about pricing. If looking for a roommate, we can usually match you up with a fellow diver if given enough advanced notice.
- Any additions to your package like nitrox or a beverage plan.
- Your room type and bedding requests. (Pool View or Ocean Front) (1 King or 2 double beds per room)

At Time of Second and Final Payment:

Full payment is due by 2/27/23 (cash, check, or debit/charge card add 4%). At time of final payment, please provide us the following information to set up your transfers and finalize your reservations.

- Special requirements for diet or a disability.
- Your flight arrival and departure information: airline, flight numbers, arrival time and departing time.
- Your choice of breathing gas for the boat dives. Air or Nitrox.
- A link to complete your diving and resort documents will be provided 1 week before departure to make check in faster upon arrival.

Cancellation Policy and Refunds:

- There are no refunds or transfers on unused portions of diving, for inclement weather or early departures.
- Cancellation more than 120 days prior to arrival: Refund minus \$100 unless someone pays in full and takes your space.
- Cancellation within 3 months to 31 days prior to arrival: 2 nights cancellation fee is lost unless someone pays in full and takes your space.
- Cancellation within 30 days prior to arrival: non-refundable.
- *Trip insurance is recommended!* We make NO guarantees for filling your space if you are unable to dive or travel but we will try to help you find a replacement, the sooner we know the better the odds of finding someone to take your place.

Flight Information:

- This trip is scheduled as a Saturday to Saturday trip. Booking airfare early usually gets you a lower fare.
- The airport code for Little Cayman is LYB. Edward Bodden Airfield.
- Luggage restrictions: The airline to Little Cayman has a weight limit of 55 pounds per person and excess charges currently run \$.50 per lb. The atmosphere on Little Cayman is very informal so it helps to pack lightly.
- When booking return flights, remember DAN recommends waiting 24 hours after your last dive before you fly.

Diver's Insurance Is Highly Recommended:

Trip and diving insurance are highly recommended. Policies are available through Dive Assure or DAN.

- Dive Assure <https://diveassure.com/en/home/?pid=649servicing>
- DAN <https://www.diversalertnetwork.org/insurance>

Are YOU ready for the trip:

- Get in shape. Scuba diving can be a strenuous activity at times.
- Have you dove recently? If not, ask about some practice time with us in the pool or joining us on a local dive.
- Haven't dove in awhile? Set up a Scuba Skills Update class with us to refresh your skills and confidence.
- Ready to learn more? Ask us about Specialty classes that may be offered before or during your trip. Favorites include: Nitrox, Perfect Buoyancy, Night Diving, Navigation, Boat Diving, Fish ID and Underwater Photography.
- Have you had a medical checkup for diving? A signed doctor's release can be valid for one year and may be required by the dive operator.

Personal Diving Equipment:

- Have your primary scuba equipment serviced annually: Regulator, Alternate Air Source, BCD and Computer.
- Will you need to rent equipment on your trip? [Rental pricing](#)

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