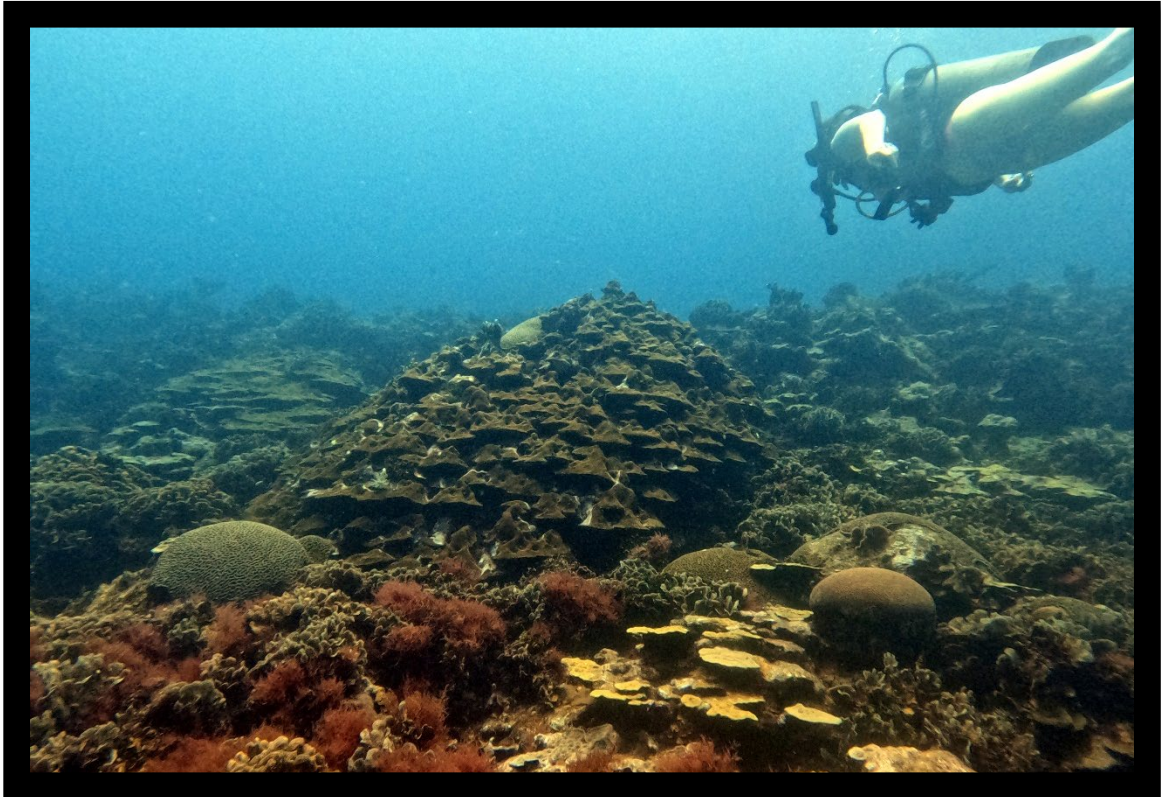


*Feral Human Expeditions*  
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*Shoultz Scuba Services*  
*Present*



**Colombia:**  
*Caribbean Reefs*



## Colombia's Caribbean Reefs

Everyone wants to dive the Caribbean, with its clear blue water, warm sea breezes and abundant sea life. But for those who want to experience local culture, smaller crowds, *and* Caribbean diving, look no further than Cartagena and Santa Marta, Colombia.

Join Shoultz Scuba and Feral Human Expeditions for nine days of exploration and diving in two areas of Colombia, the Caribbean's best kept diving secret!

This trip starts in the historic Walled City of Cartagena followed by three days on the quiet tropical island of Isla Grande Rosario, where we will dive and relax beachside at an ecolodge. The second half to the trip we head to Santa Marta, where we'll experience healthy reefs of bizarre and vibrant colors, and elkhorn coral fields that extend farther than you see! We end in Cartagena for one final night to wind down with a view of the sunset from the Wall before traveling home.

Join us for a dive trip unlike any other!

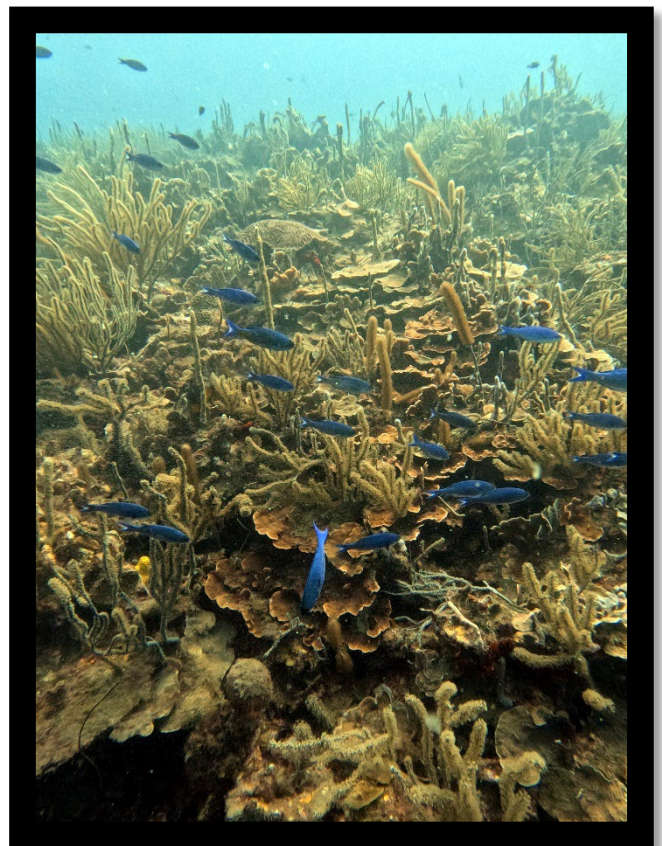
## Facts at a Glance

When- April 2023

Where- Fly into Cartagena for a day of sight seeing before we depart to the Rosario Islands for two full days of diving, followed by 3 days in Santa Marta diving the glorious Taganga Park and neighboring reefs.

What you can expect to see on the dives:

Caribbean reefs teeming with life! Coral is abundant with healthy boulder corals, elkhorn fields as far as the eye can see, and vibrant fish darting by. Eels are common sights, and sea turtles can be seen seasonally.





Price: \$3,800. Group size will be a minimum of 4 and maximum 8.

**What is Included-** Lodging, most meals starting with lunch on day 1 and ending with lunch on day 9, five days of diving, local and US dive guides and instructors, dive tanks and weights, other dive gear as needed, airport pick up and drop off, and all ground transportation during the tour.

**What is not included:** Flights to and from Colombia, entrance visa, alcoholic beverages, beverages between meals while in cities, 2-3 meals, personal travel insurance (recommended), dive accident and extraction insurance (required), laundry service, tips for local staff, and any unscheduled activities.

**Level of Difficulty-** Beginner to intermediate. Typical visibility exceeds 40ft, often up to 100ft or more. Many dives are 60 - 80ft, though shallower sites can be selected based on group ability. The Rosario Islands experience strong currents in the spring, and boat rides in Santa Marta can be choppy on small boats. Divers may choose to participate in a skills refresher on dive day 1 and Advanced Open Water certification is available during the trip as well.

**Food-** We will eat at a variety of restaurants in cities and on the beaches including traditional Colombian food and lots of incredible seafood. Most food is included in the trip cost, but expect to purchase 2-3 meals on your own.



**Lodging-** We will stay in a variety of hotels and ecolodges, all of which have air conditioning or hot water. All rooms are double occupancy.

**Visa-** U.S. citizens do not need a visa in advance. You will need to fill out the free immigration form at <https://www.colombia-checkmig.com/> prior to departure.



**Vaccinations-** For a list of recommended vaccinations visit your travel doctor or the CDC website at [wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel](http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel) Colombia no longer requires COVID vaccination or testing for entry.

**Insurance-** All trip participants are required to show proof of DAN Dive Accident Insurance and personal travel insurance that includes home country evacuation.

## Equipment

Divers are welcome to bring their own dive gear, but everything you need is available through local dive shops. Tanks and weights are provided for all dives.

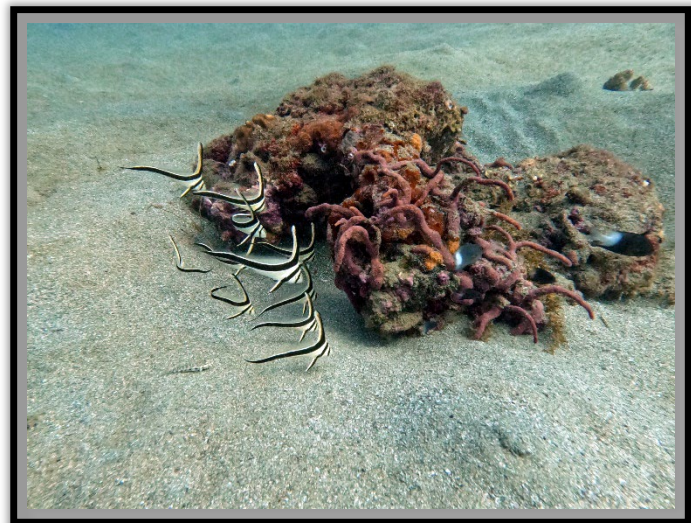
We move locations and change lodging several times during the trip, so be prepared to carry your dive bag and personal bag for short distances.



# Packing List

	BCD*
	Regulator*
	Mask, snorkel
	Fins and dive boots (full foot fins are ok)
	Surface marker buoy (suggest rigging on a reel/finger spool)*
	DAN Insurance Card (paper copy)
	Certification card
	Logbook
	Appropriate clothing for being in the sun all day such as light long sleeve shirts and pants, 2 sets
	Full brim hat
	Sunglasses
	Reef safe sun screen
	Insect repellent
	Headlamp*
	Shoes that can get wet and stay on your feet (ex. Crocs or sandals with straps)
	Tennis shoes
	Rain gear (minimum a rain jacket or poncho)*
	Toiletries
	Camera
	Small daypack/boat bag

Items marked with a \* are available to borrow or rent. Contact us for details.





# Itinerary

## Day 1

Arrive in Cartagena where we will meet you at the airport and arrange for a taxi to the hotel. Get settled in and explore this historic city on your own until dinner. Stroll through the Walled City with stunning seascape views, street vendors, museums and open air performances. In the evening we will have dinner and discuss our plans together.

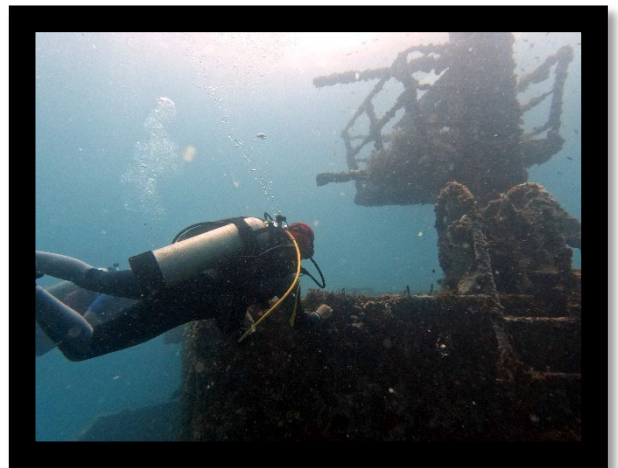


## Day 2

We'll wake up early for breakfast before hopping on a boat to the Rosario Islands. After settling into the waterfront ecolodge, we'll conduct afternoon check out and orientation dives on the stunning local reefs. Rosario's reefs boast a tangle of soft corals, schooling fish, and sponges the size of a small vehicle! The evening will be spent at the lodge where you can lounge by the beach, swim, or walk the trails on this tropical island.

## Day 3

Today is a three-dive day with options depending on group interests, skill level and conditions. The Rosario Island reefs boast dozens of dive sites, as does neighboring Baru, including an underwater shipwreck and art gallery, and coral rescue nursery. If you're up for it, we'll walk into the small town for dinner and a little exploring of the local community.

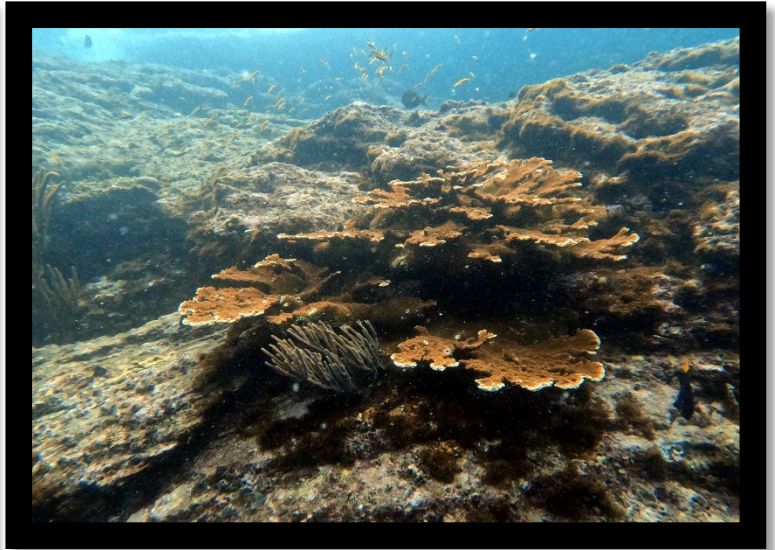


## Day 4

Travel day! First, we boat back to the mainland where we will catch private transport to Santa Marta, approximately five hours away by mini bus. That's Colombian time of course, so be sure



to pack a good book and charge your devices. Most mini buses are equipped with wifi and we'll make several rest stops along the way.



### Days 5-7

Continuing our exploration of Colombian reefs, each day consists of 2-3 dives with at least one night dive offering near Santa Marta and Taganga park. Here, moray eels can be seen on almost every dive, and the corals are in wonderful condition with unusual coloration. All dives include a local guide to help us make the most of each site. Surface intervals are casual and will be spent on the beach with local lunch provided. We'll stay in a hotel in Taganga overlooking the water and spend our final evening exploring the city of Santa Marta.

### Day 8

On our last full day together, we'll travel back to Cartagena for a final night on the town, live music, and dinner on the wall overlooking the Caribbean.

### Day 9

Fly out of Cartagena, or ask for suggestions if you want to stay and explore a little longer!



We hope to see you in  
Colombia!

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