



# SDI WRECK DIVER

Wreck diving can be one of the most exciting aspects of sport diving, however every effort must be made to maximise safe diving techniques. The SDI Wreck Diver Course will discuss the equipment and techniques commonly employed while wreck diving. This course may be taught as a non-penetration, 2 dives required, or as a limited-penetration course, requiring 3 dives. Limited-penetration is defined as a swim through or within the ambient light of entry point.

## Who this course is for:

Individuals who wish to know more about the wreck diving including:

- Researching wrecks
- Mapping wrecks
- Proper use of lines while wreck diving
- Exploring underwater history

## Course prerequisites:

- SDI Open Water Scuba Diver, or equivalent
- Minimum age 18, 15 for limited penetration course with parental consent
- Minimum age 10 with parental consent for a non-penetration course
- Junior Open Water Divers may not participate in any penetration activities or dives deeper than 18 metres/60 feet
- Divers must have a deep diver specialty certification or be able to provide proof of experience in order to dive deeper than 18 metres/60 feet in this course

## What you can expect to learn:

The SDI Wreck Diver course takes an in-depth look at all of the following and more:

- Why wreck dive?
- Surface supports
  - Communications, when and if necessary
  - Back-up procedures
- Buddy system
- Buddy contact
  - Contact with varied visibility
  - Buddy lines
  - Line signals
  - Buddy positioning in close proximity
- Navigation/charting
  - Usage of the slate
  - Larger than normal
  - Pre-dive marking
  - Pre-planning the dive using charts, other information
  - Directional determination
- Disorientation
  - With/without buddy
  - Lost buddy
  - Light failure
  - Emergency procedures
- Special equipment
  - Lights: primary and backup, size, burn time, and usage
  - Knives and cutting devices
- Limited visibility diving
  - Silt-out
  - Psychological considerations
  - Light usage
  - Importance of light and backup
  - Dark vision, don't shine light in buddy's eyes
- Life lines and reels
  - Type of line
  - Tie-offs
  - Directional markers
  - Line handling and reeling must be practiced on land prior to performing this skill underwater
- Special emergency procedures
  - Safe Wreck
  - Hazardous or otherwise unsafe wrecks
- Mapping the wreck

- Vertical, horizontal, and feature identification

## What's in it for you?

Upon successful completion of this course graduates may:

- Dive wrecks that are similar to the type of wrecks they were exposed to during training
- Plan and execute a wreck dive

Also, the SDI Wreck Diver certification counts towards a single specialty rating to achieve the [SDI Advanced Diver Development program](#).

## Pricing:

\$650 for 2-4 students (private courses so you organise your buddies!)

\$1000 solo

## Includes:

- Standard equipment rental (including mask, snorkel, fins and boots)
- Online eLearning
- 3x Boat dive fees (including instructors boat dives)

## Not Included:

- Wreck reel
- DSMB & Spool (surface marker)
- Torch
- Back up torch
- Knife/Cutting Tool
- Audible & visual signalling device

***We have products available in our shop that fit our ECO DIVER ethos. If you wish to purchase equipment upfront and train in during your course, purchase with us knowing you're making an effort to reduce your diving footprint and make steps towards becoming an ECO DIVER.***