

# Tiger & Black Tip Sharks

## BAITED SHARK DIVES – NO CAGES

### Aliwal Shoal, Umkomaas, South Coast Natal

For Tiger Shark & Black Tip fanatics, photographers, adrenalin junkies and thrill seekers we have a very special offer: Cage-less Baited Shark diving, snorkelling and boat trips.




South Africa is one of only three countries in the world offering this kind of diving.


- Using a baiting technique that closely resembles the shark's natural feeding habits – sardines and similar fish.
- Divers as well as snorkeler's and non-divers share in the experience.
- Excellent for researching the sharks, as normally they are very shy and divers never see them.
- Tiger Sharks are always surrounded by black tip sharks.

There are very few places in the world that one can view Tiger Sharks in their natural environment. Individuals who have been to these places have commented that nowhere else in the world can one have the quality & safe viewing as on the Aliwal Shoal. This dive takes place on a smallish reef about 1 km south of the Aliwal Shoal reef. The baited station is prepared and put in the sea. The Sardine smell lures the sharks in. The Black Tip sharks are very inquisitive and are usually awaiting in the area. Maximum depth is +- 15m and dive time is about 60-70 minutes. You can also view these magnificent creatures on the surface.

See best times to dive below:



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<b>Tiger Shark</b> (Galeocerdo Cuvier)	
Average size: 10 ft / 3 m Maximum size: 18 ft / 5.5 m Colour: dark grey, white belly Note: spots fade into stripes as they mature; Galeocerdo means <i>cunning</i> .	

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<b>Black Tip Shark</b> (Carcharhinus Limbatus)	
Average size: 5 ft / 1.5 m Maximum size: 9 ft / 2.7 m Colour: grey, white belly & anal fin, subtle white band along the side; black tips on fins tend to fade with age. Note: species different from Black Tip Reef Shark.	

Price includes:

- Cylinder & weight belt
- Dive leader
- Refreshments

Bookings are essential, and booking terms and conditions apply.

Sometime you can add on a Reef Dive afterwards for an additional price ☺

NB: Minimum amount of people for the boat to launch (during the quiet times) are TWO divers.

General Itinerary:

- 7:00am kit up
- 8:00am Launch
- Half day on the boat, depending on animals
- Briefing on boat prior to dive
- Dive depth 6 -10m for your cylinder duration
- Refreshments/debrief
- Return to beach after dive

**CHECK OUT THE YOU-TUBE VIDEO**  
[www.youtu.be/1M6RC0Hk6IQ](http://www.youtu.be/1M6RC0Hk6IQ)

If you would like to have a personal DVD of your dive, please book ahead for this optional extra.



Happy Holidays and look forward to hearing from you ☺

At your service, best regards

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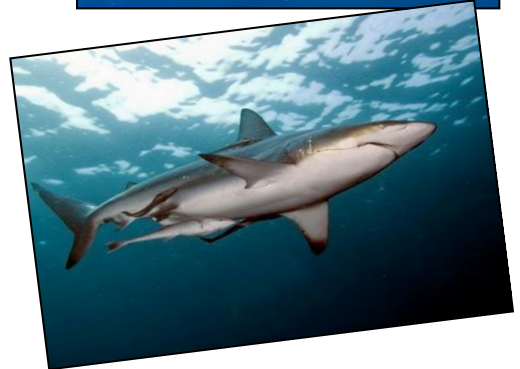
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One of our brave divers filming at the tip of a big Tiger Shark last year!