



INTRODUCTION

Big Blue has been exploring the Turks and Caicos Islands for over ten years, developing an array of educational and exciting adventures. Big Blue features small group scuba diving, award winning eco-adventures, and an innovative private charter program. Big Blue's growing network of experienced staff and professional facilities will take you off the beaten path and into the amazing wilderness of the Turks and Caicos Islands. Big Blue's commitment to exploration has resulted in a selection of adventures unmatched by any other tour operator.

Why tour with Big Blue?

- Leading adventures in the Turks and Caicos for over ten years.
- The only operator that adheres to the principals of eco-tourism.
- Truly providing cultural experiences of the Turks and Caicos Islands.
- Diving, kayaking, and snorkeling offered at beginner and expert levels.
- Always learning and exploring new areas (both above and below the water), testing ideas and designing innovative dive trips and eco-tours.
- Only recipient of the Turks and Caicos Islands Eco-Tourism Award.
- High quality, name brand equipment used on all adventures.
- Professional staff, hand picked for their knowledge and experience.
- First Aid Instructors, DAN Oxygen Providers, Decompression Chamber Operators & MSDT SCUBA Instructors.
- Internationally licensed boat captains.

Big Blue's eco-philosophy

- Small group size limits environmental stress and maximizes customer experience (max.9)
- Educational trips, featuring marine life, ecology and island history.
- Support and assist with the Turks and Caicos 'National Trust' and 'Protected Areas' conservation initiatives
- Directly support the local tourism economies of North and Middle Caicos
- Utilize man-powered and fuel efficient transport to limit carbon footprint
- Provide biodegradable sunscreen on all water based adventures

Locations

Leeward: waterside location at East End of Island. Trip departures, kayak rentals, and the gateway to the reefs and the other Islands.

Saltmills Plaza: central location in Grace Bay, adventure concierge service and info for Big Blue eco-adventures and other choice activities.

PRIVATE BOAT & DIVE ADVENTURES

Join Big Blue's knowledgeable captains and choose from a variety of comfortable vessels to transport you across the Caicos Islands. All adventures are customized.

- Hourly, ½-day, full-day and multi-day rates available.
- All snorkeling and dive equipment is provided free of charge
- Scuba diving is available for all experience levels.
 - Certified divers can dive all the established sites and also explore uncharted waters.
 - New divers can easily receive basic instruction and enjoy a dive as part of the day's itinerary.
- Refreshments are provided on all adventures and lunch is included on full-day trips.

CAICOS CAYS

Cruise along miles of deserted beach between Provo and North Caicos

Visit the Iguana Sanctuary on Little Water Cay (optional)

Snorkel at various locations along the barrier reef

Enjoy an educational beach walk on one of the beautiful cays

BLUE HILLS & NORTH-WEST POINT

Cruise along Grace Bay and up to Northwest Point

Explore the protected lagoon and snorkel the different reefs along the way.

Stop for lunch at one of the local seaside restaurants in Blue Hills.

Visit the remote beaches on the west side of Provo

Stop at the Iguana Sanctuary on Little Water Cay (optional)

FRENCH CAY

French Cay is a small, remote island on the edge of the Caicos Banks.

It offers some of the best snorkeling in the country and an incredible diving wall nearby where pelagic encounters are common. Further south is '**West Sand Spit**', a remarkable sand bar with pristine waters and more phenomenal diving. It has to be seen to be appreciated and is a truly unforgettable haven in the middle of nowhere.

WEST CAICOS

West Caicos is a larger island that features a fantastic beach, incredible wall diving, great snorkeling and a protected rocky coast. Stop at one of the secluded 'pirate' coves where you can jump off the cliffs and explore the various sea caves. You can also take a short hike inland to see the plantation ruins and old railway tracks that cross Lake Catherine, a saltwater lake connected to the ocean via subterranean tunnels. From here you can see a variety of birdlife including the occasional pink flamingo.

ECO-TOURS AND ADVENTURES

KAYAKING

Kayaking is an ideal way to observe the tropical wildlife and experience the numerous islands of the Turks and Caicos. Big Blue maintains a fleet of modern single and double kayaks featuring comfortable seats, back rests, and rudders. Double kayaks can include a jump seat to accommodate small children. The following trips are scheduled from Providenciales and accommodate a maximum of 8 people:

PRINCESS ALEXANDRA KAYAK ECO-TOUR

- 4-hour tour scheduled daily according to the tide
- Explore the serene channels of Mangrove Cay
- Tour the iguana sanctuary on Little Water Cay
- Encounter juvenile marine life from the comfort of the kayak
- Suitable for the whole family and beginners of all ages
- \$95 adults/\$60 kids

FRENCHMAN'S CREEK KAYAK ADVENTURE

- 5-6 hr trip in remote southwest Providenciales
- Kayak a network of shallow creeks populated by birds and aquatic life
- Enjoy a picnic lunch on a deserted beach
- Some experience recommended
- \$155 adults/\$115 children

KAYAK RENTALS

All kayaks are available for rent by the hour, day or week. The waters and islands in the Nature Reserve adjacent to the Big Blue base can be explored at your own pace with the help of the maps and dry bags provided. Kayaks can also be delivered to your rental villa.

Adventurous paddlers can ask about pre-dawn bird watching, overnight camping, and the opportunity to take part in a full-day, guided kayak trip along the coast of the Caicos Cays.

SNORKELING

DEDICATED 4-HR SNORKEL TOUR

- Provo's only dedicated half day snorkel excursion
- Visit three different locations on the barrier reef
- Knowledgeable guides discuss fish identification and coral ecology
- Utilize underwater identification keys to maximize experience
- \$115 Adults/\$85 kids

FRENCH CAY AND WEST CAICOS SNORKEL ADVENTURES

- Explore the waters around these beautiful outer islands
- Experience the finest snorkeling the Turks and Caicos has to offer
- Discover secluded beaches, spectacular scenery, and amazing reefs
- 6-hour adventure that includes lunch and time to explore inland.
- \$195 adults/\$155 kids

MOUNTAIN BIKING

MIDDLE CAICOS BIKE AND CAVE ECO-ADVENTURE

- A 15-mile bike ride on a mixture of paved road and scenic coastal track
- Tour the extensive limestone caves near the village of Conch Bar
- Learn about the Islands at the National Trust Conservation Centre
- Enjoy lunch with the Forbes family in the village of Bambarra
- Cool off with a swim at the unforgettable beaches of Mudjin Harbour
- \$255 adults/12 years+ only

ISLAND ECO-ADVENTURES

NORTH CAICOS SNORKEL, KAYAK, & CULTURE ECO-TOUR

- Snorkel the barrier reef between Provo and North Caicos
- Kayak in the undisturbed Dick Hill Creek Nature Reserve
- Tour the historical ruins at Wade's Green Plantation
- Enjoy lunch with local matriarch Susan Butterfield in the village of Kew
- 3/4 Day Eco-tour \$235 adults/ \$185 children

THE 'HEART OF THE ISLANDS' ECO-TOUR

- Snorkel the barrier reef between Provo and North Caicos
- Tour the historical ruins at Wade's Green Plantation
- Experience native cuisine in a the local home
- Stop at The Flamingo Pond Nature Reserve
- Explore extensive limestone caves found on Middle Caicos
- Visit the handcraft museum in the village of Conch Bar
- Enjoy the incredible scenery and beaches at Mudjin Harbour
- Full Day Adventure \$275 adults/\$245 children

PRIVATE ADVENTURES ON NORTH AND MIDDLE CAICOS

Utilize Big Blue's expertise to design a full day eco-adventure across the cultural heart of the Caicos Islands. Itineraries can include snorkeling, kayaking, boating, mountain biking, hiking, beach combing, and sightseeing. Enjoy lunch at a local home or restaurant. Larger groups are possible activities can vary for different members.

SCUBA DIVING

1 & 2 TANK DIVES

- Dive the sites of Grace Bay & Pine Cay (north-side) or explore the deeper walls at West Caicos & French Cay (south-side)
- Conveniently scheduled in the morning, afternoon and at night
- Very small groups, personal service and comfortable boats.
- Nitrox, underwater photography, and private guides are available
- 1 tank dive \$95 (north-side)
- 2 tank dive \$135 (north-side), \$175 (south-side)

3 TANK DIVE ADVENTURE

- Explore the best diving around the Caicos Islands
- The full day itinerary maximizes your underwater time and experience
- Maximum 9 divers
- Picnic lunch and refreshments provided
- Nitrox recommended, courses available as part of the day
- 3 tank dive \$275

TRY DIVE

- Warm water and great visibility provide a perfect venue to try scuba diving.
- Private instruction makes this unforgettable experience safe and easy
- Do the course and the dive in as little as 3hrs
- Available on one and two tank dives trips
- Prices start at \$175 per diver

A FULL RANGE OF PADI COURSES AND SPECIALTIES ARE AVAILABLE.

NITROX: Learn to use different gas blends to increase bottom time and improve safety margins.

PHOTOGRAPHY: Digital underwater camera courses using simple cannon cameras and SEA & SEA cameras with strobes. Camera rentals are available and a disk of your photos included.

U/W NATURALIST: Discover more about the marine life that you find on the vibrant Turks and Caicos reefs. Learn about the fish, corals, and invertebrates.

Safety

Dive computers are complimentary, thorough briefings are given, and maps are drawn of the dive sites. An instructor is always in the water and private guides are available if divers would like individual guidance and instruction. Surface markers and dive alerts are also provided free of charge so divers can feel comfortable exploring on their own. Enriched Air Nitrox is available.

THE BIG BLUE FLEET

“Starfish”

28’ Monohull
Swim platform at rear
Easy boarding from beach
Excellent shallow water access
Max. 10 passengers

“Yes- I”

26’ Power Catamaran
Limited shade,
Comfortable seating,
Excellent dive setup
Superb ride in rough seas
Max. 8 passengers/4 divers

‘World Cat’

24’ Power Catamaran
Lots of Shade
Comfortable
Fresh water shower
Smooth ride
Max. 6 passengers/2 divers

‘Live and Direct’

40’ Power Cat
Excellent adventure boat
Large sundeck on bow
Ample space & shade on main deck
Cabin below includes double bunk
Marine head (toilet)
Large swim platform at stern
Max. 12 passengers/10 divers

PRICES 2009

ECO-TOURS	Adult	Child <12	Length
Princess Alexandra Kayak Eco-tour	\$95	\$60	½ Day
Frenchman's Creek Kayak Eco-tour	\$155	\$115	¾ Day
Middle Caicos Bike & Cave Adventure	\$255	n/a	Full Day
French Cay & West Caicos Snorkel Adventures	\$195	\$155	¾ Day
North Caicos Snorkel, Kayak & Culture	\$235	\$185	¾ Day
Heart of the Islands Eco-tour	\$275	\$235	Full Day
Dedicated Snorkel Trip	\$115	\$85	½ Day

PRIVATE ECO-ADVENTURES	1-3 pers	4-6 pers	7-9 pers
North and Middle Caicos Adventure	\$1,500	\$1,750	\$2,000

DIVING	Adult
1-Tank Dive	\$95
2-Tank Dive – north side	\$135
2-Tank Dive – south side	\$175
3-Tank Dive Adventure	\$275
Night Dive	\$115
Resort Course/Try-Dive	\$175
Private Guide (per dive)	\$150

EQUIPMENT RENTAL	
1 dive	\$10
2 dives	\$15
3 dives	\$20

PRIVATE BOAT CHARTERS for diving add: ½ \$200 full day \$300	1/2 day 4 hrs	Full day 7-8hrs	Extended 8hrs +	Per hour (min. 2)	Max. # on boat	Max # divers
"STARFISH" - 28' monohull	\$750	\$1,250	/	\$200	8	/
"WORLD CAT" - 24' catamaran	\$800	\$1,350	\$1,750	\$225	6	2
"YES-I" - 26' catamaran	\$850	\$1,450	\$1,850	\$225	8	4
"LIVE AND DIRECT" - 40' catamaran	\$1,500	\$2,500	\$3,000	\$400	12	9

KAYAK RENTALS	Hour	½ day	Full-day
Singles	\$15	\$45	\$60
Doubles	\$20	\$60	\$80

Reservation Policy

A valid credit card is required to reserve all Big Blue trips. A cancellation policy is strictly enforced:
 30% of the trip fee is charged if cancelled within 30 days of departure.
 50% of the trip fee is charged if cancelled within 15 days of departure.
 100% of the trip fee is charged if cancelled within 48 hours of departure.

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