

WATER ADVENTURES

Compliments of Silver Thatch Cayman, Guest Services

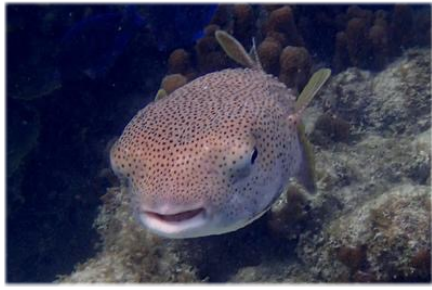
The most beautiful water in the Caribbean!

The central core of each of the three Cayman Islands is limestone formed 30 million years ago. The limestone shore of these islands is called

“ironshore” The porous nature of the ironshore, as well as the the islands’ lack of hills and valleys, creates minimal water and sediment runoff into the sea. This gives the water around these islands their unique clarity and makes the Caymans one of the most sought-after dive locations in the

world. The limestone also filters the fresh water in the water table about 250 feet below the surface.





Best Shore-Entry Snorkel Sites!

Pack your snorkel gear and a cooler and head for one of Cayman's easily accessed snorkel sites. Depending upon currents and recent weather, visibility can be spectacular. **Practice safe snorkeling - take note of currents and always go with a buddy!**

East End

Morritt's Tortuga Club
Public Beach in Collier's

Old Man Bay

Queen's Highway Memorial

South Sound

Smith Cove

North West Point

Turtle Reef - north of the Turtle Farm

West Bay

Cemetery Reef

George Town

Wreck of the Cali
Lobster Pot Dive Center
Sunset House

Stingray City Sandbar Excursion!

You can't spend time in Grand Cayman without swimming with the rays! We recommend the following tour guides to give you a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Most trips include a snorkel stop at Coral Gardens

Reef near the Sandbar.

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Silver Thatch Charters

Blair Philpott, Blue Haven Services Ltd.

Red Sail Sports

Captain Jon, Slackem Charters

Cayman Luxury Charters

Sail Cayman

White Sand Water Sports

(North Side/East End)



Scuba Diving

Divetech (Seven Mile Beach)

Indigo Divers (Seven Mile Beach)

Living The Dream Divers
(Seven Mile Beach)

Ocean Frontiers (East End)

Red Sail Sports (Island-wide)

Tortuga Divers (East End)

White Sand Diving (East End)



Island Insider!

Need to purchase gear?

Diver's World one mile north of George Town. The sales staff is very knowledgeable and will get you the best fit.

Diver's Supply across from the Hyatt on Seven Mile Beach is our number two choice. They have a better return policy but are not as attentive to fit.

Fishing Charters



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Slackem Charters

Crystal Sea Charters

Bayside Water Sports
(Departs from Morgan's Harbour)

Oh Boy Charters

Captain Herman (East End)

Boat Rentals

Cayman Islands Boat Rentals
(Island-wide)

Barbara Whitaker
(Cayman Kai, boating inside the reef)

Submarine Tours

Atlantis Submarine

Daytime and night excursions. Up to 100 foot depth. The evening cruise is recommended to see nocturnal predators. Great for non-divers. Launches from George Town.



Bioluminescent Kayak Tours of Cayman's Mangrove Forest and "Bio Bay"

Cayman Kayaks

The Sweet Spot

SPOTLIGHT!

Tips for Purchasing A Great Fitting Dive Mask

1. **Take a regulator or snorkel along when trying on masks.** The only way to get a truly good fit is to try the snorkel and mask together.
2. **It's important to start with a mask(s) that best fit your face. Not everything in the dive shop will be an option.** Mask skirts generally range from 4 1/2 - 5 inches in width between the temples, but they vary greatly in shape.
3. **Remove the strap or push it to the side.** Water pressure is what seals the mask to your face, not strap pressure.
4. **Hold the mask up to your face making sure hair is out of the way.** Is there enough space between the skirt and the corners of the eyes? Also, does the mask rest comfortably under the mouth leaving room between skirt and lips?
5. **With snorkel in your mouth, GENTLY suck in air through the mouth and let go of the mask** (sucking too strong can distort the seal). Mask should be able to stay on the face for several seconds.
6. **Adjust the strap to LIGHTLY hug the back of the head.** Again, suck in air GENTLY through the nose. Mask should have a complete seal.
7. Local dive shops often carry limited selections. Don't be talked into a particular brand. Keep looking until you find the best fit. There is a difference!

Jet Skis, Kayaks & Paddle Boards

White Sand Water Sports (Daily)

Cayman Stand Up Paddle Co.

(Hourly/Daily-7 Mile Beach Only)

Empty Suitcases (Daily)

Fat Fish Adventures (Daily)

Moore Marine (Daily)

Red Sail Sports (Hourly)

Parasailing

Parasailing Professionals LTD

(Seven Mile Beach only)

Kiteboarding

White Sand Water Sports

Swimming With The Dolphins

(West Bay)

Dolphin Cove and Dolphin Discovery

A new addition to our Silver Thatch Preferred Program! Dolphin Discovery operates both venues. Please let a member of our Silver Thatch staff know if you are interested. We will schedule your visit.