

# Red Sea Liveaboard Wrecks and Reefs 19<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> November 2010

## Blue O Two – M/Y Blue Melody



Blue Melody is a 38 metre, luxury liveaboard accommodating up to 26 divers in 10 twin cabins and 3 doubles. All cabins are en-suite and have individually controlled air conditioning.

This spacious vessel offers ample room to relax between dives, with a spacious air-conditioned saloon area complete with plasma screen TV, DVD and multi media player. The air-conditioned Sky lounge offers an attractive alternative

relaxation area, also with plasma TV, DVD and multi media player, in addition to a bar.

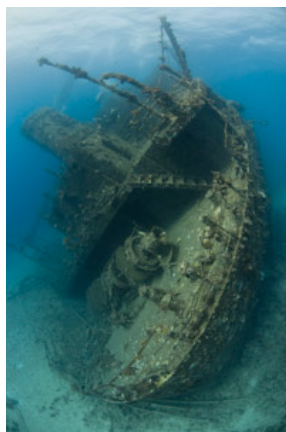
There is a separate diving area, and two large sun decks. The well-equipped dive deck boasts two compressors, a Nitrox membrane system, and 2 RIBs.

[http://www.blueotwo.com/my\\_blue\\_melody.htm](http://www.blueotwo.com/my_blue_melody.htm)

[http://www.blueotwo.com/bluemelody\\_technical\\_specification.htm](http://www.blueotwo.com/bluemelody_technical_specification.htm)

Site: **Northern Red Sea**  
Level: **AOW 30+ dives**

Depth: **10 to 30 metres**  
Type: **Wrecks & Reefs**  
Access: **Boat**



The Northern Red Sea offers a number of world class wreck sites including:

**Giannis D** (Left): This Greek freighter hit the reef in April 1983 and over the course of two weeks slowly broke in two and sank.

She is the most dived wreck in this location, laying in 26m of water and leaning to port with a fully intact stern section and an impressive engine room packed with glassfish.

**Thistlegorm** (Below): The Thistlegorm is probably the most famous of the Red Sea wrecks.

The 129m English Freighter was bombed by German aviation on 6th October 1941 whilst fully loaded with supplies and arms for troops in North Africa.

Today the Thistlegorm has created an artificial reef on a sandy bottom at 32m max depth. She is home to an enormous variety of marine life and is especially popular with large schooling fish. Penetration into the hold is possible where much of the original cargo still remains.

**Carnatic:** A British P&O steamer which struck the reef in 1869 and sank the next day as the weather worsened.

Rumour has it that she sank with forty thousand pounds sterling of gold bullion, much of which was never recovered.

She lays in 29m and now the whole hull is draped in multi-coloured soft corals and the inner areas are full of glass fish.



**Rosalie Moller:** This wreck lies west of Big Gubal Island and is a dive only for the more experienced; with the depth to the deck at 36m (52m to the bottom).

She was on her way to Alexandria with a cargo of coal when she was sunk by German aircraft on the 7th October 1941, just two days after the Thistlegorm. The wreck is in pristine condition and home to large shoals of glass fish. A great dive with the right planning.

## Dive Level

Ideally Advanced Open Water with 30+ logged dives

Additional Training: Nitrox, Wreck and Deep Dive Specialties are advantageous, but not essential.

**There is some flexibility as Ocean Turtle Diving Instructors will be available but please check with the shop prior to booking.**

## Location

Northern Red Sea Wrecks and Reefs, Egypt

## Costs

Cost is **£999**

Includes flights from and to Gatwick, Egyptian Visas, Marine Park entry fees, Air fills and full board accommodation in twin en-suite cabins.

Nitrox is available at any extra cost for those qualified.

**A deposit of £250 per person is required and we need deposits NOW to secure places. The balance is payable 12 weeks prior to departure.**

## Dive Centre

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## Links

<http://www.blueotwo.com/>

## Trip Booking

This trip is organised by the Ocean Turtle Diving shop.

To book places on this trip, contact Alan Smith on either:

[alan@oceanturtlediving.com](mailto:alan@oceanturtlediving.com)

OR

**01256 819595**

## Disclaimer

The dive sites presented here detail typical sites available at the particular dive location.

While every effort will be made to dive specific sites, the actual sites dived on the day will be determined by local conditions and may be subject to change at the last minute.