

ATLANTIS

Philippines

DIVE RESORTS & LIVEBOARDS



Southern Leyte

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Our reputation as the leader in first-class dedicated dive vacations in the Philippines is further enhanced by our dive yacht, Atlantis Azores. The Azores is positioned strategically to service remote diving areas with spectacular diving throughout the Philippines 7,107 islands.

Southern Leyte, location of General MacArthur's "Return to the Philippines" is one of our newest itineraries. A hot new destination for diving with many secrets yet to be discovered. The 2.5km (1.6 mile) fabulous coral garden on the west side of Tancaan Point has five world class dives by itself! The beautiful pristine coral gardens only get better as you go deeper. There are gorgeous drop-offs, walls and lots of aquatic life.

Did we forget to mention whale sharks? Common to the area during the literary dates offered. Our first season there produced multiple sightings for each charter and almost daily interactions with these gentle giants.


Enjoy a week at Atlantis Dumaguete or Puerto Galera before or after the trip – the perfect combo of resort and liveaboard.

Seasons & Weather

Seven night charters run between January - March
Air temperature 31°C/88°F; sea temperature 28°C/82°F
Average visibility up to 30 meters/ 90ft.

Port of embarkation - Padre Burgos

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DIVE DAY 1: PADRE BURGOS

The dives comprise of: Max's Climax 1 and 2 (wall dives); Voltaire's Rock; Bulawarte and a wreck dive. All these dives have plenty of big fish action when current is moving. Padre Burgos Pier and Malibog wreck are our two first class night dives. Seahorse, frog fish, nudibranch, reptilian eel, octopus, razor fish, slipper crabs are only just a few of the creatures you will see while diving at these sites.

DIVE DAY 2: SOGOD BAY NORTH

Some of the dive sites include Bunga Bend, Whip City, Cantamac and Malitbog wreck. These sites have diverse fish and coral life: nudibanches, ribbon eels, pigmy seahorses, ghost pipe fish and mantis shrimp are commonly found.

DIVE DAY 3: LILOAN CHANNEL

On the east side of Sogod Bay is Panoan Island and Napantao dive site. The dive is also a marine sanctuary. Giant gorgonian fans are abundant on the wall. It is spectacular on a sunny day and looks absolutely majestic.

DIVE DAY 4: SOUTHERN POINT OF SOGOD BAY

Tankan and Santa Sofia has a fantastic array of colorful soft corals and huge barrel corals. Mandarin fish, turtles, eagle rays, bat fish and frog fish are frequent visitors to these sites.

DIVE DAY 5: LIMASAWA ISLAND

The famous Limasawa Island is not only famous for Magellan's visit but also for the incredible diving. Adrian's Cove and Zack's Cove dive sites are 20 to 50 meters deep and have dark eerie steep walls with gorgonian fans and massive table corals. We often see nudibranchs and occasionally the odd hammerhead, or white tip reef shark!

DIVE DAY 6: SAN FRANCISCO BAY / SONOK

Sunok has become very popular with whale sharks between early November until May. The whale sharks follow plankton and jellyfish and for that reason we cannot guarantee where they will be all of the time! That said our first season in Souther Lyete reported dozens of encounters through the season. The sanctuary is strictly snorkeling only!



LAND EXCURSIONS:

Between dives on Limasawa Island you can go ashore on the west side at San Bernando and wander around the village or visit the shrine where the first Catholic mass was held in the Philippines when Ferdinand Magellan, a Portuguese navigator and explorer, landed in 1521. Also visit the location where MacArthur did make good on his promise "I shall return" to the Philippines.

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