



Bikini Atoll

**Truk Master Liveboard
Aug. 30 – Sept. 10, 2020**



Here is your chance to dive the exclusive, all-time favorite tec-wreck destination on the planet. Bikini Atoll is part of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, which covers nearly 1 million square miles of idyllic emerald-green coral atolls, surrounded by the crystal-blue waters of the Pacific. It is the final resting place for some of the most significant warships in history.

In 1946, following the end of World War II, the United States gathered together a “mock” naval fleet in order to test the effects of atomic bomb blasts on a large naval fleet. They named it Operation Crossroads and designated Bikini Atoll to be one of the sites for the explosive tests, with the local inhabitants displaced to another atoll. More Operations followed suit; from land, on the reef, on the sea, from the air and underwater. Between 1946 and 1958, the United States tested a grand total of 67 nuclear weapons on the Marshall Islands, of which ‘Castle Bravo’ on Bikini Lagoon in 1954 is the best-known. This 15-megaton TNT hydrogen atomic bomb was a thousand times more powerful than the bomb dropped on Hiroshima. It left a crater in the lagoon of 2 kilometers wide and 76 meters deep. Bikini Atoll was opened for diving in 1996, allowing divers to experience some of the most historic and unparalleled wreck diving in the world.



Guests’ Level of Diving

Diving on the Bikini wrecks is respectfully recommended for technical divers only with a minimum of PADI Tec 40 level or equivalent, with wreck experience, as the average depth of the wrecks is around 150 feet.

Depth limits given by the Cruise Director must be followed and wreck penetration is not allowed without a dive guide. If you have any questions or concerns about the required diving level, please contact Y-kiki Divers. Y-kiki reserves the right to determine guest level of diving and whether it is appropriate for this trip.

Inclusions:

- Roundtrip airfare from St. Louis to Kwajalein Island & transfers
- 11 nights accommodations (double occupancy)
- All meals & snacks, tea, coffee, fruit juice, & soft drinks
- 2-3 dives per day
- Tanks & weights, air fills

Exclusions:

- Nitrox (\$165)
- Gratuities (cash only)
- Marine Park Fees (\$550)
- Local hotel accommodations
- Alcoholic beverages
- Satellite internet

Trip cost per person:

Double occupancy approximately: \$10,250 / diver
Non-refundable deposit of \$2500 pp required at booking. \$2500 payment due: August 1, 2019 & \$2500 payment due: February 1, 2020. Balance due June 1, 2020. Deposits and payments are nonrefundable unless we can fill your space and we encourage the purchase of travel insurance.



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