2012 EXPEDITIONS / FIELD COURSES IN SHARK BIOLOGY: ENCOUNTER WITH THE GREAT WHITE SHARKS IN SOUTH AFRICA

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Apex Shark Expeditions and Alessandro De Maddalena organize 7-day expeditions / field courses in South Africa, where the participants encounter great white sharks and learn about biology of these predators. After the great success of the previous editions, in 2012 there will be five editions of this field course. Chris and Monique Fallows' Apex Shark Expeditions (apexpredators.com) is the foremost company for the observation of sharks in South Africa. Apex Shark Expeditions has worked with many research institutes and with the foremost media (BBC, CNN, National Geographic, etc.). Alessandro De Maddalena (alessandro-de-maddalena.webs.com) is one of the major shark experts in the world, he is the author of a hundred articles and sixteen books.



We take a maximum of 11 guests for each expedition / field course. The cost is approx. Euro 2900 per person (with the exception of the January expedition that costs approx. Euro 3200). There is also the opportunity to take part in two expeditions (14 days) from August 6 to 19, 2012 (departure on August 5 and arrival on August 20, 2012) for approx. Euro 4700. The cost of the package varies depending by the departure airport, fly taxes and variations of the Euro-Rand change.

The cost includes*:

- flight with KLM from most important European and USA cities to Amsterdam to Cape Town and back,
- land transport,
- 7 nights accomodation in Simon's Town, at The Grosvenor,
- course in shark biology teached by Dottor Alessandro De Maddalena,
- 7 trips to observe great white sharks and, weather permitting, cage dive in the False Bay with Apex Shark Expeditions,
- possibility to observe other animals (seals, whales, dolphins, penguins and many other sea birds),
- all dive gear,
- light lunch and snacks on board.
- [* = the January expedition program is different, including even dives with make, blue and cow sharks.]

The dives are done in a steel cage.

Everyone can dive, no scuba qualification is needed.

All trips are weather dependant.

Five expeditions / field courses scheduled for 2012:

- January 2-8, 2012 (departure: January 1, arrival: January 9, 2012).
- June 21-27, 2012 (departure: June 20, arrival: June 28, 2012),
- August 6-12, 2012 (departure: August 5, arrival: August 13, 2012),
- August 13-19, 2012 (departure: August 12, arrival: August 20, 2012),
- September 1-7, 2012 (departure: August 31, arrival: September 8, 2012).

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