



Thank you for contacting the Quality Selects and your interest in our trips! We operate two Liveaboards with destinations to Socorro Islands departing from Cabo San Lucas, Mexico and Guadalupe Island departing from Ensenada, Mexico. We also operate a 32 ft. Intrepid with day trips out of Cabo San Lucas.

Following are brief descriptions about our destinations, itineraries, and additional information about our vessels that you may find helpful in your planning!

DESTINATIONS FOR SOLMAR V & SOCORRO VORTEX LIVEBOARDS

DESTINATION: SOCORRO ISLANDS

For individuals with advanced SCUBA diving experience, the Socorro Islands are a SCUBA diving adventure not to be missed! Located in the eastern Pacific Ocean approximately 250 miles south of Cabo San Lucas, Mexico - at the tip of the Baja peninsula - these islands have been compared to the Galapagos Islands in Ecuador or Cocos Island in Costa Rica because of the big animal encounters they provide.

Our trips to the Socorro Islands are scheduled November - June because we have found these months to be the best for favorable weather conditions and to encounter the large pelagic that roam this area. Specifically, from mid-January through mid-April the Socorro Islands are home to a large population of humpback whales that come here to breed and calve. Whale sharks are a special treat at the islands; they find us in November/December and late April/May/June. The giant Pacific manta, pods of wild bottlenose dolphin, extremely large tuna (the world record yellowfin is from these waters), wahoo and thick schools of jacks are all encountered underwater on a regular basis throughout the entire season. Add to the mix visiting hammerhead cleaning stations plus sometimes encountering up to seven species of sharks on a single dive, and you have the opportunity to experience some of the best big animal diving in the world!

Socorro Islands Itinerary (9 Days Trip Example)

Pre-Trip: Fly to Cabo San Lucas (Airport Code SJD, San Jose del Cabo)

DAY 1: Embark / Crossing (25 hours)

DAY 2: Checkup dive at San Benedicta

DAY 3: Four dives in San Benedicta

DAY 4: Three dives in Roca Partido

DAY 5: Three dives in Roca Partido

DAY 6: Four dives in Socorro

DAY 7: Four dives in San Benedicta

DAY 8: Crossing (25 hours) / Arrive back Marina in late evening

DAY 9: Disembark/Check-out Liveboard by 9:00 am



DESTINATION: GUADALUPE ISLAND

August through October we offer our Great White Shark cage diving adventure. Our Great White Shark Cage Diving Experience is a 5 days trip departing from Ensenada, Mexico to Guadalupe Island. This is cage diving at its most exciting using surface supplied air (hookah) instead of SCUBA tanks. Therefore, it is not necessary to be a certified scuba diver in order to participate in these trips. For those individuals who are scuba divers we also offer diving in a submersible cage. This allows us to descend a little further into the world of the great white shark and provides a completely different perspective to the cage diving experience. One of our dive-masters escorts two divers at a time on these dives and we rotate all certified divers who wish to experience the submersible cage as many times as conditions will allow.

Guadalupe Itinerary (5 Days Trip)

- Pre-Trip: Fly to San Diego (SD) or Tijuana (TJ)
- DAY 1: Shark Shuttle to Ensenada / Embark / Crossing (22 hour)
- DAY 2: Cage diving at Guadalupe
- DAY 3: Cage diving at Guadalupe
- DAY 4: Cage diving at Guadalupe / Crossing (22 hour)
- DAY 5: Disembark / Shark Shuttle to SD/TJ / Stay in SD or Fly Home

ACCOMMODATIONS - SOLMAR V

Our guests receive unmatched service while experiencing the best big animal diving on earth! The interior of the Solmar V is outfitted in brass, rich mahogany, granite table tops and is completely carpeted. It is a gracious and beautiful boat. The salon comfortably seats all of our guests & offers a large-screen HDTV, VCR, DVD player & stereo system.

Staterooms are divided into two designations: superior and standard. Superior rooms are more in the middle of the boat and slightly larger than the standard rooms. Standard rooms include the same amenities as the superior rooms except they are slightly smaller and are located from the middle of the boat forward. Each stateroom features air conditioning with individual controls, a private bathroom, sink and shower as well as top-of-the-line mattresses, pillows and comforters.

The rate includes three gourmet meals per day, snacks between meals, beverages including soft drinks, beer / wine with dinner, tanks, weights and weight belts. The Solmar V rate also includes all port fees, fuel surcharges and national park fees in the price of our trips so there are no "surprises." Other operators typically charge extra for these.



ACCOMMODATIONS - SOCORRO VORTEX

140 feet, 14 guests. On the Vortex you will receive unmatched service and comfort while experiencing the best big animal diving on earth!

The Vortex, a former Canadian Coast Guard vessel, was built for adventure and hardcore worldwide expeditions. Now, this is the fastest and most exclusive liveaboard for Socorro and Guadalupe.

The Socorro Vortex offers 4 Luxury Staterooms, 2 Junior Suites and 1 Master Suite by *The One & Only* with a California king-size bed. We also have a salon and complimentary bar with premium wine, beer and liquor. High-speed Internet and WIFI, helipad, beautiful sundeck and a stainless steel jacuzzi on the top deck.

Rate includes Nitrox (since she is a Nitrox-only liveaboard), three gourmet meals per day, complimentary premium bar and Wi-Fi___33, and the highest quality dive experience for only 14 guests, in and out of the water.

AVAILABILITY FOR OUR LIVEBOARDS

Depending upon the number of spaces you need will determine how we can best serve you. Since all requests are taken on a first come, first served basis, the sooner you let us know the following, the better chance we have of fulfilling your request and reserving space for you: Vessel of interest, Itinerary (Socorro Islands or Guadalupe), preferred dates including Month and Year, and how many spaces you are looking for including gender for passengers traveling alone/not paired with another in your group.

The Solmar V is known for our great crew and service. The Vortex will live up to that and more. Experience the best big animal diving in this magical underwater world that congregates at the Socorro Islands and Guadalupe Island. This will be an experience you will remember for a lifetime!



QUALITY SELECTS EXPEDITIONS - CABO SAN LUCAS

Last but certainly not least, we also recommend experiencing our QUALITY SELECTS open ocean expeditions!

On QUALITY SELECTS, you will head into the open ocean on our 32 ft Intrepid, The Mobula, looking for marine life with our expert Captain and Guide on board. These are daily free-diving/snorkeling (no SCUBA) tours that allow you to have intimate encounters with Wildlife. Species sightings depend largely on season, weather conditions, and distance. Below is a brief list of what species we *may* encounter throughout the year:

Jan/Feb/Mar/Apr - Humpback Whales, Gray Whales, Fin Whales, Blue Whales (Blue and Fin being less common but occasional), Mako Shark and Blue Sharks, Striped Marlins, Wahoo, Common and Bottlenose Dolphins, Risso Dolphins, & Orcas

May/Jun/Jul - Mobula Rays, Orcas, Silky Sharks, Dolphins, Sea Turtles, Marlins, Hammerheads

Aug/Sep - Silky Sharks, Dolphins, Sea Turtles, Marlins

Oct/Nov/Dec -

There is no guarantee what we will see in the open ocean. We think that makes it even more magical and the reason our *motto* is "Expect the Unexpected", because you never know what surprises the ocean will bring!

For frequent video and photo updates, you can find us on Instagram @dresseldivers.



HOW TO REACH US

For Reservations for either of our Liveaboards or a combination of our Liveaboards + QUALITY SELECTS Expedition, please contact us at paul@dresseldivers.com.

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You may also want to view our websites where you can find photos, video trip reports, Frequently Asked Questions, and more information on our destinations.

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Please let us know if you have further questions or would like to begin planning the trip of a lifetime with Quality Selects! We look forward to exploring the open ocean with you

