Aggressor Floating Resort

Saturday – Saturday

Two Itineraries:

*Hurghada

**Brothers, Daedalus, Elphinstone

** **(The Brothers, Daedalus & Elphinstone itinerary is scuba diving only and the yacht does not return back to Hurghada until the end of the week)**

It is important to know which itinerary you are traveling on due to embark/disembark times

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Aggressor Adventures Reservation Office

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Aggressor Floating Resort Local Office
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Dock Location
Aggressor Floating Resort is docked in Hurghada at Hilton Hurghada Plaza Hotel

Port Clearance: All passport and detailed information must be entered in the GIS (Guest Information System) and completed 7 days prior (USA time) to the departure date for port clearance.

Transfers: 14-days prior to boarding the yacht, advance transportation reservations are required for pick up from the Hurghada International Airport.

Transfers For Combining Aggressor Floating Resort, Red Sea Aggressor IV and the Nile Queen River Cruise: For guests traveling on the Aggressor Floating Resort combined with either the Red Sea Aggressor IV or with the Nile Queen River Cruise, transfers can be arranged for you and are scheduled at the below times. There is an additional charge for this, and reservations must be made at least 7 days in advance.

Aggressor Floating Resort/Red Sea Aggressor IV: 12 noon departure from Hurghada to Port Ghalib to board the Red Sea Aggressor IV.

Aggressor Floating Resort/Nile Queen: 7 am departure from Hurghada to Luxor to board the Nile Queen.

Passports: The yacht will need to present a copy of each guest's passport 7 days prior to the yacht departure to local authorities to secure permission for the guest to board. It is important for Aggressor to receive a scanned copy/email of the passport from all guests at least 10 days prior to the charter start date. Egyptian citizens must scan a copy of their ID and passport and send to our office no less than 14 days prior to arrival for port clearance.

Required Diving Medical (Scuba Diving Guests Only): The Government of Egypt has recently begun enforcing regulations that require all dive operations to obtain (certified and non-certified) a Diving Medical History form before allowing anybody to participate in recreational diving activities. The universal RSTC Medical History Questionnaire is acceptable.

If you answer YES to any of the medical questions, you will need to visit with your local medical professional for an examination and obtain their approval (via their signature) before participating in recreational diving. A positive reason simply means that there is a preexisting condition that may affect your safety while diving and you must seek the advice and approval of a medical professional before engaging in diving activities.

PLEASE BRING A COMPLETED COPY OF THIS FORM WITH YOU TO THE YACHT. In some countries, divers are required to have a medical exam every year. If you already have a signed medical for recreational diving (that may use a different form), dated less than 12 months from the date of your upcoming trip, then that will be acceptable as well. If you do not bring a completed copy of this form with you to the yacht, you will be required to complete it onboard. However, be advised, that there are no medical facilities available nearby that can provide a medical consultation if needed. We strongly recommend that everyone take a moment to review and complete this form now - before your travels. ***The link will be emailed to you 60 days prior to departure or, you can print it by going to www.aggressor.com/RSTCMedical.pdf***

ARRIVAL/DOCKING

Reservations are required for all transfers included in the price of your trip.

Airport transfers are included and complimentary if arriving and departing from the Hurghada Airport on the charter start/end dates to and from the Aggressor Floating Resort, where the yacht docks. If you are part of the complimentary transfer from the Hurghada Airport to the yacht, an English-speaking guide will be waiting for guests outside the airport. Please collect your luggage and exit the airport and lookout for our Aggressor representative who will be waiting for you.

Transfers are provided from the Hurghada Airport to the Aggressor Floating Resort when the guests arrive on the charter start date. The transfer to the Hurghada Airport after the charter is at 8 am Saturday morning (for 7-night charters). This transfer is only for guests who have flights that depart within 2 ½ hours. Guests cannot arrive at the airport more than 2 ½ hours prior to their departing flight (airport rules).

If you are already in Hurghada and making your own way to the Aggressor Floating Resort, boarding starts at 3 pm. Please be sure to include your arrival time and/or hotel reservations when completing your online paperwork through the GIS. (Taxis can be arranged to other locations.)

We highly recommend arriving in Hurghada at least one day prior to boarding on Saturday. Arriving early will not only help you get acclimated to the local climate but ensure a timely arrival and that all bags have arrived.

Saturday Charter End Date

Saturday 8 am Check out and departure to Hurghada International Airport.

AIRLINE TRAVEL & CHECKED BAGS TO EGYPT

Check with your airline or airlines (if traveling with more than one carrier) regarding luggage allowances, limitations and overage fees. Some airlines have seasonal restrictions to certain destinations that may limit guests to one checked bag or a maximum weight of all checked bags and prohibit extra pieces or over weight pieces. Paper copies of airline tickets should be hand carried, as some Egyptian airports still require these with confirmation numbers.

HURGHADA HOME PORT

Hurghada is home to the beautiful 141 ft., 32 passenger Aggressor Floating Resort. The AFR yacht moors each night at The Hilton Hurghada Plaza Hotel in Hurghada and allows guests to leave the yacht to explore, sightsee, shop and experience the nightlife of the Red Sea Resort town of Hurghada.

AGGRESSOR FLOATING RESORT INCLUDES:

All staterooms are air-conditioned and fitted with private toilets, showers, sinks and hair dryers. Breakfast (cooked to order), lunch and an elegant meal at dinner with tableside service are served in addition to mid-afternoon snacks. Beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) are complimentary while onboard. Linens are changed as requested and fresh towels are placed in each stateroom as needed. For divers, filled tanks, weights and weight belts are included.

FEES & TAXES (USD)

Upon arrival to Egypt, all guests must pay an entry visa of $25 or a multi-entry visa for $60. Prices are subject to change without notice.

AFR Hurghada Itinerary

At the end of the week, guests must pay a USD $90 Port fee per person ($45 per person for 3- or 4-night itinerary) and a USD $100 Marine Park fee per person for the 5 days diving and snorkeling or $20 per day. These fees are paid onboard the yacht and may be paid by Visa, MasterCard, or cash. (USD, EURO, English pounds or EGP - Egyptian pounds) The yacht cannot accept traveler's checks due to the banks in Egypt not accepting them.

Brothers, Daedalus & Elphinstone Itinerary

At the end of the week, guests must a USD $45 Port fee per person and a USD $105 Marine Park fee per person to visit 2 Marine Parks for either the Northern or Southern routes. These fees are paid onboard the yacht and may be paid by Visa, MasterCard, or cash. (USD, EURO, English pounds or EGP - Egyptian pounds) The yacht cannot accept traveler's checks due to the banks in Egypt not accepting them.

There is a 14% Value Added Tax (VAT) required by the Egyptian Federal Law for all onboard billings for any retail or service added to your billing that includes port fees, marine park fees, dive rental gear, dive courses, clothing sales, and nitrox

Many countries that accept USD cash requires the bills to be in very good condition. Any that have excessive wrinkles, tears, wear marks and are old-style bills are not normally accepted.

ITINERARY

Sample Itinerary (All trips are Saturday to Saturday)

- Saturday; Arrival Hurghada, boarding from 3:00 pm
- (may board any time after 3 pm as the boat departs the dock Sunday at approximately 6 am)
- Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday The AFR yacht departs early morning for the days diving and snorkeling water activities and returns to Hurghada each night around 6:00 pm.
- Tuesday and Friday - the Aggressor Floating Resort remains moored at Hurghada.
- Friday Evening –Cocktail party 6:00 pm and dinner ashore at 7:00 pm
- (Friday night dinner is the only meal not included in the cruise)
- Saturday, Check out 8:00 am

Sample Itinerary (3 & 4 Nights Only)

- Saturday; Arrival Hurghada, boarding from 3:00 pm (3-Night Itinerary only)
- Sunday (All Inclusive) - **Diving & Snorkeling North Hurghada:** (3-Night Itinerary only)
- Monday (All Inclusive) - **Best Diving & Snorkeling Hurghada has to offer:** (3-Night Itinerary only)
- Tuesday - 8am check-out for 3-night itinerary / 3pm Check-In for 4-night itinerary
- Wednesday (All Inclusive) - **Diving & Snorkeling South of Hurghada:**(4-Night Itinerary only)
- Thursday (All Inclusive) - **Diving & Snorkeling Deep South of Hurghada:** (4-Night Itinerary only)
- Friday, **Hurghada Activities:** The yacht remains at the hotel marina to offer guests the opportunity to relax

on the yacht, visit our hotel private beach, swimming pool for the day, local shopping and sightseeing in the city of Hurghada. (4-Night Itinerary only)
- Saturday, Check out 8:00 am (4-Night Itinerary only)

Sample Special Brothers, Brothers & Elphinstone Itinerary (All trips are Saturday to Saturday)
- Saturday; Arrival Hurghada, boarding from 3:00 pm
- (may board any time after 3 pm as the boat departs the dock Sunday at approximately 6 am)
- Sunday; 8:00 am, Port Authority clearance and departure for 1st dive
- Sunday – Friday Afternoon; Red Sea; Eat, Sleep & Dive
- Friday Afternoon – 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm return to Hurghada
- Friday Evening –Cocktail party 6:00 pm and dinner ashore at 7:00 pm
- (Friday night dinner is the only meal not included in the cruise)
- Saturday, Check out 8:00 am

WELCOME
In the event of an emergency, family and friends may contact the Aggressor Reservations Office. After hours they may call the Aggressor emergency cell number.

EXTENDED TRAVEL
We highly recommend adding an extension to your itinerary prior to boarding the Aggressor Floating Resort.
There are several options to choose from. Visit www.aggressor.com to learn more. Aggressor Detours is a division of Aggressor Adventures who specializes in booking air, tours, resorts and extended packages for guests.

2 Nights Cairo – Experience Cairo by night and fantastic day tours including visits to the Great Pyramids of Giza & Sphinx, the Egyptian Museum the Old Bazaar of Khan El Khalili.

5 Nights Aggressor Nile Queen – Visit the Karnak Temple, Luxor Temple, Valley of the Kings, Hatshepsut Temple, Valley of the Nobles, Colossi of Memnon and more aboard the intimate 16 passenger river boat.

TIME ZONE
The time zone is GMT + 2 hours with no daylight saving time.

PASSPORTS & DOCUMENTATION
Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months beyond your period of stay. It is the traveler's responsibility to ensure they have adequate funds to support themselves, a return airline ticket, and the proper visa to travel into each country on his or her itinerary and for re-entry and return back to their country. Please check with the appropriate consulate to ensure proper passport and visa requirements are met. All visitors to Egypt need an entry Visa to enter Egypt. For many nationalities this can be purchased on arrival in Cairo or Hurghada for $25 USD. However, please check with the appropriate consulate to ensure you have the proper documentation. US citizens may go to the US Department of State website at **www.travel.state.gov** for more information. There are special requirements for children leaving the US and many countries have adopted requirements for the protection of children. Since regulations vary by country, contact your consulate or embassy of your country for the requirement. ***The Reservation Office and Staff cannot assume responsibility for passengers not having correct documentation.***

C-CARDS FOR SCUBA DIVERS
Remember to bring your c-card or proof of certification. The dive master requires proof of certification before the first dive. If you are a repeat guest, you are automatically enrolled in the Travel the World Club and will receive on board discounts. Your membership is indicated on the Captain's rooming list.

GUEST INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)
The Reservations Office and the Aggressor Floating Resort require each guest to complete the Guest Information System (GIS) and Waiver prior to departure and boarding. The GIS allows guests to interactively complete all required paperwork that includes the application/waiver, special requests and travel information. If you haven't received a link to access the GIS, please contact an Aggressor agent. Passengers who fail to complete the GIS prior to boarding, will be denied boarding. Many Aggressor destinations require passenger information for itinerary approval.

INSURANCE

We strongly recommend each guest purchase comprehensive accident, medical, baggage and trip cancellation and interruption insurance when space is reserved. Trip insurance will protect you from financial disappointment if you are prevented from making your scheduled trip due to illness or family illness, or in the event that unforeseen circumstances prevent the airline or yacht from making its scheduled trip. In the event you cancel your trip, please be familiar with Aggressor cancellation policies, which can be found on www.aggressor.com. More information can be found on travel insurance and dive accident insurance on the Aggressor website.

HEALTH

The Aggressor Floating Resort has a first aid kit onboard, including oxygen and an AED. You may want to bring motion sickness medication if you feel you will need it. We suggest you bring over-the-counter motion sickness medication or consult your doctor about prescription brands, such as the trans-dermal patch or Scopace tablets. Currents and winds may cause moderate movement of the yacht at times. We recommend a complete physical before your trip. The nearest recompression chamber is located in Hurghada.

The Aggressor Floating Resort and their staff are unable to accept any medication brought onboard for safekeeping including those that require refrigeration. Should a guest have a medication requiring temperature control, they will need to travel with a travel cooling case or small storage cooler with several blue ice packets. The staff will be happy to store and recharge the blue ice but are unable to accept possession or responsibility for the proper care and storage of medication. This should be kept in the stateroom. There is **NO smoking allowed anywhere inside the boat or on the dive deck.** Smoking is only permitted on the rear of the sun deck.

VOLTAGE ABOARD THE YACHT

The voltage aboard the yacht is 220v and the plug sockets around the boat will accept American plugs. You should bring a voltage adaptor. Most electrical devices are either 110 or 240 volts (look on your cable on the charger that plugs into the wall to verify).

INTERNET/EMAIL/PHONE

Email is not available, however, there is a satellite phone available for incoming/outgoing calls for a fee. Wi-fi is only available when the yacht is in the Marina.

FOOD

Aggressor yachts, river cruises, signature lodges and floating resorts operate in remote locations which limits the availability of certain foods and edibles, which can be unavailable in grocery stores and markets. While our culinary teams strive to accommodate individual requests, it is important to recognize that they cannot guarantee it despite their best efforts. Guests with dietary restrictions and food allergies should be aware that the same meal is prepared for all guests, making cross-contamination a possibility. Based on this, travelers should plan accordingly and bring pre-packaged goods if needed. The availability of fresh produce may vary weekly, and they may have a limited selection depending on the destination and availability. The concept of "organic" is infrequent, and items like "gluten-free" products are seldom found in these remote locations.

The menu aboard is varied and plentiful, with a variety of Egyptian feasts and local cuisine. If you have any special dietary requirements, please add this to your reservation through the GIS and speak to the yacht chef once onboard so he/she can adequately prepare to meet your needs. You will wake up to fresh fruits, hot entrees, cereals and juices. Lunches feature hot soups, homemade breads, salads and sandwiches and/or entrees. Dinners are chef prepared and served each evening and include salads, vegetables, seafood, beef or chicken with a fresh homemade dessert.

BEVERAGES

The Aggressor's selection includes fruit juices, soft drinks, iced water, iced tea, coffee, and a limited selection of local beer and wine, which are complimentary. We suggest you purchase your favorite liquor (s) from the duty-free shop at the airport prior to departing to Egypt. Drinking and diving do not mix. Once you consume alcohol, you become a snorkeler until the next day.

CLOTHING

Please plan to travel light, as on all live-aboard dive yachts, space is limited. We recommend that you pack your gear in soft luggage such as a duffel bag for easy stowage and to add to your comfort in your cabin. Clothing should be lightweight, comfortable sportswear and swimsuits are a must. A light sweater or jacket is ideal for evenings. Dress is always casual and informal. Additional items you may want to bring are sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat and walking shoes for your time

on shore.

ENTERTAINMENT

There is a variety of nightly entertainment, including diving, marine life identification presentations, movies, games and more. We have a selection of 400 classic and new release movies that can be viewed in the boats salon or taken to your cabin to watch. However, if you have a favorite movie, digital slide show or a video to share, we encourage you to bring it along. A small library of books for exchange is maintained onboard as well as marine life identification books for reference.

Whether it's your anniversary, birthday, honeymoon, wedding or you are celebrating a 100th dive; please let us know so the staff can celebrate your occasion. Kindly advise the US office prior to traveling so the staff is notified in advance.

DIVING AND SNORKELING CONDITIONS

You'll be diving in water that averages 74°- 84° degrees or 23°- 29° C. Most guests make as many as 5 dives each day, so some sort of protection is needed. A 3mm wetsuit in the summer and 5mm in winter should be comfortable and adequate. We suggest divers bring safety items such as a Dive Alert and Safety Sausage, Nautilus Lifeline (Nautilus Lifelines available onboard for rent) and any other safety items you feel necessary. Dive computers are mandatory so please bring yours or complete the dive computer rental form in the GIS.

DIVING & SNORKELING

The staff of the Aggressor Floating Resort, with their unique combination of talents, offers the ultimate in service. While onboard you may pick a buddy of your choice or dive with one of the yacht's staff. There is ample storage space for your diving equipment. The Aggressor Floating Resort offers 12-liter aluminum tanks, weight belts, and weights and has both K-valves (American type), and DIN (International) valves.

Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, the Aggressor Floating Resort visits different reefs stretching 20 Km to El Gouna to the North of Hurghada and 60 Km to Safaga to South of Hurghada. Each day Scuba divers and snorkelers are given access to the best and most unique diving of the area visited. Guests may dive or snorkel up to 3-5 dives per day throughout the week.

Tuesdays and Fridays the Aggressor Floating Resort remains at her Hotel marina for guests to enjoy the hotels private beach, swimming pool or to explore Hurghada resort town and shopping. However diving and snorkeling are also available on both those days via the Aggressor Floating Hotels 11 meter zodiacs.

The Aggressor Floating Resort can provide all divers with full rental dive gear. For divers bringing their own dive gear, we suggest you pack the following: mask, fins, snorkel, and regulator with visible pressure gauge, depth gauge, dive computer, and buoyancy compensator. Strongly recommended: Spare mask, a dive watch, dive light, safety sausage with 20 feet of line, whistle, Dive Alert, mirror and/or other safety devices. Each piece of gear should be marked with waterproof paint or tape. Please see our "Adventure Log" on our website for current diving conditions.

For snorkelers, the Aggressor Floating Resort will provide you with a mask, fins and snorkel free of charge for the Hurghada itinerary. If you wish to rent a wetsuit the AFR can provide on request.

The Egyptian Government forbids tourists from carrying drone aircraft into the country. If you do enter Egypt with a drone aircraft, the Egyptian Government warns they will confiscate the drone. DPV's are not allowed in Egypt. Diving amenities include the offer of unlimited Nitrox which is $100 7-nights/ $150 10 nights or a daily rate of $20.

DIVING AND SNORKELING SUPERVISION

You've chosen a liveaboard vacation for the diving freedom that it offers. While in the water, you and your buddy are in charge. Every dive starts with a dive briefing from the staff. However, as a certified diver, you and your buddy are responsible for planning and conducting your own dives within the limitations set forth by the briefing. The staff will be on the dive deck providing surface support for divers and will also have staff in the water offering support, u/w photography and videography, and critter spotting services as well. On some dive sites a staff member will offer to lead a group and assist them in locating specific points of interest. However, the yacht does not offer direct supervision of dives. If you start out with a group, as long as you and your buddy remain in contact with each other and are ok – you may follow your own dive plan. Divers who desire more personal attention and structured/supervised dives should consider taking one of the yachts numerous specialty courses. An underlying skill featured in all of specialty training is

planning, executing, and debriefing after your dive in order to build a more confident diver.

Snorkeling groups will follow the same briefing format and supervision as diving groups with an AFR staff members appointed to lead the snorkeling groups.

GREEN THE FLEET

Contribute to our Green The Fleet sustainability initiatives. Here are a few reminders:

- Avoid traveling with single-use plastics.
- Remove packaging from any new purchases before traveling.
- Travel with a refillable water bottle for hydration.
- Use rechargeable batteries.
- Use an environmentally safe (i.e.: "Reef Safe") sunscreen, fabric to cover up.
- Be environmentally conscious in everything you do.

CONSERVATION LAWS

Aggressor does not permit spear guns, Hawaiian slings or collecting on any of the yachts. DPV's are not allowed in Egypt.

RENTAL DIVE & SNORKELING EQUIPMENT

A full line of Aqua Lung Rental gear is available aboard including regulators, BCDs, Dive Computers, and Night Lights. (wetsuits not available) If any of your dive equipment fails while onboard, the staff will loan you equipment free of charge, compliments of **Aqua Lung**.
For snorkelers, the Aggressor Floating Resort will provide you with a mask, fins and snorkel free of charge. If you wish to rent a wetsuit the AFR can provide on request.

CERTIFICATION & SPECIALTY COURSES

The Aggressor Floating Resort is the perfect yacht for beginner divers to learn to dive and carry out their first Open Diver Certification. Further your education while onboard an Aggressor yacht! The following courses are offered onboard: SSI Adventurer Course or the PADI equivalent Advanced Open Water Diver Course, and SSI or PADI Enriched Air / Nitrox Courses. Course fees are payable once onboard and the instructor confirms the course. The training agency utilized to provide your course will vary based on your instructor's affiliations. Other specialty courses may be available onboard and will be presented to you after your arrival as part of your initial briefings.

PHOTO/VIDEO/DIVE EQUIPMENT

The Aggressor Floating Resort offers photography coaching while onboard. The Aggressor Floating Resort has a charging station and a large camera table available for your camera and video equipment. ***Please refer to our web site,* www.aggressor.com for *detailed information and costs of dive equipment rentals, certification courses, and large tanks.***

The Video Professional can capture your diving adventure onboard the Aggressor Floating Resort to share with family and friends. The video of the week (includes all guests and staff) is $65 US.

SHIPS BOUTIQUE & CREDIT CARDS

There is a mini-boutique onboard with assorted t-shirts, and miscellaneous items. The Aggressor Floating Resort accepts cash, Visa and MasterCard. (no personal checks or travelers' checks) We will charge you for all your purchases including the park and port fees on the last day of your charter in Hurghada. After returning home if you still want boutique items, please visit the Aggressor online boutique at www.aggressor.com.

GRATUITIES

Staff gratuities are not included in the charter. We believe gratuities should be voluntary and based upon the quality of service the staff has provided. When settling your account, the Captain will have an envelope for gratuities that will be divided equally among the staff. Payment can be made by cash (USD, Euros, English pounds or EGP - Egyptian pounds), Visa/MasterCard. Traveler's checks or personal checks are not accepted. (Egyptian banks don't accept them)

FRIDAY (7 Night Charters)

Friday afternoon between 4 – 5 pm. A sunset cocktail party will be held then guests will go ashore for dinner at one of the restaurants in Hurghada. Dinner Friday night is the only meal not provided with the cruise.

CHECKOUT SATURDAY MORNING

Checkout time is at 8:00 am Saturday morning.

ADVENTURE LOGS

Each week we post the Adventure log of the previous charter on the website. Please feel free to visit www.aggressor.com and go to the Adventure log to find out water temperature, visibility, and sightings.