

Reef Life & Renewal Courses

Reef Life and Renewal at Anse Chastanet and Scuba St. Lucia

At Anse Chastanet and Scuba St. Lucia, we take immense pride in our dedicated coral restoration efforts under the Reef Life and Renewal Program. Our commitment to preserving and rejuvenating marine life extends beyond mere conservation; it's a passion that drives every aspect of our work.

Our program offers a unique blend of practical restoration activities and educational insights. We regularly host informative presentations focusing on various aspects of marine life, including behavior and identification of different species. These sessions are designed not only to enlighten but also to inspire a deeper appreciation for the intricate underwater world.

Coral Restoration Specialty Course – PADI Reef Rescue Network Distinctive Specialty Course

This course aims to help educate divers about coral nurseries, including essential facts about coral reefs, threats facing corals, the coral nursery's function and how to maintain them.

Learning starts with an Instructor led knowledge development session using the Reef Rescue Diver PowerPoint presentation, then complete and review the program's Knowledge Review and complete two dives which includes the following performance requirements:

- Successfully clean the coral nursery structure without damaging corals.
- Identify and remove any predators from the coral nursery structure and corals.
- Successfully assist in any repairs necessary to the coral nursery (if required)
- Successfully outplant a coral fragment onto reef (optional skill)

Successful participants will earn the Reef Rescue Diver Distinctive Specialty Certification that counts towards the PADI Master Scuba Diver rating

Price: \$220 (Plus 10% service charge and 10% taxes)

For those keen to actively contribute to marine conservation, we provide an array of comprehensive courses. These courses are tailored to empower individuals with knowledge and skills essential for effective marine environment conservation. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced diver, our programs are structured to accommodate different levels of expertise and interest.

AWARE Coral Reef Conservation

The AWARE - Coral Reef Conservation Specialty course teaches divers, snorkelers and non-divers about the vital role of coral reefs in the marine environment. The course also familiarizes participants with the current status of the world's coral reefs and how they can help. Divers and non-divers alike enjoy learning about the aquatic environment.

- An introduction to the Project AWARE Foundation
- Covers the importance of coral reefs to marine ecosystems and coastal areas Coral reef biology, association, and competition
- The status of the world's coral reefs
- How participants can help, including responsible diving and snorkeling practices. It includes an optional dive or snorkel.

Price: \$80 Plus 10% service charge and 10% taxes - includes materials and certification cost







AWARE Fish Identification Specialty Course

"What was that fish?" is a common question heard after a dive. If you want to be the scuba diver with the answers, instead of the one asking the questions, then take the Fish Identification Specialty course. You'll enjoy your dives even more when you recognize the creatures that you see and can identify the main fish families and their characteristics.

If you're at least 10 years old and a PADI (Junior) Open Water Diver or higher, you can enroll in the PADI - Fish Identification course.

During two dives you gain hands-on experience in looking for and identifying the fascinating fish you see underwater.

- Covers Project AWARE and aquatic protection worldwide
- Characteristics of local fish families and species
- Fish survey techniques and strategies

• Fish identification, dive planning, organization and procedures

• Must be a PADI Open Water Diver or Junior Open Water Diver (or qualifying certification from another organization)

• Certification counts towards the PADI Master Scuba Diver rating.

Price: \$180 (plus 10% service charge and 10% taxes) - includes materials, equipment, and certification cost.

AWARE Specialty Course

The newly revised Project AWARE Specialty course provides information and encouragement to help individuals take responsibility for ocean health.

Building on PADI AWARE's popular 10 Tips for Divers to Protect the Ocean Planet, the revised course content is an introduction to PADI AWARE® as a global movement for ocean protection and focuses on guiding participants towards personal commitments and actions they can take to help the environment.

PROJECT AWARE Foundation is the dive industry's leading non-profit organization dedicated to conserving the aquatic environment through education, advocacy, and action. Besides completing the Project AWARE Specialty course, you can become a partner in the efforts to preserve the underwater environment.

- The ocean commons and coastal zone issues
- Fisheries challenges and sustainability
- Coral environment overview and inhabitants
- The role of the diver in protecting aquatic environments
- Number of dives- None required
- Price: \$80 (plus 10% service charge and 10% taxes)

Dive Against Debris Specialty Course

Make a difference on every dive by activating your inner citizen scientist. During the Dive Against Debris® Diver Specialty course, you'll learn how ocean plastic and trash cleanups not only keep your local dive sites healthier, but also how to contribute to a global database that documents our planet's marine debris problem. Under the guidance of your instructor, you'll participate in a Dive Against Debris survey and turn your passion for the underwater world into real action.

Take This Course If You Want to

- Become a citizen scientist for marine conservation
- Learn how you can truly make a difference for our oceans
- Keep your local dive sites clean from ocean plastic and debris
- Learn How to:

Identify which objects should and shouldn't be removed from the ocean

Conduct a survey: Sort, record and report the marine debris you collect

Contribute to PADI AWARE Foundation's global database

Prerequisites: PADI Open Water Diver or Junior Open Water Diver (or have a qualifying certification from another training organization)

Total time commitment: 1 day

Minimum age: 10

Price: \$80 (Plus 10% service charge and 10% taxes) - includes materials, equipment, and certification cost



Invasive Lionfish Tracker Specialty Course

Learn about the Lionfish issues and what challenges we face to control this invasive species. Then go on 2 dives with an experienced Lionfish instructor and remove these alien species from our reefs. Do not worry, they will not go to waste. why not sign up for our special gourmet lionfish Friday private dinners (surcharge), where you will enjoy the lionfish, you caught prepared by world renowned chefs. All dishes are paired with a selection of wines, and all served on a private candle lit beach side table with beach bonfire!

Divers must be:

• 15 years old

• have demonstrated proficient buoyancy before undertaking the course

- materials are included
- 2 dives
- Counts towards the PADI Master SCUBA Diver rating. Successful participants will earn the Invasive Lionfish Tracker Specialty Certification.

Price: \$220 (Plus 10% service charge and 10% taxes)

Sea Turtle Awareness Distinctive Specialty Course

The Sea Turtle Awareness Distinctive Specialty course introduces divers and snorkelers to basic sea turtle identification and conservation. The goals of Sea Turtle Awareness course training are:

- To familiarize students with the role of Project AWARE in preserving the aquatic environment.
- To introduce sea turtle species common in temperate or tropical waters.
- To provide students with the knowledge and skills needed to identify turtles and record sightings.
- To inform about decline in sea turtle populations, importance of sea turtles to marine biodiversity and what they can do to reduce the loss of sea turtles worldwide

Prerequisite certification for divers: PADI Junior Open Water Diver or equivalent.

Nondiver route: Snorkelers may participate in the course.

Price for divers: \$180 Plus 10% service charge and 10% taxes - includes materials and certification cost.

For snorkelers: \$80 (Plus 10% service charge and 10% taxes)

Other Activities

Coral Nursery Snorkeling activity every Wednesday at 9:30 am.

Learn more about our coral restoration efforts and visit our coral nursery via a guided snorkel.

Price: \$25/person (Plus 10% service charge and 10% taxes)

Complimentary Presentations

If you would like to learn more about the marine life that you can see around St Lucia and what are the highlights of our house reef, please sign up at the Dive Centre for one of the Fish and Turtle ID complimentary talks:

- Monday 4:00 pm
- Wednesday 4:00 pm
- Friday 4:00 pm

We can also organize a Coral, Turtle, or Fish ID presentation upon request at a time convenient to you.

Price: \$40/person (Plus 10% service charge and 10% taxes)

