

Honiara to Honiara, Solomon Islands

Trip Information - Best of Solomons, Taste of Solomons, and WWII Wrecks

- **Arrival airport:** Honiara International Airport (HIR)
- **Departure airport:** Honiara International Airport (HIR)

Flights and Transfers

For your convenience, a transfer will be provided free of charge from Honiara airport or local hotel to Solomons PNG Master on the day of embarkation and the day of disembarkation.

Guests arriving in Honiara on the day of embarkation will be met at the airport upon arrival of their flight and transferred to Coral Sea Resort where they can spend the afternoon relaxing, or visit one of the local museums, until it is time to embark.

Pick up from hotels is generally between 17:30 and 18:00 on embarkation day. If you are staying in a hotel in Honiara before your liveaboard our reservations team will provide embarkation transfer details in your departure pack.

Transfers can be organised for guests arriving on non-embarkation/disembarkation days at an additional charge.

Let us know if you would like assistance booking a hotel, additional transfers or tours.

Advice on International Flights

Book international flight to and from Honiara International Airport (HIR); Flight routes include:

- Via Fiji (NAN) – flights with Fiji Airways, Solomon Airlines, Air Niugini
- Via Brisbane (BNE)* – flights with Solomon Airlines (codeshare with Qantas) and Virgin Australia
- Via Port Moresby with Air Niugini

***Guests travelling via Australia may require a transit visa.**

Ideally, you should arrive in the Solomon Islands one day before the start of your liveaboard so that you can start your diving holiday well rested.

Due to flight constraints, most of our itineraries operate back to back on the same day; therefore early embarkation or late disembarkation is not possible as the crew are on a tight schedule to turn the boat around. Disembarkation will be no later than 09:00, after a light breakfast.

Airport Tax

Currently there are no airport taxes to pay in Solomon Islands.

Visa and Passports

Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months beyond the period you intend to stay in Solomon Islands and you should carry an onward or return flight ticket.

Citizens of EU countries, the US, Canada, and most other Western countries do not need a visa to enter the Solomon Islands. Upon arrival they will be issued with a **visitor's permit** with 3 months validity.

We are happy to provide assistance with Solomon Islands visa applications for guests who need one. However, at least 8 weeks' notice is required and a handling fee will be charged for this service in addition to the cost of the visa, regardless of the outcome of the application.

Transit via Australia

Guests travelling via Australia may need to apply for a transit or visitor's visa before travelling, if the time between connecting flights is more than 8 hours, or if they wish to leave the airport during their transit period. To check which visa you may need, please refer to the visa section of the Australian Immigration website:

www.immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-finder/visit.

Australian visa applications can take up to 14 days to process.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the proper entry permits for your travels. We suggest referring to the IATA Travel Centre website for current visa requirements (including transit):

www.iatatravelcentre.com/SB-Solomon-Isl.-passport-visa-health-travel-document-requirements.htm.

If you are traveling with medication, please ensure to bring your physician's prescription with you.

Insurance

Insurance which covers scuba diving is mandatory aboard all of our vessels. All guests are also required to carry full travel and cancellation insurance, in accordance with our Terms and Conditions. We cannot be held liable for delays occurring during the cruise, nor any delays or cancellations of flights, accommodations, or tours and transfers that we organise on your behalf.

Your insurance must cover all of your scuba diving and snorkelling activities, including the costs for recompression chamber treatment and emergency air evacuation. We therefore strongly recommend purchasing diving-specific insurance to cover any diving related eventuality.

Master Liveboards act as a referrer for DiveAssure who offer dive and travel insurance policies, including short term and multiple trip policies. Their comprehensive 'Dive & Travel Plus' plan has been specifically developed for diving liveboard holidays and covers expenses in the event of missing your liveboard departure due to flight delays or missed connections, and also provides cover for lost diving days if for any reason the boat is required to abort the cruise; for instance, due to a guest injury, mechanical breakdown of the ship, air supply failure, inclement weather conditions, etc.

Please consult our webpage for details and direct link to DiveAssure's booking portal: www.masterliveboards.com/insurance.

Diving Information

Solomons PNG Master is happy to welcome all diver levels on board although some dives offered on many of our itineraries are not suitable for beginners. Diving conditions vary based on the season, currents and time of day. Our Cruise Directors will make diving decisions regarding depth, time, and dive profiles and their directions must be followed.

WWII Wreck Week dives tend to be on the deeper end of recreational limits, often between 30 and 40 metres, (100ft-130ft). Therefore, Advanced Open Water certification is a must, and Deep Diver Speciality is strongly recommended in order to be able to participate in all dives on the WWII Wreck itinerary.

Visibility is usually 25-40m (85-100 feet) but can be less sometimes due to the influx of nutrient rich waters.

Guests' Level of Diving

For participation in a **Best of Solomons** or **Taste of Solomons** itinerary aboard Solomons PNG Master, we recommend guests are certified as PADI **Advanced Open Water*** divers, or equivalent, with at least 40 logged dives.

*Advanced Open Water certification may be possible on board, dependent on the itinerary. Please check with our reservations team.

For **WWII Wreck itineraries**, it is **mandatory** for guests to have PADI **Advanced Open Water** and **Deep Diver** certification, or equivalent, and a minimum of **75 logged dives**.

You will be required to present your certification card(s) and recent log book(s) upon boarding the vessel to prove your dive qualifications and experience, so please be sure to bring them with you.

Any guests who do not meet the minimum certification and experience requirements, or who the crew feel have insufficient experience or skills in certain conditions, may be denied participation in some or all dives.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the diving conditions and the mandatory certification requirements, please contact your agent or our reservations team.

Wreck Diving

On our Best of Solomons itineraries, we only do a few wrecks and light penetration is possible on those. However, guests wishing to do wreck penetration must be certified to do so and be prepared for the risks which it involves. We do not have tech guides on the Best of Solomons itineraries so guests are required to follow proper buddy procedures and safety protocols.

To extend bottom times on the deeper dives which are part of the WWII Wrecks itineraries, you may wish to complete additional Decompression Diving training.

Solo Diving

We can support Solo Divers who have the proper training, certification and equipment. Please bring your certification card with you if you would like to Solo Dive. You will be required to dive with a redundant air supply, redundant computer and redundant mask. This additional required equipment is available to rent on board.

Recreational Rebreather Diving

We can support rebreather diving within recreational limits on board. Extended bottom times may be possible although time limits will be set in some cases to maintain dive and travel schedules for the comfort of all guests on board. Rebreather divers will need to dive with a buddy who is also on a rebreather if they wish to do extended bottom times, or have Solo Diver certification, otherwise their dive times will be dictated by the group of non-rebreather divers who they will be a part of.

Please provide advanced notice of which tanks you need and if you need SORB.

Technical Rebreather Diving

For guests who would like to dive beyond recreational limits, please discuss your specific requirements with us at the time of booking. Due to the constraints of certain itineraries, technical diving takes some additional planning on our part and may not be possible on all trips.

We have technical specific dive trips on offer. Please check our schedule, or speak to one of our consultants if you would like further details of these special itineraries.

Fit to Dive

All divers are responsible for ensuring that they are fit to dive, and are required to complete a medical statement upon arrival in resort. Guests who have any symptoms that could be restrictive to diving will need to obtain a doctor's note clearing them to dive, prior to arriving in resort.

The medical statement can be found on our website at www.masterliveboards.com/forms.

If you are unable to complete the statement as directed, or provide a current doctor's certificate (less 1 year old) clearing you to dive, you accept that you may not be able to take part in certain aspects of the holiday you have booked with us.

Diving Safety

Use of a dive computer and safety sausage (SMB) is compulsory on Solomons PNG Master.

Guests are responsible for their own dive profiles and must stay within the limits of their certification, follow dive guide and computer guidelines and make a safety stop at the end of each dive.

Flying after Diving

Current studies indicate that you should wait at least 24 hours after multiple days with repetitive diving before flying. Please keep this in mind when you book your onward international or domestic flights.

Diving Emergencies

Although there is a recompression chamber in Honiara, it is manned by volunteers and not always available. The nearest reliable recompression chamber is approximately 1,500 miles (2,400 km) away in Townsville, Australia. In the event of a diving emergency, a light aircraft or helicopter will be required to evacuate the patient from the ship to Honiara, and from there additional evacuation via a low-level flight to Townsville may be required the cost of which can easily exceed \$30,000 USD.

We strongly urge all guests to dive well within recognised limits, follow Dive Guides' advice and, above all, purchase specific dive insurance which covers emergency evacuation and treatment costs before their trip.

As per our [Terms & Conditions](#) adequate dive insurance and travel insurance are mandatory.

Water Temperature and Exposure Suits

Water temperature averages at 28°C – 30°C (82°F to 85°F) all year round. However, you may feel chilly after multiple dives per day, so bring suitable thermal protection with you as we do not have wetsuits available to rent on board. We recommend a 3mm or 5mm full wetsuit. We do not allow the use of dive gloves.

Diving Equipment

Diving equipment is available to rent for an additional charge but is subject to availability. Please let us know your equipment requirements when confirming your liveaboard booking to ensure what you need is available.

Single 10.8 litre (80cf) aluminium tank, SMB*, weight belt and weights are provided free of charge.

12.7 litre (100cf) aluminium tanks (commonly called 15ltr) are available on request for an additional charge.

Equipment rental and Nitrox costs can be viewed under 'Extras' on the Solomons PNG Master page of our website: www.masterliveboards.com/boats/solomons-png-master.

Please note: We do not have wetsuits for rent on board Solomons PNG Master.

Use of a dive computer and SMB is compulsory. While we do not allow the use of dive gloves, you are welcome to bring a reef hook or pointer stick should you wish to do so.

Please pre-book rental equipment at the time of confirming your liveboard holiday, as it is subject to availability.

Underwater Photography and Videography

Solomons PNG Master offers specialised features for underwater photographers and videographers, which include:

- Indoor and outdoor work stations for the preparation and maintenance of cameras
- Individual storage drawers for cameras and peripheral items
- Large rinsing tanks with fresh water changed frequently

Our crew are thoroughly briefed in the handling of delicate camera equipment and will offer to assist you when entering and exiting the water. However, each diver bears the sole responsibility to look after and care for their own camera equipment and fully assumes the risk of any loss or damage to such equipment.

General Information

Advanced Passenger Information (API)

There are certain details that we require for the airlines and our own administrative purposes prior to travel. Guests are required to submit the required information via our secure online portal at www.masterliveboards.com/portal.

Forms

It is a requirement for all guests to complete the following forms prior to or upon arrival in resort - medical statement, liability releases, and safe standard practice statement, which can be found at www.masterliveboards.com/forms.

To save some time, and to ensure you have no pre-existing conditions that could affect your diving, you can download the forms from the above link, fill in, and bring them along. By completing and signing the forms, you are confirming that you have read, understood, and agree to the conditions outlined in the forms

If you are unable to complete the forms as instructed, you accept that you may not be able to take part in certain aspects of the holiday you have booked with us.

Time Zone

The local time in Honiara is + 11 hours UTC (GMT).

Money Matters

Local currency is the Solomon Island dollar (SBD). Currency from other countries can be exchanged at the airport, or at any of the banks in town. The majority of established hotels and restaurants will accept credit card payments, usually with an addition of surcharge although smaller establishments often only accept cash payments.

Many guests choose to carry a small amount of SBD with them to make purchases when we visit villages or local markets. The exchange rate is approximately 8 SBD to 1 USD. Most guests find that \$750 SBD to \$1500 SBD is adequate.

There are a number of options to obtain local currency:

Currency Exchange at the airport – there is an exchange desk available as you exit customs and immigration. Most major currencies can be exchanged (including USD and AUD cash) for SBD cash. The exchange rate is within 3% to 5% of the bank exchange rate.

ATM at the airport – there is a CIRRUS bank system ATM in the departure hall of the airport (exit arrivals and turn right) where cash can be withdrawn for a fee. However, this ATM is often out of cash once the first few flights of the day have arrived.

ATMs in Honiara – there are two major banks in the Solomon Islands: Bank of South Pacific and ANZ. Both have ATMs widely available throughout the city centre. Ask your driver to stop on the way into town and you should be able to withdraw cash at any of the ATMs. Many of the major hotels also have ATMs available.

Bank Withdrawal – you can visit any of the local banks to withdraw cash from your account / credit card, however, you should be aware that the queues are often in excess of 2 hours.

Health

Generally, medical care in Solomon Islands is very basic and medical supplies are limited. There are around 8 hospitals, of which the best one is the National Referral Hospital located in Honiara. Moreover, a few church-funded medical facilities, nurse-stations and the like can be found on several islands.

In order to prevent stomach ailments, we recommend travellers follow normal precautions with food and drink bottled water only. Water on board Solomons PNG Master is safe to drink. Please make sure you use insect repellent and cover exposed skin to prevent any insect borne diseases. Malaria is present, as are other tropical diseases such as dengue, TB, hepatitis, and typhoid.

Please note: Some malaria prevention medications including mefloquine (brand name Lariam) have side effects which can mimic decompression sickness.

We recommend consulting your doctor or nearest health care professional or travel clinic for up-to-date medical travel advice and vaccination recommendations well before departure.

If you are traveling with medication, please ensure to bring your physician's prescription with you.

Measles

From 14th December 2019 all passengers entering the Solomon Islands are required to complete a health declaration form regarding immunisation against/exposure to measles. The forms will be made available at check-in counters and on board your flight.

All non-residents entering the Solomon Islands arriving from measles-affected countries including Australia, New Zealand, Philippines Papua New Guinea, American Samoa, Samoa, Fiji and Tonga (including transit through these countries) will be required to provide certified proof of vaccination against measles at least 15 days prior to their date of arrival.

Accepted proof of vaccination include:

1. Internal Certification of Vaccination (yellow card).
2. Any official documentation/ letter from a recognised hospital or medical practitioner confirming that the holder has been vaccinated against measles. Vaccination should be given at least 15 days prior to arrival.
3. Blood test results showing positive for measles antibodies which indicates immunity to measles. This may be expensive but can be done a few days prior to arrival and should be positive for someone who has been vaccinated in the past.

Failure to provide proof of vaccination will result in being placed into a 21-day quarantine period on arrival in Solomon Islands, or deportation.

Language and Religion

The official language is English, while the local language is Pijin.

The religion of Solomon Islanders is mainly Christian (comprising about 92% of the population). The main Christian denominations are: the Anglican Church of Melanesia 35%, Roman Catholic 19%, South Seas Evangelical Church 17%, United Church in Papua New Guinea, and the Solomon Islands 11% and Seventh-day Adventist 10%. Another 5% of the population adheres to aboriginal beliefs.

Crew and dive guides on board Solomons PNG Master mainly speak English. If you do not speak or understand English, please let us know.

Climate and Weather

The Solomon Islands has an equatorial climate typical of many tropical areas, meaning it is usually hot and humid all year round. Average air temperature is around 27° Celsius with only marginal changes from season to season. However, there are two distinct seasons – a wet season from November to April, with the wettest months being in January and February and a dry season from May to October.

Cyclones could occur in the wet season, although it is not common.

Life on Board

The main features of the vessel can be seen here:
www.masterliveboards.com/boats/solomons-png-master.

Accessibility

Due to the layout of the boat, Philippine Siren may provide challenges, or be unsuitable for guests with limited mobility and is not suitable for wheelchairs. Please contact us for further details if you have any concerns.

Accommodation

Maximum capacity on Solomons PNG Master is 20 (8 double or twin occupancy cabins and 4 single occupancy cabins). Single occupancy of double/twin cabins may be available on request, and is subject to a supplemental charge.

Cabin Facilities

All upper deck cabins have individually controllable air-conditioning and private en-suite bathrooms. Lower deck cabins have shared air-conditioning units and bathroom facilities are located on the main deck. Towels and shower gel are provided free of charge to all guests.

Food and Drink

Meals are provided on a full board basis including a light breakfast, full breakfast, lunch and dinner served buffet style in the indoor dining area. We offer a choice of International and locally inspired cuisine and can cater to special dietary requirements with advance notice. Please advise your sales consultant at the time of confirming your liveboard trip should you have any special dietary needs to ensure we are able to make provisions for those.

A complimentary range of carbonated soft drinks, fruit juices and teas are available at all times as well as instant and fresh brewed coffee, snacks and fresh fruit.

Guests may also select beer, wine, or spirits from our bar for an additional charge.

Please note: In accordance with local law, Solomons PNG Master has a ship's-only bar policy, meaning it is not permitted for guests to consume alcohol on board which they have bought with them.

Please note: It can be very difficult to find low-fat or soya products that are common elsewhere. While we always do our best to accommodate dietary requests, please consider bringing some of your own foods if the lack thereof may constitute a health risk or seriously compromise your enjoyment of your holiday.

Clothing and Footwear

For their time on board we recommend guests bring casual and comfortable clothes; swimwear, shorts and t-shirts. A sweater is advised for cooler nights, particularly after multiple dives. Solomons PNG Master is equipped with laundry facilities and our housekeeper is happy to launder your clothes during the trip. A nominal fee of 1.00 USD per item is charged for laundry, irrespective of size/weight.

We kindly ask that guests respect local customs and the wishes of others by donning appropriate clothing for meal times.

For island village visits, we recommend modest clothing; covered shoulders (t-shirt rather than tank top) and longer shorts (that cover the thighs) are considered appropriate for both men and women. Most guests prefer to walk barefoot on board our vessel but sturdy sandals or cross-trainers are suggested for island visits.

Electricity

Power throughout the ship is 220V 50hz cycle, using Australian style 3-prong outlets. We advise bringing a plug adapter and a multi socket power bar if you have many things to charge and just one Australian plug adaptor and also a voltage adapter if your electrical equipment is not compatible with 220 V.

Staying Connected

We regret that we are unable to provide internet/ Wi-Fi service on board Solomons PNG Master.

Cell service and internet access is very limited throughout the Solomon Islands and there are many areas where the signal is very weak or not available at all. With this in mind, you should plan to be disconnected for your time on board.

Should you wish to have limited connectivity during your liveaboard, you can purchase a local SIM card in Honiara (either BMobile or Telecom) and a data plan which will give sporadic connectivity through the trip. Be sure to buy a SIM that has data capability and install it and test it prior to leaving Honiara.

There are satellite phone communications on board which guests can use to make outgoing calls in case of emergencies, the cost of which is \$4 per minute.

Should your family need to contact you in the event of an emergency back home they can do so via our office on the numbers at the end of this document. We will pass on a message, which can take up to 48 hours to be relayed depending on where the boat happens to be.

Smoking

Smoking on board is permitted in designated outdoor areas.

Environmental considerations

Although there are recycling programs and facilities in place in the Solomons, they are very limited and are only able to process a small amount of recyclable plastic materials. We therefore ask our guests to consider the following to help with our mission to reduce our environmental impact.

Batteries

We kindly request that you take all used batteries home so that they can be recycled or disposed of properly as there are no such facilities in the Solomon Islands. Alternatively, consider using rechargeable batteries rather than single use but, don't forget to bring the charger with you.

Water Bottles

If you own a sports bottle, please bring it with you, or you can purchase one on board. If you don't have one and you don't want to purchase one, we have plenty of cups on board which you can use to ensure you remain well hydrated.

Plastic bags and wrappers

We do not provide plastic bags for purchases made on board, although reusable canvas bags are available for sale. Please help use minimise plastic waste by removing plastic wrappers and packaging from items before travelling. If you bring plastic bags with you, please reuse them, and take them home.

Toiletries

We kindly ask that guests consider the type of products which they are bringing with them and, where possible, to bring environmentally friendly toiletries for use on board, and to take partially or unused products home with them.

When selecting sunscreen – please consider a rash guard or other cover as your primary defence. If you do require sunscreen – look for Reef Safe products which do not include oxybenzone which has been shown to damage corals.

Underwater

Solomons PNG Master is a glove free boat as there should be no need to touch the coral or reefs while diving. However, you are welcome to bring a reef hook or muck stick, should you wish to do so.

Pack for a Purpose - Books & Library Supplies

We are proud members of Pack for a Purpose in the Solomon Islands. Help support our Literacy League program by bringing books and library supplies to Solomon Islands. You can find our immediate needs here: www.solomonsdiving.com/pack-for-a-purpose. Please remove packaging from any products that you choose to bring to reduce the plastic waste in country.

Payments on Board

Marine and Port Fees

The waters surrounding the Solomon Islands are vital to local communities. They provide food, transport, and form the backbone to the local way of life. Communities own the water surrounding their land from the high-tide mark out as far as the villagers can paddle. As part

of their ownership rights, chiefs from each village collect Marine Kastom fees from all who use their waters.

The marine Kastom fee applies to all guests on board the Solomons PNG Master and is currently \$25 USD per night. The fee is tracked by our Trip Directors and distributed among the villages where we dive, snorkel, anchor or participate in village visits.

Please refer to your itinerary details for the amount payable for your particular itinerary. The applicable amount can be added to your invoice to pay prior to departure, or they can be paid on board.

Optional Extras

Additional charges on board for items such as laundry, alcoholic drinks, and Solomons PNG Master merchandise, as well as equipment which has not been paid for in advance can be paid in cash or by credit card.

All prices on board are quoted in USD and we prefer cash payments to be in USD or SBD. Due to a lack of banking facilities, please be aware that the exchange rates for other currencies accepted on board (EUR, GBP, AUD and NZD) are not favourable. As such, we advise guests to bring USD or withdraw SBD when they arrive. We suggest 300–500 USD (or equivalent currency) for any optional extras. We also accept credit card payments: Visa and MasterCard for which there is a 3% surcharge.

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Tipping

We believe that tipping is a matter of personal choice. Should you feel that the crew has made your holiday extra special, they will certainly appreciate a tip which you can leave in cash, or charge to your credit card. An envelope will be provided for your convenience by your cruise director for cash gratuities which will be divided equally amongst all the crew, including the captain and dive guides.

Individual tipping is discouraged as part of the Solomon Islands culture is to work collectively.

Safety on Board

Emergency Management & Equipment

All Solomons PNG Master crew members have been extensively trained in emergency management procedures. A thorough boat safety briefing will be provided by your cruise director at the start of your trip, during which all guests will be requested to participate in a life jacket drill. Further practice scenarios may be performed during your cruise to assist our crew in keeping their skills sharp.

Solomons PNG Master is equipped with many modern safety features including automated life rafts, EPIRB, satellite communication and emergency pumps.

First Aid

Solomons PNG Master is equipped with a fully stocked medical first aid kit for treating minor injuries and ailments, as well as for assisting trained medical professionals in remote locations. We have a full complement of medical grade oxygen on board which can be administered to divers through DAN kits or unit specific attachments.

Our dive teams are all qualified emergency responders. Should you feel unwell at any point during your cruise, please seek the advice of your cruise director who will be able to assist you.

Extending your holiday

Travelling to, from, and within Solomon Islands can be made exceptionally easy when you book with Master Liveaboards. We can offer a range of domestic flights, hotels, transfers, and short excursions which can be arranged for before or after your liveaboard. Prices vary depending on the time of booking and level of accommodation; please ask our reservations team or your agent for further details and prices.

Optional Solomons package

If you want to make your travel as simple and easy as possible, take advantage of our optional Solomons Package. We will book a hotel of your choice in Honiara for the night immediately before and after your liveaboard and organise your arrival and departure airport transfers as well as to and from the Solomons PNG Master. For further details and hotel choices, please contact our reservations team at dive@masterliveaboards.com.

Embarkation day options

Should you choose to arrive on the same day as your liveaboard starts, you will most likely have a few hours to fill before embarkation. You may opt to spend the time relaxing at Coral Sea Resort, or visit the outdoor art museum or the national museum, which are just a short walk from the resort. Admission to both is free, although donations are encouraged, and welcomed.

Disembarkation day options

Depending on flight departure time, some guests may choose to take a half or full day tour of Honiara after disembarkation; opt for a visit to the Vilu War Museum, or book a day room at a local hotel before transferring to the airport. Our reservations department will happily organise this for you.

Diving Combo Package at Dive Munda

Our partner, Dive Munda Resort, offers spectacular diving from the southern coast of New Georgia Island allowing you to dive and explore another part of the Solomon Islands. Our reservations team are happy to put together an optional 3-7-night land-based stay including flights from Honiara to Munda, hotel and diving.

FAQs

If there are any questions that have not been answered, please visit our website at www.masterliveboards.com or email us at dive@masterliveboards.com.

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Solomon Islands

Solomon Islands Dive Expeditions

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In the event of an emergency at home, your family can contact our Operations Manager in North America who will relay a message to the vessel as soon as possible.

Shaz Kozak (Operations Manager): +1 604 315 5932 **This number is available 24 hours - however, it is an emergency only service.**

Cruise director: +677 797 7833 - **EMBARKATION DAY EMERGENCIES ONLY**

What to Bring

The following is a check list of items that you should ensure to bring with you for your trip aboard a Master Liveboards vessel.

Passport

6 month validity & at least 2 empty pages for visa stickers and stamps

Travel Documents

Flight tickets - International & Domestic; hotel booking; excursions

Cash & Credit Card for emergencies

Recommended amount (additional to park & port fees): 250 - 500 USD

Diving Certification & Logbook

Including Nitrox Card if certified & intending to use Nitrox

Travel and Diving Insurance Documents

To include emergency medical evacuation

Essential Diving Items

Dive computer with full battery

Toiletries & Medications

Including sunscreen & insect repellent
Inform booking team of medical conditions

Essential Clothing Items

Swimwear, hat and lightweight jacket

Guests are strongly advised to carry essential items in hand luggage in case of lost or delayed luggage through International or Domestic Flights.