

# **KITE SAFARI 2025**

## **IMPORTANT INFO**

SICK DOG SURF

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Thanks for joining our Kite Safari this year! We are already looking forward to it and hopefully you are too. Below you will find some extra information about the trip and how to arrive prepared for this kitesurfing adventure.

## ARRIVAL

**Visa:** Can be done either prior to, or on arrival at Hurghada International airport: the cost is 25USD or the equivalent in Euro. Credit cards are not accepted at the airport, so please bring cash. In the visa form, they will ask for an address in Egypt: if you are going straight to the boat, just write Old Sheraton Marina - Sick Dog Surf.

**Pick up:** After collecting your baggage, you will find a member of our staff holding a sign with your name on it right outside the airport or sometimes inside where you purchase your visas. You will then go to the boat with our minibus or with one of our taxis. Please tell us before arrival if you are coming with a board bag or extra luggage. If you want to arrive in Egypt a few days earlier, we can organize the transfers too and from the hotel. Two transfers are included in the cost of your trip, any extra transfer is 10€ per person.

**Finding a taxi at the airport is not recommended - please have a transfer organized by us or by your hotel. Uber works well in Egypt, and currently it works at the airport as well, but it may change.**

You are welcome to come on board on the Saturday of the week that you have booked. Rooms will be available on board in the afternoon starting from 14:00 (but you may come on board a little bit earlier if you need), and we will be sleeping on board in Hurghada marina Saturday to Sunday.

Dinner will be served on board on Saturday (until a reasonable hour) Please inform us if you'd like dinner but are arriving late (we can save you a plate!). Sunday morning as early as possible the boat will leave from the port to get started with our kite trip! You will have time till 6am on Sunday to get on board - we also organize late night transfers, so feel free to plan any arrival flight, but please make sure to land in Hurghada airport no later than 5am on Sunday.

You have the option on Saturday to explore the city, drinks at the duty free (although we recommend buying from your departure country, options here are limited) or anything you may have forgotten at home. Credit cards are accepted in most stores, as well as Euros/USD. but there are many ATMs in town if you need local currency

## **WHAT TO BRING**

- Sunscreen, sunglasses and a hat
- Something warm for the evening
- **Watershoes - mandatory for beginners, but also strongly recommended for anyone!**
- Wetsuit or Lycra, depending on the season - June, July and August do not require a wetsuit.

- Games and No wind entertainment
- Cameras and GoPro
- Spare things for your kite gear, repair kit etc.
- Alcoholic Beverages. The boat only has beers and wine.

## **PAYMENT & EXTRA COSTS**

The remaining cost of your kite cruise can be paid on arrival by bank transfer or by cash. Euro, USD and British Pounds are all accepted.

**This is an all inclusive trip. The extras are:**

- Beer & Wine (can be purchased on board at a cost of 2€/beer, 10€/wine bottle).
- Weekly Kite rental (optional) € 300 - please let us know in advance if and what you need to rent. You will receive various kites depending on the wind condition. **Included in the rental cost is a 50€ insurance on the rented material, so if anything breaks down, no problem.**
- Tips for the Egyptian boat crew - typically 60€ extra (if you were particularly happy with them, feel free to tip more. These crew come with the boat so we do not determine their salaries).

- Marine Park fee 60€ (depending on the trip, the exact amount is mentioned in your invoice).
- Tawila island (if we go to this kite spot) 25USD/day)

These fees may change depending on the trip - If in doubt, check with us. The invoice you will receive at the end of the trip will have a breakdown of all costs.

## **HEALTH INSURANCE**

Kitesurfing is an extreme sport - we recommend that you get a sport insurance covering kitesurfing accidents. A possible option is VDWS:

[VDWS Safety tool website](#)

## **KITE LESSONS**

Whether you want to learn how to kite or you want to improve your kite skills you can book kitesurfing lessons with us! Please let us know in advance your level so we can have enough instructors on board and not overwork them.

Lessons are included at any level, full beginners and waterstarters will be trained for 9h or for 11h in case of semi private lessons, while intermediates will have a dedicated instructor every day for 1h. Kitesurfing gear is included in the lessons for full beginners.

## **EXTRA ACTIVITIES**

In case of no wind, we will go snorkeling, wakeboarding and stand up paddle boarding. The Red Sea is famous for its beautiful corals and tepid waters.

## **ROUTE OF THE WEEK**

There are several kite spots that we can visit during our kite safari week - not all of them may be ok for our group or for the wind condition - that's why it is impossible to have a fixed route planned in advance. Rest assured, we will do our best to spend as much time as possible kiting in the best kite spots possible.

## **AVAILABLE ON BOARD**

- Masks and snorkels
- WiFi
- Sick Dog Lycras, Caps and T-shirts
- Stand Up Paddle Boards Wake Board Rope
- Kite Pumps

## **ABOUT THE BOAT**

All cabins have a private toilet with shower, air-condition, towels and blankets. If you want a single room upgrade, let us know and we will check availabilities. Bring with you: Shampoo, soap & hair dryer.

The boat has european plugs, so charging your laptop, cameras, phones etc. won't be a problem.

The boat has snacks, water, soft drinks and provides three meals per day, with several vegans/vegetarian options.

## **DEPARTURE**

Friday afternoon around 1pm we will start our journey back to Hurghada Marina in order to arrive before sunset. We will have our last night and dinner on board at port (you are also welcome to go out for dinner, just let us know!). Check out from the boat is 11am on the Saturday (breakfast still included). If your flight is later in the day you are welcome to leave your luggage with us at the boat while you explore a little.

If you want to stay a few days extra in Egypt please do! The city of Luxor is about 4 hours away where there is the famous Valley of the Kings and Karnak Temple.

Alternatively if you want to just chill and kite, El Gouna is a cute town with nice restaurants, lots of kites, a cable park for no wind days etc.

## **HOTELS AND KITE AFTER THE SAFARI**

I always recommend Rihanna Three Corners and Ocean view hotel in El Gouna - you can book them on [www.threecorners.com](http://www.threecorners.com) and if you use the promo code sickdogsurf you get a 10% discount (not too bad). These hotels have a free shuttle to our favorite kite spot in El Gouna, Makani Beach Club.

## **CONTACT INFO**

Roberto will be your main point of contact - below his contact info:

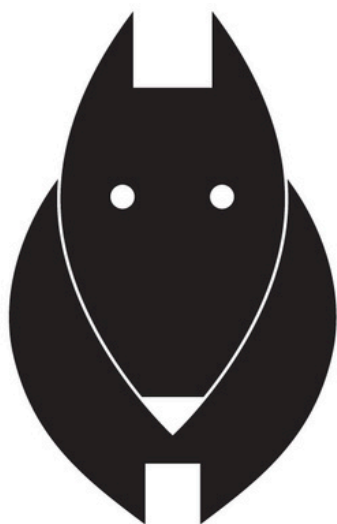
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