



# Channel Islands Dive Adventures



Hi Everyone,

The launching of Channel Islands Dive Adventures has gone very well and with a very good response. I think the part most like are that the trips are more specific, planned out and to spots that most have not been to. Also, for the advanced diver there is a chance to do something different with a bit more adventure added into the trip, another plus is the limited loads. I don't know about anyone else, but I always liked trips with less people. It is much easier to get to know your neighbors, so to speak and go to more interesting dive sites.

Speaking of interesting trips, I am currently working on some other trips for 2010 that I think everyone will like. I will keep you posted and I am looking forward to diving with you in 2010. It should be fun!

Keep Diving, Ken Kollwitz

### Channel Islands Dive Adventures Mission Statement

Channel Islands Dive Adventures mission is to offer well organized dive trips to unique and interesting destinations with a dive/travel guide present, to help foster new friendships with other like minded divers and above all to promote safe and fun diving.



## Upcoming 2010 Dive Trips

<u>Trip Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sat., Jan. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Anacapa Arches-Relaxed
Sat., Feb. 20 <sup>th</sup>	Anacapa-Day/Night
Sun., April 18 <sup>th</sup>	Santa Cruz-Peacock Wreck
Sat., June 26 <sup>th</sup>	Santa Cruz-Back Side
Sat., July 17 <sup>th</sup>	Anacapa-TBM Avenger

\*Check the website [Dive Calendar](#) page for detailed information and prices on each individual trip, along with other CIDA planned trips for 2010.

## **Wanted-Wanted-Wanted**

CIDA is looking for dive related pictures and videos for the new website. If you have any that you would like to show on the CIDA website, please check the website [media page](#) for more details.

## **Featured Web link**

[Marine Bio](#) is a very good website that deals with anything ocean related. There is information on marine conservation, marine life ID, education, careers and much more. Add it to your favorites, and then its just 1 click away.



## Anacapa Arches-Relaxed Trip

On Saturday, January 23<sup>th</sup>, CIDA has a charter aboard the Raptor out of Ventura Harbor for a relaxed Anacapa Arches diving trip. This trip will be a great way to de-stress after the holidays, have a fun relaxing day diving and with only 16 divers maximum it will be a great way to meet new divers. This trip is one of the few that CIDA has planned that is good for all level divers. If you haven't been in the water lately, this will be a good trip to get your gills wet. Come out and join us!

The plan is to have the 1<sup>st</sup> dive in 50'-70' around Guana Banks. Guana Banks is around the front side of the middle island and has good structure, kelp, fish and big lobsters to see as it is in the Marine Protected Area (MPA). For the 2<sup>nd</sup> dive the plan is to move to the Landing Cove at the east end of Anacapa to dive the underwater arch. This area is 40'-60' deep and is also in an MPA. There is much to see here along with one of Anacapa's few underwater arches. For the 3<sup>rd</sup> dive we hope to move to another of Anacapa's underwater arches around the backside of the east end. This shallow underwater arch is a great way to end the day. It is a very scenic dive spot about 35'-40' deep and usually has some playful sea lions around it waiting to play with divers. Visibility at the sites could be 20'-60'. This site is not in an MPA and hunting is allowed if you would like. The sites we will visit are good for the photographer and sightseer and maybe some hunting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> dive. For more information please check the [Dive Calendar](#) page.

## *Channel Islands Dive Adventures*

*Wishes everyone a*

*Very Merry Happy Holiday Season*

*And look forward to*

*Diving with you in*

*2010!*



CIDA is now on [facebook](#) with 200 members and still climbing. Join the group and have another way to stay updated on current trips and events. Don't wait, join now!

## **Blog-Blog-Blog**

There is a blog on the CIDA website, please feel free to use it. It is there for comments, questions, writing an article (maybe your version of a past trip) or anything else you can think of.

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