

## DIVING GUIDELINES FOR THE HMS HERMES

HMS Hermes is recommended for divers with minimum technical training to 50 metres. She lies in 45 - 58 metres of water, port side down and is surrounded by prolific marine life and coral growth. Moderate to strong currents can be experienced on the dive.

The wreck is a "**military maritime grave**" and as such no attempt should be made to gain access to the inside of the wreck or touch or disturb or in any way interfere with the wreck. There must be no attempt to remove artefacts of any kind from the wreck.

Whilst there is no objection to still photography or filming of the wreck, the dive team should only photograph or film the exterior of the wreck.

Every effort must be made to avoid photographing or filming any human remains. Any photographs or film inadvertently taken of human remains should under no circumstances be published or broadcast.

### **Technical Diving & Diver Requirements**

Cylinder Set Up: 11 litre x 2 Luxfer twin Aluminium cylinders with Isolator manifolds as back gas Normal Clean air (21% O<sub>2</sub>) 11 litre x 1 Aluminium cylinder EANx 50% for the decompression to start at 18m (similar gear twice a day)

The maximum depth of the wreck is 56m and the water temperature is approximately 27C at 40m.

*Note: The above dives are not on Trimix. Helium is available. (must be ordered in advance)*

Diver Training: The minimum training requirement to dive the Hermes is as follows:  
Technical dive qualification to minimum of 50m plus Advanced Nitrox certified.

**Rebreather Divers:** We can cater for rebreather divers. To ensure that the sorb is available for you on arrival, we will need to know what type of rebreathers are being used. We can then obtain a quotation for the purchasing and shipping costs of the sorb. Full payment will be required prior to purchasing and shipping. Please allow a minimum of 3 months for ordering and shipping of sorb.

**Equipment required:** Divers will need to bring their own BCD, 3 x Din Regulators, mask, fins, wetsuit, dive computer and slates. All divers must have a Safety Marker Buoy with line and reel for decompressions stops.