

NECKER NYMPH

Not only is Sir Richard Branson's luxury catamaran Necker Belle one of the fastest on the water, she also boasts one of the world's first underwater aircraft! Live out your James Bond fantasies with our 3-person aero submarine Necker Nymph which is usually anchored to the yacht's top deck when she's not berthed on Necker Island. The submarine was tailor-made to Necker Belle's exact specifications and is guaranteed to satisfy the 'need for speed' of even the most adventurous soul!

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Basically it's like flying underwater! Once launched the sub dives down to a depth of 30 metres (98ft) so you can explore the deep without having to get around by flipper power. It can travel at up to 6 knots under water with our trained pilot at the helm.

The submarine seats two passengers either side of the pilot in comfortable bucket seats with a 'windshield' removing the pressure from the slipstream, and because it's an open top design the visibility is unparalleled, allowing panoramic views of all that underwater marine life. Dives typically last from one to two hours.

Passengers wear normal scuba breathing gear and the craft can be used for four separate dives per day on average. It is not necessary to have completed the standard scuba 'PADI' qualification course to take part in a dive, however first-timers will need to complete a ½ day familiarisation and safety course which can be done once you board Necker Belle. Guests who are already 'open water PADI' certified will need no further training and will be able to dive to a maximum depth of 18m, or 30m if they have completed their advanced course.



The craft has been tested to the highest possible safety standard, has generous back-up supplies of oxygen and is positively buoyant so it naturally stays afloat. She also carries flares and a radio. Safety criteria are designed to comply with international scuba standards.

WHEN CAN SHE BE HIRED?

When taking Necker Belle for 7-nights' exclusive hire when sailing the Caribbean the submarine is available at a weekly rate of US\$ 25,000. The submarine may at times be berthed on Necker Island, so if you're planning a visit make sure to ask if she's available.

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