

El Hierro 2006

There is just one date available in October (Tuesday 10th) and one in November (Monday 13th). October is the best diving month in Hierro with the sea at 24 degrees and the weather glorious. November is a very close second. The sea will still be 24 degrees in mid November and the weather is still very sunny and very warm. Sunset will be one hour earlier of course (7pm v. 8pm) following the clocks going back at the end of October. The time here is the same as Ireland all year round. The other matter to consider when choosing which date is the itinerary. Aer Lingus alter their schedules on 1st November so, in October the flight departs Dublin at 0700hrs (Tuesday 10th), arriving Tenerife 1130hrs, enabling us to catch the once-per-day fast ferry to Hierro in the afternoon, arriving at our destination at 5pm. The return flight departs Tenerife 1230hrs, arriving Dublin 1700hrs (Tuesday 17th) In November the flight is Monday, 13th at 1250hrs, arriving Tenerife 1730hrs; overnight in a hotel and ferry next day to Hierro. Return flight departs Tenerife 1800hrs, arriving Dublin 2230hrs (Mon 20th). Otherwise the itinerary is similar; i.e. 5 days diving with 2 boat dives per day; tanks, air, weights and dive guide. There is an optional night dive. Accommodation in Tenerife is twin sharing in a hotel. In Hierro we have lovely seafront apartments; one couple or three singles per apartment.

The dive holiday is pretty keenly priced at €849 (including all flights, ferries, transfers and transport, accommodation and diving). I can offer you one free place (per min. 10 booked). Obviously you can choose to spread this discount over the group or allocate it to one person (raffle?!)

Do view www.shane-gray.com and the linked El Hierro site. See the Guest Book page for comments from previous divers and the Gallery section for lots of pictures. Contact ScubaDiveWest for the brochures and booking forms (095 43922).

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