

DIVING IN THE RED SEA

Read the text and fill in the blanks with an appropriate word.

The Red Sea coast of Egypt is surely one of the best places (1) _____ the world to go underwater diving. Its hot sunny climate and clear warm water make it the ideal place for beginners as (2) _____ as for experienced divers, at any time of the year.

(3) _____ over fifty diving centers in the area, many different types of diving are possible. At centers for complete beginners there are training courses (4) _____ include simple dives with a qualified instructor. These dives (5) _____ them used to being underwater and teach some basic skills (6) _____ as swimming and breathing below the surface.

More experienced divers can choose (7) _____ a vast range of possible activities and many these can be enjoyed (8) _____ as part of a group or, if they prefer, alone. Some like to explore the coast of the National Park, where the steep cliffs extend underwater to a depth (9) _____ more than seventy meters. For dives of (10) _____ kind it is advisable to be accompanied by a guide, on (11) _____ of the strong currents which can suddenly change directions.

For really advanced divers, there are some fascinating wrecks at (12) _____ bottom of the Red Sea. (13) _____ visits to these old ships require quite long boat trips, it is well worth going just to see the huge variety of beautiful plants and fish down there.

