

see any “big boys” away from walls. Area is a reserve now, but big fish and conch populations are down. Best dive: Devil’s Hole, archway in reef opens on wall at 70-80 feet. Scubacan arranges legal travel to Cuba with visas, permits. But it can take 2 days (with overnights) to get there. Last leg of trip was on a DC-3! Cuba has shortages of batteries, food items, computer parts, so bring your supplies. Tour of Havana included. Eerie to see ancient cars, most buildings need repairs. Guides competent. Don’t let Cuba customs stamp your passport. If so you’ll “catch it” from some U.S. agents.

## HONDURAS

**Aggressor, May 2000, Brian E. Cartwright, Lawrence, IN.** Vis: 60-100 ft. Water: 78-81 degrees. Dive restrictions: no reserve/130'. Getting food prepared the way I liked was a challenge for a few days, but they finally got it right. Capt. Monk and the crew made my trip comfortable, safe and unforgettable. Monk arranged sub rides to 500' down. I loved it! (**Aggressor Fleet 800-348-2628 or 504-385-2628 Fax: 504-384-0817; e-mail: info@aggressor.com; website www.aggressor.com**)

## SABA/ST. KITTS/STATIA

**Caribbean Explorer, September 1999, John Pierce (john@planetpierce.com), Denver, CO.** Vis: 40-60 ft. Water: 78-82 degrees. Cloudy. Water: choppy. Dive Restrictions: No decompression diving, otherwise, freedom to do your own profile. Lots

of room for photography equipment. The crew of the *Caribbean Explorer* was just great; Sue, the hostess was extremely attentive. Karla the cook made 3 great meals a day. The divemasters were very attentive and everyone on the boat was friendly. The islands of Saba, St. Kitts and Statia are absolutely incredible. Take the island tours; they are all different and beautiful in their own way. Diving was excellent — lots of really nice coral and sponges — very fishy. We didn’t see much in the way of large fish. Two weeks after Hurricane Floyd and Gerty, so it did make our trip somewhat rough and rainy. The crossings from island to island were pretty rough and since they do it at 11:00 pm at night, sometimes it was rough getting some sleep. Cabins on the upper deck are nicer in that they have windows and good access to the sun deck, but if the seas are rough the people on top will get tossed around more than the folks in the bottom cabins. If you don’t want to worry about a bit of rain or wind, go in high season. We thought it was fine — my wife still got a fine tan! We had a wonderful time! (**800-322-3577, 903-887-8521; Fax 903-887-8526; e-mail info@explorerventures.com; website www.caribexplorer.com**)

**Caribbean Explorer, October 1999, Walter Sommer (divemon@freeway.net), Gaylord, MI.** Vis: 50-100 ft. Water: 86 degrees. Weather conditions. Sunny. Calm and flat. Restrictions 130 ft., must have or rent dive computer. No mistakes on the level of service, food