

eggs in its mouth, eagle rays, small schools of jacks, 6' green moray (out), large groupers (100+ pounds). Great trip — especially in the summer when Little Cayman is guaranteed.

***Cayman Aggressor IV, May 2001,***  
**Darren Dawson, Clemson, SC.**

Experience: 0-25 dives. Vis: 50 to 100 Feet. Water: 78 to 82 F, calm. nothing bad about diving on the Cayman Aggressor during the summer as long as you are fortunate to make the crossing to Little Cayman. UW Photography: great setup.

***Cayman Aggressor IV, May 2001,***

**Barbara Jones (abjones@pacbell.net)**  
**Anaheim Hills, CA.** Vis: 60-100 ft. Water: 79-81 F, choppy. Logged dives: 1,319. Dive restrictions: 130 ft. 14 trips on the Cayman Aggressor. You are well taken care of while on board with good bunk accommodations, excellent food, and outstanding crew.

***Cayman Aggressor IV, June 2001,***  
**Ron Johnson (GrtdDay@msn.com)**

**Katy, TX.** Experience: 501-1000 dives. Vis: 60 to 150 Feet. Water: 82 to 84 F, calm. Cayman Islands are expensive! \$60 lunches for 2 and \$200. dinners! Yes, we could have eaten at Burger King, but hey! Very clean island with nice people The Cayman Aggressor IV is in pristine shape kept to a military sparkle by the notorious Swede, Captain Tom Gebhardt, aka: Captain Clock. We were always on schedule to dive, leave a site, and dine. For the punctually challenged, this could be an inconvenience. The ship is the most beautiful, well-maintained, and well

laid- out of any Aggressor we've been on. The ship is 4 years old and I give this pristine patina effect to Tom and his crew. Bloody Bay Wall has to be the Caribbean's Dive Nirvana. Sheer vertical cliffs teeming with marine life! Big, small, pelagic...all pristine and beautiful. Finest live-aboard experience this diver has had in 18 live-aboards. Photography table got a little crowded, but there were 10 photographers on board.

***Cayman Aggressor IV, July 2001,***  
**Joe Stehn (jstehn@aol.com)**

**Hillsborough, NJ.** Vis:90-120 ft. Water: 84-86 F, calm and flat. Logged dives: 89. Cayman Aggressor was outstanding. Service was exceptional. No dive restrictions other than use common sense and no decompression diving. Outstanding photography help when needed and routinely offered.

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***Ocean Diver, November 2000, Wayne***  
**McNab (scu\_ba\_div\_er@hotmail.com)**  
**Corpus Christi, TX.** Vis: 60-200 Ft.

Water: 80-81 F, calm. Loved it! 15 of us flew from Houston to Cancun to Havana. The total checked-baggage weight limit is 44 lbs from Cancun to Havana. It cost an extra \$20 for my gear but one of our group forked out an extra \$100. We didn't have to pay anything on the return. Though we were escorted through the 'diplomatic' line in customs it took an hour to get through and another hour to get our luggage. '5-Star' Copacabana Hotel nice and clean, with hot-water and air-conditioning. The next morning

we took a DC-3 for a 45 min. flight to Cayo Largo. We were escorted through the airport for our 5 minute ride to the Ocean Diver (formerly the Bay Islands Aggressor). We were able to get 2 afternoon dives and one night dive that day. Had a total of 25 dives. The diving was similar to Belize and Cayman though unspoiled by divers. The visibility one dive only 60' but my last dive was close to 200'. The walls were beautiful with "God's Hand" being my favorite. The colors and the sponges were surreal. Capt. Erwin and the crew were attentive to our needs. The boat was clean and well kept. The food ranged from good to excellent. Shrimp was undercooked, but the lobster was perfect! The accommodations were what you would expect from an Aggressor boat, though I do prefer to have a bathroom in each stateroom. We returned to Havana on Friday for an afternoon bus tour of the city. We ate a delicious lunch in a private house converted into a restaurant. We spent the night in the Copacabana hotel and flew back to Cancun in the morning. The Cuban people were nice and friendly (though obviously poor). English is spoken by most everyone and the dollar is the standard currency. (Ph: 537 55 39 80; fax 537 55 36 86; e-mail [info@cubalinda.com](mailto:info@cubalinda.com); website <http://www.cubalinda.com/English/Activities/ScubaDiving/OceanDiver/ODiverTheOffer.asp>)

*Ocean Diver*, December 2000,  
Edward Heimiller, Streamwood,

**IL.** This trip was booked through Scubacan in early spring and I did not hear from them unless I called them. I booked the trip as an individual. One week prior to departure it was canceled because it would not be profitable to run the boat. There was no notification prior that this may be canceled.

***Ocean Diver*, March 2001, anonymous, Corona del Mar, CA.** Vis: 100 + ft. Water: 78 F. Dives logged: 378. My second trip aboard Ocean Diver, previously the Bay Islands Aggressor. Temperature was a chilly 78 degrees (it was 90 degrees when we were there July/2000). We wore light wetsuits, shorties, and some people just wore polartecs. Visibility was over 100 feet and extremely clear. We dove our own profile and there were no restrictions (they request that people notify them if planning to dive deeper than 130 ft). Rays on just about every dive and large turtles often Schools of tropical fish and the corals and sponges are virtually untouched and beautiful. Things we saw were typical of the Caribbean, although larger. 4 staterooms do not have separate baths or portholes. Good food and lots of it. Keep up the good work, Ben. I enjoy Undercurrent and know I'm always getting the real story, and not because some advertiser needs coverage!

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*Aggressor*, February 2001, Jim  
Reynolds, Commerce, TX. Humpback