

# Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg

KEY WEST FLORIDA – Oct. 27 - Nov 1, 2016

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**On May 27, 2009 at 10:21 am** the Vandenberg was sunk to become the largest artificial reef in the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, and the second largest in the world. The ship settled upright on her keel in 1 minute 44 second. Marine life began colonizing immediately and the ship is now home to pelagic and reef fish, and many other species of marine plants and animals. This ship is a spectacular artificial reef prepared especially for diving.

**The Diving:** There are plenty of very diveable structures at depths of 40 to 140 feet. Shallow structures include the 30 by 10 foot crow's nest, perfect for beginning divers, the great 40 foot dish antennas, and the tops of the bridge and communications center. The 25 foot tall rudder and prop is a fantastic deep dive at 140 feet. The four open decks at approximately 70-100 feet can be penetrated horizontally with 8 by 10 foot openings on each side, and vertical elevator shafts, cargo holds and stair towers. Technical dives are available for the Tech certified.

**Depart LaGuardia Airport (LGA): Thurs. Oct. 27, 2016 Delta # 2079 @ 2 pm**  
**Arrive Ft. Lauderdale 5:11 pm, drive to Key Largo, 1 night stay:**

**Friday Oct 28 2 tank dive: Key Largo "USS Spiegel Grove"**

After dives, drive to Marathon and check into Coral Lagoon Condo's (3 nights 10/29 to 10/31)

**Saturday Oct 29 2 tank dive: Marathon Key "Thunder Bolt"**

**Sunday Oct 30 2 tank dive: Key West "The Vandenberg" (possible night dive option\*)**

**Monday Oct 31 2 tank dive: Key West "The Vandenberg"**

**Depart Ft Lauderdale (FLL): Tuesday Nov 1, Delta # 1798 @ 1:59 pm**  
**Arrive LaGuardia Airport 4:52 pm**

Cost: \* \$ ????.00 + air Double Occupancy \$ ????.00 +air Single Occupancy

**\*Fine Print: \$300.00 non refundable deposit required to hold your space, balance due October 1st, 2015.**

**Training dives are available for an additional charge.**

**\*NOT INCLUDED:** Airfare, Dive Equipment (Recreational or Technical), Nitrox, meals, alcohol, rental car, dive crew gratuities, optional night dive. We recommend purchasing [DAN Travel Insurance](#), click on this link for a quote

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