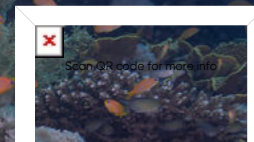




# Blue Kingdom



## Neom Ras Hamid

 Top Dive Time

**45-60** Min

### Distance

13.1 KM From Sindalah Island

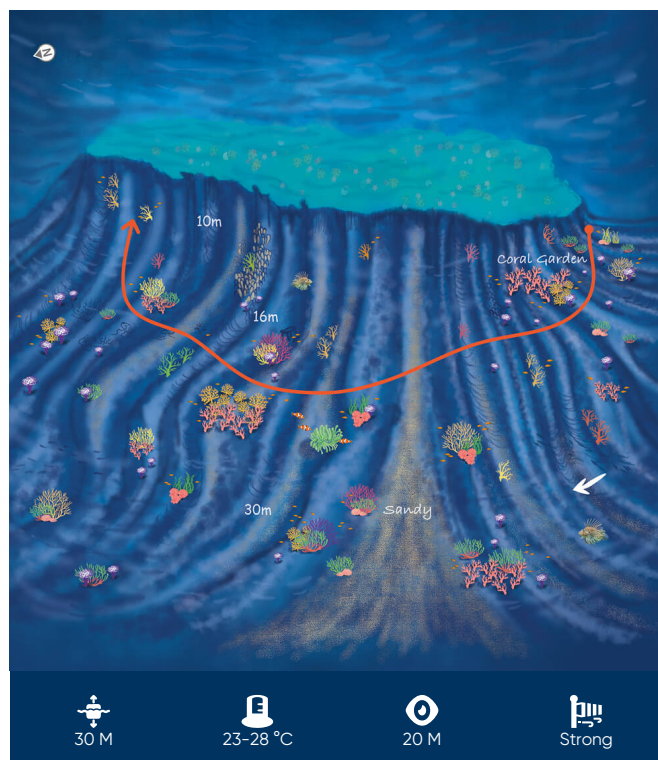
Approx 30-45 minutes by boat

### Skills

Advanced Snorkellers Technical Free Diving

At the entrance to the Gulf of Aqaba, Ras Hamid is an exciting dive not only for its plenitude of marine life and startlingly clear waters but also for its undersea antiquity. In 2020, divers discovered a number of coral-covered clay jars lying on the seabed just 14m below the surface. The jars, which were miraculously intact, have been tentatively dated between 2,000 and 2,500 years old and are believed to hail from the Mediterranean, offering an intriguing insight into the Red Sea's historic trade network. One of the jars contained what archaeologists suspect were ballast stones, which provided stability for merchant vessels.

If the possibility of discovering another piece of ancient seafaring history doesn't fire up the imagination, Ras Hamid's outstanding marine life certainly will. Descend just a few metres to discover a stunning landscape of beautifully coloured hard and soft coral formations that buzz with activity. Whether it's a titan triggerfish tearing at the coral, a lionfish going about its business, or a clownfish playing hide-and-seek in sea anemone (Actiniaria), it's a rich ecosystem full of diversity and colour. There's already lots to see even at the 10m coral garden, but be mind .....



 30 M

 23-28 °C

 20 M

 Strong

### Coordinates

28°5'48"N

34°34'3"E

### Entry

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### Exit

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Coast Guard

994

Ambulance

997