

## Seal Snorkelling Adventures Rib Journey - YOUR SAFETY on board

Seal snorkelling adventures has a fast-moving open boat for pickups and the journey to the snorkelling destination. Please ensure you read all the following information and that all persons in your booking are made fully aware.

### Risks

All activities have an inherent risk which should be considered prior booking. Due to the movement of the boat, potential bouncing, slamming or sudden jolts due to speed over an uneven surface you need to consider if this trip is suitable for you. We are not qualified to give medical advice regarding your fitness for our trips so please consult your doctor if required. If you have any doubts regarding the suitability of a RIB journey, then we advise you to get in contact with our team to discuss.

### Medical Suitability:

If you have any MEDICAL CONDITIONS such as (but not limited to) BACK, NECK, SPINAL, HIP OR JOINT ISSUES, BONE WEAKNESSES, HART CONDITIONS, EPILEPSY, OR RECENTLY HAD SURGERY then our trips MAY NOT BE SUITABLE FOR YOU & IT IS NOT ADVISABLE FOR YOU TO BOOK WITH US. The potential violent movement of the boat may aggravate existing or previous medical conditions. It is your responsibility to inform the skipper of any medical conditions at booking & before boarding.

Voyages are not suitable for persons who cannot effectively brace themselves against the boats movement, this may include the frail, elderly or very young children.

**The skipper has the right to refuse you to board** if your health, or any of the above mentioned are deemed by the skipper to be an issue. ANY PERSONS APPEARING TO BE INTOXICATED OR UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO BOARD THE VESSEL. Any persons refusing to follow safety instructions from the skipper or crew will be refused passage. No refunds will be given if this happens, and we will not be responsible for any additional costs incurred due to our refusal to carry you as a passenger.

### General boat layout:

The boats layout requires you to have a reasonable level of mobility to board. The age & design of the islands quays & jetties means that boarding can be awkward, it requires stepping down or up a height on to unlevel and slippery surfaces.

Seating on board is two large bench seats and you will need to sit astride of the seats.

### Suitable Clothing:

It is always colder out on the water and offshore. The rib is a fast open boat with no shelter. Please dress in warm clothing for the journey across to St Martins. Flat, non-slip shoes should be worn and no raised heels. There will be a very high chance of spray and splashing, please be aware this will happen and dress accordingly as waterproof will not be provided by us.

### Timings:

Should you be delayed/late for the arranged pick up time we will not be able to wait any longer than 10 minutes, especially if other bookings or passengers will be affected. In the event of you not showing or being late we are under no obligation to wait or reschedule and no refund will be given. We will not be responsible for any additional costs incurred to you or your party through a missed departure. **Journey timing:**

It is normally 15-20 minutes from ST Mary's to ST MARTINS and the same time from Tresco to St Martins. Please be aware that if you collect you from St Mary's we may have to go Via Tresco to collect customers before heading to St Martins which could make your journey 25-30 minutes, so please make sure you wear suitable clothing to stay warm.

### The Snorkel session:

These trips are 2.5 approximately, we head further out to our eastern islands which is around a 10-15-minute boat ride. Once at the destination we will give a safety briefing for all snorkellers onboard so that they know what to expect whilst in the water with the seals and other marine life. Whilst in the water you will have a guide to assist you in any issues you may come across as well as a crew member on board the vessel for head counting and assisting snorkellers from boat side. These trips are not suitable for children under 12 and not suitable for dogs.

### Luggage:

We have limited space on board so please only bring a small bag that contains a towel, sunscreen, change of dry clothing and water. These items will be left at the main facilities on St Martins to allow more space for snorkelling gear. We have LIMITED CHANGING FACILITIES so please come with swimming costumes/swimming trunks under your clothing to make changing easier.

The decision to travel with us and any consequences of participating in any trip with us is done entirely at the passenger's own risk. We do not accept any liability for personal injury and/or loss or damage to personal items, clothing or belongings.

