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Underwater Photography & Videography Edithburgh Macro Master Classes

Paul Macdonald of downunderpix presents macro underwater photography and videography master classes at Edithburgh, one of Australia's premier macro photography dive sites.

The master classes will be conducted by Professional Underwater Photographer and Cinematographer, Paul Macdonald of downunderpix.



The agenda for each master class will combine practical hands on dry sessions with your camera system and in water practice sessions. The practical sessions for macro underwater photography and videography will cover the following topics:

- Refresher on the basics
- Camera set up
- Camera Settings
- Composition
- Lighting
- Advanced Techniques



The dives will allow you to put the practical sessions into practice under the guidance of Dean and Paul with double dives on Friday and Saturday. You may do your own dives on Friday and Saturday afternoons and nights and Sunday morning to undertake further practice. Theory sessions will be conducted over 2 midweek evenings prior to the weekend with the dates to be confirmed. Then we will commence with Dive 1 at Edithburgh on the Friday morning at approximately 10.30 am.

The master classes will allow you to make the next step towards improving your macro underwater photography and videography achieving results you will be proud of.



As a prerequisite, it is expected that you will have experience using your underwater camera system with manual settings and have a basic understanding of the concepts of exposure and depth of field. Successful completion of an entry level underwater photography 1 videography course would be beneficial.



You need to bring your Underwater Camera System with 1 or 2 strobes and / or 1 or 2 video lights as well as batteries and chargers, Dive Equipment with at least two tanks (airfills are available at Edithburgh Motors), and a Laptop Computer (if you have one).

The master classes will be limited to 4 participants. The cost is \$495 for the

master class and includes two night's accommodation at Sultana Point Lodge and breakfast each morning.

Edithburgh jetty was opened in 1873 to service the local salt, flour and gypsum trade. Originally 45 metres long, the jetty was lengthened to 82 metres in 1875 with further extensions in 1883 and 1900 to provide its current length of 175 metres. The jetty was also widened to its present width in 1921.

In its heyday Edithburgh was a thriving port and at one stage was the third busiest in South Australia. Edithburgh is a fantastic dive with a wide diversity of marine life.



Over a typical weekend visit to Edithburgh, you may see leafy sea dragons, short headed sea horses, pipefish, tasselled anglerfish, rodless anglerfish, smooth anglerfish, prickly anglerfish, sand octopus, blue ring octopus, dumpling squid, lined pyjama squid, egg cowries, various nudibranchs and flatworms.

For more details or to book into the master class please contact:

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Draft Agenda

Topic

Night 1					
	18.30	21.00	Session 1	Pre reading review & camera set up	
			Session 2	White balance & exposure settings	
			Session 3	Focus	
Night 2					
	18.30	21.00	Session 4	Creative lighting	
			Session 5	Composition	
Friday,					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	10.00	11.00	Dive 1		
	10.00 12.30	11.30	Dive 1 Dive 2		
	12.30	14.00 15.00	Arrive accommodation and settle in		
	14.30 21.00	22.30	Optional unsupervised night dive		
	21.00	22.30	Optional unsupervised hight live		
Saturday,					
	9.00	10.30	Dive 3		
	11.30	13.00	Dive 4		
	15.00	16.30	Optional unsupervised afternoon practice dive		
	21.00	22.30	Optional unsupervised night dive		
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Sunday,					
	8.30	10.00	Optional unsupervised practice dive		
	11.00	12.30	Optional unsupervised practice dive		
	13.00	14.00	Depart accommodation		