

Wanna visit a volcano?

Tourists can now opt for volcanic diving at Andaman Islands

arren Island is South East Asia's only active volcano. The volcano is estimated to be 1.8 million years old, and scuba diving or snorkelling here is a said to be a unique experience. An earlier eruption here has covered almost everything underwater with a thick layer of black sand, creating an unusual magnificent underwater landscape to explore with solidified lava flow making for spectacular underwater cliffs and canyons; and tunas and sharks swimming along black walls which plunge to over 500 meters. And now tourist can get to visit this destination. Karina Tourism and Adventures, the owner of the Infiniti Live-aboard, a luxury liveaboard yacht at Andaman Islands, has introduced volcanic diving, an adventure sport, at Barren Island in the Andamans.

As part of this adventure, certified scuba divers will be taken on a four-night trip to Barren Island in the Andamans. Once there, they will be taken for scuba diving in the surrounding waters with expert dive guides. Visibility can exceed 50 meters and hammerhead sharks have been seen here. The contrasting vivid colors of bright fish against the jet-black walls makes for a great visual. Sunil Bakshi, founder of Karina Tourism and Adventures, said "Barren Island is accessible only via a live-aboard yacht, and with several trips planned to Barren Island. Already two trips to Barren Island are sold out, and four more are being planned between January to April 2014."

