

# dahab

Extreme landscapes have a magical attraction to us, and the geographical connection between Africa and Asia, the Sinai Peninsula, is characterised by such a landscape. At the foot of golden brown mountains, lies Dahab on a narrow strip of land between the desert mountains and the ocean. This unspoilt village has a relaxed, ethnic atmosphere with tiny tea houses nestling alongside traditional bazaars. Only a short taxi ride away from your hotel, it is a meeting point for travellers. With flights from the UK under 5 hours you're only a short time away from year round, superb conditions.

## Sailing Spot & Conditions

Dahab offers one of the widest range of conditions found anywhere. There are three sailing spots: The lagoon is a protected bay with shallow, flat water perfect for beginners. A top spot for intermediates and freestyle freaks and an ideal practice spot for beginners and experts alike. Leaving the protected lagoon is the Speed Track, with crystal clear, shallow water for advanced windsurfers. There is a small island for rest or rescue. The wind blows constantly and is slightly stronger than inside the lagoon. The third spot is behind the Napoleon Reef and suitable for wave sailing. The swell is up to 4m high, with no breaking wave and from the perfect direction, creating fantastic jumping conditions.



### Fact File

**Best Time:** All year round

**Launch:** Sandy beach gently shelving.

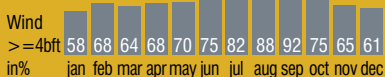
**Wind Direction:** Cross-offshore

**Wind Type:** Thermal. Wind increases during day due to up draughts from local hills

**Shorebreak:** Slight shore break

**Water Conditions:** Flat water with windchop

**Suitability:** All levels



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### CLUB MISTRAL WINDSURF CENTRE

**Centre1** Central Lagoon, Dahab Bay next to Hilton. Large shallow area, slight wind shadow.

**Centre2** Meridien Hotel with board storage.

**Kit Range:** 120 Mistral boards, 110 rigs. 3.0-8.8m North sails.

**Board Hire** 1 wk £179 2 wks £299

**Instruction:** Starter, Progress, Advanced, Unlimited, Kids, clinics, groups & private.

**Other Sports:** Kitesurfing is NOT permitted in the windsurfing zones of Dahab but taster courses are offered by Harry Nass in the small, very shallow lagoon close to the centre. Kite surfing at Ras Abu Gallum Lagoon 15 kms away or Centre 4 at Bay View Hotel.

**Excursions:** Desert Safari, St Catherine's Monastery, Boat & Snorkelling trips.



## Le Meridien Dahab Resort & Spa



**Location:** Overlooking the Gulf of Aqaba, 10 mins from local town & 60 mins transfer from Sharm El Sheik airport.

**Accommodation:** Luxury, modern hotel with 122 rooms & suites. All with balcony or patio with direct or side sea views. 24 hour room service. Standard rooms are equipped with bath/WC, air conditioning, mini bar, satellite TV, safe, phone and high speed internet link (additional cost). The deluxe rooms have a private garden with outdoor showers. The suite rooms are even more luxurious and provide a private jacuzzi.



**Facilities:** Choice of elegant a la carte, themed & buffet restaurants & bars. Multi level fresh, sea water & children's pools. Kid's club (4-12yrs). Exercise room, jacuzzi, shopping arcade & live entertainment. Activities include snorkeling at own house reef. On site dive centre & tennis courts.

**Windsurfing:** Club Mistral centre on site. 1 km outside lagoon. Clean winds & directly shelving to deep water. More suited to good intermediate/water start + level



## Hilton Dahab



**Location:** Approx 1 hour by car from Sharm El Sheikh airport. On the beach and close proximity to the lagoon and approx 5 minutes drive to the nearby town of Masbat.



**Accommodation:** 163 well appointed rooms with ensuite bath/WC, air conditioning, mini bar, satellite TV, phone and terrace or balcony. The more spacious suites offer a separate bedroom with a king size bed and pull-out sofa in the living room, ideal for families.

**Facilities:** The hotel offers a wide range of cuisine with 3 restaurants, large swimming pool, roof terrace, disco, beach and pool bar and Club Mistral windsurfing centre.

**Windsurfing:** The Club mistral centre is located at the Hilton with direct access to all sailing areas. Harry Nass centre is located 10 minutes walk along the beach.



### Swiss Inn Dahab



**Location:** Central position on bay. 1 hours transfer from Sharm El Sheik Airport.

**Accommodation:** The 146 rooms are located in two-story buildings and are all very well appointed. They feature ensuite bath/WC, air conditioning, satellite TV, mini bar, phone and private balcony or terrace. Most of the rooms have sea views. Extra large or interconnecting rooms are available for families.



**Facilities:** The hotel is a good standard, traditional hotel efficiently managed. The buffet style restaurant has a pool side terrace with evening entertainment. Activities offered include volleyball & boccia. The beach bar is particularly atmospheric, with local style, low cushions and is the perfect sundowner location. A sociable hotel with relaxed atmosphere.

**Windsurfing:** Harry Nass Centre 5 mins, Club Mistral 10 minutes walk.



### Coralia Dahab



**Location:** Directly on the beach, next to sheltered lagoon. 1 hour from Sharm El Sheik airport.

**Accommodation:** 139 rooms in three categories, deluxe sea view, standard sea view and garden view. All rooms feature air-conditioning, mini bar, radio, satellite TV, telephone and ensuite shower/WC.

**Facilities:** Several restaurants and bars, snack bar, children's club, fitness and massage centre, tennis court, basketball facilities, billiards/snooker, jogging track, volley ball.

**Windsurfing:** Harry Nass windsurf centre located in the in the bay very close to the hotel.



### Bay View Resort



**Location:** Directly on the mountain shore of the Gulf of Aqaba and approx 1 hour by car from Sharm El Sheikh airport.

**Accommodation:** 212 air conditioned rooms equipped with TV, DD telephone, safe, mini bar and own terrace or balcony with a sea view.

**Facilities:** 2 restaurants, 2 swimming pools ( 1 heated), pool bar, snack bar, children's section, sauna, spa, jacuzzi and wireless internet available.

**Windsurfing/Kitesurfing:** New Harry Nass windsurf centre located on the beach in front of the hotel which offers the only kitesurfing location in Dahab, 3km downwind from lagoon.

#### SURF & ACTION HARRY NASS CENTRES

- Centre 1 Lagoon, Coralial
- Centre 2 Lagoon, Iberotel
- Centre 3 Centre Bay, Swiss Inn
- Centre 4 Bay View Hotel

Free boat shuttle between centres.

**Kit Range:** 500+ 2010 JP Boards, 650 rigs, 3.2-9.0m<sup>2</sup> Neil Pryde sails.

**Board Hire** 1 wk £189 2 wks £299

**Instruction:** All levels. VDWS syllabus. Special hire rate for families. Kitesurf instruction – Beg/Int only at Centre 1, Kiting rental & Adv instruction only at Centre 4.

**Kite Riding Area:** At Centre 4. Constant cross shore wind from left, gentle chop and waves. Int-Adv riding level required. Rental: Cabrinha 30 boards & 80 kites 4.0-18.0m<sup>2</sup>.

**Kite Rental:** Coached rental only from 1 hr – 2 week prices. 4 hrs £65, 6 days £259.



Prices (7 nights) from:	Low	High
Le Meridien Dahab	£539	£1089
Hilton Dahab	£489	£995
Swiss Inn Dahab	£489	£1049
Coralial Dahab	£469	£969
Bay View Resort	£499	£975

Price includes return flights, accommodation & transfers.