

Secchitello

A dive in the blue between pinnacles that rise from the depths reaching towards the surface, surrounded by huge amberjacks and clouds of barracudas.

The *dive* site is located about 2 miles from the southwest side of the island of *Ustica*. It is the classic *dive* in the blue, where we reach the first and the less deep of the three pinnacles that from a depth of about 50m rise towards the surface up to a depth of 25m.

Each of these pinnacles has a different morphology drawing a unique scenario, walls, valleys and promontories. A real show full of life appears to our eyes wandering around 30m between these pinnacles covered with benthic life, red *gorgonians*, false *black coral* and brown algae. During our *dive* we search for the big clouds of *barracudas* and gigantic species of *amberjack* that are stationed around the pinnacles. Certainly, there are many encounters with these *pelagic* species. *Snappers* and *breem* move furtively around the rocky peaks of this dive site. With a few glances around us we might notice, like a flash, the sight of a *tuna* that slips quickly before our eyes. The *dive* stop before surfacing can also surprise us with some pleasant encounters.

Characteristics of the dive Secchitello

Type: Open sea / pinnacles

Certification Requirement: AOWD

Recommended Certification: Deep Diver

Difficulty Level: High

Depth: 25-50m

Duration: 30-40 min

Typical encounters: Barracuda, amberjack, snapper, gorgonians, false black coral

Notes: Good visibility, possible moderate current