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DIVENICE ZEELAND



230 diving and
Snorkelling routes

135 dive sites

Oosterschelde
Grevelingen
Veerse Meer
Westerschelde
North Sea
Wrecks
Fauna and Flora

English version
2024

Quick guide

1 Help

2 **Name**
 Type of Diving: shore GPS BAT CHA
 Position GPS (WGS 84) Map: 1805.xx
Parking : b 51.xxxxxx°N - 03. xxxxxx°E
 Spot: 51.xxxxxx°N - 03. xxxxxx°E

4 **Technicality**
 Appreciation: x/5 Photo/video 1
 Experience: x/5 TEK
 Biodiversity: x/4
 Maximum depth: xxxm at xxxm cap xxx
 Depth to the right of the channel: xxxm at xxxm
 Distance from parking: xxxm
 Ease of access: x
 Gets into the water: x
Material: x

6 **Emergency plan:** see annex zone A 5

7 **Tide, current, wind**
 Tide: Semi-diurnal Diving: HW/LW
 Maximum admissible wind: 4 Beaufort

9 **Parking**
 Paid: y/n Size: x

11 **User-friendliness**
 Beach: x Catering: x
 WC: x Attendance at the spot: x
 Barbecue: x Club trip: x

13 **Special training and diving**
 Training: x
 Night diving: y/n « Multi-level » Dive: y/n
 Child Dive: y/n Disabled diver spot: x/5
 Freediving: y/n Snorkelling: y/n

15 **Remarks**
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Tidal current
 Slack tide HW: h.min LW: h.min
 Diving (1) HW: h.min LW: h.min
 (1) Tidal current +/- 0,8 knots 3
 Tidal current maximum: 0,4 à 0,5 knots

		Diving	Duration
L	Medium (C=70)	h.min	h.min
W	Neap tide (C=45)	h.min	h.min
	Spring tide (C=90)	h.min	h.min
H	Medium (C=70)	h.min	h.min
W	Neap tide (C=45)	h.min	h.min
	Spring tide (C=90)	h.min	h.min

Tidal current curve page xxx a
 Tidal current: x Slack tide: x
 Dangerous sectors: 135°-180°- 225°

Quality: x

Hazard 8

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d

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[Name \(automate Nx...\)](#)
[Restaurant](#)
[Name](#)

a
c

Detailed use of the guide, graphic conventions...

- « [Help](#) ». Link to the "Quick use of the guide" chapter»
- Information on the Type of Diving (shore, boat); GPS positions (site, parking); the number of the nautical chart.

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- a. **oOo** Usefulness of a Sidemout configuration. **GPS** Using a GPS to reach the recommended site. **BAT** Use of a useful boat. **CHA** Using a trolley to transport equipment can be useful.
 - b. [« Parking »](#) External link (an internet connection is required) which marks the location of the parking lot on Google Map.
 3. **« Tidal current »**. Indicates in relation to *the port of WEMELDINGE* the moment of slack water and the moment to start the dive according to the tidal coefficient (C) for a current of 0.4 to 0.5 knots and the extreme case for a current of 0 .8 knots. (LW=low tide; HW=high tide).
 4. **« Technicality »**. technical data of the site: depth; access facility; ease of getting into the water; distance between the site and the parking lot, possibility of using a trolley to transport the Material: use of Material: specific; site favorable to photography or video and ratings:
 - Appreciation: increasing rating from 1 to 5.
 - Experience: increasing rating from 1 to 3 plus TEK diver.
 - Biodiversity: increasing rating from 1 to 4.
 5. [Emergency plan](#). Link to the “Emergency Plan” chapter in the appendices.
 6. **Tide, current, wind**. Indication on the possibility of diving at high or low tide, the strength of the currents, the duration of slack water, the strength and direction of the wind which make diving dangerous.
 - a. [« Tidal current curve »](#). Link to the site-specific Tidal current curve (Part 5).
 7. **Parking**. Information on the size and quality of the car park.
 8. **Hazard**. List of potential hazards linked to the site.
 9. **User-friendliness**. Indication of site attendance, amenities, catering options, possibility of organizing a “Club trip”.
 10. **Dive Center and Restaurant**: list of inflation centers and restaurants closest to the site.
 - a. [« Dive Center »](#). Link to the list of diving centers.
 - b. [« Name »](#) External link (an internet connection is required) which indicates the route to follow to go from the diving site to the dive center on Google Map.
 - « Automate ». Presence of an automatic filling machine on site or in the store.
 - « M ». Dive shop with possibility to purchase equipment.
 - « Nx ». Ability to obtain Nitrox (usually 32%)
 - c. [Restaurant](#) If the text is in blue an external link (Google Map) gives the route to follow to go to the restaurant. (an internet connection is required)
 - d. [Name](#) External link that opens the restaurant's website (an internet connection is required)
 11. **Special training and diving**. Indicates the possibilities of training or “special dives”: drift; night; snorkeling; children's dive; freediving. “Disabled diver spot” is rated from 1 to 5 depending on the infrastructure. Five being a specially designed site.
 12. **Remarks**. All indications that do not fit into the previous points.

2. Oosterschelde



Schouwen-Duiveland

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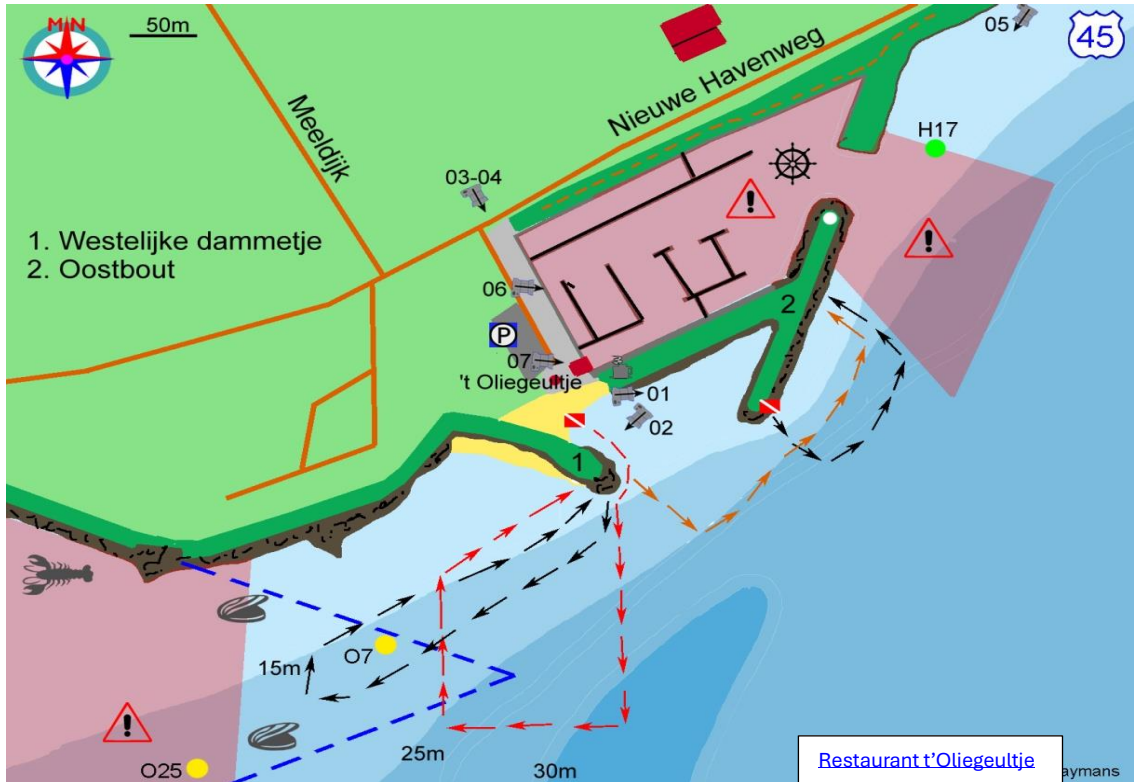
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The Oosterschelde is one of the active branches of the Scheldt. This arm is subject to tides and significant tidal currents may exist. To practice Diving in this arm of the sea, it is imperative to consider the Tidal currents



The Tidal current can be very violent and the slack water short-lived. Diving at high tide on this site represents a mortal hazard. In the event of ascent into open water, the Tidal current carries divers towards the valves of the Delta plane. You must dive at low tide just when the tidal current reverses.

The fauna and flora, despite siltation since the construction of the dam, is extraordinarily rich, and we can admire splendid colorful anemones. The presence of algae makes launching into the water at the Westelijke Dammetje quite acrobatic and it is better to bring a rope. At Oostbout, you must be careful not to finish the Diving in the harbor!

Route

Follow the N 59 from Zierikzee towards Burgh-Haamstede and turn left at the (green) kilometer marker 49.2. Then follow the road towards Burghsluis. The car park is on the left just after the harbor.



Photo 1: Oostbout
 Photo 2: Westelijke dammetje
 Photo 3-4: Parking
 Photo 5: Harbor entrance
 Photo 6: Harbor seen from the parking.
 Photo 7: Restaurant
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Burghsluis – Westelijke dammetje

Type of Diving: shore

Position GPS (WGS 84) Map :1805.10

[Parking](#) : 51.674386°N - 03.754319°E

Spot: 51.673016°N - 03.755649°E

Technicality

Appreciation: 2 Photo/video: no

Experience: 3

Biodiversity: 4

Maximum depth: 35m at 200m cap 170

Depth to the right of the channel: 30m to 450m

Distance from parking:200m

Ease of access: easy

Gets into the water: Moderately easy

Material: Lamp, emergency lamp,

SMB, buddy line, 50m rope

Tidal current

Slack tide HW: -0.30 LW: -0.25

Diving (1) HW: No LW: -0.15

(1) Tidal current +/- 0,8 knots

Tidal current maximum : 0,4 to 0,5 knots

		Diving	Duration
L W	Medium (C=70)	0	30
	Neap tide (C=45)	-0.10	35
	Spring tide (C=90)	0	25
H W	Medium (C=70)	no	no
	Neap tide (C=45)	no	no
	Spring tide (C=90)	no	no

Emergency plan: see annex [zone A](#)

Tide, current, wind

Tide: Semi-diurnal

Diving: LW

Tidal current: strong

Slack tide: short

Maximum admissible wind: 4 Beaufort

Dangerous sectors: 135°-180°- 225°

[Tidal current curve page 420](#)

Parking

Paid: no

Size: big

Quality: très good

User-friendliness

Beach: no

Catering: café and restaurant

WC: no

Attendance at the spot: weak

Barbecue: no

Club trip: no

Hazard

Tidal current

Traps and nets

Poor visibility

Short-lived slack tide

Proximity to the sluice dam

Special training and diving

Training: no

Night diving: no

« Multi-level » Dive: no

Drift Dive: possible

Child Dive: no

Disabled diver spot: 0/5

Freediving: no

Snorkelling: no

Remarks

Do not dive at high tide and avoid high water, there is a possibility of swirling tidal current. The red route is for very experienced divers with good knowledge of the spot.

Dive Center

[De Grevelingen](#) (automate M)

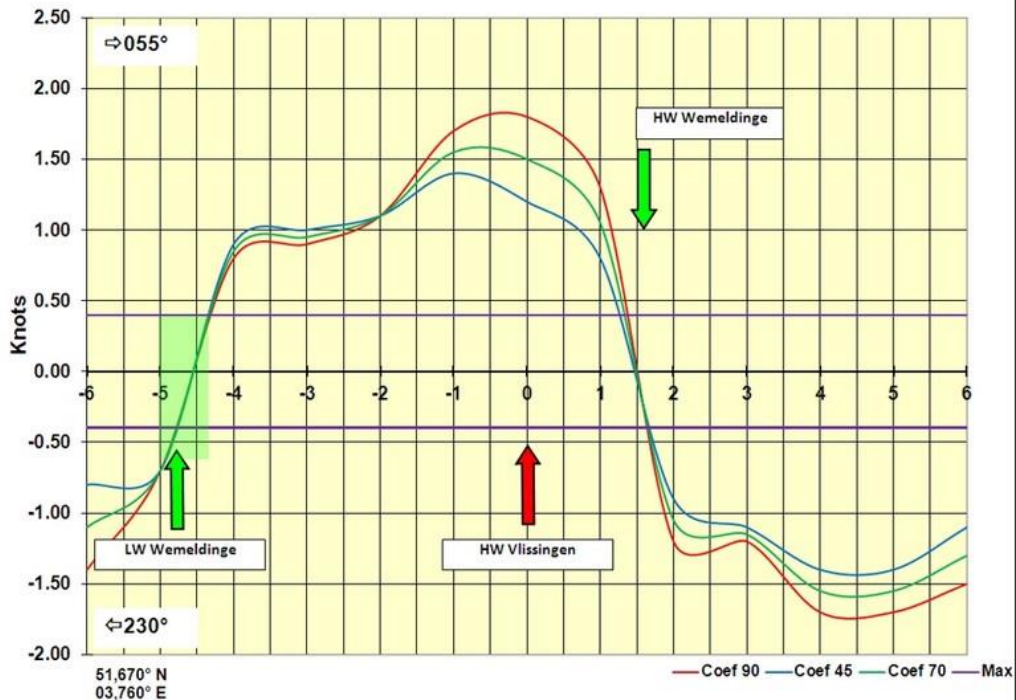
[White Boulevard](#) (automate- M = Nx)

Restaurant

['t Oliegeultje](#)

1. Schouwen-Duiveland

1.1. Burghsluis



HW Wemeldinge = HW Vlissingen + 1h37'

LW Wemeldinge = LW Vlissingen + 1h13'

1 Knot=1,852 Km/h = 0,514 m/s

Valid for the following sites		
Sites	Page	Remarks
Burghsluis – Westelijke dammetje	119	Dive only at low tide.
Burghsluis – Oostbout	120	Dive only at low tide.

Other decapods

(Fam). Paguridae

(S). Common hermit-crab (GB) Heremietkreeft (NL) (*Pagurus bernhardus*) [Linnaeus, 1758]. He's the squatter on duty! Crustacean without shell, it appropriates the empty shells, then abandons them when it grows. Its size can commonly reach 4 to 6cm. It is absent in the Veerse meer, elsewhere it is very common.



(Fam). Nephropidae)

(S). European lobster (GB) Zeekreeft(NL) [©][\$][C] (*Homarus gammarus*)[Linnaeus, 1758]. Very common in Zeeland, including Grevelingen. During the day, it hides in its hole and at night it goes hunting. It has strong pincers. The one with small teeth is used to cut, it's his weapon. The other, which has stronger teeth, is used for grinding. As with the human species, there are right-handers and left-handers. According to local fishermen, Zeeland lobster is the best in the world!



Video

[Omar City](#)

Requires an internet connection

(Fam). Majidae(Majidés)

(S). Long-legged spider crab (GB) Gewone hooiwagenkrab (NL) (*Macropodia rostrata*) [Linnaeus, 1761]. Very common in the Oosterschelde, a little less in the Grevelingen. He makes a camouflage outfit by stitching pieces of algae into the shell. As the body size does not exceed 2 cm, it is difficult to see.



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