STUART SCUBA / WRECK FIELD GUIDE

Mizpah

PALM BEACH COUNTY

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Side-lying yacht remnants • Advanced recreational exterior

EXTERIOR ILLUSTRATION

SEVEN FISH TO LOOK FOR

Mizpah diver survey records • Sightings vary



Sergeant major
Abudefduf saxatilis
Five strong black bars



Porkfish
Anisotremus virginicus
Two black bars by the head



Blue tang
Acanthurus coeruleus
Blue adult; yellow young



Queen angelfish
Holacanthus ciliaris
Blue-ringed forehead crown



Goliath grouper
Epinephelus itajara
Broad head and dark spots



Great barracuda
Sphyraena barracuda
Silver and torpedo-shaped



Bicolor damselfish
Stegastes partitus
Dark front, pale rear

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19 ft
RECORDED RELIEF

82 ft
FWC SITE DEPTH

185-FOOT FORMER YACHT
ORIGINAL VESSEL

WHAT YOU'LL SEE

Mizpah is torn up and lies on its side. Look for broken plates and low hull remnants, not a distinct bow. Nearby PC-1174 is a separate wreck. Stay outside the structure.

DEPTH & CONDITIONS

FWC lists 82 ft at deployment and 19 ft of relief. Some divers report 90 ft or more. Historical figures do not describe the height of the side-lying wreckage today. Current and visibility change; the crew confirms the day's plan.

FROM SHIP TO REEF

FWC records deployment on April 8, 1968. The former yacht served as USS Mizpah (PY-29) during World War II and later became one of Palm Beach County's early artificial reefs.

MORE LIFE TO LOOK FOR

Goliath grouper and snapper may shelter near the wreck; jacks travel above it. Look for encrusting sponges without putting hands or fins on the structure. Wildlife and visibility vary.



26°47.180′ N 80°00.960′ W

FWC PB0006 | Orientation only, not for navigation

PICK THE RIGHT TRAINING

Exterior Wreck Diver **Deep Diver**
Advanced Adventure **Enriched Air Nitrox**

Exterior plan only. Separate training:
Wreck: Limited Penetration

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