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WATERSPORTS

Surfing in Dahab

Dahab is a mecca for windsurfing. Its extreme landscape of gold mountains and turquoise sea is a breathtaking background for any surfers. The large bay located south of the village of Assalah is known among surfers as 'Fun Park' as it offers as many as three perfect surfing spots in one. From the flat-water area for beginners to the outer spot behind the sand bank with strong wind blowing from the sea, the Fun Park has plenty of wind and loads of thrills. Dahab has an impressive wind record with around 300 days a year of wind between Force 4 and 7. It also has the benefit of a range of conditions to suit all levels of windsurfer and kitesurfer. Many international competitions are held in town every year.



Kitesurfing in Dahab



Kitesurfing as a recreational sport began in the 1980s, but did not gain its popularity until the turn of the millennium. Before 2000 there were less than a thousand kite surfers worldwide. In 2005 that number had swelled to nearly 100,000. Kitesurfing is also commonly known as kiteboarding, and in some European countries as flysurfing.

The premise of kitesurfing is simple: by using a large, powerful kite for propulsion, and standing or sitting on some form of transportation, the kitesurfer is able to reach high speeds and perform amazing and exhilarating stunts. The most common form of Kitesurfing is, as the name implies, done using a surfboard on a large body of water. As with the windsurfing, the windy conditions in Dahab make this an ideal spot for beginners and experienced surfers alike.