



DIVE SITES

Um Gamar

Egypt - Red Sea · Riff

Riff

TYPE

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ROUTES

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<https://omneia.de/en/dive-sites/um-gamar>

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Routes

- Brother Islands
- North - Ras Mohammed
- North / Wreck
- North, Ras Mohammed, Strait of Tiran, Dahab
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Images

