

# M60 TANKS

Once built for frontline military service, the M60 Main Battle Tanks were engineered to withstand extreme conditions, heavy impacts, and rugged terrain. As part of the REEF-EX program, these armored vehicles were demilitarized and intentionally deployed offshore of Panama City Beach in the mid-1990s, giving Cold War-era military hardware a new mission beneath the Gulf.

Resting in 65–110 feet of water, the tanks' massive steel frames provide exceptional vertical relief and long-term stability, remaining firmly in place even after major storms like Hurricane Opal (1995). Today, their turrets, hulls, and treads are covered in marine growth and surrounded by reef fish, transforming tools of warfare into thriving underwater habitat. For divers, the REEF-EX Tanks offer a truly unique experience where military history meets conservation in one of the Gulf's most durable and life-filled artificial reef sites.



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