

# Maldives Luxury Eco Retreat 6 Nights: Coral Restoration Experience

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Destination  
**Maldives**



Duration  
**6 Nights 7 Days**



Starting from  
**Rs. 2,30,000 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

✓ **Private Eco-Resort Island · 6N**

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## Overview

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Experience a premium Maldives tour package focused on conservation and wildlife. This 6-night, 7-day Maldives Wildlife tour package blends luxury, hands-on coral restoration, and guided marine wildlife watching—perfect for travelers seeking both comfort and purpose. Highlights include:

- Luxury eco-resort stay with overwater and beach villa options
- Hands-on coral nursery & restoration sessions led by marine biologists
- Snorkel and dive with reef fish, turtles, manta rays, and (seasonal) whale sharks
- Sunset dolphin cruises & guided night snorkels
- Wellness spa and sustainable dining experiences

This Maldives Wildlife package is designed for low-impact tourism and supports local conservation efforts.

### ✓ **What's Included**

- ✓ 6 nights accommodation at a Private Eco-Resort (beach or overwater villa)
- ✓ Daily breakfast, selected lunches and dinners (sustainable/resort menu)
- ✓ Return speedboat or seaplane transfers between Malé and the resort
- ✓ Full Coral Restoration Program participation led by marine biologists
- ✓ 2 guided snorkel safaris and 1 marine wildlife day cruise
- ✓ Private sandbank picnic and sunset dolphin cruise
- ✓ Wellness session (one spa treatment) and yoga class
- ✓ Use of non-motorized watersports (kayaks, paddleboards)
- ✓ Conservation briefing, certificate of participation, and digital guidebook
- ✓ Local taxes and resort service charges

### ✗ **Not Included**

- ✗ International flights to/from Malé (Velana International Airport)
- ✗ Travel insurance, visa fees, and airport departure taxes
- ✗ Optional certified dives, PADI/SSI courses, and dive equipment rental
- ✗ Additional spa treatments, specialty dining, and personal expenses
- ✗ Gratuities for guides and resort staff
- ✗ Items of a personal nature (alcoholic beverages not included unless specified)
- ✗ Note: Seasonal wildlife sightings (manta rays, whale sharks, bioluminescence) are dependent on time of year and cannot be guaranteed.

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

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### **Arrival, Transfer & Welcome Orientation**

Arrive at Velana International Airport (Malé) and take a scenic speedboat or seaplane transfer to the private eco-resort. Check-in to your villa and enjoy a welcome drink. Afternoon orientation with the resort's marine team including an introduction to the Coral Restoration Program and safety briefing. Evening welcome dinner featuring sustainable Maldivian cuisine.

Tip: Keep your camera ready—the transfer route often reveals dolphins and reef life near the atolls.

Day

2

### **Coral Nursery Workshop & Introductory Snorkel**

Morning hands-on session at the Coral Nursery: learn coral identification, watch a demonstration of coral frame preparation, and help out with a supervised out-planting cycle. After lunch, guided snorkel of the house reef to observe restored corals, reef fish, and resident sea turtles. Evening optional presentation on Maldives marine ecosystems by the resident marine biologist.

Note: No prior diving experience required for the coral activities; snorkelers are fully included.

Day

3

### **Guided Marine Biology Workshop & Lagoon Walk**

Participate in a morning workshop covering reef ecology, threats (bleaching, plastic), and citizen-science monitoring techniques. Post-workshop lagoon walk and shallow-water surveys to record biodiversity—great for photography and wildlife observation. Afternoon at leisure with optional spa or eco-kayaking.

Special: Guests receive a digital guidebook and a certificate of participation in the restoration project.

Day

4

### **Manta & Whale Shark Safari (Seasonal)**

Full-day guided safari to prime feeding and cleaning stations. Snorkel with manta rays at known cleaning stations and—season permitting—encounter whale sharks on a supervised excursion to nearby atolls. Marine guides provide identification tips and conservation background. Return for sunset relaxation and a reef-safe sunscreen briefing.

Important: Sightings are seasonal and cannot be guaranteed; excursions follow strict safe-distance protocols to protect wildlife.

Day

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### **Private Island Picnic, Dolphin Cruise & Night Snorkel**

Late-morning private picnic on a nearby sandbank or uninhabited islet. Afternoon dolphin-watching cruise—spot playful pods at sunset. After dinner, guided night snorkel to view nocturnal reef species and bioluminescence (seasonal). Learn night-safety and low-impact observation techniques from your guide.

Tip: Binoculars and a good camera zoom will enhance dolphin and bird watching.

Day

6

### **Relaxation Day: Spa, Optional Dive & Conservation Review**

Slow morning with wellness options—signature eco-spa treatments, yoga, or a private beach meditation. Optional certified dive(s) for certified divers to deeper reef altitudes and select thilas for abundant marine life. Afternoon conservation review where guests discuss results and future steps with researchers; guests may choose a meaningful donation or adopt-a-coral program.

Note: PADI/SSI dive certificates required for dives; beginners can take an introductory Discover Scuba session (extra cost).

Day

7

### **Farewell Breakfast, Check-out & Departure**

Enjoy a relaxed farewell breakfast with final photos and optional gift of a small coral adoption certificate. Check-out and transfer back to Velana International Airport (Malé) for your onward flights.

Important: Confirm transfer times the evening before departure; allow buffer time for seaplane schedules during the monsoon season.

## **🔗 Frequently Asked Questions**

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### **🔗 When is the best time to visit the Maldives and what's the weather like?**

The best time to visit the Maldives is during the dry season from November to April, with peak conditions from December to March. During this period, expect clear skies, calm seas, and excellent underwater visibility for snorkeling and diving. Temperatures remain tropical year-round (26–32°C). The wet season (May–October) brings occasional tropical showers and livelier seas, but it's also the best time for surfing and manta ray encounters, especially in Baa Atoll. This period offers better value with fewer crowds. Note that the Maldives has no 'winter' or snow – it's tropical throughout the year. The country is 30 minutes behind Indian Standard Time, which is helpful for planning transfers and activities.

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## ❓ **How do I reach the Maldives from India and what are the transportation options?**

The easiest way to reach the Maldives from India is by direct flights to Velana International Airport (MLE) near Malé. Multiple airlines operate direct flights from Mumbai, Delhi, Bengaluru, Kochi, Chennai, and Thiruvananthapuram, with flight times ranging from 2–3.5 hours. Once in the Maldives, transportation options include speedboats (10–120 minutes to resorts), scenic seaplanes (daytime only to distant atolls), domestic flights to regional airports followed by speedboat transfers, and budget-friendly public ferries for local islands. Within Malé and Hulhumalé, taxis are available. Most resort transfers are pre-arranged and included in packages, so confirm your transfer method when booking accommodation.

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## ❓ **Do Indian citizens need a visa to visit the Maldives?**

Indian citizens receive a free 30-day visa on arrival in the Maldives – no advance application required. You'll need a valid passport with at least 6 months validity, confirmed accommodation booking, return flight tickets, and sufficient funds for your stay. The immigration process is straightforward at Velana International Airport. Ensure you have your hotel confirmation or guesthouse booking details readily available, as immigration may ask for these. If you plan to stay longer than 30 days, you'll need to apply for an extension through Maldivian immigration authorities. The visa allows for tourism purposes only, and you cannot work on a tourist visa.

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## ❓ **What are the local transportation options within the Maldives?**

Transportation in the Maldives is primarily water-based due to its scattered island geography. Speedboats are the most common option for resort transfers and inter-island travel, taking 10 minutes to 2 hours depending on distance. Seaplanes offer scenic transfers to distant atolls but operate only during daylight hours. Domestic flights connect to regional airports like Gan, Maafaru, and Hanimaadhoo, followed by speedboat connections. Public ferries provide budget-friendly inter-island transport but are less frequent and slower. Within Malé and Hulhumalé, taxis and buses are available. On resort islands and local islands, walking and bicycles are common due to their small size. Most resort transfers are pre-arranged, so coordinate with your accommodation.

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## ❓ **What accommodation options are available and which areas should I stay in?**

The Maldives offers accommodation for every budget. Luxury resorts feature overwater villas and beachfront suites on private islands, with options like Conrad Maldives, Baros, and Gili Lankanfushi. Mid-range resorts like Kurumba and Meeru offer excellent value with good facilities. Budget travelers can stay in guesthouses on local islands like Maafushi, Fulidhoo, or Ukulhas, which offer cultural experiences and are significantly cheaper. North and South Malé Atolls provide quick speedboat access from the airport. Baa Atoll is perfect for manta ray encounters, while South Ari Atoll offers whale shark experiences. Choose based on your priorities: quick transfers (Malé Atolls), marine life (Baa/Ari), or budget (local islands). Book early for peak season (December–March).

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## ❓ **What are the must-visit attractions and places in the Maldives?**

Top attractions include Malé City with its Grand Friday Mosque, Islamic Centre, and vibrant local markets. Hulhumalé offers family-friendly beaches and a relaxed atmosphere. Baa Atoll's Hanifaru Bay is a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve famous for seasonal manta ray aggregations (June–November). South Ari Atoll is renowned for year-round whale shark encounters. Addu Atoll lets you cross the Equator and explore WWII history. Vaadhoo Island occasionally displays bioluminescent 'Sea of Stars' phenomena. Don't miss house reef snorkeling, sunset dolphin cruises, private sandbank picnics, and island-hopping to experience local culture. Each resort typically has excellent house reefs for snorkeling, and many organize excursions to nearby attractions. The key is choosing your base atoll according to your interests.

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## ❓ **What local food and cuisine should I try in the Maldives?**

Maldivian cuisine centers around fresh seafood, coconut, and rice. Must-try dishes include Mas Huni (shredded tuna with coconut and chili, served with roshi flatbread), Garudhiya (clear tuna broth with rice and condiments), and Rihaakuru (rich tuna paste). Sample hedhikaa snacks like gulha (tuna dumplings), bajiya (curried pastries), and bis keemiya (vegetable rolls). Coconut and seafood curries range from mild to spicy. Resorts offer extensive international menus with vegetarian and Jain-friendly options. In Malé, try Seagull Café House for local flavors or Sala Thai for excellent Thai cuisine. Local islands provide authentic Maldivian experiences at lower prices. Fresh tropical fruits, coconut water, and locally-made ice cream are perfect for the tropical climate.

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## ★ **Traveller Reviews**

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**Vinayak Rao**

★★★★★ 5/5

### **Dreamy Honeymoon**

Our honeymoon here was nothing short of a dream. Private beach dinners and romantic strolls made it picture-perfect.



**Heena Verma**

★★★★★ 5/5

### **Unbeatable Views**

Waking up to such breathtaking views every day was surreal. The photographs don't even do it justice!



**Nitin Mathur**

★★★★★ 5/5

### **Best Vacation Ever!**

This has honestly been the best vacation we've ever had! We fell in love with the islands, the view, the food, everything!



**Sandeep Kaur**

★★★★☆ 4/5

### **Traveling with Friends**

Great place to travel with friends! We had a fantastic time trying out all the activities together.



**Reema Joshi**

★★★★★ 5/5

### **Incredible Marine Life**

Every snorkeling session revealed stunning coral reefs and vibrant fish. A true marvel of nature!

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