

RECREATION & ACTIVITIES



DIVING

DISCOVER THE MAGIC OF THE SILENT WORLD

Velaa Dive center is equipped by Scubapro renowned for its outstanding quality. Affiliated to PADI (the Professional Association of Diving Instructors), the largest dive association in the world. Velaa Private Island is located in Noonu atoll the latest atoll discovered and dived due to its far location. Only few minutes away from Velaa, divers will discover various unexplored dive sites with the most amazing fauna of the Maldives such as grey reef sharks, nurse sharks, the seasonal manta ray, black spotted sting ray and the graceful eagle ray.







PRIVATE MOMENT DIVE



CERTIFIED DIVER US	\$
Single dive	5
Single night dive	15
5-dive package	0
Single DPV dive (Seadoo)	95
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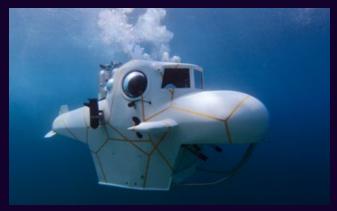


single / double dive 345 / 690
*for boats Khun Baa, Dhana & Thula
PRIVATE LUXURY BOAT DIVE US:
Private single dive / Discover scuba
& private boat
Private double dive / Discover scuba
& private Boat
Additional person single / double dive 295 / 590
Additional person (dive & discover scuba)
single / double dive
*for boats Anna, Prestige, Virusika

Additional person (dive & discover scuba)

PRIVATE GUIDING & SNORKELLING US\$
Private dive guide (per session)
Private dive guide (full day)
Private snorkel guide (per session)195
Private snorkel guide (full day)395
* For trips that don't include a guide like boat charters or
when an additional guide is required

SUBMARINE	US\$
Semi-Submarine exploration (per person)	. 395



All prices are quoted in US Dollars and subject to 10% Service charge and 12% T-GST. All water activities are subject to weather conditions. The Management reserves the right to cancel any activities at any given time in view of your safety. Damaged equipment will be charged. Diving with a computer is mandatory. All diving rates include the equipment. Cancellation policy: A 50% cancellation charge is applicable to activities not cancelled 6 hours prior to the start of the activity. A 100% no-show charge will apply if the activity is cancelled less than one hour prior to the start of the activity. The cancellation period applies to Recreation operating hours (09:00-18:00).

US\$



EQUIPMENT RENTAL

NEARBY DIVE SITES



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NEARBY DIVE SITES

NO.	DIVE SITE	DEPTH (M)	DESCRIPTION
1	REETHI LOAFARU	3 - 18	Loafaru reef offer a spectacular corals garden, various type of species such as Moray eel, white tip reef shark, surgeon fish and shoal of Moorish Idol Fish.
2	RAIMAS THILA	6 - 20	Beautiful Thila, the shallow depth of the dive, expect to see shoal of fusilier, yellow snappers, oriental sweet lips and a good variation of hard and soft corals.
3	ORIVARU	3 - 18	Orivaru reef is known for its corals lush garden, garden of eels, shoal of Yellow Snapper, lion fish and Giant moray eel.
4	VAVATHI KUROLHI	3 - 28	Stunning drop off dive which start from 3, slopes down to 28 with some amazing overhang on the wall of the drop off. Expect to see a good variety of species under one roof which include Shoals of Banners fishes, Red snapper, Midnight snapper, Sting ray, Hawksbill Turtle and many others
5	MAAVELAAVARU BEYRU	3 - 30	Great drop off which starts from 3 and drops down to a Maximum depth of 30. The wall showcase few overhang which homed the lobster, Moray eel, shoal of yellow snapper and many others. Now and then have a look into the blue catch the Eagle rays, Tuna and the Mobula rays.
6	ORIMAS THILA	15 - 30	Shoals of Sharks, Barracuda, Jack fish and Rays make Orimas Thila the most Fantastic big fishes spot in Noonu Atoll. Acting as a nursery and cleaning station for grey reef sharks, this underwater mound will often attract these fish in large numbers that take advantage of the ocean currents and warm waters. Other species of sharks such as leopard and guitar sharks are also commonly seen on the Thila, where eagle rays and sting rays also are frequently found.
7	FELIVARU GIRI	2 - 22	Easy and attractive dive which displays few large corals plateau on the shallow depth of the dive. Progressive slopes which go down to 22 that offer some lovely overhang along the wall. The reef is coloured by a large fish population which includes the Fusilier, the yellow snapper and the midnight sweetlips. Fantastic beginners dive.





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NO.	DIVE SITE	DEPTH (M)	DESCRIPTION
8	ORIMAS VARU	2 - 16	Gentle drop off from 2 slopes down to 16. The reef is entertained by various shoal of fish such as Fusilier, oriental sweetlips and yellow snappers. Divers can expect to see Lobsters on the overhang, stingrays lying on the sandy bottom, Lion fish hovering on the top of the table corals and the colourful Surgeon fish.
9	KURAMADHOO CAVES	18 - 30	Semi-caves diving spot with swim-through arches. Fantastic dive for the adventure divers to swim beneath open arches where various species can be spotted inside the cave such as: Lobsters, Moray eel, Fine fins Lion fish and much more. A small reef with abundant sea-life which includes shoal of banner fish, Shoal of fusilier, Tuna, eagle ray Napoleon.
10	THANBURUDHOO	5 - 30	A unique reef formation! A crack in the reef has led to the formation of a canyon which is great for exploring. Look out for morays and shrimp, schools of snappers and oriental sweetlips and fusiliers dashing into the reef for cover from hunting jack fish. The occasional glance away from the reef and into the blue water can be rewarded with sightings of napoleon wrasse and eagle rays passing by.
11	GATHAFARU	10 - 30	The most interesting topographic dives in Noonu atoll with overhang cover by soft corals and the home of many species: Napoleon, Eagle ray, Stingray, Lobsters, Midnight snappers, Oriental and much other marine life.
12	KUNNA MALEI	13 - 30	Kunna Malei is a beautiful Thila with some amazing overhang. The anemone garden, shoal of snappers, Hawksbill turtle, stingray, Lion fish bring a harmonious life to the Thila. It's a spot that you can expect to see a ballet of the eagle ray.
13	KURAMADHOO CHANEL	15 - 30	Experience the most sport games fishes such as, Tuna, Wahoo, shoal of Jack fish and Barracuda fighting thought the ocean current.
14	THE DOME	10 - 30	Beautiful drop-off dive with some amazing overhang and swimming through arches. The reef has good mixture between soft corals, hard corals and abundant fish life.
15	DEEFURAM	5 - 28	Easy and attractive reef which displays few large corals that plateau on the shallow depth of the dive. Progressive slopes which go down to 28 that offer some lovely overhang along the wall. Catch up with the Manta in seasonal time at the cleaning station.





WATER SPORTS

FULFILL YOUR THRILLING FANTASY AND JOYFUL MOMENT WITH OUR VARIETY OF HIGH TECH TOYS

Sail along Velaa Private Island reef with our Weta Trimaran and Topcat K1 catamaran. Experience a feeling of speed with our Jet Ski and feel like James Bond exploring the house reef by Sea Bob.

Cruise along and surf Velaa Private Island with the Stand Up paddle-board. Feel the sensation of flying with Kite surfing.





WATER SPORTS

JET SKI	US\$	WINDSPORTS	US\$
30 mins per waverunner	195	Competency check	. free
1 hour Kids jet ski	55	Windsurfing lesson 1 hour	195
1,5 hour Atoll Tour	570	Catamaran lesson 1 hour	195
2 hours Sandbank & Snorkel Tour	780	Kite surf lesson 1 hour	195
Relocation	100	Kite Surf Lesson	
		on Desert Island 3h	995
JET SURF	US\$	* including transfer & boat on stand by	
30 mins per Jet surf	195	Windsurfing international	
		certification (6 to 8 hours)	795
SEABOB	US\$	Catamaran international	
15 mins per Seabob	95	certification (6 to 8 hours)	795
30 mins per Seabob		Kite surf International	
1 hour per Seabob		certification (8 hours)	. 1695
Relocation.		Catamaran K1 hire	95
		Weta trimaran hire	95
		Kite + board hire	95
		"SMALL SPEEDBOAT" HIRE	
Transaction of the last of the		1 hour Hire	295
	10	SAILING TRIPS	US\$
		Catamaran and Trimaran	
		with skipper per hour	145
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BOARDSPORTS	US\$	1 hour per boat	free
Beginner lesson 30 mins	195	Additional hour	
Expert Ride 15 mins			
Expercision in this	50	COMPLIMENTARY ACTIVITIES	
FLYBOARD/HOVERBOARD/JETPACK	US\$	Stand up paddle	
Beginner lesson 30 mins		Glass bottom kayak	
Expert Ride 20 mins		Windsurf hire only	
Experentiac 20 mins			
WATER TOWABLES	US\$		

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EXCURSIONS

FULFILL YOUR WISH OF EXPLORING THE MALDIVIAN SEA AND THE BEAUTY OF THE CORAL REEF WITH PASSION

Velaa Private Island embraces and encompasses the tranquil infiniteness that is the ocean. Experience the tranquility of Velaa Private Island surrounded reef, and cruise onboard our vessels selection on offer. Cruise the Indian ocean turquoise water onboard our vessels selection;





BATHELI ANNA CRUISES

Traditional Luxury Maldivian Batheli ANNA offers an authentic comfort with her wooden style boat and contemporary interior.

SUNSET / DOLPHIN CRUISE	US\$
2 hours / 4 persons	1 695
Additional person	345
Additional hour	750
* Including 1 bottle of Champagne or beers, canap	és, fruit





DESERT ISLAND DINNER CRUISE	JS\$
5 hours / 2 persons	440
Additional person	900
Additional hour	750
* Including BBQ dinner & non-alcoholic beverages. 2 ho	urs

LUXURY PRIVATE SNORKEL TRIP	US\$
2 hours / 4 persons	1 895
Additional person	. 345
Additional hour	. 750
* Including 1 bottle of Champagne or beers, canapés, fr platter, juices.	uit

DINNER CRUISE	US\$
4 hours / 2 persons	4 085
Additional person	595
Additional hour	750

 $^{^{}st}$ Including 4-course dinner & non-alcoholic beverages.

Half-Day charter / 4 persons.2 895Full-Day charter / 4 persons.5 495Desert Island surcharge.1 995Additional person.345Additional hour.750	CHARTERS	US\$
Desert Island surcharge	Half-Day charter / 4 persons	2 895
Additional person	Full-Day charter / 4 persons	5 495
	Desert Island surcharge	1995
Additional hour	Additional person	345
	Additional hour	750

- * Including 1 bottle of Champagne or beers, canapés, fruit platter, juices.
- ** Half-Day charter duration: 4 hours; Full-Day charter duration: 8 hours. Half-Day charters are from 09:30 to 13:30 and from 14:30 to 18:30.

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PRESTIGE LUXURY YACHT CRUISES

Live the tranquil moment on our luxury yacht Prestige 500 and experience the charm of her well thought-out design.

PRIVATE BIG GAME FISHING	US\$
Half-Day / 4 persons	2 795
Full-Day / 4 persons	5 195
Additional person	345
Additional hour	700
* Including breakfast menu;	
Half-Day trip duration: 4 hours; Full-Day trip durati	ion: 8
hours.	

LUXURY PRIVATE SNORKEL TRIP	US\$
2,5 hours / 4 persons	1895
Additional person	. 345
Additional hour	

SUNSET FISHING U	JS\$
2 hours / 4 persons	695
Additional person	345
Additional hour	700
* Including 1 bottle of Champagne or beers, canapés, frui	it
platter, juices.	

SUNSET / DOLPHIN CRUISE	US\$
2 hours / 4 persons	1695
Additional person	. 345
Additional hour	. 700
* Including 1 bottle of Champagne or beers, canapés, f	ruit
platter, juices.	

DESERT ISLAND DINNER CRUISE	US\$
5 hours / 2 persons	.7 290
Additional person	900
Additional hour	700
* Including BBQ dinner & non-alcoholic beverages. 2 l	nours
cruising 3 hours dinner	

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CHARTERS	US\$
Half-Day charter / 4 persons	2 795
Full-Day charter / 4 persons	5 195
Desert Island surcharge	1 995
Additional person	345
Additional hour	

** Charter duration: 4 hours, Full-Day charter duration: 8 hours. Half-Day charters are from 09:30 to 13:30 and from 14:30 to 18:30.

TRANSFERS	US\$
Cheval Blanc	1695
Anantara Kihavah	2 795
Four Seasons Landaa Giraavaru	2 795
Amilla Fushi	2 795
Irufushi	1695
Ifuru domestic airport	1 695
LUNCH / DINNER / VISITS	US\$
Cheval Blanc	3 495
Anantara Kihavah	5 195
Four Seasons Landaa Giraavaru	5 195
Amilla Fushi	5 195
Irufuchi	7 /05

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VIRUSIKA CRUISES

Enjoy the thrill of speed combined with top-notch fishing equipment all in a Velaa luxurious way.



PRIVATE BIG GAME FISHING US	Э
Half-Day / 4 persons	95
Full-Day / 4 persons	95
Additional person	95
Additional hour	50

PRIVATE SNORKEL TRIP	US\$
2,5 hours / 4 persons	1 595
Additional person	295
Additional hour	

SUNSET FISHING	US\$
2 hours / 4 persons	. 1 395
Additional person	295
Additional hour	550
* Including 1 bottle of Champagne or beers, canapés, f	fruit
platter, juices.	

SUNSET / DOLPHIN CRUISE	US\$
2 hours / 4 persons	1 395
Additional person	295
Additional hour	. 550
* Including 1 bottle of Champagne or beers, canapés, f	ruit
platter, juices.	

DESERT ISLAND DINNER CRUISE	US\$
5 hours / 2 persons	6 640
Additional person	. 900
Additional hour	
cruising, 3 hours dinner.	

CHARTERS	US\$
Half-Day charter / 4 persons	295
Full-Day charter / 4 persons	1 195
Dessert Island surcharge1	995
Additional person	.295
Additional hour	

^{**} Charter duration: 4 hours, Full-Day charter duration: 8 hours. Half-Day charters are from 09:30 to 13:30 and from 14:30 to 18:30.

TRANSFERS	US\$
Cheval Blanc	1 395
Anantara Kihavah	2 295
Four Seasons Landaa Giraavaru	2 295
Amilla Fushi	2 295
Irufushi	1 395
Ifuru domestic airport	1 395
LUNCH / DINNER / VISITS	US\$
Cheval Blanc	2 845
Anantara Kihavah	4 195
Four Seasons Landaa Giraavaru	4 195
Amilla Fushi	4 195
Irufushi	2 845

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EXPERIENCE THE THRILL OF TRANQUILITY

Velaa Private Island is situated on the edge of Noonu atoll and surrounded by numerous uninhabited islands hosting numerous species of fish. Experience the catch of Pelagic fish such as Sail fish, Tuna or Waou on a Biggame fishing trip. Live the Maldivian traditional fishing experience on a sunset fishing cruise. Or cast the famous Maldivian Tuna on a fishing day trip. Experience the care-free moment while cruising on our custom made Dhoni Dhana which provides you with a spacious and free environment.

DHANA DHONI CRUISES

PRIVATE BIG GAME FISHING	US\$
Half-Day / 4 persons	1 995
Full-Day / 4 persons	3 595
Additional persons	275
Additional hour	475
* Including breakfast menu;	
Half-Day trip duration: 4 hours; Full-Day trip durat	tion: 8
hours.	

PRIVATE SNORKEL TRIP	US\$
2 hours / 4 persons	. 1 495
Additional person	275
Additional hour	

SUNSET FISHING	US\$
2 hours / 4 persons	1 295
Additional person	275
Additional hour	475
* Including 1 bottle of Champagne or beers, canapés, f	ruit
platter, juices.	

SONSET / DOLFTIIN CROISE	004
2 hours / 4 persons	1 295
Additional person	275
Additional hour	475
* Including 1 bottle of Champagne or beers, cana	pés, fruit
platter, juices.	



DESERT ISLAND DINNER CRUISE	US\$
5 hours / 2 persons	.6 265
Additional person	900
Additional hour	475
* Including BBQ dinner & non-alcoholic beverages. 2 l	hours
cruising, 3 hours dinner.	

CHARTERS US	\$
Half-Day charter / 4 persons 199	95
Full-Day charter / 4 persons	95
Desert Island surcharge199	95
Additional person27	75
Additional hour	

** Charter duration: 4 hours, Full-Day charter duration: 8 hours. Half-Day charters are from 09:30 to 13:30 and from 14:30 to 18:30.

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THULA SPEED BOAT CRUISES



PRIVATE BIG GAME FISHING	US\$
Half-Day / 4 persons	. 1 995
Full-Day / 4 persons	. 3 595
Additional persons	275
Additional hour* Including breakfast menu;	
Half-Day trip duration: 4 hours; Full-Day trip duration: hours.	8

SUNSET FISHING US	5\$
2 hours / 4 persons	95
Additional person	75
Additional hour	75
* Including 1 bottle of Champagne or beers, canapés, fruit	
platter, juices.	

SONSET / DOLITHIN CROISE	004
2 hours / 4 persons	1 295
Additional person	275
Additional hour	
* Including 1 bottle of Champagne or beers, cana	apés, fruit
platter juices	

CHARTERS	US\$
Half-Day charter / 4 persons	1995
Full-Day charter / 4 persons	3 595
Additional person	275
Additional hour	475
* Including simple refreshment menu (canapés, fruit pla	atter,
beer, juices).	

** Charter duration: 4 hours, Full-Day charter duration: 8 hours. Half-Day charters are from 09:30 to 13:30 and from 14:30 to 18:30.

TRANSFERS	US\$
Cheval Blanc	695
Anantara Kihavah	1 195
Four Seasons Landaa Giraavaru	1 195
Amilla Fushi	1 195
Irufushi	695
lfuru domestic airport	695
LUNCH / DINNER / VISITS	US\$
Cheval Blanc	1 595
Anantara Kihavah	2 395
Four Seasons Landaa Giraavaru	2 395
Amilla Fushi	2 395
Irufushi	1 595

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SPEEDBOAT KHUN BAA CRUISES

SUNSET FISHING / DOLPHIN CRUISE	US\$
2 hours / 4 persons	. 1 095
Additional person	
Additional hour	
* Including Beers, canapés, fruit platter, juices.	
PRIVATE SNORKEL TRIP	US\$
1,5 hours trip / 45 mins snorkelling	
4 persons	595
Additional person	145
2,5 hours trip / 2 x 45 mins snorkelling	
4 persons	995
Additional person	245
Additional hour	395
* Including fruit platter, soft drinks and water.	
DESERT ISLAND DINNER	US\$
3 hours / 2 persons	. 4 180
Additional person	900
Additional hour	395
* Including BBQ dinner & non-alcoholic beverages.	
CHARTERS	US\$
Half-Day charter / 4 persons	. 1 595
Full-Day charter / 4 persons	.2 995
Additional person	245
Additional hour	395
* Including Beers, canapés, fruit platter, juices.	
Charter duration: 4 hours, Full-Day charter duration:	8 hours
DESERT ISLAND SLUMBER	US\$
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TRANSFERS	US\$
Cheval Blanc	695
Anantara Kihavah	1 195
Four Seasons Landaa Giraavaru	1 195
Amilla Fushi	1 195
Irufushi	695
Ifuru domestic airport	695
LUNCH / DINNER / VISITS	US\$
Cheval Blanc	1 595
Anantara Kihavah	2 395
Four Seasons Landaa Giraavaru	. 2395
Amilla Fushi	2 395
Irufushi	1 595
SPEEDBOAT RENTAL	
1 hour	395
2 hours	
7 hours	1 105

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SPORT ACTIVITIES

Rain or sunshine, our covered tennis & squash courts are ready for your game, whether playing with friends or our resident Pro. The recreation arena offers other activities including squash, badminton, beach volleyball and a 6 metre climbing wall.





SPORT ACTIVITIES

TENNIS US	5\$	SQUASH	US
Court rental (Including racket)12	20	Court rental (Including racket)	10
Court rental (excluding racket) 8	3O	Court rental (excluding racket)	7
Private lesson17	75	Private lesson	17
* All per 1 hour		* All per 1 hour	





BADMINTON	US\$
Court rental (Including racket)	80
Court rental (excluding racket)	60
Private lesson	175
* All per 1 hour	

GAMES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST Petangue

Petanque
Beach tennis
Speedminton
Croquet

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VELAA MARINE CENTRE

Explore the whole new world and the beauty of our reefs. Welcoming by the friendliest Maldivian Marine life beneath the blue turquoise water. Venture through the glistening water of the Atoll to discover the bustling schools of fish and abundant coral diversity. Only 15 mins away from the Resort experience the most untouched reefs of Noonu Atoll.





SNORKELING

DISCOVER SNORKELING LESSON

A whole new world to explore is awaiting you. Beneath the turquoise abyss you will be welcomed by the friendly Maldivian marine life. Once you put your head underwater and discover the beauty of the oceans there is no stopping you.

GUIDED HOUSE REEF

We want to inspire, educate and share our knowledge about our passion for the marine world. We will help unravel the mysterious natural environment that encompasses Velaa.

NIGHT SNORKELING

Visit and explore the nightlife of the reefs. Witness the movements of the elusive creatures by night. The house reef is perfect to explore at night. With only our torches to guide us we seek out the marine life. (15 years old and above)





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SNORKELING

COMBINED SNORKEL TRIP WITH MARINE BIOLOGIST

Hop on a short boat trip and join our marine biologist for a short trip close by reef Orimasvaru and see some beautiful corals and marine life. Available on Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday from 09:00 to 10:00.

PRIVATE SNORKEL WITH MARINE BIOLOGIST ON SPEEDBOAT

Let's venture through the glistening waters of Noonu Atoll and find a quiet reef on the surface, but underneath teams of bustling schools of fish and abundant coral diversity. We will take you to the best snorkel sites in Noonu Atoll seeking any of your favorite marine life we have here in the Maldives. This is but anice quick boat ride to our destination for a 45mins snorkel to excite the taste buds. (8 years old and above)

1,5 hours trip, 45 mins snorkeling / up to 4 persons	US\$ 595
Additional person	US\$ 145
2,5 hours trip / 2 x 45 mins snorkeling / up to 4 persons	US\$ 995
Additional person	115\$ 245

SEADOO RENTAL

Do you feel the need for some speed? Why not try the powered Seadoo to move through the water around Velaa, allowing you to see a lot more of the island in one snorkel trip.

LUXURY YACHT PRIVATE SNORKEL TRIP

Indulge yourself with a luxury experience by cruising onboard our yacht to the snorkel site in the company of your private snorkel guide.

2 hours / 4 persons	US\$ 1895
Additional person	US\$ 345

PRIVATE SNORKELING GUIDE

Half-Day private snorkel guide on charters	. US\$ 1	95
Full-Day private snorkel guide on charters	.US\$ 3	95

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VELAA HOUSE REEF SNORKEL SITES



Reef access channels
House reef sites

Depth at Velaa house reef ranges from 1.0 - 24 m



COMMONLY SEEN FISH ON VELAA HOUSE REEF

Blue-fin jack	Caranx melampygus	Seen circling around the islands amongst the reef crest and reef slope in search of food. Very fast and robust fish.	Known as roving predators, they create distracting situations to capture their unaware prey.
Black-spotted Pufferfish	Arothron nigropunctatus	Hides during the day and is very shy. Active at night seen in sand flats feeding on invertebrates. Variable in colour from grey to yellow.	When in danger its defense mechanism reacts quickly inflating its body and it becomes a suspended looking ball. They eventually deflate once the danger has subsided.
Sabre squirrelfish	Sargocentron spiniferum	Found under rocks and overhangs, seen solitary.	Nocturnal fish, feeding on crabs, small fish and shrimp at night.
Oriental sweetlips	Plectorhinchus vittatus	Found in schools or solitary under boulders and overhangs.	Sweetlip juveniles are very different to their adult form; they go through many changes of appearance and behaviour before becoming an adult. The juvenile Oriental sweetlips looks like a little dancing fish
Dogtooth tuna	Gymnosarda unicolor	Generally found solitary circling around reefs at a fast pass or in the deep blue.	The tuna fish family are built for speed and are among the fastest fish in the ocean



COMMONLY SEEN FISH ON VELAA HOUSE REEF

Maldivian anemonefish	Amphiprion nigripes	Hides inside the sea anemones (Heteractis magnifica). Seen on shallow reefs up to 15m depth.	Only seen in the Maldives and small communities seen in Sri Lanka. Anemone fish get their name from the living organism which they live inside, an anemone. They use the anemone as a home and shelter from predators because the anemone stings other species; the anemone fish are immune to these stings.
Parrot fish	Scaridae	Seen on reefs, sleep in crevices and caves at night. Adults often seen in schools, juveniles are solitary or form small groups.	Very colourful, you can hear them feeding on corals which the algae is growing on, helping to keep the reef healthy. They contribute to producing the white sandy beaches we have here in the Maldives.
Blue-Powder Surgeon Fish	Acanthurus Leucosternon	Found in most clear water habitats to 20m depth.	Given the name surgeon fish because of the spine which is said to be as sharp as a surgeon's knife. Very common to seen beautiful large schools of these fish.
Moorish idol	Zanclus cornutus	Seen in shallow reefs and deep outer walls. Usually seen alone or in pairs.	Larvae can live more than three months allowing it to drift to near and far locations by the oceans currents allowing it to be distributed throughout the Indo-Pacific.
Vermilion Rock Cod	Cephalopholis miniata	Seen mostly in coral reefs or rocky bottoms up to 20m deep, normally in small groups.	They are territorial, with one male and 12 females in each group, each female has its own area and the male visits them all individually on a daily basis.



VELAA PRIVATE ISLAND NEARBY SNORKEL SITES









VELAA PRIVATE ISLAND NEARBY SNORKEL SITES

NO.	DIVE SITE	DESCRIPTION
1	KUNNAMALEI	Hawksbill Heaven. Devil rays found here in season.
2	KURAMAADHOO	Caves, ledges, overhangs, shallow top reef, steep drop off, lots of fish and unique corals.
3	ORIMASVARU	Has everything, gentle sloping reef, lots of fish, abundance of live corals.
4	MAAVELAAVARU	Steep drop off, lots of red-toothed triggerfish, overhangs.
5	VAVATHI KUROLHI	A giri with everything, high densities of live coral, patchy reef, boulder corals, baby white tip sharks, hawksbill turtles.
6	ORIVARU	Best corals in Noonu atoll, sometimes see the green turtles here and octopus and lobster are common too.
7	LOAFARU	Gentle sloping gradient with oriental sweetlips, red snapper and butterflyfish.
8	THANBURUDHOO	Steep sloping reef, lots of red-toothed triggerfish, damsel fish, anemone fish and groupers.
9	RAAFUSHI	Beautiful reef, steep slope, occasional turtles, lots of fish.
10	MAAFUNAFARU	Unique reef with lots of boulders and unique structures, also many anemone fish, groupers, midnight snapper, occasional baby reef sharks.
11	HUIVANI	Patchy reef. Mantas seen here in season.
12	DHEEFURAM	Steep drop off with lots of fish and schooling bannerfish.





CORAL CARE PROJECT

The Maldives' famous turquoise crystal clear waters wouldn't be possible without the exquisite and fragile coral reefs. Often referred to as the 'Rainforests of the Sea' because of their richness in biodiversity. Coral reefs are the building blocks for shelter, protection, home and a food source for its inhabitants. Its success is measured through a perfect equilibrium for its survival.





We consider ourselves fortunate to be the guardians of the sea that encompasses our island home. We understand the need to safeguard such a precious and finite resource.

Our dedicated Marine Team is currently implementing numerous coral restoration programs in order to conserve our reef. One such program is our Coral Adoption Program.









HOW CAN YOU HELP? ADOPT A CORAL DOME.

What is coral? Rock, animal or plant? Start your Coral Care Project with an introduction to corals to find out these answers, held by our resident Marine Biologist.

COLLECT AND ATTACH THE CORAL FRAGMENTS

Join us on a house reef snorkel to find fragments of broken corals that can be used to attach to your coral dome and grow into large coral colonies.

ATTACH THE CORALS AND PLACE THE DOME

Attach your collected coral fragments securely onto your coral dome. Then snorkel out with the dome to place in an optimal location for your corals to thrive.



Your conservation efforts will not go unnoticed, a coral adoption certificate will be given for your generosity to our reef, along with biannual updates of your corals development. On your next visit to Velaa

our Marine Biologist will take you on a complementary coral observation snorkel, giving you the chance to re-attach corals if needed and observe the growth of your coral dome.







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