MALDIVES MASTER

Far South

Kooddoo to Kooddoo | Huvadhoo and Fuvahmulah

Tiger sharks are the headline in the far south of the Maldives, where Fuvahmulah is known for them.

There is healthy coral and reef fish on the north side, and a bluewater dive above the south plateau to watch the pelagic action.

In Huvadhoo, a drift in the blue is known for scalloped hammerhead sightings, while spinner and grey reef sharks patrol the channels.

Deep channels with strong currents run past a wall of hard and soft corals, and a marine protected area keeps fishing banned.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
7 nights	Kooddoo	Kooddoo	30 dives, Deep training







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Embarkation

No diving today

The crew meets you at Kooddoo Airport and a dhoni takes you to Maldives Master.
Once everyone is on board there is a boat orientation and safety briefing, followed by dinner.
There is no diving on embarkation day.

DAY 2

Huvadhoo

Up to 3 dives

The dives start near Kooddoo Airport with an easy check dive at Turtle Point, then Villingili Kandu, a long channel with strong currents, Kuredhdhoo Kandu, with a wall of hard and soft corals, Nilhandhdoo Kandu and Maarehaa Kandu, a marine protected area where fishing is banned.

DAY 3

Huvadhoo

Up to 3 dives

More time around Huvadhoo, with the sites picked by the captain and dive team to suit the conditions.



DAY 4

Fuvahmulah

Up to 3 dives

Fuvahmulah is reached by an overnight crossing from Huvadhoo, leaving at about 01:30.
Tiger Harbour is known for its tiger sharks.
There is also healthy coral and reef fish on the north side, and a bluewater dive above the south plateau to watch the pelagic action.

DAY 5

Fuvahmulah

Up to 3 dives

More time around Fuvahmulah, with the sites picked by the captain and dive team to suit the conditions.

DAY 6

Huvadhoo

Up to 3 dives

Mafzoo Thila, a submerged pinnacle with little or no current, Gemanafushi Blue, a drift in the blue known for scalloped hammerhead sightings, Funadhoo Kandu, Vodamulaa Kandu, Kooddoo Kandu and Kooddoo Shark Point, with spinner and grey reef sharks.

DAY 7

Last diving day

Two morning dives

Two morning dives, at about 06:30 and 10:45, before the boat heads back to port after lunch. Check your flight time so there are at least 24 hours between your last dive and flying.

DAY 8

Disembarkation

Early breakfast on board, then disembarkation at 08:00 at Kooddoo (Gaafu Alifu), where you take your domestic flight.
There is no diving today.







GOOD TO KNOW

On land and on the way

Night dives

A sunset or night dive may be offered. On 7 night trips only one is possible, and it is not guaranteed.

Manta rays

Cleaning stations and feeding areas, depending on the season.

Check in

The crew meets you at Kooddoo Airport, with a dhoni transfer at 12:00 or 17:15 only. There is a small cafe at the airport but no luggage storage, and no hotel pick ups.

Check out

Disembarkation is at 08:00 at Kooddoo.

Last dive

Two morning dives on the last diving day, then the boat returns to port after lunch. Allow at least 24 hours between your last dive and flying.

INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Full board accommodation
- Water, tea and coffee
- All diving offered in the itinerary
- Tank, weights and air fills
- Transfers between the airport and the boat, by dhoni

NOT INCLUDED

- Green tax, paid in advance
- Alcoholic and soft drinks
- Rental equipment
- Nitrox
- Dive courses
- Crew tips, which are customary
- Internet
- A fuel surcharge, if it applies
- Domestic flights, where needed
- Dive insurance (mandatory) and travel insurance

BEFORE YOU GO

What to bring

ESSENTIALS

- Dive certification card and logbook
- Completed diver medical questionnaire
- Details of your dive and travel insurance
- Dive computer and surface marker buoy with reel
- Reef-safe sunscreen

AND ALSO

- Swimwear, hat and sunglasses
- Light clothing and sandals
- Personal medication and toiletries
- Travel adaptor
- Passport

WORTH KNOWING

Key notes

Good to know

Divers need at least 30 logged dives, open water with deep (30 metres) training, and advanced open water is strongly recommended, and experience of currents and drift dives

Respect the reef

Dive sites we visit can change from one trip to the next, depending on the weather, tides, currents and marine life. The route is not fixed

Good to know

All divers must use a dive computer and carry a surface marker buoy and reel on every dive

Flying

Domestic flights are needed to reach or leave Kooddoo, and are not included

Good to know

There is a fee per dive at Tiger Harbour in Fuvahmulah, paid on board in US dollar cash, and it can change without notice

Good to know

The cruise includes long overnight crossings between the atolls