SPIRIT OF THE MALDIVES

Deep South Male to Gan

Male to Gan | Male, Laamu, Huvadhoo, Fuvahmulah and Addu



Fuvahmulah is where the sea floor rises 2,000 metres to meet the reef, and hammerheads, threshers, silvertips, grey reef sharks and tiger sharks are all frequent visitors.

Huvadhoo has deep, current-swept channels with huge schools of pelagic fish, sharks and rays, and at night whale sharks may come to the lights at the back of the boat.

Between them lie Meemu, known for its manta cleaning stations, and Laamu, with vibrant corals and spectacular channels.

The far south ends at Addu, with drift dives in the eastern channels, a wreck that is now a thriving reef and a manta cleaning station to the north.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
13 nights	Male	Gan	100+ dives, AOWD







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Embarkation

No diving today

The crew meets you in front of Burger King at Male airport, with pick-ups at 12 noon and 4 pm, and takes you to Spirit of the Maldives.
The first dive, the check dive, is the morning after boarding.

DAY 2

North Male

Up to 3 dives

North Male Atoll, where the trip begins, with dive sites chosen to suit the conditions.

DAY 3

South Male

Up to 3 dives

South Male Atoll, the start of the journey south, with channel dives for sharks, eagle rays and schools of snapper and jackfish.



DAY 4

Felidhu

Up to 3 dives

Felidhu Atoll, with channels alive with sharks, eagle rays and schools of snapper and jackfish.

DAY 5

Meemu

Up to 3 dives

Meemu Atoll, known for its manta cleaning stations, with channels for sharks and eagle rays.

DAY 6

Thaa

Up to 3 dives

Thaa Atoll, with vibrant corals and channels with sharks, eagle rays and schooling fish.

DAY 7

Laamu

Up to 3 dives

Laamu Atoll, in the southern reaches of the central atolls, with vibrant corals and spectacular channels.

DAY 8

Huvadhoo

Up to 3 dives

Huvadhoo Atoll, with deep, current-swept channels, huge schools of pelagic fish, sharks and rays. You reef hook on the corner to watch, then drift, and inside the atoll there are shallow reefs and macro life.
At night whale sharks may come to the lights at the back of the boat.

DAY 9

Huvadhoo

Up to 3 dives

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

DAY 10

Fuvahmulah

Up to 3 dives

Fuvahmulah, where the sea floor rises 2,000 metres to meet the reef, with drift dives along a plateau at about 30 metres.
Hammerheads, threshers, silvertips, grey reef sharks and tiger sharks are all frequent visitors.

DAY 11

Fuvahmulah

Up to 3 dives

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

DAY 12

Addu

Up to 3 dives

Addu Atoll, home of Gan, with the wreck of the British Loyalty, now a thriving reef, drift dives in the eastern channels, and a manta cleaning station to the north.

DAY 13

Last diving day

2 to 4 dives

Normally between two and four dives, depending on the itinerary.
Check your flight time so there are at least 24 hours between your last dive and flying.

DAY 14

Disembarkation

Disembarkation at about 7 am after breakfast in Gan, where you take your flight. There is no diving today.

GOOD TO KNOW

On land and on the way

Night dives

Night dives, often with sharks and mantas, depending on the conditions.

Beach barbecue

A barbecue dinner on a local island, weather allowing.

Check in

Pick-ups at the airport are at 12 noon and 4 pm, from in front of Burger King. The earliest check in is 12 noon and the latest is 4 pm.

Check out

Disembarkation is at about 7 am at Gan, where you take your flight.

Last dive

Between two and four dives on the last diving day, depending on the itinerary. Allow at least 24 hours between your last dive and flying.







INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Full board with afternoon snacks and one beach barbecue dinner, weather allowing
- Unlimited water, tea and coffee
- One house beer or glass of wine a day
- All fees: fuel surcharge, green tax, port fee, marine park fee and taxes
- Airport meet and greet and transfers
- Nitrox for qualified divers
- Diving from a 20 metre dive support boat

NOT INCLUDED

- Flights, including domestic flights
- Courses and equipment rental
- Drinks beyond the daily house beer or wine
- Crew tips, which are customary
- Extra services
- 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

The routing can change to suit the weather, the currents and the sea conditions

Good to know

Snorkellers are welcome on board

Flying

A one way domestic flight with Maldivian Aero to or from Kooddoo or Gan is needed, and is not included

Good to know

This itinerary is for experienced divers, as the currents in the channels can be strong

Good to know

Fuvahmulah has tiger sharks, and sightings cannot be promised