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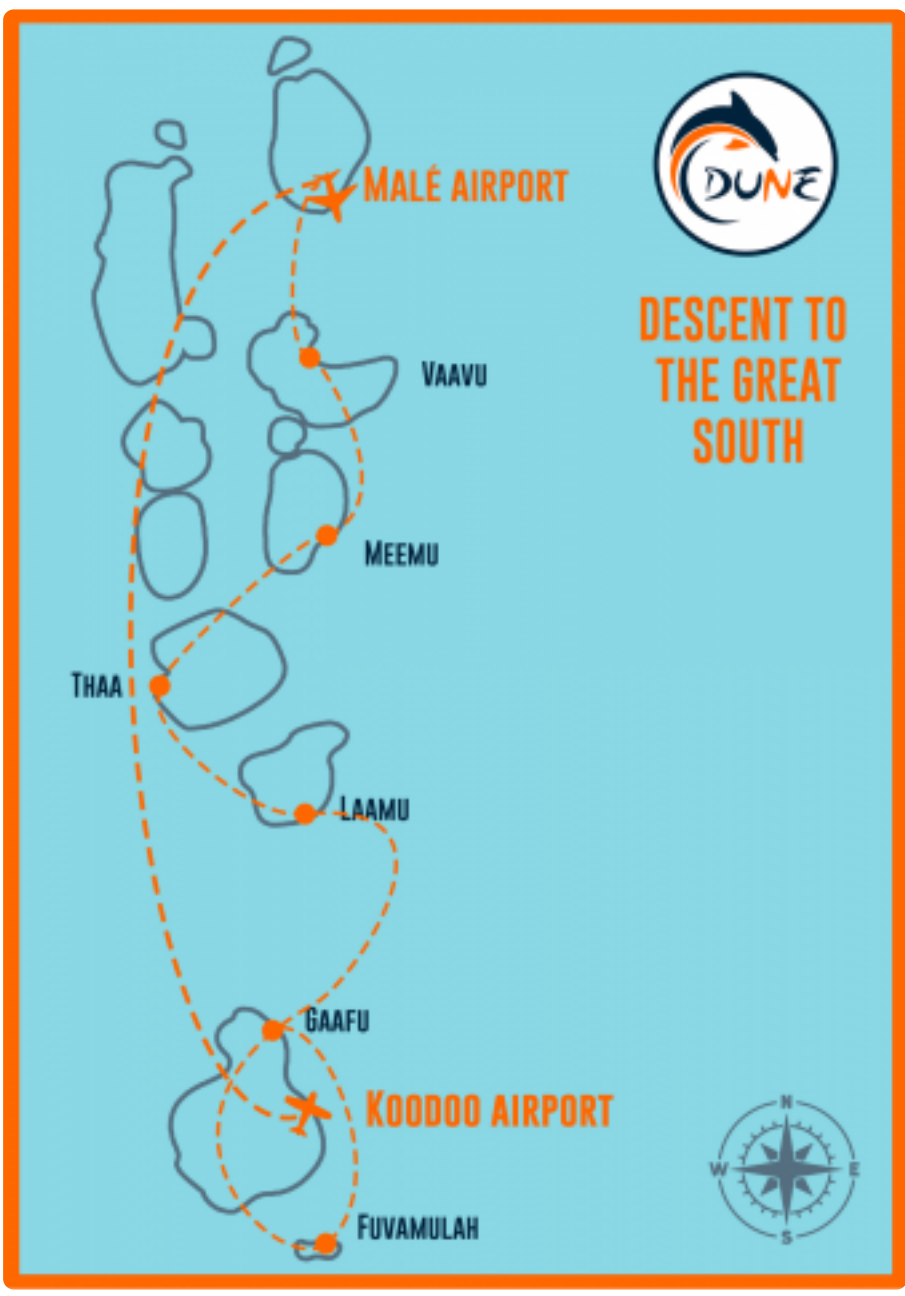
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Access to the dream of mythical encounters with pelagics in the heart of magnificent landscapes, for lovers of sport diving!

Itinerary 10 nights, North & South Male, Vaavu, Meemu, Thaa, Laamu, North & South Gaafu, Fuvamulah Atoll.

The itinerary is subject to weather conditions and may be subject to change.

Best period: January to April



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| Destination | Southern Cruises |
| Activity | BEST-OF |
| Duration | 11 days |

| ITINERARY | DATES & PRICES | PRACTICAL INFO |
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| <p>Day 1 Hulhumale</p> | | <p>A Dune agent will meet you at the airport and will transport you to the Noraya. Once you arrive, you will be offered refreshments while the cruise director will provide you with all the necessary information about the ship's organisation and the details of your cruise. Dinner will be served in the evening and the first night will be spent in the Hulhumale marina.</p> |
| <p>Day 2 North Male - South Male - Vaavu Atoll</p> | | <p>The trip will start by exploring the long reefs of North Male Atoll. Corals are abundant here, providing an exceptional home for many fish and smaller creatures. After the first dive we will sail to Vaavu Atoll to get straight into the heart of the action. There is nothing more exciting than watching sharks, rays and jacks crevalles searching for food.</p> |
| <p>Day 3 Vaavu Atoll - Meemu Atoll</p> | | <p>In addition to the exceptional topography and marine life, you will also visit the virgin reefs of Meemu Atoll. The excellent canal covered with steep walls and overhangs covered in soft corals. A great chance to encounter hammerheads with grey sharks, white tip sharks, eagle rays, napoleons and turtles.</p> |
| <p>Day 4 Meemu Atoll - Thaa Atoll - Laamu Atoll</p> | | <p>Travelling south, you will discover a varied topography: thilas, gyres, canals, coral gardens and overhangs. You will also encounter reef sharks, white tips, eagle rays, tunas, and jacks crevalles shoals.</p> |
| <p>Day 5 Laamu Atoll - North Gaafu Atoll</p> | | <p>Laamu Atoll is characterised by drift dives and deep canals that attracts sharks, rays, jacks crevalles and tunas. You will also discover intact caves and drops offs. The central lagoon hosts large shoals of parrotfish, triggerfish and turtles.</p> |
| <p>Day 6 North Gaafu - South Gaafu Atoll</p> | | <p>The largest atoll in the Maldives, located in the deep south, offers intact reefs and lagoons. A wide variety of turtles and sharks, including blacktip, whitetip and nurse sharks have made their home here. You may even be lucky enough to see the bulldog and tiger sharks that sometimes honour us with their presence.</p> |
| <p>Day 7 Gaafu Atoll - South - Fuvamulah</p> | | <p>Gaaf dhall is also made up of very beautiful canals with intact corals and also very frequented by pelagics.</p> <p>Depending on current and wind conditions we will then head to the mythical site of Fuvamulah. Located below the equator, it is renowned for the presence of many sharks, in particular tiger sharks, and very often reserves beautiful surprise encounters!</p> |
| <p>Day 8 Fuvamulah Atoll</p> | | <p>We will spend the day on this mythical atoll searching for large pelagic fish for special encounters. In addition to the beautiful underwater scenery, there are also new chances to encounter napoleons and other shoals of coral fish.</p> |
| <p>Day 9 Fuvamulah - Gaafu Atoll</p> | | <p>A last dive on Fuvamulah atoll and then we will go back up to Gaafu to enjoy the multitude of canals that this atoll offers. Afterwards we will anchor at night with the possibility to observe whale sharks at the back of the boat.</p> |
| <p>Day 10 Gaafu Atoll</p> | | <p>Depending on your return flights we will make 2 to 3 dives in the passes around the islands of Vilingili and Khoodoo.</p> |
| <p>Day 11 Khoodoo</p> | | <p>Departure from the boat to Khoodoo domestic airport and transfer to Male airport for your international flight.</p> |

A circuit with a strong reputation, the Southern Maldives is an itinerary that is characterized by a pelagic presence that no one can get enough of. A physical cruise with lots of technical dives in the canals. Realize your dream of meeting the mythical underwater species for which the Maldives is famous, in the heart of magnificent landscapes.

The goal of Dune Maldives is to build a personalised journey that exceeds your expectations. The sites and atolls that you visit will be selected based on your desires, while also considering the weather conditions and tides. The itinerary presented is therefore a standard itinerary that can be modified.

A typical day aboard one of our boats includes 2 to 3 dives and is structured as follows:

- 06h30: Wake up, tea/coffee
- 07h00: Briefing of the first dive on the main boat and departure from the Dhoni
- 09h00: Breakfast on board the main boat
- 11h00: Briefing of the second dive on the main boat and departure from the Dhoni
- 13h00: Lunch aboard the main boat
- 15h30: Briefing of the third dive on the main boat and departure from the Dhoni
- 17h00: Snack, tea/coffee
- 19h00: Cocktails!
- 20h00: Dinner

In case of a night dive, the dinner (and cocktail) will of course be rescheduled after the dive, which will take place around 7pm.