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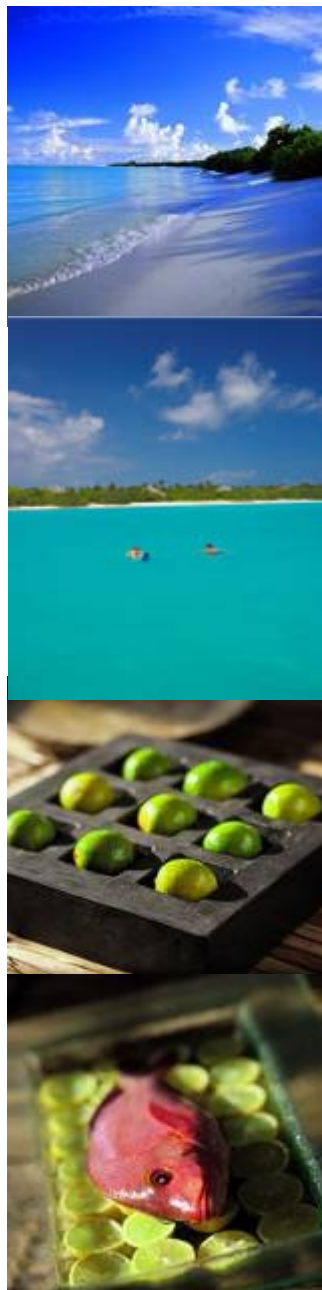


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## Your Exclusive Luxury Private Island

The *Island Hideaway at Dhonakulhi Maldives, Spa Resort & Marina* is a luxury boutique resort situated on the privately-owned uninhabited virgin island of Dhonakulhi, North Maldives, Indian Ocean. The resort was opened on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2005 with **6 types of spectacular guest villas**. Our marina is the first of its kind in the Maldives. The Island is a haven of peace, tranquillity and serenity. Island Hideaway is one of the very few resorts (currently 3) in the Haa Alifu Atoll.

## Location and Geography

The Maldives is an archipelago of small coral islands located in the Central Indian Ocean 595 km south of India and 650 km southwest of Sri Lanka. It consists of an estimated 1,196 islands in 26 natural Atolls of which less than 200 islands are inhabited by a total population of 285,000 Maldivians. **Guests are whisked to *The Island Hideaway* in the North of the Maldives by a 45-minute scenic photo-flight** from the international airport at Malé, the capital city, to Hanimaadhoo (Domestic) Airport followed by an exhilarating 20 minute speedboat hop to Dhonakulhi Island. We are delighted to introduce the **FIRST** Marina in the Maldives, a fully-equipped, state-of-the-art Marina, built by Walcon Marine - a well-known Marina Builder.

Dhonakulhi is a physically large crescent-shaped island with a beach length of some 1.4 kilometres on each side, a width of 500 metres and land area of **234,000 m<sup>2</sup> – equivalent to 28 football pitches**. The crystal clear turquoise waters of the shallow waist-deep lagoon surrounding the Island stretch as far as the eye can see. The Island is unique in its reef formation, the reef system it sits on having a natural channel splitting it in two distinct parts, and thereby forming a natural harbour for the marina. In addition to coconut trees, banana trees and rubber-tree-like vegetation, the Island is covered by uniquely rich dense bushy vegetation.



## Our Philosophy and Environment



Nature and luxury blend harmoniously together at *The Island Hideaway*. Our entire Island and lagoon is the exclusive and private domain of our guests. **Our guest villa complexes are some of the largest of any resort in the Maldives.** These majestic chalets are tucked into the lush greenery and scattered along the beach-line some 30 metres apart from one another, providing the ultimate in privacy. All of the Island's villas boast breathtaking panoramic views over the beautiful turquoise lagoon and Indian Ocean. The designs of our furniture, fixtures and fittings are a rustic celebration of nature, and we have used custom-made hand-finished natural materials throughout. At the same time, however, guests can indulge all their senses in the magic of this Maldivian Island and enjoy every exclusive luxury which sophisticated globetrotters have come to expect.

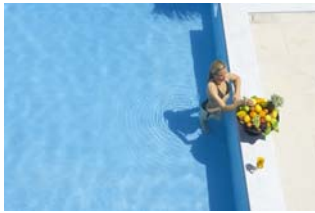
Despite the extensive facilities and services at *The Island Hideaway*, we have utilised barely 5% of the Island and lagoon, thereby leaving 95% in its original state, untouched by the hand of man.



## Small Luxury Hotels of the World (SLH)

*The Island Hideaway* is a member of the **Small Luxury Hotels of the World (SLH)** ([www.slh.com](http://www.slh.com)), representing the most luxurious independent, exclusive hotels and resorts around the world.

## Our Villas, Services and Facilities



Designed as an intimate, luxurious resort with exceptional levels of attention to detail and service standards, *The Island Hideaway* consists of the following key facilities and services:

- ✦ 2 Hideaway Palace 3-bedroom complexes on the sandbank (1,420 m<sup>2</sup> in size each)
- ✦ 5 Jasmine Garden Villas on the beach with 9.5m by 4m wide private pools (overall land area per villa of 705 m<sup>2</sup>)
- ✦ 20 Dhonakulhi Residences on the beach with ocean view 8 m<sup>2</sup> Jacuzzi Splash Pools (overall land area of 550 m<sup>2</sup> per villa)
- ✦ 2 Hideaway Water Suites in the lagoon (floor area of 235 m<sup>2</sup> per villa)
- ✦ 7 Raamba Retreats on the beach (overall land area of 385 m<sup>2</sup> per villa)
- ✦ 7 Funa Pavilions on the beach (overall land area of 176 m<sup>2</sup> per villa)
- ✦ The *Hideaway Spa by Mandara* ([www.mandaraspaspa.com](http://www.mandaraspaspa.com)): outstanding spa experience. 4 Spa Land Villas, 2 Lagoon Spa Pavilions and 2 private treatment rooms in the Hideaway Water Suites
- ✦ *Meridis Dive* ([www.meridis.de](http://www.meridis.de)): PADI certified scuba diving in uncharted waters
- ✦ *Matheefaru Restaurant*: succulent international cuisine and grills, sunset views
- ✦ *Gaafushi*: fine dining, Asian speciality, sunrise views
- ✦ *Meeru Bar*, to while away the evening to exotic drinks and snacks
- ✦ 24-hour in-Villa room service
- ✦ Unique butler concept
- ✦ The Hideaway Library: books, magazines, games, music CDs, DVDs and Cyber Café
- ✦ Hideaway Water Sports: Infinity Swimming Pool facing the Indian Ocean; speedboat trips, catamaran sailing, water skiing, snorkelling, windsurfing, canoeing and wakeboarding
- ✦ Sports complex with 2 Tennis Courts, Gym, Table Tennis, Fussball, Beach Volleyball, Bicycle Riding and Silat, Pool Table/Billiard Table and a bar
- ✦ Sunset, Sunrise, Night and Big-game fishing
- ✦ Cultural Excursions: excursions to significant sites of Maldivian heritage and culture on nearby islands
- ✦ The Hideaway Bazaar: gifts, lifestyle boutique, Maldivian arts and crafts, jewellery and hand-made fabrics, toiletries
- ✦ Sifani London Jewellery Boutique ([www.sifani.com](http://www.sifani.com)): custom-made jewellery for any occasion
- ✦ Mandara Spa Shop: range of products for skin health, body well-being, aromatherapy, and gifts from Elemis and La Thérapie range
- ✦ Meridis Dive Boutique: sale of snorkelling and diving equipment
- ✦ "Tender Hearts" Kids' Club with various activities, also a playground for the children along with a small library, board games and bicycles to ride
- ✦ Desert Island Retreats: picnic trips to nearby uninhabited island or sandbank lagoon
- ✦ Aerial Photo Flights: private chartered photo flights to other Atolls or resorts in the Maldives
- ✦ IDD telephone
- ✦ Laundry and valeting
- ✦ All major credit cards accepted and foreign currency exchange available on resort
- ✦ Airport meet and greet on arrival and departure



## Layout Plan of the Island Hideaway





## Our Accommodation

### The Hideaway Palace (1,420m<sup>2</sup> land area per villa, 2 available)

In the world of high class resorts, our Resort's two *Hideaway Palaces* remain unparalleled and represent the epitome of exclusivity, privacy and refinement. Each *Hideaway Palace* is sprawled over an expansive 1,420 square metres of land, located on a golden natural sandbank and erected one facing sunrise, and the other facing sunset. The *Hideaway Palace* comprises of five exclusive individual Villas which sit on top of a beautiful timber deck and are surrounded by a number of private Infinity Swimming Pools, giving an impression that they are floating on water. The villas are as follows:

1. a Master Bedroom Villa with a custom-made circular-shaped bed positioned at its centre;
2. a second additional Guest Bedroom Villa with en-suite indoor and outdoor garden bathroom;
3. a third additional Guest Bedroom Villa with en-suite indoor and outdoor garden bathroom;
4. a spacious Indoor Dining Pavilion with a roof-terrace for star-gazing and romantic candle-lit dinners;
5. an Open-air Alfresco Dining Pavilion on the deck;
6. a Pantry Pavilion for preparation and service of light snacks and exotic cocktails by the dedicated Hideaway Palace Butler; and
7. a Maldivian Swing (*Undholi*) Pavilion for those sultry Indian evenings listening to the sound of the ocean waves.

Perfect for a couple or a family alike, the *Hideaway Palaces* offer uncompromising luxury and extravagance, are impossibly spacious and have been tastefully and comfortably furnished.

We provide below a summary of some of the key highlights of the *Hideaway Palace*:

- ▲ We have used carefully selected natural finishes throughout the *Hideaway Palace*, both in terms of materials used and the 'look' of the finishes
- ▲ Wooden flooring in the villas and deck area are made of Merbau timber selected specifically for its grain and colour
- ▲ Our furniture is from Teak wood, and is again all hand-made and custom manufactured
- ▲ The Master Bedroom has a huge 2m diameter circular bed and all the Guest Bedroom Villas have super-king-size beds (2m x 2m)
- ▲ Mattresses on the beds are custom made, 25 cm in thickness, and have pocket-sprung springs for maximum comfort
- ▲ Bed linen is made from a heavenly satin finish
- ▲ We have strategically littered extra-wide day beds/ sun loungers throughout the *Hideaway Palace*
- ▲ Oversize cushions and pillows scatter on the beds, the day-beds and on the various sofas, again with a combination of materials carefully selected for their comfort and aesthetic values, including cotton and silk
- ▲ We have embedded subtle and discrete warm mood lighting throughout
- ▲ The blinds in the rooms are made from different types of raw silk, carefully selected for their particular feel, colour hue, yet using a sophisticated mechanism to ensure effortless operation







- ⤴ Although the rooms are fully air-conditioned, they are designed to maximise natural ventilation, supported by again ceiling fans carefully selected for their whisper-quiet operation
- ⤴ Guests can also use the day-bed on top of the Roof Terrace for sleeping out under the stars or lazing in the sun
- ⤴ The en-suite Bathrooms have each been fitted with hand-crafted 'two-person' baths and have separate outdoor garden shower facilities, as well as a spacious walk-in wardrobe area
- ⤴ The Bathrooms contain a blend of modern and traditional styles, including stone, such as granite, slate and onyx, as well as timber
- ⤴ Our double sinks are hand-made from single pieces of granite, with modern taps and fittings
- ⤴ The Villas and pavilions of the *Hideaway Palace* are surrounded by timber deck and swimming pools of various shapes and sizes, ranging from smaller shallow pools ones for children to a main pool of 12 metres in length by 8 metres in width at its widest point
- ⤴ Instead of using traditional tiling, all pools have been finished in quartezone in order to give as close to a feeling of sand as possible without actually being made from sand!
- ⤴ At the same time, the 'infinity' effect of the large pool, gives an impression of blending with the sea
- ⤴ Guests can enjoy gourmet meals and barbecues in the various Dining Pavilions
- ⤴ Each bedroom Villa has a large screen plasma TV along with a DVD and music player
- ⤴ Private in-room DVD and music CD collection, and Satellite TV channels
- ⤴ Our uniquely-crafted chess and backgammon tables are perfect for idling away the hours
- ⤴ All Villas contain coffee/espresso makers, generously stocked mini bar, personal safes, hairdryers, golfing umbrellas, torches, mosquito repellents, bath-robos, slippers, complimentary toiletries, and all other amenities typical of a 5-star resort
- ⤴ Complimentary in-Villa bottled drinking water is provided
- ⤴ IDD telephone and GSM mobile services
- ⤴ Dedicated electric Motorised Buggies for the *Hideaway Palace*, as well as guest-use bicycles
- ⤴ Our Hideaway Palace Butler remains on 24-hour call to the service of guests
- ⤴ The Maldivian Swing (*Undholi*) Pavilion with its wide two-person traditional carved wood swing, used for centuries by Maldivian families for relaxation, completes the perfect setting for your hideaway from the world







## The Jasmine Garden Villa (705m<sup>2</sup> land area per villa, 5 available)

The exotic *Jasmine Garden Villas* are a spectacular expanse of 705 square metres of land that you can call entirely your own. Each of the 5 *Jasmine Garden Villas* sits on the beach front and has its own exclusive 9.5 metre by 4 metre private Infinity Swimming Pool and garden area. Entrance to the *Jasmine Garden Villas* is through a Maldivian-style courtyard garden, leading to a spacious lounge overlooking the swimming pool. The Bedroom has a walk-in closet area and en-suite Bathroom with indoor and outdoor bathing facilities and a 'two-person' hand-crafted bath. There is also a separate guest toilet and shower room across the Lounge. Guests may intimately dine in their Open-air Alfresco 'Floating' Dining Pavilion situated on a 'mini-island' that floats on top of the pool or, alternatively, on the romantic Roof Terrace. The Maldivian Swing (Undholi) Pavilion completes the perfect setting for your hideaway from the world.

We provide below a summary of some of the key highlights of the *Jasmine Garden Villas*:

- ▲ We have used carefully selected natural finishes throughout the *Jasmine Garden Villa*, both in terms of materials used and the 'look' of the finishes
- ▲ Wooden flooring in the Villas and deck area are made of Merbau timber selected specifically for its grain and colour
- ▲ Our furniture is from Teak wood, and is again all hand-made and custom manufactured
- ▲ The *Jasmine Garden Villa* Infinity Swimming Pool is 9.5 metres in length by 4 metres in width with Jacuzzi air-jets built-in into the steps/seating
- ▲ Instead of using traditional tiling, the pool has been finished in quartezone in order to give as close to a feeling of sand as possible without actually being made from sand!
- ▲ At the same time, the 'infinity' effect of the large pool, gives an impression of blending with the sea
- ▲ Guests can take pleasure in gourmet meals and barbecues in the Open-air Alfresco 'Floating' Dining Pavilion that sits on top of the pool
- ▲ Romantic candle-lit dinners can be had beneath the stars on the Roof Terrace
- ▲ The *Jasmine Garden Villa* Bedroom has a super-king-size bed(2m x 2m) with custom-made mattresses 25 cm in thickness and which have been pocket-sprung springs for maximum comfort
- ▲ Bed linen is made from a heavenly satin finish
- ▲ We have strategically littered extra-wide day beds/sun loungers throughout the *Jasmine Garden Villa*
- ▲ Oversize cushions and pillows scatter on the beds, the day-beds and on the various sofas, again with a combination of materials carefully selected for their comfort and aesthetic values, including cotton and silk
- ▲ We have embedded subtle and discrete warm mood lighting throughout
- ▲ The blinds in the rooms are made from different types of raw silk, carefully selected for their particular feel, colour hue, yet using a sophisticated mechanism to ensure effortless operation
- ▲ Although the rooms are fully air-conditioned, they are designed to maximise natural ventilation, supported by again ceiling fans carefully selected for their whisper-quiet operation
- ▲ The Bedroom can be fully opened-up on three sides allowing you to sleep almost outdoors!



- ⤴ Indeed, guests can also use the day-bed on top of the cool sandstone-finished Roof Terrace for sleeping out under the stars or lazing in the sun
- ⤴ The en-suite Bathroom in the *Jasmine Garden Villa* has been fitted with hand-crafted 'two-person' baths and have separate outdoor garden shower facilities, as well as a spacious walk-in wardrobe area
- ⤴ The Bathrooms contain a blend of modern and traditional styles, including stone, such as granite, slate and onyx, as well as timber
- ⤴ Our double sinks are hand-made from single pieces of granite, with modern taps and fittings
- ⤴ The Lounge houses a large plasma TV with DVD and surround sound system music player
- ⤴ Private in-room DVD and music CD collection, and Satellite TV channels
- ⤴ Our uniquely-crafted chess and backgammon tables are perfect for idling away the hours
- ⤴ The *Jasmine Garden Villa* contains coffee/espresso makers, generously stocked mini bar, personal safes, hairdryers, golfing umbrellas, torches, mosquito repellents, bath-robos, slippers, complimentary toiletries, and all other amenities typical of a 5-star resort
- ⤴ Complimentary in-Villa bottled drinking water is provided
- ⤴ IDD telephone and GSM mobile services
- ⤴ Dedicated guest-use bicycles at the *Jasmine Garden Villas*
- ⤴ The Maldivian Swing (Undholi) Pavilion with its wide two-person traditional carved wood swing, used for centuries by Maldivian families for relaxation, completes the perfect setting for your hideaway from the world



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## The Dhonakulhi Residence (550m<sup>2</sup> land area per villa, 20 available)



Lapped by the balmy waters of the Indian Ocean, our *Dhonakulhi Residences* are scattered along the white sandy beach-front of the *Island Hideaway*. Each *Residence*, in a compound of over 550 square metres, has an open-plan living area with a timber deck outdoor seating. The French-windowed spacious bedroom overlooks the generously proportioned outdoor Jacuzzi Splash Pool. In addition to the indoor and outdoor Bathroom with its 'two-person' hand-crafted bath, there is also an Open-air Alfresco Garden Dining Pavilion and Roof Terrace. The mandatory Maldivian Swing (Undholi) Pavilion completes the majestic *Dhonakulhi Residence*.

We provide below a summary of some of the key highlights of the *Dhonakulhi Residences*:

- ⤴ We have used carefully selected natural finishes throughout the *Dhonakulhi Residence*, both in terms of materials used and the 'look' of the finishes
- ⤴ Wooden flooring in the Villas and deck area are made of Merbau timber selected specifically for its grain and colour
- ⤴ Our furniture is from Teak wood, and is again all hand-made and custom manufactured
- ⤴ The *Dhonakulhi Residence* Jacuzzi Splash Pool is 2.5m x 4m and comfortably sits two
- ⤴ Instead of using traditional tiling, the pool has been finished in quartezone in order to give as close to a feeling of sand as possible without actually being made from sand!
- ⤴ We have fitted a salt water UV filtration system into the pool to ensure that chlorine is not required, thereby not only protecting the environment, but at the same time also creating a sense of natural sea water
- ⤴ Guests can take pleasure in gourmet meals and barbecues in the Open-air Alfresco Garden Dining Pavilion
- ⤴ Romantic candle-lit dinners can be had beneath the stars on the Roof Terrace
- ⤴ The *Dhonakulhi Residence* Bedroom has a super-king-size bed (2m x 2m) with custom-made mattresses 25 cm in thickness and which have been pocket-sprung springs for maximum comfort
- ⤴ Bed linen is made from a heavenly satin finish
- ⤴ We have strategically littered extra-wide day beds/ sun loungers throughout the *Dhonakulhi Residence*
- ⤴ Oversize cushions and pillows scatter on the beds, the day-beds and on the various sofas, again with a combination of materials carefully selected for their comfort and aesthetic values, including cotton and silk
- ⤴ We have embedded subtle and discrete warm mood lighting throughout
- ⤴ The blinds in the rooms are made from different types of raw silk, carefully selected for their particular feel, colour hue, yet using a sophisticated mechanism to ensure effortless operation
- ⤴ Although the rooms are fully air-conditioned, they are designed to maximise natural ventilation, supported by again ceiling fans carefully selected for their whisper-quiet operation
- ⤴ Guests can also use the day-bed on top of the cool sandstone-finished Roof Terrace for sleeping out under the stars or lazing in the sun
- ⤴ The en-suite Bathroom in the *Dhonakulhi Residence* has been fitted with hand-crafted 'two-person' baths and have separate outdoor garden shower facilities, as well as a spacious walk-in wardrobe area
- ⤴ The Bathrooms contain a blend of modern and traditional styles, including stone, such as granite, slate and onyx, as well as timber





- ▲ Our double sinks are hand-made from single pieces of granite, with modern taps and fittings
- ▲ The Lounge houses a TV with DVD and surround sound system music player
- ▲ Private in-room DVD and music CD collection, and Satellite TV channels
- ▲ Our uniquely-crafted chess and backgammon tables are perfect for idling away the hours
- ▲ The *Dhonakulhi Residence* contains coffee/espresso makers, generously stocked mini bar, personal safes, hairdryers, golfing umbrellas, torches, mosquito repellents, bath-robos, slippers, complimentary toiletries, and all other amenities typical of a 5-star resort
- ▲ Complimentary in-Villa bottled drinking water is provided
- ▲ IDD telephone and GSM mobile services
- ▲ Dedicated guest-use bicycles at the *Dhonakulhi Residences*
- ▲ The Maldivian Swing (Undholi) Pavilion with its wide two-person traditional carved wood swing, used for centuries by Maldivian families for relaxation, completes the perfect setting for your hideaway from the world





## Hideaway Water Suites (235m<sup>2</sup> floor area per villa, 2 available)

Our guest accommodation Hideaway Water Suites are a first of their kind in the Maldives, if not the world, and are truly in a class of their own. Erected on wooden stilts in Dhonakulhi Island's shallow turquoise-blue lagoon and spread over 235 square metres of timber deck, our two stand-alone Hideaway Water Suites have their own exclusive ocean-view treatment room, sauna, steam room, outdoor round bathtub overlooking the tranquil lagoon, sundeck, lagoon access, and complete in-villa spa treatment facilities in which guests can look forward to being pampered by a team of dedicated spa specialists from Mandara Spa. A stay in these havens of peace and serenity will leave our guests fresh, revitalised and rejuvenated.

We provide below a summary of some of the key highlights of the *Hideaway Water Suites*:

- ▲ In contrast to our other guest Villas, furniture in the *Hideaway Water Suites* is primarily made of coconut timber, selected specifically for its grain, colour and texture
- ▲ We have used carefully selected natural finishes throughout the *Hideaway Water Suites* both in terms of materials used and the 'look' of the finishes
- ▲ Wooden flooring in the Villas and deck area are made of timber selected specifically for its grain and colour and sustainability in salt water climates
- ▲ Our furniture is from coconut wood, and is again all hand-made and custom manufactured
- ▲ The Mandara Spa therapists will offer treatments in the privacy of your own treatment room, and the sauna and steam room is exclusive to the guest as well
- ▲ The *Hideaway Water Suites* Bedroom has a super-king-size bed (2m x 2m) with custom-made mattresses 25 cm in thickness and which have been pocket-sprung springs for maximum comfort.
- ▲ The bed linen is made from a heavenly satin finish
- ▲ We have strategically littered extra-wide day beds/sun loungers throughout the *Hideaway Water Suite*
- ▲ Oversize cushions and pillows scatter on the beds, the day-beds and on the various sofas, again with a combination of materials carefully selected for their comfort and aesthetic values, including cotton and silk
- ▲ We have embedded subtle and discrete warm mood lighting throughout
- ▲ Romantic candle-lit dinners can be had beneath the stars on the private deck area looking out to sea
- ▲ The blinds in the rooms are made from different types of raw silk, carefully selected for their particular feel, colour hue, yet using a sophisticated mechanism to ensure effortless operation
- ▲ Although the rooms are fully air-conditioned, they are designed to maximise natural ventilation, supported by again ceiling fans carefully selected for their whisper-quiet operation
- ▲ The Bedroom can be fully opened-up on various sides allowing you to sleep almost outdoors!
- ▲ The Bathrooms contain a blend of modern and traditional styles, including stone, such as granite, slate and onyx, as well as timber.
- ▲ Our double sinks are hand-made from single pieces of granite, with modern taps and fittings
- ▲ The Lounge houses a TV with DVD and surround sound system music player. Private in-room DVD and music CD collection, and Satellite TV channels

- ⤴ Our uniquely-crafted chess and backgammon tables are perfect for idling away the hours
- ⤴ The *Hideaway Water Suites* contains coffee/espresso makers, generously stocked mini bar, personal safes, hairdryers, golfing umbrellas, torches, mosquito repellents, bath-robos, slippers, complimentary toiletries, and all other amenities typical of a 5-star resort
- ⤴ IDD telephone and GSM mobile services
- ⤴ Complimentary in-Villa bottled drinking water is provided







## The Raamba Retreat (385m<sup>2</sup> land area per villa, 7 available)

Spread over 385 square metres, our elegantly rustic *Raamba Retreats* with their open floor-level outdoor terraces and landscaped gardens offer the perfect seclusion for a peaceful retreat. The 7 *Raamba Retreats* are dotted across the coastline on the beach-front. The Lounge and the Bedroom in the *Raamba Retreats* are generously spaced. The Bedroom has a walk-in closet area and en-suite Bathroom with indoor and outdoor bathing facilities and a 'two-person' hand-crafted bath.

We provide below a summary of some of the key highlights of the *Raamba Retreats*:

- ⤴ We have used carefully selected natural finishes throughout the *Raamba Retreat* both in terms of materials used and the 'look' of the finishes
- ⤴ Wooden flooring in the Villa and deck area are made of Merbau timber selected specifically for its grain and colour
- ⤴ Our furniture is from Teak wood, and is again all hand-made and custom manufactured
- ⤴ Guests can take pleasure in alfresco gourmet meals and barbecues on the open floor-level outdoor terrace
- ⤴ The *Raamba Retreat* Bedroom has a super-king-size bed (2m x 2m) with custom-made mattresses 25 cm in thickness and which have been pocket-sprung springs for maximum comfort
- ⤴ Bed linen is made from a heavenly satin finish
- ⤴ We have strategically littered extra-wide day beds/ sun loungers throughout the *Raamba Retreat*. Oversize cushions and pillows scatter on the beds, the day-beds and on the various sofas, again with a combination of materials carefully selected for their comfort and aesthetic values, including cotton and silk
- ⤴ We have embedded subtle and discrete warm mood lighting throughout
- ⤴ The blinds in the rooms are made from different types of raw silk, carefully selected for their particular feel, colour hue, yet using a sophisticated mechanism to ensure effortless operation
- ⤴ Although the rooms are fully air-conditioned, they are designed to maximise natural ventilation, supported by again ceiling fans carefully selected for their whisper-quiet operation
- ⤴ The Bedroom can be fully opened-up on a number of sides allowing you to sleep almost outdoors!
- ⤴ The en-suite Bathroom in the *Raamba Retreat* has been fitted with hand-crafted 'two-person' baths and have separate outdoor garden shower facilities, as well as a spacious walk-in wardrobe area. The Bathroom contains a blend of modern and traditional styles, including stone, such as granite, slate and onyx, as well as timber. Our double sinks are hand-made from single pieces of granite, with modern taps and fittings
- ⤴ The Lounge houses a TV with DVD and surround sound system music player. Private in-room DVD and music CD collection, and Satellite TV channels
- ⤴ Our uniquely-crafted chess and backgammon tables are perfect for idling away the hours
- ⤴ The *Raamba Retreat* contains coffee/espresso makers, generously stocked mini bar, personal safes, hairdryers, golfing umbrellas, torches, mosquito repellents, bath-robes, slippers, complimentary toiletries, and all other amenities typical of a 5-star resort
- ⤴ IDD telephone and GSM mobile services
- ⤴ Complimentary in-Villa bottled drinking water is provided
- ⤴ Dedicated guest-use bicycles at the *Raamba Retreats*



## The Funa Pavilion (176m<sup>2</sup> land area per villa, 7 available)

The 7 *Funa Pavilions* on the beach front with their chalk-white walls promise peace and privacy in a living area covering 176 square metres. Characterised by their own garden, a separate sleeping and living area with teak flooring, open-air bathroom and a wooden patio area facing the beach with two thickly cushioned teak sun-beds, these Villas offer luxury over and above the call of duty. Their design is a declaration of love for nature with an eye for detail. If their architecture leans heavily on nature, so, too, does the colour scheme of the villas with its earthy shades of brown, beige and green. A round table with a two-seater sofa and two cocktail chairs forms the communicative centre of the living area with its integrated day bed and wine-red upholstery. The satellite TV with DVD and surround-sound system and multi-format CD player has been accommodated in a separate cupboard. The bedroom has a super-king-size bed, walk-in wardrobe and a writing table. The bathrooms have a bath and shower and have been tastefully decorated with granite, slate and onyx finishes.

We provide below a summary of some of the key highlights of the *Funa Pavilions*:

- ⤴ We have used carefully selected natural finishes throughout the *Funa Pavilion* both in terms of materials used and the 'look' of the finishes
- ⤴ Wooden flooring in the Villa and deck area are made of Merbau timber selected specifically for its grain and colour
- ⤴ Our furniture is from Teak wood, and is again all hand-made and custom manufactured
- ⤴ Guests can take pleasure in alfresco gourmet meals and barbecues on the open floor-level outdoor terrace
- ⤴ The *Funa Pavilion* Bedroom has a super-king-size bed (2m x 2m) with custom-made mattresses 25 cm in thickness and which have been pocket-sprung springs for maximum comfort. Bed linen is made from a heavenly satin finish
- ⤴ We have strategically littered extra-wide day beds/sun loungers throughout the *Funa Pavilion*
- ⤴ Oversize cushions and pillows scatter on the beds, the day-beds and on the various sofas, again with a combination of materials carefully selected for their comfort and aesthetic values, including cotton and silk
- ⤴ We have embedded subtle and discrete warm mood lighting throughout
- ⤴ The blinds in the rooms are made from different types of raw silk, carefully selected for their particular feel, colour hue, yet using a sophisticated mechanism to ensure effortless operation
- ⤴ Although the rooms are fully air-conditioned, they are designed to maximise natural ventilation, supported by again ceiling fans carefully selected for their whisper-quiet operation
- ⤴ The en-suite Bathroom in the *Funa Pavilion* has separate outdoor garden shower facilities. The Bathrooms contain a blend of modern and traditional styles, including stone, such as granite, slate and onyx, as well as timber. Our sinks are hand-made from single pieces of granite, with modern taps and fittings, and there is an outdoor two-person occupancy Jacuzzi bath
- ⤴ The Lounge houses a TV with DVD and surround sound system music player. Private in-room DVD and music CD collection, and Satellite TV channels
- ⤴ Our uniquely-crafted chess and backgammon tables are perfect for idling away the hours
- ⤴ The *Funa Pavilion* contains coffee/espresso makers, generously stocked mini bar, personal safes, hairdryers, golfing umbrellas, torches, mosquito repellents, bath-robies, slippers, complimentary toiletries, and all other amenities typical of a 5-star resort
- ⤴ IDD telephone and GSM mobile services
- ⤴ Complimentary in-Villa bottled drinking water is provided
- ⤴ Dedicated guest-use bicycles at the *Funa Pavilion*

# The Ultimate Indulgence at the *Hideaway Spa by Mandara*



If pampering your body and soul and achieving total peace and tranquillity is your idea of heaven, the *Hideaway Spa by Mandara* has it all. Created with sensitivity to the guest experience, the design emphasis of the *Hideaway Spa* is on space, privacy and luxury. The spa design is supported by a service style that considers the guest's need for escape, unobtrusive delivery and extraordinary attention to detail. Like other Maldivian spas before it, the *Hideaway Spa* capitalises on the dramatic Indian Ocean location. The difference here is that the sun, sand and sea theme continues throughout with internal waterways and waterfall walls, open areas and feature sand floors. Our *Hideaway Spa* finishes have been carefully selected and the combination of coconut and teak timber furnishing, sukabumi stone, java rosso tumble stone, sandstone, pink slate, onyx and silk fabrics culminate to overwhelm all of one's senses.

Unique, intimate and romantic, the *Hideaway Spa* encompasses 4 Spa Land Villas, 2 Lagoon Spa Pavilions.

The *Hideaway Spa* will be operated by the internationally-acclaimed spa and wellness company, Mandara Spa ([www.mandaraspaspa.com](http://www.mandaraspaspa.com)). The name "Mandara" comes from an ancient Sanskrit legend about the gods' quest to find the elixir of immortality and eternal youth. Mandara Spa, with its roots Bali, has embraced this legend and now operates more than 60 spas worldwide.

The spa menu has been created to fit the exclusive nature of the *Hideaway Spa* and to offer each guest an outstanding spa experience. It combines traditional Asian favourites with Elemis Spa-therapy and new treatments that reflect themes of the ocean, nature and indigenous Maldivians. Massages, body packs, detox and a range of body and facial treatments using "Elemis" products, together with manicures and pedicures, have all been included to ensure the ultimate in relaxation and revitalization.

Our two Lagoon Spa Pavilions feature private ocean views, double treatment room, en-suite bathroom with private steam shower, outdoor terrazzo dip pool, day bed and shower, personal sound systems and lagoon access.

Our four expansive Spa Land Villas are located on land but surrounded by waterways. Each Spa Land Villa offers an open-to-air double treatment room, private bathrooms with steam room, hand-crafted 'two-person' baths, shower room, and a very private outdoor relaxation area.

The Spa Shop stocks a range of products for skin health (such as exfoliating creams, masks, cleanses and washes), anti-ageing boosters, body well-being enhancements, aromatherapy, and gifts from the much-admired Elemis range.







## Dive in Uncharted Waters with Meridis

If the setting above sea level has all the ingredients for holiday heaven, the spectacle awaiting you below the water's surface is even more spectacular. The Maldives is famed for its rare underwater beauty. The profusion of psychedelic colours and the abundance and variety of life underwater have fascinated divers and snorkellers since Maldives was first discovered as a diving destination. Our Island is situated in an Atoll that is at the moment untapped and unexplored by the diving world. This gives an excellent opportunity for new divers and old alike to genuinely be able to dive where no person has ever dived before.



Operated by *Meridis Dive* (<http://www.meridis.de/>), we have one of the physically largest dive centres in the Maldives, providing the latest technology and highest quality branded diving equipment (e.g. Scubapro Uwatec Nitrox regulators, Sony P9 and MX5 underwater cameras, Supercharged Seadoo Scooters, Bauer Compressors). *Meridis Dive* has full Nitrox diving facilities, underwater scooters, audio-visual classrooms and a dive specialist boutique. PADI-certified scuba instruction is given by multi-lingual dive experts to beginners, amateurs and experienced divers alike on the importance of safe and enjoyable diving intertwined with the protection of the marine environment. Some of the courses and services offered by *Meridis Dive* are PADI Open Water (Beginner) up to Assistant Instructor and all other common specialities, Nitrox, Scooter, Photography, Deep, Drift, Night, Navigation, Naturalist and Peak Performance.

Meridis also offers a safe and enjoyable diving experience for children over 10 years of age, and has special "kids diving equipment" for this. Children can carry out the PADI Open Water Junior course.

Some of *Meridis Dive's* safety philosophies are as follows: Nitrox diving; depth limits; small groups of a maximum of 4 people; all dives will be guided dives; there will be buoys for all divers; current check; easy and shallow dives. Please note that all divers are required to present an international dive certificate, log book and a medical certificate of fitness for diving.

*Meridis Dive* has in fact surveyed and mapped all the key diving points in the Atolls surrounding *The Island Hideaway*, and they estimate that there are at least 20 glorious dive sites that are absolutely untouched and unspoilt. We have one particular dive site where divers can expect a minimum of 15 turtles each dive, several dive sites with manta cleaning and feeding stations, 2 ship wrecks at a depth of 16 metres with fantastic fish live around, and another dive site full of fantastic table corals. Wherever you look there are lots and lots of fish! Mantas, eagle rays, grey reef sharks, turtles, big schools of tuna, barracudas, dolphins, and, and, and..... In the season, also have the chance of seeing whale sharks and other whales! Go on, why not take the chance to go out to unspoilt diving grounds every day?

Another first is that the Meridis experts will also offer guided snorkelling trips. The snorkelling here is also so impressive that lots of our guests will be making their way to the diving school after seeing what the edge of the Dhonakulhi house reef has to offer. No sooner have you taken a few strokes, then you are snorkelling in some of the world's most fertile waters. Just under the water's surface you are confronted with swarms of small fish, giant turtles, metre-long mantas and slim sharks patrolling the reef. And here's the good news: almost none of the fish are really dangerous. This means, then, that this rich under-water world is a safe paradise for swimmers, snorkellers, diving enthusiasts.

For those that want to enjoy the view without getting wet, we have put an underwater camera in the nearby lagoon giving live views of life by the coral reef.

From whale sharks to manta rays, moray eels to white tip sharks, a whole new world of magnificent marine creatures awaits you.



## Succulent Cuisine



Whatever takes your fancy and whatever the time of day or night, our resident Chefs remain entirely at your disposal. They can conjure up a myriad of succulent gourmet dishes to tempt your sensations and satisfy any taste at any time. Our Chefs can suggest a menu specially designed for you using the freshest of fresh ingredients or can personalise a menu to excite your palate.

Maldivian cuisine draws heavily on fish and is similar in some ways to Indian. Yet the dishes that are served on *The Island Hideaway* are much more varied and sophisticated than just fish alone. Our cool coral sandy-floored *Matheefaru* restaurant offers international and Maldivian cuisine, and our *Gaafushi* fine dining serves authentic Asian cuisine and seafood speciality. Lovers of Japanese cuisine will also be delighted to hear that the Island Hideaway Resort offers the same.

All our restaurants are located on the beach front and have been designed to ensure that guests have maximum sights and sounds of the Indian Ocean. There are over-water dining areas situated close to the reef edge, ensuring that fish are always your neighbours!

For the romantics, just imagine strolling out to a nearby sandbank to enjoy an incredibly romantic candle-lit Robinson Crusoe experience or dining out under the stars – it's all possible here.

Alternatively, guests may of course choose to dine in the privacy of their Villas, 24 hours a day, or on a secluded part of the beach. This is *your* island get-away and you choose how to enjoy your time here.

Those wanting to while away the evening to exotic drinks and snacks will find the *Meeru Bar* the perfect place. Our *Meeru Bar*, situated on the beach, has a unique design in that the roof structure is like the inside of a boat's hull and the deck area extends over water giving fantastic sunset views.

We attach a great deal of importance to the quality of our produce. All our produce comes from the very best sources and fresh fish is caught locally and delivered to the island on a daily basis."



## Sports Complex at Dhonakulhi



The *Island Hideaway* Sports Complex comes with a variety of sports and modern sports equipment which includes:

- ▲ **2 Tennis Courts** – Our two floodlit tennis courts are open around the clock at your discretion.
- ▲ **Gymnasium** – with all the latest fitness equipments, such as sky walker, treadmills, cycles, dumbbells, exercise equipment, etc
- ▲ Table tennis
- ▲ Fussball
- ▲ Pool table/Billiard table
- ▲ Bar with a wide variety of healthy drinks, soft drinks, energy drinks, fresh juices, etc
- ▲ Small kiosk
- ▲ Toilets and shower facilities



## TENDER HEARTS at Dhonakulhi



Our “Tender Hearts” at Dhonakulhi is open to all kids. The 75.7 m<sup>2</sup> Kid’s Club has a playground area of 50.5 m<sup>2</sup> and offers a variety of games and activities for kids. Apart from the activities we also have a small library, board games and bicycles to ride. Some of the activities provide are:

- ▲ **Painting and Drawing**
- ▲ **Crab Race**
- ▲ **Movies**
- ▲ **Sandcastle making**
- ▲ **Dance Party**
- ▲ **Running Race**
- ▲ **Balloon Race**
- ▲ **Make your own Sandwich**
- ▲ **Musical Chairs**
- ▲ **Treasure Hunt**
- ▲ **Tour of the Resort**





## Leisure, Recreation and Entertainment



The *Island Hideaway* offers a whole host of entertainment and leisure activities for those that want to do a little more than nothing! The following is a snapshot summary of some of the recreational activities we offer:



- ▲ **The Hideaway Library** – if you are looking for a distraction, you might want to check out the Hideaway Library with its myriad of books, magazines, games, music CDs, DVDs and Cyber Café. All Villas have Internet access by LAN line. Breakfast each morning is accompanied by the Hideaway Newsletter summarising world events.
- ▲ **Hideaway Water Sports** – in addition to the 750 cubic metre Infinity Swimming Pool facing the Indian Ocean, 32 metres in length and 22 metres in width, with attached Jacuzzi and children’s pool as well as poolside service, *The Island Hideaway* has also made sure that all other forms of water sports are catered for – from speedboat trips to catamaran sailing to water skiing, snorkelling, windsurfing, canoeing and wakeboarding. And those wanting to experience a bit of local colour can sail out on a traditional Maldivian *dhoni* boat or their own yacht to one of the nearby inhabited islands.
- ▲ **Tennis, Fitness Suite, Beach Volleyball, Bicycle Riding and Silat** – the more sporting-minded can enjoy a game of tennis, volleyball on the sand, jog along the beach, bicycle along the hidden trails, or work-out at our Sports Complex. For the early birds, a refreshing session of silat is “just what the doctor ordered”.
- ▲ **Sunset, Sunrise, Night and Big-game fishing** – fishing is one of the mainstays of subsistence for the Maldivian people, who have mastered it to an art. Our guests are able to participate in sunset or night fishing on a traditional Maldivian *dhoni* fishing boat, big game fishing and also go on fishing expeditions with fishermen from the local islands and experience for themselves first-hand as to what proper eco-friendly fishing entails. Our expert chefs will thereafter prepare the catches made by the guests in whatever manner they desire, including beach barbecues.
- ▲ **Cultural Excursions** – we arrange excursions for our guests to significant sites of Maldivian heritage and culture on nearby islands. One of the most important sites is the Utheemu Palace situated on Utheemu Island, home of the Maldivian national hero Muhammad Thakurfaanu or Bodu Thakurfaanu and his two brothers who saved the Maldives from the Portuguese in 1573 AD.
- ▲ **The Hideaway Bazaar** – at our Hideaway Bazaar you are guaranteed to find that ideal present for friends and family. Exhibited and retailed in our lifestyle boutique are finely crafted items such as Maldivian arts and crafts, jewellery and hand-made fabrics using traditional weaving methods. In keeping with the commitment to caring for the environment, recycled items are also available for you to take home as souvenirs to relive pleasant memories of your stay. You will also find at the Bazaar those last minute essential things you forgot to bring on your holiday, including sun protection lotions and other toiletries.
- ▲ **Sifani London Jewellery Boutique** – Sifani London ([www.sifani.com](http://www.sifani.com)) is a manufacturer and retailer of high quality jewellery and precious gems products. Our partnership with Sifani allows our guests to design custom-made jewellery for any occasion, whether it be for weddings or honeymoons or just that romantic special occasion.
- ▲ **Mandara Spa Shop** – the Spa Shop stocks a range of products for skin health (such as exfoliating creams, masks, cleanses and washes), anti-ageing boosters, body well-being enhancements, aromatherapy, and gifts from the much-admired Elemis and La Thérapie range.
- ▲ **Meridis Dive Boutique** – this is a dive specialist boutique where guests can purchase snorkelling and diving equipment.
- ▲ **Desert Island Retreats** – guests can take a trip to a nearby uninhabited island or sandbank lagoon and spend the day swimming, lazing and feasting on the delights of the picnic barbecue.
- ▲ **Aerial Photo Flights** – with our partners, Island Aviation Services, we can offer private chartered photo flights to other Atolls or resorts in the Maldives.
- ▲ All major credit cards accepted (including American Express, Visa, MasterCard, JCB) and foreign currency exchange available on resort

## Getting Here with Island Aviation Services



Guests are whisked to *The Island Hideaway* in the North of the Maldives by a **45-minute scenic photo-flight** from the international airport at Malé, the capital city, to Hanimaadhoo (Domestic) Airport followed by an exhilarating short speedboat hop to Dhonakulhi Island. Guests may also fly-in on seaplanes or private jets or cruise their yachts direct to the Island's fully-equipped world class marina.

Flight transfers are carried out on Island Aviation Services' fleet of spacious, air-conditioned aircrafts. As Island Aviation Services are our partners, **guest transfer flights can also be carried out at night time to accommodate those guests that have late night international flight connections:** this means, therefore, that guests do not have to waste a single moment of their precious holiday and the holiday really will begin as soon as they land in the Maldives!

With our **complimentary dedicated exclusive business class lounges** at Malé and Hanimaadhoo Airports for all passengers, on-resort baggage and boarding pass check-in facilities and express check-out at Immigration and Customs, our guests can expect a service that is second to none with our partners, Island Aviation Services.

Guests will be met on arrival and departure by our Island Hideaway hosts.



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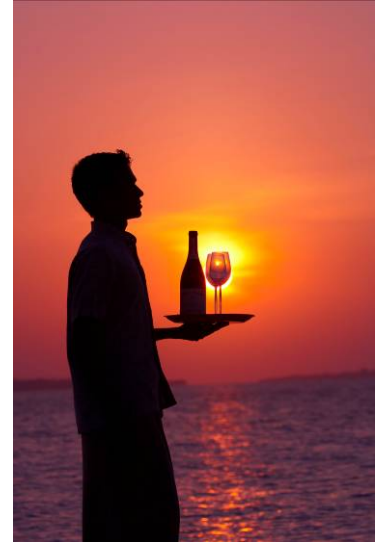
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