Maldives at a Glance

Archipelago: Length: 823 kms, Width:

Total Number of Administrative Atolls:

Largest Atoll: Huvadhu (Area 6486 sq

Smallest Atoll: Gnaviyani (Area 4.81 sq.

Immediate Neighbours : India and Sri

Lanka (both located northeast of Maldives),

Lakshadweep Islands (India) to the north,

Chagos Archipelago to the south, and the

Latitude: 07°06′30" N to 00°41′48" S.

Population: 515,132 (Census 2022).

Capital: Malé (Area: 1.77 sq kms)

Religion: 100% Sunni Muslim.

Longitude: 72°32′30" E to 73°45′54" E.

Hululé Island, two kilometers east of Malé.

Maldives Standard Time: +5 hrs GMT.

its specialised agencies, Commonwealth,

Languages : Dhivehi is the national

Literacy Rate: 98.2% (Age 10-45 yrs)

Monsoons: South-West: May-October.

Average Annual Rainfall: 1796.3mm.

(1 US\$ = Rf 15.42)

Working Hours: Banks: 8.30 am - 2 pm

pm (Sun to Thu), Fri and Sat holidays. Private

Offices: Open between 8 am and 5 pm, with a

Credit Cards: American Express, Diners

Temperature: 31.1° C (Mean Max),

Average Daily Sunshine: 8 hours.

Seychelles to the southwest.

Status: Republic.

SAARC.

business sectors.

25.5° C (Mean Min).

Humidity: 79%.

Electricity: 240 VAC.

lunch break in between.

North-East: November-April.

Currency: Maldivian Rufiyaa

Geographical Location: Indian Ocean.

Area: 90,000 sq kms (1,190 islands).

DISCOUNT

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DUMPLINGS

SAUCE.

130 kms.

miles).

miles).

recommended. Nudity is forbidden. Swimsuits are converted to Rufiyaa at banks, resort

islands. When visiting an inhabited island or

the capital, shorts and T-shirts for men, and

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nucifera). National Flower: Pink Rose (Rosa material, for women, are a minimum

pdyantha). **Clothing:** Light weight cottons and linens.

Major Industries : Tourism, fisheries,

garments, boat building, and handicrafts.

Shopping: The capital Malé being the centre if in doubt.

CURRENCY: The basic monetary unit in the 10, 5, 2 and 1.

National Tree: Coconut Palm (Cocos blouse or T-shirts with skirts or shorts that

In the early days cowry shells were used instead of money. Coins, minted in silver, were

Maldives is the Maldivian Rufiyaa (MVR). They come in denominations of 500, 100, 50, 20, and fireworks; and spear/dart guns. With the Rufiyaa is 100 Laari, coming in coins of 50, 25, turtles, export of tortoise shell and coral is

SHOPPING: Malé is the ideal place for introduced for the first time in the late 16th century under the rule of Sultan Al-Ghazee Mohammed Thakurufaanu. The present currency was introduced in 1983.

activity is the ideal place to shop. Shops open between 7.30 and 9.30 am, closing at 11 pm. On Fridays they open at 1.30 pm, closing as usual. All shops close for 15 minutes at every praver time

Entry: No prior visa arrangements are required. A tourist visa of 30 days will be given to visitors with valid travel documents, on arrival. Visitors should be in possession of adequate funds for stay in the Maldives. Airport : Velana International Airport on For those coming from yellow fever infected

regions, an international certificate of inoculation is required.

International Relations: UN and most of Tips & Facts

OIC, the Non-Aligned Movement, and **SEASON:** November through April being the peak season, reservations for stay must be made well in advance. From May to October the demand and costs for accommodation are 行政环礁总数: 19 comparatively lower. In June and July, the 最大环礁: 苏瓦迪瓦(面积 6486 平方英里)。 language. English is widely spoken in Maldives experiences regular showers with monsoons bringing in more wind and rain.

world came across this island nation as it lay in 方为拉克沙群岛(印度),南方为查戈斯群岛,西南部 the sea routes to Malacca and China. Speculations indicate that the earliest settlers 纬度: 07° 06′ 30″ N to 00° 41′ 48″ S. could have been Dravidians from southern India and the Yakka and Naga people from Sri Lanka. Aryans from the Indus Valley probably followed them. But with the coming of the Arabs, the influence of Islam gradually replaced Hinduism and Buddhism practised by 机场: Hululé岛 Velana 国际机场,位于马累以东 the early settlers. Being on the main seaway 两公里。 around the Indian subcontinent, the islands 马尔代夫标准时间:格林尼治标准时间+5小时。 have long been a meeting point for Arab, 国际关系:联合国及其大多数专职机构,联邦,独立组 African, Malay, and Indonesian mariners. The 织,不结盟运动,及南亚区域合作联盟。 faces that we see today reflect all these 宗教: 100% 穆斯林逊尼派。 influences contributing to a racial and cultural (Sun to Thu), Government Offices: 8 am - 4 melting pot.

> SOCIAL CUSTOMS: Handshaking is the 文化水平: 98.2% (10-45岁人群) most common form of greeting. Dress is 温度: 31.1° C (平均最高温), informal. Light cotton clothes are

群岛: 长度: 823 公里, 宽度: 130 公里。

最小环礁: Gnaviyani (面积 4.81 平方英里)。

PEOPLE: People from different parts of the 邻邦: 印度和斯里兰卡(都位于马尔代夫东北部),北

为塞舌尔。

人口: 515,132 (2022 月估测)。

首都: 马累 (面积: 1.77 平方公里)

语言: 官方语言为迪维希语。商业领域普遍使用英

季候风 : 西南风: 五月-十月 东北风:十一月-四月

产均日照时间:8小时 平均年降雨量: 1796.3 毫米

湿度: 79%

电源: 240V 交流电源

工作时间:银行:上午8.30-下午2点(周日至周 四),政府办公时间: 上午8点-下午4点(周日至周 CHILDREN'S PARK: Located in the south-四),周五和周六休息。私营办公时间:上午8点至一 午5点营业,中间有午餐时间。

信用卡 : 美国运通、大来卡、欧洲信用卡、JCB、7 主要产业: 旅游、渔业、服装、造船及手工业

国树: 椰子树 (Cocos nucifera)

国花: 粉玫瑰 (Rosa pdyantha)

着装: 轻便棉、麻织物

门时间为上午7.30至9.30,闭店时间为晚11点。周五 间, 所有商店闭店暂停营业15分钟。

境: 免签 境。持旅游签证者可在有效期内滞留境内

人工海滩, 位于马累东部, 这里是游客们休闲游泳, 或 与好友叙旧的热门场所。其他推荐的娱乐活动包括在陈 丘的咖啡馆用餐,看青少年打篮球,踢足球,或滑旱 冰,或者只是在海边的沙滩上放松一下。一个拿起相机 开始拍摄的好地方。

儿童公园: 位于马累东南端, 这个规划完善的休闲场所 常适合傍晚散步,全家出游,或者带上孩子外出游 元。除了色彩缤纷的游乐区之外,还有一个儿童滑冰

鱼市: 马累之行必不可少的一站就是位于岛屿北端的热 闹街市。穿过拥挤的街道,挑选各种各样的鱼,不断地 与渔民讨价还价,观赏灵活的鱼清洁工以娴熟的手艺加 [鱼类。游览街市的最佳时间是在傍晚时分, 当渔船满 载而归时, 也正是街市迎来最繁忙的时刻。这里也是摄

影的理想场所,你可以捕捉到各种有趣的主题。

ī清真寺: 古清真寺,或称马累老礼拜五清真寺始建于 656 年苏丹易卜拉欣伊斯坎达一世统治时期。这座历 史悠久的清真寺的内墙和外墙全部用珊瑚石建造,并刻 **肓阿拉伯文字和装饰性图案。屋顶、窗框和门由不同科** 的木材制成,包括柚木、紫檀木和红木。清真寺内有 大量美丽的珊瑚雕刻和精美漆器,而后者在拉格或圆顶 中最为引人注目,其属于天花板的一部分。清真寺内还 teak, red sandalwood, and redwood. There is this gleaming white minaret also built by on display are the coral stone head of Lord 讨存着许多古代墓 ,这 墓 是为了纪念逝去的苏 ,英雄和贵族而建立。

伊斯兰中心: 马累最著名的地标建筑是三层的伊斯兰中 ,于1984年11月开业。该中心的大清真寺Masjid 弋夫最大的清真寺,是马尔代夫最大的清真寺,可容纳 心还设有一座图书馆和一个会议厅。 HOOREE 广场:广场于1989年沿着北部海岸而建,

的地方。广场的东端悬挂着全国最大的一面国旗。

甫以绿草和葱葱郁郁的植被,如今这里是马累最受欢迎

的社交聚会和休闲场所。这也是孩子们晚上最喜欢聚集

MULEE-AAGE: Mulee-aage 最初是在第一次世界大战前 由苏丹沙苏德三世为他的儿子建造。1936 年 5 月在苏 丹和他的儿子被驱逐后,此处被宣布为政府财产。在随 后的政府中,Mulee-aage 被正式宣布为办公大楼。

1953年,当该国家成立共和国之后,Mulee-aage成为 了总统的官方住所。1986年,这所房子被重新命名为 '总统府",并被升级为保留官方职能,用来接待来访 的国家元首和其他外国政要。

宣礼塔:礼拜五清真寺的附近是一座由Sultan Ibrahi skandhar 在 1675 年建造的白色尖塔。马累首席阿訇 在伊斯兰教中心建立之前,就在这座尖塔中做祷告。

苏丹公园与国家博物馆: 马尔代夫在短短 16 年的时间 世从共和国变为苏丹国,之后又重新变回共和国(1953 的宫殿全被拆毁,宫殿的庭院变成了一个公共公园,就 公园内有一个现存的宫殿建筑,即国家博物馆。该博物

官于 1952 年 11 月 19 日开放,展示了一个辉煌时代的 各种珍贵藏品,其中包括来自伊斯兰教前时期的石器; 皇室的古董,比如君王宝座,轿子,皇室遮阳篷,服饰 和鞋子,硬币和装饰,武器和盔甲。珊瑚石雕刻、漆木 容器、微型手工书写的古兰经、水烟、遮阳篷、用于演 Bodu Beru 流行音乐的传统皇宫木皮鼓,以及博物馆 的各色内部装饰—从苏丹时期便保留下来—为馆内增添 [多吸引力。馆内展出的两件最重要的物品是佛祖的珊 瑚石佛头,这是出自11世纪Alifu Thoddu 的作品,和 时间: 上午9点-下午3点周五和法定假日闭馆。

return with their day's catch and the streets Over the years however Dhivehi medium are at its busiest. Also an ideal place for

Friday Mosque, was built in 1656 during the Places of Tourist Interest reign of Sultan Ibrahim Iskandhar I. The interior and exterior walls of this historic mosque, built with coral stones, are intricately carved with Arabic writings and ornamental **ARTIFICIAL BEACH:** Located on the patterns. The roof, window frames, and doors

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architectural landmark is the three-storey Palace however was demolished except for a greatest of national heroes. He liberated the Islamic Centre, opened in November 1984. three-storey building and the palace grounds country from Portuguese rule, who had been The Centre's Grand Friday Mosque, Masjid-al- were turned into a public park, known as the occupying the land for 15 years after defeating Sultan Mohammed Thakurufaanu-al-A"z"am, Sultan Park. Abu al Barakaath Yusuf al Barbari is the biggest in the Maldives, accommodating The surviving palace building within the park more than 5,000 worshippers. The shining is today the National Museum. Opened on DUTY FREE and a conference hall.

memory of past sultans, heroes, and nobles.

evening hangouts for children. On the eastern F至 1968 年)。然而,除了一座三层的建筑外,苏丹 end of the square stands the official flag post on which is hoisted a permanent flag, the largest in the country.

MEDHU ZIYAARATH: Opposite the Hukuru Miskiiy is the Medhu Ziyaarath, the shrine of Abu al Barakaath Yusuf al Barbari, a North African, believed to be responsible for converting the Maldives to Islam in AD 1153.

MULEE-AAGE: Mulee-aage was originally built by Sultan Shamsuddeen III for his son 一块 13 世纪的来自 Hukuru Miskiiy 的雕刻木板。开放 just before the First World War. After the sultan and his son were banished in May 1936, the house was declared a government property. The Mulee-aage was officially declared and used as an office complex by subsequent governments.

> After the country became a Republic in 1953, the Mulee-aage became the 'President's Official Residence'. In 1986, the house was renamed the 'Presidential Palace' and was upgraded to hold official functions and to accommodate visiting Heads of States and other foreign dignitaries.

domes, built as part of the ceiling. The was built. compound of the mosque also encloses a SULTAN PARK & THE NATIONAL TOMB OF MOHAMMED

to a Sultanate and back to a Republic in a span Miskiiy, in memory of Sultan Ghaazee THE ISLAMIC CENTRE: Male's most famous of just 16 years (1953 to 1968). The Sultan's Mohammed Thakurufaanu, regarded as the

golden dome of the mosque is a standout as November 19, 1952, the museum displays a Maldives Duty Free are also the interior walls decorated with large and varied collection of a glorious HOTELS (MALE) beautiful wood carvings and Arabic bygone era including stone objects from the Mookai Hotel, Tel: 333-8811 calligraphy. The Centre also houses a library pre-Islamic period; royal antiquities like RESORTS thrones, palanquins, royal sunshades, Angaga Island Resort & Spa, Tel: 668-0510 costumes and shoes, coins, and ornaments, Dreamland Sea & Lake Resort, Tel: 660-0101 JUMHOOREE MAIDAN: Beautifully laid out arms and armour. Coral stone sculptures, Embudu Village, Tel: 664-4776 with carpet green grass and lush vegetation, lacquered wooden containers, miniature Equator Village, Tel: 689-9000 this public square, constructed along the hand-written Quran, hookahs, sunshades, Safari Island Resort & Spa, Tel: 666-0777 northern waterfront in 1989, is Malé's most traditional log drums from the Royal Palace Summer Island, Tel: 664-1949 popular place for social gatherings and used in the popular music of Bodu Beru, and Thulhagiri Island Resort & Spa, Tel: 664-5929 relaxation. It is also one of the favourite the very interiors of the museum - retained from the days of the Sultanate - are the added attractions. Two of the most significant items

an abundance of beautiful coral carvings and Sultan Ibrahim Iskandhar in 1675. The chief Buddha, a 11th century piece from Alifu expert lacquer work inside the mosque, the muezzin of Malé called the faithful to prayer Thoddu and a 13th century engraved wooden latter being most conspicuous in the laage, or from this minaret before the Islamic Centre panel from Hukuru Miskiiy. Timings: 9AM domes built as part of the ceiling. The was built

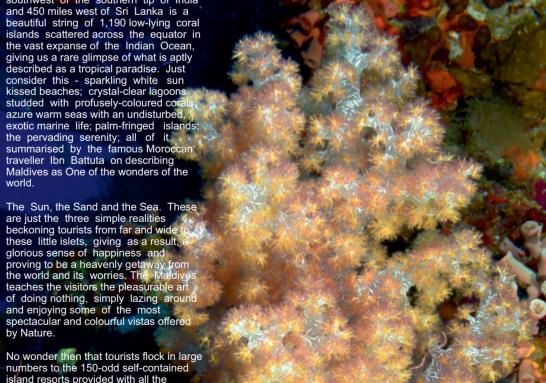
代夫最大的清真寺,是当外代大東人的視長者,智女的 5000 多名朝圣者。清真寺的金顶是一个突出的建筑标 number of ancient tombstones erected in **MUSEUM:** Maldives changed from a Republic the compound of the Bihuroazu Kamanaa

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Semili's, Tel: 331-5000

southwest of the southern tip of India

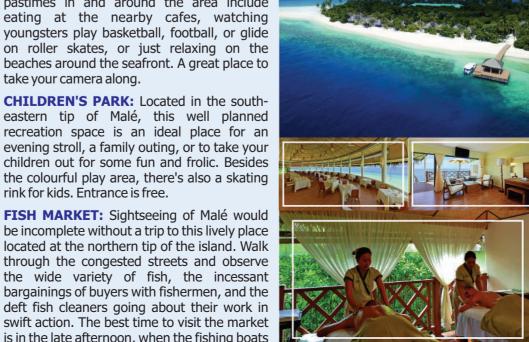
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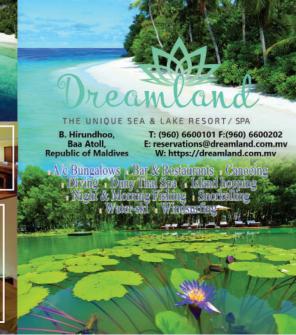






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eastern side of Malé, this is an increasingly are made of different types of wood including MUNNAARU: Close to the Friday Mosque is

No wonder then that tourists flock in large numbers to the 150-odd self-contained island resorts provided with all the comforts and warmth exuded by traditional Maldivian hospitality. V why Maldives is considered to b ultimate destination, the future v holiday-makers.

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and beachwear are to be confined to resort islands, hotels and many shops.

Hotel bills can be paid in cash, travellers' cheques or credit cards. Credit cards most cover the thighs, made of non-diaphanous Club, Eurocard, JCB, MasterCard & Visa. commonly used are American Express, Diners requirement. Maldivians traditionally eat with **CUSTOMS REGULATIONS:** It is prohibited

their fingers. It is also considered unhygienic by law to import the following items into the to touch food with the left hand. Use a spoon, Maldives: Alcoholic beverages; pornographic literature or pictures; narcotics; firearms; idols of worship; dogs; live pigs, pork or any porcine product; dangerous animals and exobiological government imposing a ban on the killing of

shopping considering the choice of items available. With minimum duty on most of the items, prices in Malé have become competitive. Best buys include handicrafts like reed mats and lacquered wooden boxes, There are no major restrictions on import or electronic items and souvenirs like coral rings export of currencies. Major foreign currencies and sea shells. Goods ranging from hi-fi stereo systems and cameras to watches and cosmetics can be purchased from wellstocked duty free shops at the Departure Terminal of Velana International Airport. In the capital, the STO Trade Centre with its many shops is one place where you can find a variety of items. Shops pull down their shutters for about 10 to 15 minutes, five times every day, for prayers. Most shops on resort islands are open throughout the day and close at dusk. Maldives is a very safe place to be in for tourists.

> **FELECOMMUNICATIONS:** The telecom, internet and broadband services are provided by Dhiraagu, the Maldives telecom company, Raajjé Online (ROL) and Ooredoo.

LANGUAGE: The language of the Maldives is Dhivehi, an Indo-Aryan language with influences of Sinhala, Arabic, Hindi, and Bengali. It is written from right to left in Thaana, a script unique to the Maldives.

syllabuses have gradually made way to photography with a wide variety of subjects. English medium teaching. English is therefore **HUKURU MISKIIY:** The Hukuru Miskiiy, or understood and widely used by the locals.

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popular place for a relaxing swim, or for meeting up with friends. Other recommended pastimes in and around the area include eating at the nearby cafes, watching youngsters play basketball, football, or glide 货币: 马尔代夫拉菲亚 (1 美元 = 15.42 拉菲亚元) on roller skates, or just relaxing on the beaches around the seafront. A great place to take your camera along.

> eastern tip of Malé, this well planned recreation space is an ideal place for an evening stroll, a family outing, or to take your children out for some fun and frolic. Besides the colourful play area, there's also a skating rink for kids. Entrance is free.

be incomplete without a trip to this lively place 购物: 首都马累是主要的商业中心和购物中心。商店开 located at the northern tip of the island. Walk 开门时间为下午 1.30,闭后时间照常。每次祷告时 through the congested streets and observe the wide variety of fish, the incessant bargainings of buyers with fishermen, and the 30 天。游客在马尔代夫停留期间每天应至少携带25美 deft fish cleaners going about their work in 元。对于来自黄热病流行地区的游客,需提供国际预防 swift action. The best time to visit the market is in the late afternoon, when the fishing boats

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DIVING in the Maldives

The brilliantly colourful coral reefs. making the Maldivian seascapes amongst the most enchanting in the world, is a nature's treasure house, an El Dorado for diving enthusiasts, providing opportunities to experience the unique and beautiful underwater scenery which is a realm of a great variety of fish, corals, and other marine denizens.

The several years of experience of the diving centers, has guaranteed high standards in the selection of resort islands as well as the quality of equipments used and the expertise of the diving staff.

of diving instructors are for novices and concerned authorities. those who still haven't gained the necessary confidence. The non-limit, or Generally these are: 1.Decompression unguided dives, documents the dives are prohibited, even if a dive confidence one feels in his or her dive. However it is the diving instructor who levels of nitrogen vis-a-vis the respective decides as to how confident and how depth over dive time, 2. diving below experienced one is in their diving skills.

All the dive operations are affiliated with PADI, NAUI, and CMAS and/or employs PADI or NAUI diving instructors. You can safety rules to be followed. One must professionals qualified to conduct shallow diving sites. One must also get

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instructor training standards. The PADI Maldivian and Fly Me. Destinations include Open Water Diver course, where you can Dharavandhoo, Fua Mulaku, Gan, practice and master real skills, offers Hanimaadhoo, Kaadhedhdhoo, tremendous flexibility depending upon Kadhdhoo, Kooddoo, Maamigili, Raa Ifuru, class requirements. It also features state- and Thimarafushi. Seaplane services are of-the art education that makes learning operated by Maldivian and Trans Maldivian simple and fun.

can prove to be dangerous. The beginner charters, and medevac operations are also not only tends to overestimate himself, carried out by them. being presumptuous, but the problem Water Transport: Local boats, or clearly lies in underestimating the dangers dhoanis (average speed 7 knots), are the of the ocean and not understanding its most common means of water transport. ways carefully.



As a rule, one must always remember that Gan they're diving at their own risk. For this Couple of diving programs are on the reason one should definitely comply with offer. Guided dives under the supervision the diving regulations issued by the

> computer is in use which measures the depths of 90 feet is prohibited, and 3. wearing a BC is mandatory. Besides these, there are other diving

also be assured of finding highly trained never dive alone, despite the numerous Airborne over Atolls acquainted with the site's special features, sun's position, and so on.

> venturing faraway from one's boat. Maldivian and Trans Maldivian Airways. Further one must also dive against the current for in case of an emergency the current will bring one back to the boat.

world.

being one of them.

Going Places

Air Transport: International flights are These companies also offer their (Bangalore, Cochin, and Trivandrum), seaplanes for aerial photography giving Malaysia (Kuala Lumpur), Qatar (Doha), one a chance to capture the natural Singapore, Sri Lanka (Colombo), Thailand (Bangkok and Don Muang), the U.A.E. resembling tiny pieces of gems studding a (Abu Dhabi and Dubai), and a number of vast aquamarine canvas painted by the European countries from and to Velana ocean, frame-by-frame. A perfect International Airport (Tel: 3322073). souvenir of a Maldivian vacation. What's Maldivian, the national carrier, operates more, they also perform government international flights to Bangladesh charter services and medevac operations. (Dhaka), India (Cochin and Trivandrum), If you want to top the icing of your holiday and Thailand (Don Muang). Domestic

courses by meeting diving's highest inter-island flights are operated by Airways, the latter having the largest fleet. Though diving is considered to be one of Sight-seeing trips, flights to uninhabited islands, photoshooting trips, executive

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One can make use of the regular ferry service (Rf 10 per person / Rf 20 per person between midnight and 6am) between Malé and the International Airport. Modern speedboats are also available for hire. Safari vessels are an ideal way to explore atolls.

Road Transport: Travel on most islands takes no more than half-an-hour on foot, with a cherry, go for the airborne The prescribed application form from for luggage carried. Taxis can be hailed on an opportunity of a lifetime! the road or called through taxi services (Tel: 3325656, 3323132, 3321414, etc.). **Favourite Pastimes** Taxis are also available at Velana International Airport (Hulhule), and in



You have just arrived at the Malé such as the location of the reef's edge, international airport and realizing that opening in reef channel, direction, there is ample time at your disposal you strength and direction of currents, the begin to ponder as to what is to be done with it. Grab this opportunity to treat yourself to some of the most spectacular Special care must be taken during current aerial views of the Maldives, courtesy of diving. Here one must make sure of not the seaplane services operated by

Their service flights range from airport-toisland shuttles to island-hopping for the adventurous to short sight-seeing flips Thus training by qualified hands coupled which provide breathtaking views of coral with one's enthusiasm, and a little bit of reefs, islands, and surrounding lagoons. cautious approach takes one to another With a little bit of luck, one may also have the chance to see schools of dolphins or The mysteries of the ocean beckons one manta rays as the flight deliberately skims and all, and diving provides an excellent over the ocean surface. Incoming and thrilling opportunity to unravel some passengers are met at the Malé airport of these, the fascinating world of corals their baggage handled, and are then conveyed to their respective destinations. Similarly outgoing tourists are retrieved at their resorts and transported back to the



Bicycles, scooters, mopeds, and experience, for the Maldives is beautiful Communications Authority of Maldives motorbikes are popular modes of not only from beneath the sea but most of (https://www.cam.gov.mv/amateur_radi transport. Taxis in Malé are unmetered, all from above it. Make flying a truly o.htm) together with a covering letter and charging Rf25 per stop, with an extra Rf5 memorable and exhilarating experience, photocopy of your passport and original

Apart from shopping in the capital city or lazing on a resort beach, there are several Since it may be difficult to organize all

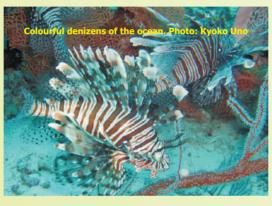
AMATEUR RADIO: If you are a licenced radio amateur, operating Amateur Radio during your visit to the Maldives could be a thrilling experience. Reciprocal licensing arrangements are available for amateur radio operation in the Maldives. The fee for such temporary licence, valid for a maximum of three months, is only MRf 200 (approx US\$13). The prefix is 8Q7. Currently, only two letter suffixes are

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licence should be submitted sufficiently in advance to facilitate processing of your application. The fee will have to be paid after your application is accepted.

exciting pastimes you could choose from. these if you are not in the Maldives, the



best way to handle is through your Tour Operator or Travel Agent or a friend in the capital, Male. You may also contact Maldives Amateur Radio Society (MARS) early, for assistance (https://www.marsmv.org/licensemaldives-amateur/).

DIVING: The 150-odd resort islands surrounded by clear turquoise waters introduces you to a fascinating world of coral gardens. To have a tete-a-tete with such underwater treasures, diving is indeed the recommended pastime. The corals offer some of the most spectacular vistas of underwater life-turtles, seaweed, shells, crustaceans and schools-andschools of brilliantly-coloured fish.

Apart from a few, most of the resorts are equipped with diving schools headed by a fully-qualified diving instructor. The waistdeep waters of a lagoon offers a perfect start for beginners. Some of the schools also offer training up to the level of a professional diver. Live-aboards and resorts in the Maldives provide all the latest high quality dive equipments spinning tackle used to bait some of the including compressors, tanks, regulators strongest fighters of the reefs. Groupers, with octopus, BCDs, masks, snorkels, fins, snappers, trevally, and barracuda can dive computers, wetsuits, weights and really put your tackle to test. weight belts. Protected dive sites popular The seas outside the atoll enclosure reef water-skiing facilities are also available.

surprise that the country flaunts some of fishing.

精致的度假岛屿, 并配以优质设备和高水平潜水教练 <mark>提供两种潜水项目。新手和那些仍没有自信的人可在潜</mark>

<code><code> MPADI 或NAUI 潜水教练。你也可以寻找训练有素的专 CRUISING: Cruising along the</code></code> 整。它还提供先进教育,使学习变得简单和有趣。

是很危险的。初学者不仅容易高估自己, 也会自以为 <mark>是,但问题显然在于他们低估了海洋的危险,而不是</mark>仔 必须谨记的一条 则是,自己正在冒着风险潜水。 出

定包括: 1) 禁止减压潜水,即使使用

潜水计算机,因为它测量的是相对于随时间增加的潜水

除此以外,还有其他多项安全 则需要遵守。决不能独 自潜水,尽管有很多潜水地点深度较浅。必须熟悉该海 域的特征,例如礁石边缘的位置、礁石通道的开口、方

的船。此外, 当激浪将某人带离船只时, 必须逆着浪流

个极好的、令人激动的机会,其中珊瑚的迷人世界就

Night fishing is a popular tourist sport with is an incredible experience. Water the catch - be it groupers, snappers, sausages and water scooters also make squirrel fish, skipjacks or barracuda - interesting rides. making a perfect evening barbecue on the beach. Fishing also begins at dawn with dhoanis seeking tuna, dolphin fish, rainbow runners and barracuda.

speedboats or motorized dhoanis islands. involving a fly fishing or a modern



throughout the world include Manta Point,
Shark Point, Lion's Head, Hammerhead dorados, darting wahoos, speedy marlins, Point, and Banana Reef. Wind-surfing and and the magnificent sailfish are all trolled from dhoanis, yachts, or powerful fishing **FISHING:** Fishing is another major sport boats. An engaging sport, many of the in the Maldives. With water constituting resort islands also have speedboats for over 99% of the total area, it comes as no hire equipped for western-style game

If you've a generous amount of time at your disposal, take off on large sailing live-五彩缤纷的珊瑚礁使马尔代夫的海洋成为世界上最迷人 aboard dhoanis for a two-or-three day trip 一,这是大自然的宝库,是潜水爱好者的是 堂,在这里您有机会欣赏独一无二的水下风景,这里栖 to remote pastures where the reef offers lesser-seen baits. 潜水中心经营多年,拥有丰富经验,能够为您挑选中最

However since the Maldives follows a strict conservation policy, the use of harpoons 水教练的指导下潜水。无限制或无引导潜水可展示自己 and hunting of marine mammals such as 对自身潜水能力的信心。然而,最终决定是否有信心以 whales, porpoises and dolphins and huge fish like the whale shark are prohibited.

aquamarine waters from atoll to atoll is an 握真正的技能,课程灵活多样,可根据教学需求随时调 unforgettable holiday experience. Boats with bunk-beds or private cabins can 尽管潜水被认为是最容易的水上运动之一,但粗心大意 accommodate anywhere between eight to twenty passengers for such islandhopping trips, normally lasting ten to fifteen days. The central atolls of North 于这个原因,我们应该严格遵守有关当局发布的潜水 and South Malé, Vaavu and Alifu are usually the most frequented since services are readily available for tourists. These 深度的氦含量。2) 潜水深度禁止超过90 英尺。3) 必须 atolls also have some of the best surfing and diving spots in the Maldives. Aboard the yacht, the crew is highly

professional. The resident cook dishes out for you excellent seafood recipes. Dining 激浪潜水时必须特别注意。必须确保不要冒险远离自己 under a clear, star-studded night sky in the Maldives is indeed an experience in itself. 因此,只要由合格的人员进行训练,和自己付出的激 An excursion to a fishing village or an 青,再加上一点谨慎的态度,就会把自己带向另一个世 uninhabited island should make your holiday cruise more worthwhile. Some 海洋的奥秘在向人们召唤,潜水就是去探索这些奥秘的 resorts also have glass-bottomed boats and catamarans for hire. Parasailing on multi-coloured parachutes

the best fishing grounds in the world. over the warm waters of the Indian Ocean Besides these, equipments for beach

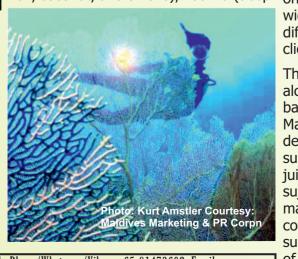
volleyball, football, lawn tennis and indoor games such as badminton, table tennis, billiards and chess are usually available Reef Casting is a type of fishing done on free of charge in many of the resort fried fish rolls), kulhi borkibaa (mildly

abounding in the region, photography is garlic paste and fried). And if you wish to another rewarding pastime. If the thrills of end on a high, go for sweets such as bondi aerial photography is your cup of tea, (white, finger-long coconut sticks), or seaplanes can be hired for taking you on zileybee (batter coils in syrup). They are breathtaking photo flights. Normal simply delicious. restrictions with regards to photographing military and security buildings and A traditional island meal includes garudiya installations exist.

Good Food

modest eateries. Local and South Asian shreds, grated coconuts, and finely food are on the main menu. Chinese and chopped onions seasoned with lime and Continental fares are also available in chilli). Breadfruit is used commonly, some restaurants.

savouries and sweets. Savouries are crispy snack when fried. Sweet dishes like mostly fish based. Some of the popular custard accompanied by locally grown snacks include fihunu mas (fish basted pomegranates, bananas, papaya, and with chilli paste and barbecued) - a real mangoes, topped by a hot cup of sweet winner, several varieties of gulha (ball - black tea lends a perfect finish to an shaped snacks with smoked fish authentic repast. stuffings), bajiya (a pastry stuffed with Most of the resort islands have more than fish, coconut, and onions), keemia (deep- one restaurant where you can enjoy a



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spiced fishcake), theluli kavaabu (deepfried fish rissole), and the succulent theluli PHOTOGRAPHY: With tropical beauty mas (fish chunks brushed with a chilli-

(a clear fish broth) served with rice, and piquant side-dishes made of lime, chilli, and small onions. Another popular dish is roshi (unleavened bread) which goes well The capital Malé has a select number of with mas huni (a mixture of smoked fish in served either as curry, the bambukeylu Teashops in Malé serve a variety of hiti, or is fried. Similarly taro makes a good

wide range of cuisines catering to the different tastes of a large international

Though Maldivians do not consume alcoholic beverages, drinks are available in bars confined to the island resorts. The Maldivian toddy raa is sweet and delicious despite its pungent odour. Ice creams,

sundaes, fresh fruit, juices, and the local suji (a sweet drink made with semolina, coconut milk, nuts, sultanas, and a dash of spices) also add to the refreshing list.



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