# SCUBA DIVING ON KANDOLHU





Just steps from your villa, a pristine coral reef protects and embraces the ivory sands and emerald heart of Kandolhu.

A number of resident turtles live on this reef and are easily approached by divers and can be observed feeding, oblivious to your presence. Many other interesting creatures inhabit this reef and any dive on the house reef will typically provide you encounters with hawksbill turtles, white tip and black tip reef sharks, eagle rays, jacks and a myriad of colourful reef fish species.





Kandolhu house reef is the perfect location for your first diving experience, your check dive, refresher course or for experienced divers, unguided house reef diving with your favourite dive buddy.

Kandolhu enjoys a privileged central location in Ari atoll, the atoll that most divers agree still offers the best diving in the Maldives and hence some of the best in the world. World class dive sites surround us and you can discover legendary Protected Marine Areas such as Maaya Thila and Fishhead, stunning coral sites and manta points to the West and North, a celebrated wreck minutes away, and even hammerheads to the North East. From Kandolhu, you can dive with the spectacular and magnifi cent as well as the small and the curious. A better base for your diving adventures would be hard to find.

(NOTE: unguided diving requires an Instructor to be on island to monitor our divers, and only when conditions permit for safety reasons, as strong currents can make it unsuitable for shore diving).





# SPECIAL ADVENTURES



Full day dive safaris further afi eld, by dhoni or on our two mast 25m yacht Ari Explorer, to discover and investigate other spectacular sites.

Private yacht charter - high seas adventure sailing over the horizon for diving escapes off the island.

Dive three Protected Marine Areas in one day choose from Maaya Thila, Fishhead, Orimas Thila and Kari Beyru Thila.

## TRY OUR AMAZING FLUORESCENT NIGHT DIVE!

Guide your own dive and explore the secret corners of Kandolhu house reef with your partner.

GoPro filming - take your in-Room GoPro and star in your own underwater movie

## **PRIVATE DIVING**

The choice is yours; create your own dive program with your personal instructor; explore sites of your selection at your time of the day; film it all with GoPro - all part of the service from your private guide.

We offer private yacht or private dhoni diving adventures for just a few hours or even sunrise to sunset, in our atoll and beyond.





## **DIVE FACILITIES**



#### WHERE TO FIND US:

Step from your villa onto the beach; pause and ponder a moment; breathe in the reviving fresh ocean air; choose left or right and stroll; crunch your toes in the soft sand; feel the gentle warmth of the sun upon your face; a soft breeze caresses your skin; linger and gaze upon the serene magnifi cent ocean; at some point thereafter you will arrive at Noovilu Sports - our friendly dive and marine centre. You'll find us there ready to welcome you - from 08:00 to 18:00hrs. For those in a hurry, we are located next to Banzai!

## **OUR BOATS**

12 Meter Hammerhead is our principal diving dhoni and is equipped for comfortable scuba diving and for our Après Dive REFRESH service.

### Onboard:

- Freshwater shower
- Oxygen and First Aid Kits
- Marine toilet - GPS
- Radio Mobile communications Life jackets

25 Meter twin mast motorsailer, Ari Explorer is a private yacht off ered exclusively to resident quests of Kandolhu. Featuring wide teak decks for relaxing sundowners, a spacious upper sundeck ideal for warming body and soul and catching the breeze while surveying the horizon, she is the perfect vessel for unique diving adventures with your special companion or aroup of friends.





# **DIVE FACILITIES**



### SAFETY:

We have the best safety equipment and the best training for any emergency situation:

- Full safety equipment on the dive boat and in the dive centre
- All dive guides are Emergency First Responders
- -Hyperbaric Chamber and Medical Centre staffed by European diving physician just 40 minutes by speedboat on Kuramathi
- We encourage you to dive with nitrox and enjoy the extra safety

### **EQUIPMENT:**

#### Brand new and the best rental equipment:

- Scubapro BCD jackets, regulators and wetsuits
- Mares fins; Scubapro and Subgear masks and snorkels
- Subgear dive computers
- In-room GoPro Hero camera

#### Time trusted and reliable hardware:

- Bauer HP silent compressor
- NRC Nitrox compressor
- DAN Oxygen and First Aid kits
- Luxfer cylinders





## **DIVE SERVICES**



#### BEGINNERS

Jump in. You're under the surface. Breathe. Hear the Bubbles. Schools of small fish engulf you in colour. Then you too are one of them; swimming, breathing underwater. Is it a dream? No - it's better - it's scuba diving.

There is no better place to start your diving than on Kandolhu; we off er a full range of beginner courses from just 10 years of age and even the Bubblemaker for 8 and 9 year olds; we have a wonderful house reef for your first dive where you have a great chance to see one or more turtles! We even offer one to one courses if you prefer individual attention.

#### **CERTIFIED DIVERS**

If you have dived before in the Maldives, you may well already know of the legendary sites in the area; if you have just happened upon Kandolhu then you are very lucky as we have 30 excellent sites in our immediate vicinity (60 minutes by boat) and many more, further afield (more about our dive sites and marine life in that section).

#### We provide you:

- A full program including single dives, early morning dives, two tank dives, full day safari, night dives, etc.

- A full range of Advanced courses

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## **DIVE SERVICES**



- A comfortable boat with onboard après dive service and the dive valet equipment service there is no need for you to handle your gear except under the water and during your predive check; we serve you cool drinks, chilled towels and fresh fruits after your dive

- Experienced instructors who know the area and the marine life (please read on)

- A safe and professional, but fun and fl exible service and crew

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- Full day dive safaris; join us on an unforgettable diving adventure on the Indian Ocean as we travel afar by dhoni or even by 25m Yacht to dive spectacular sites beyond the reach of our daily dives

- Unguided diving with your buddy on the house reef; advanced buddy pairs with 50+ logged dives can create their own adventure on Kandolhu house reef

- GoPro filming dives - take your in-Room GoPro Hero camera with housing and create your own underwater movie(s)





## **DIVE SERVICES**



### **PRIVATE DIVING**

If you prefer to dive at your own schedule, choose your own sites and dive at your pace, private diving will likely appeal.

Select your own dive site(s) and scuba program for your private diving experience with your private dive instructor and own diving dhoni

- Full day or half day private diving voyages aboard our 25m Yacht Ari Explorer. Explore sites of your interest in our atoll, perhaps heading west to seek out mantas or visit neighbouring Rasdhoo atoll and dive its famous Hammerhead Shark Point

- Your private dives can be fi lmed by your dive guide on the GoPro camera as part of this exclusive experience

-Try our "fish whisperer" private diving experience with your dive guide; tailor your private dives to develop your knowledge about your favourite marine animal(s) and hopefully dive with the animal(s) as well

- If you would rather not go on the dive dhoni and feel like a private guided dive on our fantastic house reef any time during the day, please just ask

- A keen photographer? Then why not take one of our instructors with a good knowledge of underwater photography as your private guide, take your shots in your own time and with luck perhaps even improve your results as well

- Dive courses: if you prefer one to one instruction, then we off er private diving courses at your convenience

- Private Diving is subject to availability





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All prices are in US\$ and are subject to 10% Service Charge and 12% GST. Dive prices include 10L tank and weights only. Beginner courses include full equipment rental; Advanced courses do not.

Please note: boat fees are not included in dive or course prices.

## SIMPLY DIVING

Dive prices (per dive)	
Single dive	\$70
6 to 9 dives	\$65
10 or more dives	\$60
Boat fees (per person)	
Single dive	\$15
Two tank dive	\$28
Other trips	Please ask
Equipment Rental & extras (per dive)	
ALL (BCD jacket, Regulator set, Dive computer, Shorty)	\$25
ONE item (BCD jacket, Regulator set, Dive computer, Shorty)	\$9
12 liter	\$5
15 liter	\$10
Nitrox 32% fill	\$8
Night dive supplement	\$10
Torch	\$10
Private diving	
Private guide (Per Dive)	\$200
Private courses	Please ask
Private boat rental (Per Hour)	\$250

Private courses and private boat rental are available upon request. Please ask your instructor.



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## **ARI EXPLORER DIVE TRIPS**

The 25 Meter twin mast motorsailer, Ari Explorer, is a private yacht offered exclusively to resident guests of Kandolhu. Broad beamed, she offers wide teak decks for relaxing sundowners and inspiring sunrises. The spacious upper sundeck is ideal for warming the body and soul and for catching the breeze while one surveys the horizon for hidden islands appearing out of a sparkling ocean. She is the perfect vessel for unique private diving adventures with a special companion, small group of friends or two couples as well as the ideal base for our atoll diving safaris. A day out diving from the Ari Explorer is an unforgettable dive experience that will remain with you long after your vacation.



## PRIVATE DIVING CHARTERS ON THE ARI EXPLORER (FOR TWO TO FOUR DIVERS)

Charter the Ari Explorer for a half day or a full day of diving adventure and discovery in Ari atoll or Rasdhoo atoll and explore the Indian Ocean with your private dive guide. On private diving charters we dive from the Ari Explorers 6 meter rigid inflatable boat "Stingray". Please ask your dive instructor for private diving charter rates and for great dive site options and destinations.

## ATOLL DIVE SAFARIS ON THE ARI EXPLORER (FOR FIVE TO TEN DIVERS)

A full day group dive safari in Ari atoll making three dives on some of Ari atolls famous dive sites; dive from our dhoni "Hammerhead" and relax onboard the comfortable Ari Explorer for your surface intervals, lunch and cruising. Please ask your dive instructor for more information about safari dive site choices and rates.



## **BEGINNER COURSES**

All beginner courses include full equipment, required student materials and certification, but not boat fees. All course rates are quoted per person, but are for minimum two participants. Private courses are available on request.

## **Bubblemaker**

For 8 and 9 year olds - an easy scuba introduction for young kids - max. 2m depth. Please note weather conditions must be very calm to ensure child safety.

## Discover Scuba Diving (DSD)/Try Scuba

The perfect "try diving" experience for those 10 years or above. An introductory course that includes a beautiful shallow dive on Kandolhu house reef.

#### **Repeat Discover**

A good option after your TRY SCUBA experience or DSD if you have no time to do a certification course, but still wish to see more amazing marine life diving off the boat.

#### The Scuba Diver Course

Follow on after your TRY SCUBA experience or DSD and in just a day and a half more finish your holiday with a diving certificate to 12m.

#### The Open Water Diver Course

The world famous four day diving course with the chance to see much of the amazing marine life found in the Indian Ocean including sharks, turtles and rays.

#### Add Nitrox Certification!

Add the nitrox course to your Open water Diver course and gain a special discount as well as improved safety and less fatigue after diving.

#### The Open Water Diver Referral Course

Do your theory and pool lessons at home and finish your course in the warm waters of Kandolhu diving amongst the amazing marine life of The Indian Ocean.

#### Upgrade from Scuba Diver to Open Water Diver

If you have your Scuba Diver certification from your last dive trip, why not upgrade this holiday to Open water Diver in just two days and become fully qualified to 18m.

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## PADI \$250; SSI \$200

#### PADI \$600; SSI \$550

#### PADI \$550; SSI \$500

## \$160

PADI \$800; SSI \$730

PADI \$550; SSI \$500

## \$130

\$170



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## ADVANCED COURSES

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Advanced courses include required student materials and certification, but do not include boat fees or equipment rental.

#### Scuba Review/Refresher

If you have been out of the water for a year or more, a refresher is always a good idea; includes a nice shallow dive from shore on beautiful Kandolhu house reef.

#### PADI & SSI Nitrox Courses

Dive safer and/or dive longer with nitrox.

#### Adventure Diver

No time to complete the Advanced course, then why not choose three Adventure dives that grab your interest and obtain the Adventure Diver certification!

#### Advanced Courses

The fun 5 dive Advanced course with minimal theory. Try Wreck diving, Night, Underwater Photography, Deep or others of your choice with your instructor.

#### Add Nitrox Certifiation!

If you are doing the Advanced you will likely start diving deeper - increase your safety and your no decompression time by diving with nitrox!

#### PADI & SSI Specialty courses

We have many specialty courses on offer so please speak to us about any specialty course that interests you.

SSI 2 dive Specialty course \$350 PADI 2 dive Specialty course \$400

#### **Rescue Diver Courses**

An excellent course to improve your confidence and awareness plus the chance to develop some skills in emergency management and prevention.

#### **Underwater Photo-/Video Course**

Learn how to use your in-room GoPro Hero 5. Be amazed by your own underwater photos and videos. In just 2 dives we will show you how capture wonderful memories of your diving holidays.

#### **Divemaster course**

Please e-mail us about prices and availability. The ultimate diving course and first step on the dive professional ladder!

PADI \$250; SSI \$200

PADI \$275 No dives; SSI \$380 two dives

PADI \$700; SSI Advanced Adventurer \$600

## PADI \$400; SSI \$350 two dives



SSI 3 dive Specialty course \$450 SSI 4 dive Specialty course \$550 PADI 3 dive Specialty course \$500 PADI 4 dive Specialty course \$600

PADI Rescue Diver \$850; SSI Stress & Rescue \$650

**\$120** 

**PADI \$500** 

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## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

#### PLEASE KINDLY NOTE:

All dive activities are subject to a 10% service charge and Goods and Service Tax (GST). All rates are in US \$ and prices are subject to change without prior notice. Please remember, all participants in all diving activities do so at their own risk and are required to complete our liability release(s) and either answer all questions of the RSTC Medical Form with "NO" or provide a "fit to dive" certificate from a doctor. For all divers 65 years or older, a "fit to dive" certificate from a doctor is required. The RSTC Medical Form is available in your language by mailing us at diving@kandolhu.com

All dive courses are usually for a minimum of two persons; however private lessons are available on request for an additional fee. All diving activities are subject to weather conditions and we reserve the right to suspend any given activity at any time. Lost or damaged equipment will be charged at replacement cost rates.

We recommend dive accident insurance for every diver or prospective diver.

Please e-mail us at diving@kandolhu.com to make bookings for courses and diving or for any queries or questions you might have. We look forward to hearing from you.

**Our Cancellation policy:** we understand that you may need to change your schedule, but we kindly ask you that you give us notice of more than 24 hours in advance for any diving activity involving a private charter and more than 12 hours in advance for a standard scheduled activity. If you fail to provide us the required notice period, the cancellation fee would be 100% of the price of the booked activity/private charter.

Thank you for your understanding.



