

UNPARALLELED LUXURY ON THE COAST OF DOHA

Anantara welcomes you to Banana Island Resort Doha. Immerse the senses in this idyllic destination. Cushioned on its own marina, this 13-hectare island offers exclusivity only 11 kilometres from the Corniche of Doha. Jump aboard a luxury catamaran for a 25-minute ride to the dedicated pier on the island. Stay in sophisticated elegance infused with Thai and Qatari hospitality. Gain access to the enriching heritage and awe-inspiring landscapes of Qatar.

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ACCOMMODATION

Soak up your stunning surroundings from one of 141 rooms, suites, pool and over water villas. Choose your ideal space for the ultimate in plush privacy. Find comfort at the end of a day spent exploring in island sanctuaries with modern amenities. Notice the indigenous touches throughout each beautifully appointed holiday dwelling.

Premier Sea View Room

Be coaxed into the natural rhythm of our island paradise. Draw back the curtains of your floor to ceiling windows and gaze over a soothing waterscape. Play your favourite iPod tunes as you soak in the tub, or select a treat from the mini bar to accompany an evening movie.

Deluxe Sea View Room

Combining Arabian style with sea-facing settings, Deluxe Sea View Rooms provide a sweet holiday hideaway. Be entertained by the modern technology on offer. Look out on crystal clear waters to relax your mind. Dine on your private terrace with a view of endless blue.

Junior Suite

Richly designed in Arabian style, these sophisticated suites offer 85 square metres of space. Sleep in a sumptuous bedroom and step through to your large ensuite bathroom for a refreshing shower. Relish quiet time in a separate lounge. Retreat to your balcony for a breath of fresh air.



Anantara Sea View Suite

Sea View Suites are the perfect choice for couples seeking an intimate retreat. Laze in bed with a morning coffee. Soak up the sun's rays on a sunbed. At the end of the day, share a magical dinner at your dining table inside or out on the balcony under the stars. Cosy up together with some soothing iPod tunes.

Two Bedroom Sea View Pool Villa

The ideal design for families and friends travelling together, a two bedroom Sea View Pool Villa provides 100 square metres to enjoy. Soak up the sun on the balcony. Dip into the pool for refreshing breaks. Step inside to share meals at the dining table.

Two Bedroom Luxury Sea View Pool Villa

Share paradise with relatives or friends. Taste island life through thoughtful spaces and tranguil sea views. Spend days by your pool for fun in the sun together. Cosy up in the poolside cabana. Delight in mealtimes in your elegant dining area.

Three Bedroom Sea View Pool Villa

Exuding the grandeur of a stately Arabian residence, these Three Bedroom pool villas redefine space and design. Relax in air-conditioned comfort whilst looking out on the exotic surrounds of the courtyard and sea. Make the most of holiday pleasures in your private courtyard. Retreat to your private cabana for some shade. Sip cool beverages from the mini bar in your pantry.

Two Bedroom Over Water Villa

Wake up to the soothing sounds of the sea beneath. Admire romantic sunsets from your private deck. Take a break on a cushy daybed, or enjoy a snack in the shade. Rest in your living room, enriched with indigenous flair and elite amenities. Luxuriate in your oversize tub at the end of a busy day. A separate ensuite bedroom allows you to invite someone else to look after little ones.

Three Bedroom Anantara Over Water Villa

Surround your family or friends with exceptional luxury in these over water havens. Step inside to find three magnificent en-suite bedrooms and a prestigious living and dining room. Cool down in your personal pool, or soak up the sun's rays in blissful privacy. Enjoy shady al fresco spaces for a lazy afternoon snooze. Dine together in your elegant Arabian majlis.



EACH ROOM, SUITE AND VILLA CONTAINS:

King size or twin beds Flat screen LED TV and CD/DVD player Hair dryer iPod docking station Mini bar iPod connection Separate bath and shower Tea and coffee making facilities Wifi Villa host service

GUEST SERVICES:

Excursions, activities and tours Boutique gift shop Library and guest internet facilities Laundry and pressing service Children's club and child-minding services 24-hour room service 24-hour resort nurse Prayer room Complimentary buggy service Luxury Catamaran transportation



DINING

Take an exquisite culinary tour across the globe whilst at Banana Island Resort Doha. Celebrate indigenous traditions and infusions of international flavour. Surround yourself with gorgeous ocean panoramas enhanced by Middle Eastern hospitality and great food.

Spice Spoons Cooking Class

Venture into the colourful world of Arabic cuisine. A signature Anantara element, Spice Spoons Cooking class provides an interactive environment to learn and create. Prepare a series of authentic dishes before dining on your dishes for lunch. Choose additional add-ons such a fruit and vegetable carving or table set up. Experienced cooks and beginners alike will leave with wonderful memories and impressive new skills to entertain family and friends.

Dining by Design

Celebrate a special occasion or simply the beauty of romance with a customised Dining by Design journey. Choose from our collection of connoisseur menus. Collaborate with with your personal chef to fine-tune the dishes to your desire. Cherish an unforgettable occasion as you select a dream location, complemented by a beautiful table and flawless service.



Azraq

Azraq, or 'blue' in Arabic, is an all-day dining destination where buffet and live cooking stations showcase Middle Eastern, Asian and international cuisine with a touch of Qatari flair. Breakfast on international favourites to start your day. Visit the live grill station for lunch or dinner or enjoy light options off the menu. Health conscious guests have a range of options at the buffet and a la carte.

Riva

Savour delicious dishes from the heart of Italy such as handmade pasta and pizza. Authentic Italian ingredients infuse each bite. Relax in the ambiance of the Italian Riviera atmosphere. Indulge with homemade gelato or a range of Italian and international cheeses.

Ted's

Visit our traditional 1960s-style American diner with a contemporary touch. A charming venue for younger guests and families to enjoy a delicious meal in a fun atmosphere. Choose from a generous selection of light bites and substantial classics. Enjoy sizzling creations straight from the heart of USA, including comfort foods such as oversized burgers and specially designed shakes.

Lagoon and Tanzerin

Step into our laid-back beach grill straight from the sand or volleyball courts. Taste a range of appetizing salads, and hot subs. Enjoy upbeat rhythms along with your meal and an interesting variety of activities.





Q Lounge and Restaurant

Retreat to an oasis of tranquillity. Sip refreshing beverages enhanced by the soothing, sea breeze. Treat your taste buds to an à la carte breakfast, afternoon light bite or international tapas and mezze. Enjoy specially designed flavours of Shisha, complemented by international and Middle Eastern music.

Al Nahham

Freshly prepared mezze, innovative seafood and mains are all on offer to tempt the palate. Dine on Arabic-Mediterranean cuisine in the comfortable interior or with views across the Doha skyline.

Zest Chocolate Cafe

Ideally located within our Balance Wellness Centre, Treat all your senses at Zest Café. Sip on mouthwatering beverages and nibble tasty creations. Find a versatile menu of fresh, delicious dishes served from morning to night.



ANANTARA SPA

Discover exotic traditions in a tranquil island oasis. Our sensual spa overlooks the Arabian Gulf's glittering waters, and offers journeys that coax the body, mind and spirit into beautiful balance. Pamper yourself with an extensive treatment menu that draws on luxuriant Hammam rituals, the natural wonders of the Dead Sea and revered holistic practices from across Asia.

Awaken your senses with therapeutic elixirs infused with precious argan oil, dates, figs and other rare indigenous ingredients. Escape the limits of space and time by letting us tailor a sequence that perfectly suits your individual needs and mood.

SPA FACILITIES:

- 4 overwater double treatment suites
- 4 overwater single treatment suites
- Separate male and female Hammams including: Jacuzzis, steam rooms, saunas, ice well, Moroccan and Turkish baths
- Spa Boutique
- Overwater beauty room



BALANCE WELLNESS BY ANANTARA

Focus on your health, happiness and wellbeing at Banana Island Resort. Our customised programmes focus on living life to its fullest potential. With an expert team of consultants help you achieve your personal wellness goals, we offer wellness journeys for:

- Detox
- De-stress
- Weight Management
- General Wellbeing
- Radiance
- Anti-aging
- Fitness
- Prenatal and Postnatal Care

Each journey comprises of a number of consultations and therapies based on individual needs. These may comprise a health assessment, nutritional consultations, yoga, fitness classes and specific body treatments.

Opt for a half-day journeys (approximately 3-4 hours plus a wellness meal at your leisure) or a full-day journey (lasting 5-6 hours plus two wellness meals at your leisure). Journeys longer than a day may be crafted on your request, as advised by the wellness consultant.



WATER SPORTS

Discover an incredible range of water adventures. Experience the thrill of a banana boat ride or kayak at a more relaxing pace around the island. Charter a cruise to explore the Arabian Gulf. Test your skills as an angler with a fishing trip. View the beauty of the area as you paddle along the shore of the island.



RESORT ACTIVITIES

Be spellbound by the intoxicating mix of serene ambiance and opportunity for adventure in this, blissful resort. Enjoy a vast range of leisure and recreational activities within the magnificence of Banana Island Resort Doha by Anantara. From organised activities to indoor and outdoor activities, there is sure to be something for everyone.

- Tennis court
- Private beach stretched over 800 metres
- Beach volleyball court
- Four swimming pools totalling 10,000 Sqm
- 100 metre long lagoon pool
- Two lines Splash Surf pool
- Children's pool with water slides
- Fully equipped diving centre
- Private marina for up to 30 boats
- Nine-hole golf putting course
- Cool Mint Kids Club
- Teens Club with obstacle course and adventure zone
- Entertainment Centre including an eight-pin bowling alley and VIP Cinema theatre
- Extensive motorised water sports activities
- Fitness centre
- Helicopter pad
- HamacLand, floating private platform
- Island cruiser
- F1 simulator
- Team building activities





DIVERSIONS

Museum of Islamic Art

An architectural gem that stands out on Doha Corniche, this is one of Doha's foremost attractions.

The Mathaf

Mathaf is an institution as Doha's first museum for modern and contemporary art. Entry is free to the permanent collection exhibition.

Katara Cultural Village

Visit a vibrant project that hosts global cultures. Explore authentic arts and theatre, galleries and more.

Souq Waqif

A bustling location at any time of the day, Souq Waqif or 'the standing market' is considered one of Doha's top tourist destinations. Shop, dine and sample shisha whilst soaking up the atmosphere.

Sheikh Faisal bin Qassim Al Thani Museum

Established in 1998 and one of the biggest private museums in the world, the Sheikh Faisal bin Qassim Al Thani Museum houses Sheikh Faisal's personal collection of items ranging from Arabic manuscripts and prehistoric artifacts to cars from around the world.

Fort Zubarah

A classic example of a typical Arab fort, built in 1938 traditional Qatari architectural technique, Fort Zubarah is about an hour's drive away from Doha. History buffs will love to while away a day at this UNESCO heritage site.



The Singing Sand Dunes

As the sand grains shuffle down the slopes of the dunes, they produce a hum that reverberates for miles, which can sometimes also be felt. One of Doha's natural landmarks, this is a unique attraction.

Al Dhakira Natural Reserves

A natural habitat and shelter for both local birds and animals, The Al Dhakira Natural Reserve holds a fertile oasis where mangroves flourish.

Khor Al-Adaid

Treat nature-lovers to a globally unique Mix of geological features. Also known locally as the 'Inland Sea', The scenic Khor Al-Adaid is located in the south-east of Qatar.

Fishing Trips

Fish to your heart's content with a variety of trip options. Hire a yacht for sailing. Take a Dhow charter to Safliya Island or participate in fishing competitions held every month.

TRAVEL NOTES FOR A SEAMLESS JOURNEY TO DOHA

English is widely spoken in Qatar, although the official language is Arabic. The ideal time to visit Qatar is between November and early April. These months comprise winter and early spring season and are best for enjoying outdoor and water activities. One of the region's leading cultural capitals, Qatar offers everything from world-class golfing, incredible shopping, historical sites, mesmerising desert and beautiful beaches.



TIPS FOR TRAVELLERS

Although English is widely spoken, A Qatari will note your effort in trying to use basic Arabic words like Shukran, which means thank you.

Please dress modestly as Qatar is a Muslim country with a conservative dress code. Loose trousers are acceptable for women, but avoid shorts and short skirts, strappy low-cut tops and see-through and transparent clothes.

Arab men don't always shake hands with a woman, so wait to see if he extends a hand first. A hand on the chest is another form of greeting. You may also see Gulf men rubbing their noses when they see each other, which is a traditional practice among Bedouins.

It is forbidden to bring alcohol, pornography, pork products and narcotics into the country and your luggage will be searched upon arrival.