

Maalhos Island, Maldives



31ST JULY - 4TH AUGUST, 2023

**COMPLETE CERTIFICATIONS OR JUST FUN DIVE.
THIS TRIP IS OPEN TO ALL -
DIVERS AND NON DIVERS...**

**SNORKELING IN HANIFARU BAY IS AN EXPERIENCE OF
A LIFETIME**

THE STAY



ABOUT THE ISLAND :

Maalhos island located on the eastern side of Baa Atoll.

The island measures 800 mts in length and 500 in width; the vegetation grows lush and undisturbed in the southern part, while in the northern part you can immerse yourself in a small local community's Maldivian culture anchored to its traditions.

A few steps from the hotel structures there is the bikini beach dedicated to tourists.

ABOUT THE DIVES AND HANIFARU BAY :

HANIFARU BAY (UNESCO BIOSPHERE) AND DIVING SPOTS

Maalhos is located a few minutes from the famous Hanifaru Bay, UNESCO heritage site where from May to November one can witness the largest aggregation of manta rays in the world.

A few minutes of navigation far, there are the best dive sites of the Baa atoll, suitable for all-levels divers.

The Baa atoll, famous all over the world for its extraordinary biodiversity, offers our divers the opportunity to discover dozens of dive sites that are different from each other..

In this particular area of the Maldives, the types of diving are divided into:

- Faru: small coral reefs close to the islands with a hat just above the water, steep slopes and walls, rich in fish and coral life.

-Thila: consisting of pinnacles and coral formations of various sizes and nature that rise from the seabed, up to 5-15 meters from the surface. Extremely beautiful dives, rich in any type of barrier fish and large pelagic fish, are generally deeper and more subject to changes in environmental conditions.

- Manta Point: during the wet monsoon season (from May to November), some dive sites have particular areas called "cleaning stations", which particularly attract manta rays (*Mobula alfredi*), undisputed queens of the ocean .

COST: USD 1350 ++ PP

- 100% payable to block your spot
- All payments made are non-refundable

INCLUSIONS:

- Accommodation at Dhonfulhafi Beach View on twin sharing basis
- Meals
- 8 Dive Package
- 2 Hanifaru Bay Snorkeling Trips
- Transfers; Domestic return flight from Male to Dharavandhoo and continuing with a short boat ride to Maalhos Island
- Green tax
- Orca Tshirt + Orca Travelling instructor/ team
- Free Nitrox for Nitrox certified divers only

ADDITIONALS:

- For students completing PADI Open Water Diver Course - Theory + Pool training - @ INR 16,500/- + GST pp
- For students completing PADI Advanced Open Water Theory code: INR 6,500/- PP
- Instructor fees for students completing any courses during the trip INR 2500 pp/per course

EXCLUSIONS:

- 5% GST + 5% TCS: before 1st July, 2023 (please provide PAN card)
- 5% GST + 20% TCS: post 1st July, 2023 (please provide PAN card)
- International Flight ticket
- Equipment rental and Any additional dives
- Staff Gratitude
- DAN Diving Insurance (mandatory) @ USD 40 payable to Orca Dive Club
- Travel insurance
- Any personal purchases
- Apart from 'Inclusions'
- Transfers out of route

PLEASE DO NOTE:

- Only PADI courses will be conducted during this trip
- PADI Medical form needs to be duly filled and signed
- In case of any medical condition Doctors clearance is mandatory
- Knowing how to swim is mandatory requirement to join this trip

DISCLAIMER:

Orca Dive Club will not be responsible for no diving due to weather conditions, for civil unrest, terrorism, strikes, illness, epidemics, accidents, injuries, damage, loss and theft, quarantine, customs regulations, changes in flight itinerary, delays, deportation or refusal of entry by immigration authorities and in case of any cancellation or changes to itinerary by the Local Government. For qualified divers, you are expected to be able to dive to a standard as per the certification and experience requirements outlined. You are responsible for your own and your buddy's safety during the dive.