

Maafushi Island

About Maafushi Island

Maafushi gets you to experience the same natural beauty of Maldives with a feel of Maldivian culture. Located in South Male' Atoll just half an hour south of Male' International Airport via speed boat, Maafushi is the capital island of Central North Province of South East Asian Archipelago. *About 90 minutes away from Malé by ferry boat*, Maafushi Island is a favorite that's frequented by a lot of backpackers and budget travelers.

People say that the Maldivian islands are where they find their inner peace and calmness; so much so that the entire country's economy is literally built around the hospitality business. But you'll have to experience the sudden change of pace, from your flight to the hustle and bustle of the capital city of Maldives, to the utter change of pace that you'll experience on a remote island in the Indian Ocean to fully understand what this means.

An island experience:

Experience the tropical splendor of this beautiful island, with a population of approximately 2000 people surrounded by the clear blue Indian Ocean

Guest Houses in Maafushi

Maafushi has guesthouses that cater to the increasing numbers of tourists arriving in the Maldives on a low budget vacation.

Travelers staying on nearby resorts towards the south now find it convenient to visit Maafushi as part of the island hopping experience, complete with souvenir shops.

There are several dining options available in many restaurants and dinners scattered through the island but the more adventurous is trying making friend with the locals who may invite them over to a classic Maldivian dinner consisting of fish soup, rice and salads made out of indigenous vegetables.

Attractions

The small sandbar towards the north, on the same reef as Maafushi is a lovely place to spend a day snorkeling and sunbathing. Accessible by just walking in the sea during low tide, this tiny island has just about a couple of coconut trees, some shrubs and broad vistas of the Maldivian seascape in every direction. There is another sandbar named Furafathi, in the middle of the sea towards the west, but requires a boat for access.

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