



Best of the North

Minimum 30 dives & Advanced (30 meter) / Nitrox certification

Best of North Tour 10 nights / 27 dives

Experience the best of the Maldives' northern atolls with this exceptional liveaboard tour.

This itinerary highlights Northern Malé, Lhaviyani, and Baa Atoll, offering incredible biodiversity, vibrant reefs, and thrilling manta ray encounters at Hanifaru Bay.

Northern Malé Atoll: A great mix of coral gardens, wreck dives, and reef sharks.

Lhaviyani Atoll: Known for its dramatic overhangs, abundant marine life, and unique wreck sites like the famous Shipyard.

Baa Atoll & Hanifaru Bay: A UNESCO Biosphere Reserve,

Hanifaru Bay is renowned for seasonal gatherings of manta rays and whale sharks, making it a bucket-list destination.

Itinerary Sample

Arrival Day:

Guests are greeted at the airport by the crew at noon (12:00 PM). For those arriving later, pickups are arranged at a pre-scheduled time.

Upon boarding the AMBA liveaboard, guests are welcomed with a refreshing drink and lime-scented towel. A brief orientation is provided by the tour guide, covering the ship's layout and the day's schedule. Guests can then settle into their cabins and freshen up.

From 2:00–4:00 PM, certification and insurance documents are checked, followed by equipment assembly on the dive boat (Dhoni) with assistance from the dive crew.

Dinner is served around 6:00 PM, after which the crew is introduced, and a comprehensive safety briefing about the boat is conducted. The evening is spent relaxing or mingling with fellow guests after the journey.

Day 2 to the Last Diving Day:

Each day offers 2–3 dives, typically 3 unless long crossings are required. These dives take place from Dhoni and include one night dive per trip.

Dive sites are carefully selected, with detailed briefings available in English, German, and Spanish to prepare guests for each dive.

The Maldives offers breathtaking underwater experiences, from coral gardens to encounters with manta rays, whale sharks, hammerheads, tiger sharks, bull sharks, and other marine life.

Dives are conducted in self-reliant buddy teams. Experienced dive guides accompany groups to highlight the best aspects of each site.

Divers must be capable of independent ascents in buddy teams using surface marker buoys when necessary.

Last Diving Day – Day Before Departure:

The final dive is scheduled for 8:00 AM on the day before disembarkation.

After the last dive, equipment can be rinsed in freshwater tanks and left to dry before packing.

Guests are invited to explore the capital, Malé, in the afternoon. The official farewell takes place in the evening, followed by dinner.

Departure Day:

Check-out is before 10:30 AM. A light breakfast is provided, with earlier check-outs available upon request.

Unfortunately, late check-outs are not possible due to cleaning and preparation for the next trip.

Guests with late flights can store luggage in airport lockers and use the time to explore nearby islands or relax at the airport hotel, which offers access to a pool and alcoholic beverages.

Diving Participation Requirements:

DIVING OPERATION

- Minimum 30 dives & Advanced (30 meter) /Nitrox certification
- All dives guided (6–8 guests per guide)
- Nitrox only (no discount if not available)
- No diving on arrival/departure days
- Last dive: 8:00 a.m. day before checkout
- Max 2–3 dives/day. Usually 3 dives

REQUIRED DIVING EQUIPMENT

- Mask, BCD, fins
- Surface marker buoy, signal whistle
- Reef hook, Nitrox-capable dive computer
- Regulator with alternate air source
- Cutting tool, torch
- Compass
- All equipment must be used on every dive by each divers. no exceptions possible.

Optional: Hood, snorkel, boots are recommended but not mandatory. Gloves are prohibited. Spare or rental equipment is available on board.

The minimum age to participate is 15.

Divers with more than two years since their last dive or those unsure of their skills must complete a refresher course before the trip.

This itinerary ensures a safe, enjoyable, and unforgettable experience exploring the stunning underwater world of the Maldives with AMBA.

The last dive will be on the penultimate day of the trip.

Divers are recommended to wait for 24 hours before flying after the last dive.
Sample itineraries and maps are for illustrative purposes only.

The exact route and sites visited are subject to change based on local regulations, guest experience, weather, and logistics and are at the Captain's discretion.

Included

11 days/ 10 nights accommodation in the booked cabin category
2 to 3 dives per day (usually 3 dives per day), including one night dive per week
Airport transfers to and from the safari ship on the day of embarkation and disembarkation
Breakfast, lunch, afternoon snacks and cakes, dinner
Drinking water, coffee, tea, juice
Towels
Daily room service
Diving weights and weight belts
Guided diving groups with a ratio of a maximum of 6 guests to one guide
VAT 17%
Nitrox filling

Obligatory surcharges

Diving/Travel insurance
Service Charge : 10 % from guest's booking amount, to be paid in advance
Green Tax : 120 EUR per trip, to be paid in advance