



This is a diving cruise off the traditional diving routes in the Maldives. The route is unique and out of all the usual circuits, with extraordinary quality of dives: schools of jacks, schools of sharks and other pelagics, whale sharks at night, mantas, tiger sharks, mola mola and sailfish, along with the quality and exuberance of reefs and thilas reminiscent of the Maldives 25 years ago.

Gaafu Alifu & Gaafu Dhaalu: this route gives the opportunity to explore in depth one of the most beautiful atolls of the Maldives, including the famous Vilingili and Kooddoo channels, densely coral-populated thilas like Bodu Thila, the labyrinthine Kondey coral garden, and blue dives next to the reef at Gemmanafushi Beru in search of hammerhead and silky sharks. Night-time activities can include snorkelling with whale sharks, mantas, dolphins and nurse sharks. During the week we also find quiet islands or sandbanks for a barbecue, paddleboarding, kayaking and snorkelling, and sunsets on the sandbank with music and drinks.

Addu: famous for manta dives at the Maa Kandu cleaning station, and home to the largest wreck in the Maldives, the British Loyalty, at 150 metres. This atoll also has incredible blue walls where there's a chance to find tiger, silvertip and grey reef sharks.

Fuvahmulah: one of the main attractions of this route, where we spend one of our days. This island south of the equator offers exciting dives such as the southern plateau with strong currents, home to hammerhead, thresher and tiger sharks, including the famous Tiger Zoo or Tiger Wall for close encounters with tiger sharks. Other pelagic animals commonly seen include tuna, jack fish and marlin.

Day by Day Itinerary

Day 1 (Saturday): Male Airport - Kooddoo or Gan - South Hemisphere Diving Cruise

Arrival at Male Airport. Connecting flight from Male to the embarking atoll airport, Kooddoo or Gan. One of our staff members will be waiting for you at the airport. You will then get onto our auxiliary boat Dhoni for the

transfer to Maldives Blue Force One or 3 for check-in, briefing of the liveaboard, diving and plan itinerary.
Dinner onboard.

Day 2 to 7 (Sunday to Friday): South Hemisphere Diving Cruise

Dive in Addu, Gaafu Alifu, Gaafu Dhaalu and Fuvahmulah. 3 dives a day. Depending on diving conditions, the number of daily dives can be modified, guaranteeing a total of 18 dives for the week. If the weather and logistics allow, we will have a BBQ lunch on a desert island and visit a fishing village. On the last day we arrive at Kooddoo or Gan, cleaning equipment and relaxing on board.

Day 8 (Saturday): Gan or Kooddoo - Male

Disembarkation during the morning. Domestic flight to Male (schedule to be determined), with arrival at Male airport.

Included

- Transfers airport - boat - airport.
- Stay in a double cabin sharing on Maldives Blue Force One or 3, in full board basis.
- Water, tea and coffee.
- 18 dives including S80 tank, weights, guides and diving boat (Dhoni).
- Travel, diving and cancellation insurance.

Not Included

- Flights to Male.
- 2 domestic flights in the Maldives (Male / Kooddoo or Gan / Male).
- Local taxes and government fees, payable on board.
- Nitrox.
- Soft drinks and alcohol.
- Rental equipment (available on request, must be booked before departure).
- Day hotel option (direct payment if used).
- Fuvahmulah dive fee, charged per dive.

Important

These routes are only suitable for experienced divers. Diving sites are known for very strong currents, and dives can be quite challenging. Advanced and Nitrox certification are required, with at least 100 logged dives.