

## ITINERARIES LIST AND DESCRIPTION

**Please, note, below itineraries are samples. The actual route will depend on the current weather conditions and overall diver levels. The boat manager reserves the right to change/amend the itinerary to a more appropriate one, to provide best possible diving experience at the time of the cruise.**

### **Best Of Maldives, 7 nights, start and finish points in Male**

1<sup>st</sup> day

Arrivals, Briefings & Set Up. No diving.

2<sup>nd</sup> Day

Check Dive North Male – Kurumba House Reef/ Lankan Manta Point

Dive South Male - Emboodhoo Express (Sharks & Eagle Rays)

Dive South Male - Kuda Giri Wreck

3<sup>rd</sup> Day

Dive South Male - Kandhooma Thila (Sharks & Eagle Rays)

Dive South Male - Guraidhoo Corner or Medu Faru (Sharks & Eagle Rays)

*Cross to Ari Atoll (4.5Hrs)*

4<sup>th</sup> Day

Dive South Ari Atoll - Kuda Rah Thila

*Look for Whalesharks - Maamagili Beyru*

Dive South Ari Atoll - Maamagili Beyru (Whalesharks)

Dive South Ari Atoll - Rangali Madivaru (Manta Point)

*Night Fishing upon request*

5<sup>th</sup> Day

Dive South Ari Atoll - Radhiga Thila (Sharks + Great Coral)

Dive North Ari Atoll - Dhonkalo Thila (Manta Point)

Dive North Ari Atoll - Fish Head

*Desert Island Dinner*

6<sup>th</sup> Day

Dive North Ari Atoll - Maalhos Thila

Dive North Ari Atoll - Hafsa Thila

Dive North Ari Atoll - Maaya Thila

Dive North Ari Atoll - Maaya Thila (Night Dive)

7<sup>th</sup> Day

Dive North Ari Atoll - Reethi Thila

Dive North Ari Atoll - Bathala Kan Thila

*Cross to Male*

*Shopping and City Tour Male*

8<sup>th</sup> Day

Check Out 7&9am

### **Pelagic Magic, 7 nights, start and finish points in Male**

North Ari Atoll: Grey Reef Sharks, Maaya Thila Night Dive, Multiple Manta Cleaning Stations  
Beautiful Pinnacles.

South Ari Atoll: Whalesharks  
On this route we take you

over from Male. Exact dive sites will vary depending on diver experience levels, local conditions and where the best sightings have been in the weeks proceeding the cruise.

Pelagic Magic gets you face to face with the famous whalesharks of Ari Atoll. As this itinerary devotes more time here, you are certain to get your whaleshark fix at Maamagili. Iconic dive follows iconic dive as you sail from Male through North Ari and then onto South Ari; your log book will fill with shark and manta sightings as well as outstanding reef dives. Then grab your snorkel and splash in to float only feet away from graceful whalesharks. Pelagics of all shapes and sizes await.

With around 17 dives, as well as opportunities to snorkel with the whalesharks, this is an action packed week. The pelagic sightings start right from the beginning. Manta Point (otherwise known as Lankan Finolhu) is a cleaning station with reliable manta sightings. Just settle down and watch the manta swoop in. Hafsa Thila and Maya Thila are yet more iconic dive site where sharks are plentiful. Look out for baby white tips under the large table corals. But it is at night that Maya Thila really comes alive. Reef sharks and marble morays hunt dinner out as morays slink between the coral blocks.

As you reach South Ari keep a look out for the whalesharks. Maamagili is the place to find whalesharks at this time as they follow the seasonal currents. Manta chase plankton trails too into the nearby lagoons. Between your pelagic encounters, the reef dives will not disappoint. Discover the lush corals and schooling fish at the likes of Reethi Thila and Kuda Rah.

This is a great itinerary for everyone. No matter what your experience level this is a Maldives itinerary you can enjoy. There can be some drift diving so some experience of diving in currents is advisable. Don't forget to take your reef hook to make shark watching all the easier. As so many of the best whaleshark encounters are snorkelling, everyone can feel the thrill of seeing these graceful creatures in their natural environment. Pelagic Magic runs when the pelagics sightings are at their optimum in North and South Ari. Don't delay - discover the biggest inhabitants of the Maldives for yourself.

## **Manta Madness, 7 nights, start and finish points in Male**

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#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Day**

**3 Dives in North Ari Atoll, with chances of seeing Manta at Lankan Manta Point or Sunlight Thila**

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Day**

**Overnight/Early Morning Crossing to Baa Atoll approx 6 hours depending on the weather.**

**3 Dives in Dharavandhoo Area of Baa Atoll**

#### **4<sup>th</sup> Day**

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**Depending on Manta Activity in Baa Atoll, the boat may remain in Baa for the remainder of the trip, or move South as follows**

#### **5<sup>th</sup> Day**

**Overnight Crossing to Rasdhoo**

**Dive Rasdhoo Madivari**

**Dive North Ari Atoll - Hafsa Thila**

**Dive North Ari Atoll - Maaya Thila**

**Dive North Ari Atoll - Maaya Thila (Night Dive)**

#### **6<sup>th</sup> Day**

**Dive South Ari Atoll - Hafsa Thila**

**Dive North Ari Atoll - Maalos Thila**

**Dive North Ari Atoll - Fesdu Wreck**  
**Potential Manta Night Dive in Fesdu Lagoon**

**7<sup>th</sup> Day**

**Dive North Ari Atoll - Fish Head**

***Cross to Male***

**Dive North Ari Atoll - Lankan Manta Point**

***Shopping and City Tour Male***

**8<sup>th</sup> Day**

**Check Out 7&9am**

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## **5 Atolls Sharkastic, 7 nights, start and finish points in Male**

In this period the clean ocean water flows in from the eastern side of the Maldives. That means currents running from Sumatra, Indonesia to the Maldives bring with them not just fantastic visibility up to 40m but also a variety of pelagic surprises coming to the reef for a quick feed.

The Channel dives of the eastern coast of the Maldives are the main order of the day. These Kandus, as they are known in the local language (Dhivehi), attract grey reef sharks, dog tooth tuna and eagle rays as standard but look out into the blue and you never know what surprises await. The outer walls and corners of the channels in Vaavu and Meemu have the added bonus of beautiful overhangs draping in the blues, yellows and pinks of the majestic soft coral.

After the adrenaline pumping channel dives of eastern Maldives we cross over to South Ari Atoll to look for the whalesharks and mantas at Maamagili and Rangali Madivaru (Dhivehi for Manta Place) among other great sites such as Kudarah Thila and Kudimaa Wreck known for its potential leaf fish and frog fish.

## **South Central 7 Atolls, 7 nights, start and finish points vary between Male, Kadhdhoo (Laamu Atoll), Koodoo (Huvadhoo)**

(Please note some dive site names have been kept secret due to uniqueness of this itinerary)

Highlights: Sharks, Pelagics, Soft Coral, Great Visibility, Beautiful Channels & Drifts

North Male (1 Day)

Check Dive Feydhoo Finolhu picturesque wall dive with nice overhangs and lots of turtles, bat fish and possible other surprises. Beautiful Soft Coral pinnacles such as Nassimo Thila and HP Reef

South Male (1 Day)

Kuda Giri Wreck with beautiful soft coral, rare black coral & Macro Delights

Kandhooma Thila with its Grey Reef Sharks, schooling Eagle Rays and big Tuna. A challenging but rewarding dive.

Vaavu (2 Days)

Action packed night dive with feeding sting rays, massive Travally, Nurse Sharks and Black Tip Reef Sharks

Beautiful Channels with magical soft coral and good pelagic action, famous sights include Fotteyo, Golden Wall and Miyaru Kandu.

Meemu (1 Day)

– Beautiful Channels with magical soft coral and good pelagic action such as Mulaku Kandu & Muli Corner

A easy shallow Manta Cleaning station  
at 14m

Thaa (1 Day)

– Hammerhead dive, whalesharks & Dolphins at night and action packed channels

Laamu (1 Day)

– Beautiful fish filled channels with great shark encounters.

These sights all offer plenty of pelagic action with fantastic visibility and plenty of action. This itinerary is not for beginners and most dives will involve going to depth and diving with currents. We recommend it for those who have min 100 logged dives.

## **Deep South/ Southern Sharks, 7 or 9 nights, start and finish points vary between Male, Kadhdhoo (Laamu Atoll), Koodoo (Huvadhoo)**

*In this period the sea is normally calm and the current moves into the atolls from the east. This makes the Eastern Channels of Huvadhoo, Laamu, Thaa, Meemu, Vaavu and South Male extremely attractive with great Pelagic life and good visibility. The outside reefs of these atolls are also very beautiful with good coral coverage. We have GPS coordinate of the spot where Whale Sharks come at night time to the back of the boat and stay for hours to feed under the light which attracts plankton. Huvadhoo, Laamu, Thaa, Meemu, Ari, Male would get you the best of the Maldives.*

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Huvadhoo (3 Days)

- Anchor Whaleshark spot
- Dive Vilingilli Kanduu Area
- Dive Nilandhoo Kanduu Area
- Night Dive Hyatt Reef
- Dive Mareehaa Kanduu Area

Depart from Kooddoo Airport, Gaafu Alifu Atoll

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