

Your Way Away

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Maldives

8 days: local islands, whale sharks and coral reefs

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The Maldives without a luxury resort: guesthouses on local islands, snorkelling with rays and turtles off Maafushi, whale sharks off Dhigurah in South Ari Atoll, and one night in Hulhumalé by the airport. Speedboats and one transfer by seaplane or speedboat. Book everything yourself and keep this guide on your phone: it works offline.

At a glance

Visa on arrival

free for 30 days; you need a confirmed hotel booking, a return ticket and enough funds (Czech MFA)

Checked

IMUGA

fill in the online arrival form no later than 96 hours before departure at imuga.immigration.gov.mv

Checked

Green tax

USD 12 per person per night at resorts, USD 6 at smaller guesthouses on local islands

Checked

Passport

valid at least 1 month from entry

+4 h

time difference from Central Europe in winter, +3 h in summer

Nov–Apr

the best months: dry season and the best visibility underwater

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Day by day

1 **Arrive**
Visa on arrival, speedboat to Maafushi.

2 **Snorkelling**
By boat to reefs with rays and turtles, a sandbank in the afternoon.

3 **Maafushi**
Bikini beach, sunset fishing in the evening.

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... and 5 more days, day by day, in the full guide

What you will see



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Maafushi

The best-known local island, with guesthouses and a bikini beach, and the base for snorkelling trips.

Time: 3 days



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Whale sharks

The world's largest fish stay around South Ari Atoll. Swim with them at a distance and never touch them.

Time: half a day

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The full guide: Maldives

11 pages, in English and Czech. Checked on the date on the cover.

- The whole route day by day, with nights in each place
- When to go, month by month
- Every place with photos and how long to spend
- Getting around, where to stay, money and food
- Manners, safety and a before-you-go checklist
- Official links and sources

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