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# IT'S ALL YOURS

Kudadoo Maldives Private Island, the country's newest barefoot escape, offers guests a new take on luxury

The graceful curves and gently sloping roofs of Kudadoo Maldives Private Island's contemporary Japanese design are the first hint that this is somewhere truly unique. A verdant dot in the Indian Ocean within the Lhaviyani Atoll, 40 minutes from Malé by seaplane, Kudadoo's natural setting is enhanced by a perfect semi-circle of 15 overwater villas.

Designed by New York-based architect Yuji Yamazaki with a focus on sustainable principles, this intimate eco-hideaway is the first all-inclusive luxury outpost in the Maldives, as summed up by its mantra

'anything, anytime, anywhere'. This translates as being able to have whatever you want, whenever you want, wherever you want – there's nothing else like it in the Maldives. There's everything from 'unscripted' fine dining (your butler will encourage you to order whatever you would like) to a personal trainer, yoga instructor and meditation guru at your beck and call, 24 hours a day. There is a stunning spa, suspended above the ocean, where indulgent signature treatments are complimentary and unlimited, and a roster of 'Effortless Adventures' with the resident marine biologist that includes swimming with manta rays or diving with whale sharks.





Kudadoo really is an opportunity to reimagine your freedom. And, what's more, there's the option to buy out the entire island as your own private playground for your family and friends. There is even accommodation for guests' personal and household staff.

What you get is privacy, security and unrivalled comfort. The spacious one-bedroom and two-bedroom overwater Ocean Villas all feature super-king beds, Bang & Olufsen audio systems, and incredible indoor/outdoor living with some of the largest private sun decks in the Maldives. Watch the dolphins from your expansive pool, or step directly down from the terrace to snorkel on one of the Maldives' most abundant reefs.

Each villa's dedicated butler also acts as a 'dive butler', arranging any number of private, complimentary activities, from kite-surfing to paddle-boarding, from blue-light night snorkelling to deep-sea fishing for sailfish or marlin. Even for the most restless guest, it's impossible to get bored.



Clockwise from top left: the view from your bed at Kudadoo; The Retreat; the restaurant; the Sulha Spa; an aerial view of a villa; the Kudadoo sea plane; a villa and private terrace; the bar at night; aerial view of Kudadoo Maldives Private Island

Kudadoo is infused with air and light, both in the design of the villas and in the double-height main hub, The Retreat, which incorporates a saltwater infinity pool, restaurant and bar, gym and the Sulha Spa, featuring the first Himalayan salt chamber in the Maldives. This striking architectural building is also central to Kudadoo's eco-credentials as the only resort in the Maldives that is truly sustainable; this is thanks to the unobtrusive solar panels on The Retreat's roof, which provide enough energy to power the island.

The restaurant uses sustainably sourced seafood (much of which is caught locally) and plastic straws are banned; a water-bottling plant helps reduce plastic consumption, and fresh produce from local greenhouses keeps the food miles down. There is a large and beautiful beach on Kudadoo, thoughtfully planted with only native plants and trees, strategically placed to prevent erosion.

Kudadoo Maldives Private Island offers guests a sustainable barefoot escape like no other; one that's private, intimate and tailored to your every desire. Anything, anytime, anywhere – now that's real luxury.

#### Further Information

Prices from £3,800 per residence, per night, all-inclusive. Email [general.manager@kudadoo.com](mailto:general.manager@kudadoo.com) or visit [kudadoo.com](http://kudadoo.com) to find out more

