

PRINCESS SARA

Addu to Male

Gan to Male | Addu, Fuvahmulah, Suvadiva, Laamu, Thaa, Mulak, Felidu and South Male

The far south of the Maldives is shark country, with the tiger sharks and thresher sharks of Fuvahmulah, where a single dive can show up to seven kinds of shark.

Suvadiva brings caves, steep cliffs and great gorgonians, and Laamu has very clear water with manta rays at cleaning stations.

Further north, ocean passes and manta points are lined with grey, whitetip and nurse sharks, manta rays and eagle rays.

South Male ends the trip with steep walls covered in soft corals, gorgonians and sponges, and in some months dozens of whale sharks feeding on plankton alongside the mantas.

LENGTH	DEPARTURE PORT	ARRIVAL PORT	EXPERIENCE
12 days / 11 nights	Gan	Male	Advanced Open Water, 30+ dives







Your itinerary

DAY 1

Embarkation

No diving today

The crew meets you at Gan airport and takes you to the Princess Sara, with a welcome briefing, check in and the first dive plan.

DAY 2-11

Route

2 to 3 dives a day

The boat sails through Addu, Fuvahmulah, Suvadiva North and South, Laamu, Thaa, Mulak, Felidu and South Male, in this order, with two or three accompanied dives a day and one night dive in the week.
Itinerary is indicative, and the order can change with the weather and the sea conditions.

DAY 12

Disembark

Disembarkation in the morning at Male, with a transfer to the airport for the flight home.

GOOD TO KNOW

On land and on the way

Addu

Very clear water with an average depth of 30 to 35 metres. Large groups of grey sharks at Shark Point, and wreck diving on the British Loyalty, a tanker of nearly 6,000 tons lying at 30 metres. Weaker currents make it good for less experienced divers, with turtles, manta rays and rays.

Fuvahmulah

A single dive can show up to seven kinds of shark, from the tiger shark to the elegant thresher, with oceanic manta rays, whale sharks, hammerheads and mola mola.

Suvadiva North and South

Boxfish are only a small part of the attractions, and the big encounters are tiger sharks and hammerheads. Caves, steep cliffs, great gorgonians, red sponges and frogfish.

Laamu

Good for less experienced divers, with few currents and very clear water. Manta rays at cleaning stations are on the programme, with pipefish, reef sharks and curious groupers.

Thaa

Diving for beginners, although the best sites have strong currents that need experience. The famous Gorgonian Garden has frequent manta rays, turtles and schools of fusiliers, with many crustaceans and nudibranchs.

Mulak

Ocean passes, manta points and inner and outer reefs, with nudibranchs, shrimp, soft and hard corals, grey, whitetip and nurse sharks, manta rays and eagle rays.

Felidu

Splendid channels, ideal for drift diving, with large schools of fusiliers, coral formations, reef sharks and turtles. Experienced divers may see hammerheads over the passes, and manta rays are common in the rainy season.

South Male

Steep walls covered with soft corals, gorgonians and sponges, a colour show for photographers. In some months manta rays are joined by dozens of whale sharks feeding on plankton, and there are grey reef sharks and, less often, leopard, nurse, oceanic whitetip and hammerhead sharks.

Typical day

Wake up at 06:30. Briefing and first dive at 07:00, breakfast at 09:00, second dive at 11:00, lunch at 13:00 and a third dive at 15:30 where the day allows it. Snack and an island visit at 17:00, aperitif at 19:00 and dinner at 20:00.

Non-divers

Non-divers can join in every day with two of these guaranteed: snorkelling, a sandbank landing, visits to deserted and inhabited islands, and bottom fishing or trolling.

On board

A jet ski, a slide and an inflatable pool, and a jacuzzi on the main deck. Aperitifs and barbecues are held on deserted islands.

Check in

The crew meets you at the airport and takes you to the boat. The check in is followed by a welcome briefing.

Check out

Disembarkation is in the morning, with a transfer to the airport for the flight home.

Last dive

Diving stops at least 24 hours before your departure flight.

INCLUDED

What your trip covers

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- Cabin share (double) and full board, with three meals a day
- Transfers between the airport and the boat
- Accompanied dives for certified divers, with cylinders and weights
- Snorkelling with a guide for non-divers, and a diving test
- Unlimited mineral water, tea and coffee
- Excursions to deserted and inhabited islands, and a beach barbecue dinner
- Dive instructors and local guides, about one guide to eight divers, speaking Italian, English and Spanish
- GST
- Snorkel gear, stand-up paddleboard, towels and toiletries
- 24 hour emergency line

NOT INCLUDED

- International flights
- Mandatory service charge
- Green tax
- Nitrox or 15 litre cylinders
- Dive equipment rental, on request
- Dive insurance (mandatory)
- Island entrance fees where required
- Optional excursions and extra dives
- Alcoholic and soft drinks
- Jet ski, laundry and Wi-Fi
- Tips for the dive guides (optional)
- Cabin supplements for suites and deluxe cabins

BEFORE YOU GO

What to bring

ESSENTIALS

- Dive certification card and logbook
- Completed diver medical questionnaire
- Details of your dive and travel insurance
- Dive computer and surface marker buoy with reel
- Reef-safe sunscreen

AND ALSO

- Swimwear, hat and sunglasses
- Light clothing and sandals
- Personal medication and toiletries
- Travel adaptor
- Passport

WORTH KNOWING

Key notes

Good to know

The itinerary is set on board by the captain and the boat manager and can change with the weather, and diving at a specific site is not guaranteed

Insurance

Dive insurance is mandatory, and travel insurance is recommended

Flying

A flight to Gan is needed, and is not included

Fuvahmulah dive fee

Fuvahmulah has tiger sharks, and sightings cannot be promised