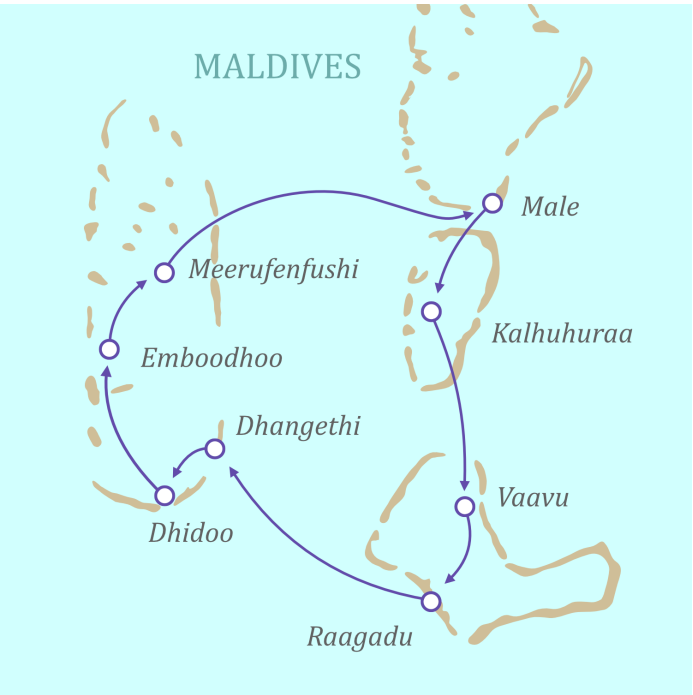


BEST OF CENTRAL ATOLL - MALDIVES CRUISE

Explore the Central Atolls of the Maldives aboard Leira, journeying through the spectacular South Male, Vaavu and Ari Atolls. Designed for both snorkellers and divers, this carefully curated voyage blends exceptional marine encounters with the laid-back charm of the Maldives, from pristine sandbanks and uninhabited islands to traditional local communities. Between world-class underwater experiences and idyllic beach stops, guests can enjoy the perfect balance of adventure, relaxation and authentic island discovery.



ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrival in Malé

Anchorage: Near Male

Welcome to the Maldives. Leira will be anchored off Villigili, approximately 20 minutes by boat from Velana International Airport.

Upon arrival, your Guest Relations Officer will welcome you and assist with your transfer by

private tender to Leira. Once onboard, the crew will help you



settle into your cabin and provide a welcome briefing covering safety procedures and the cruise experience.

Meet your fellow guests, dive team, and crew before enjoying a pre-dinner cocktail on the bar and restaurant deck while watching the sunset over the Indian Ocean.

Day 2: South Malé Atoll

Leira will depart the Male anchorage and cross Vaadhoo Channel toward South Male Atoll.

Enjoy morning and afternoon visits to Kalhuhuraa Sandbank, where you can swim, relax, and soak up the sun in the warm waters of the Indian Ocean. Beach umbrellas will be provided when conditions permit.

**Diving:**

Vaagali Caves : An easy introductory dive outside Vaagali Picnic Island, featuring overhangs, schooling fish, Napoleon wrasse, whitetip reef sharks, and stingrays.

Vaagali Thila : A large pinnacle in Vaagali Channel with beautiful coral growth and abundant marine life. During incoming currents, schooling sharks may be seen cruising through the channel.

After the day's excursions, Leira will cruise approximately 25 nautical miles toward Vaavu Atoll, arriving in time for dinner.

Day 3: Vaavu Atoll

(Optional early-morning excursion)

Nurse Shark Snorkeling and Diving:****

Enjoy an early-morning excursion to one of the Maldives' most famous nurse shark sites. The early departure helps avoid crowds and offers the opportunity for close encounters with these impressive animals.

This excursion is chargeable and subject to availability and conditions.

After the excursion, Leira will cruise toward a sandbank on the eastern edge of Vaavu Atoll. Surrounded by a turquoise lagoon and bordered by an attractive reef, it is ideal for swimming and snorkeling. Spend the morning and afternoon on the sandbank, with lunch served onboard. Beach umbrellas will be provided when conditions permit.

**Evening activity**

Diving Traditional Night Fishing: From approximately 17:30 to 19:30, the crew will organize a traditional hand-line fishing experience. ****

Miyaru Kandu : A channel dive offering the possibility of encountering larger pelagic species, including sharks and eagle rays.

Devana Kandu :A narrow channel with a reef in the center. The site is known for larger fish such as sharks, Napoleon wrasse, and eagle rays. Turtles may also be seen in the



shallower sections

Day 4: Vaavu Atoll

Enjoy a short early-morning cruise to Rah Gandu Huraa, a long, narrow sandbank on the western side of Vaavu Atoll. The surrounding reef is healthy and well suited to snorkelling. Spend the morning and afternoon on the sandbank, with lunch served onboard. Beach umbrellas will be provided when conditions permit.

After the excursions, Leira will begin crossing the atoll toward Ari Atoll. Enjoy cocktails as the sun sets during the approximately 30-nautical-mile journey to Dhangethi Sandbank.

Diving

Rakeedhoo Kandu : Located at the corner of Rakeedhoo Channel, this site features well-developed hard coral and overhangs covered in soft corals. Larger pelagic species may be seen during incoming currents

Day 5: Dhangethi

Leira will anchor near a sandbank close to Dhangethi. After breakfast, the tender will be ready to take guests ashore.

The reef surrounding the sandbank features abundant healthy hard corals and is particularly popular with snorkelers. Lunch will be served onboard, followed by a return visit to the sandbank in the afternoon.

Local-island visit

From approximately 16:30 to 18:00, visit Dhangethi to experience local Maldivian life, explore the island, and shop for souvenirs.

Diving

Five Rocks : Five rocky outcrops arranged roughly in a circle, with fissures, caverns, and overhangs. The dive descends to approximately 25-30 metres, with pink sea fans visible between the rocks and along the reef slope.

Kahanbu Thila : Known for black coral trees surrounded by schools of glassfish. The reef is also home to "Fred," the resident frogfish, as well as lionfish, scorpionfish, cometfish, and whitetip reef sharks

Day 6: Dhigurah

Dhigurah is a beautiful island in Alif Dhaal Atoll, known for pristine beaches, crystal-clear water, and rich marine life.

Enjoy a full day on this intimate local island. Leira will anchor near the western beach in a large lagoon, providing easy access to the shoreline and surrounding waters.

A picnic lunch will be served back onboard at approximately 16:00. Guests will return to the island around 17:30-18:00 for sunset cocktails followed by a barbecue evening.

Diving

Kudarah Thila : A marine-protected reef since 1995 and one of the Maldives' most renowned dive sites. Large schools of blue-stripe snapper attract sharks, tuna, giant trevally, and



jacks.

Kudhimaa Wreck : A medium-sized steel wreck intentionally sunk in 1998 near the Machafushi house reef to create an artificial reef and dive site.

Day 7: Ariadhoo

(Optional excursion)

Whale Shark Search : Join the dive support dhoni in search of whale sharks. The southern Ari Atoll region is one of the best places in the Maldives to encounter these gentle giants. *This excursion is chargeable and subject to availability and conditions.*

Diving

Maamigili Corner and Kudadhoo Beyru : Wall dives outside the atoll, offering the possibility of spotting whale sharks and other large marine species.

Day 8: Maamigili

Leira will anchor off Maamigili Domestic Airport to facilitate mid-cruise arrivals and departures.
Guests continuing onboard for the second week will enjoy excursions and activities arranged
for the day.
Diving may be arranged depending on dhoni availability.



YOUR SHIP: LEIRA

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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:



Leira brings a distinctive approach to yachting in the Maldives, combining refined comfort with exceptional opportunities for both leisure and diving enthusiasts. Accommodating just 24 guests in 14 premium suites across three decks, the yacht offers an intimate and relaxed atmosphere designed for immersing guests in the beauty of the archipelago. Spacious indoor and outdoor lounges, a spa, elegant dining venues, and a dedicated bar provide inviting spaces to unwind between adventures. Whether enjoying a sunset from the deck, exploring vibrant coral reefs, trying a range of water sports, fishing, or visiting remote island communities, every voyage is shaped by the natural wonders of the Maldives. Supported by specialist equipment and dedicated support vessels, Leira offers seamless access to the ocean both above and below the surface. Carefully curated 7-night and 14-night itineraries allow guests to experience the remarkable diversity of the islands, combining relaxation, exploration, and authentic encounters in one of the world's most captivating marine environments.



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