



A Visitors guide to staying at Centara Grand Island Resort & Spa Maldives

Centara Grand Island Resort & Spa Maldives: Set amongst the perfect islands and blue ocean of South Ari Atoll (Alifu Atoll) in the republic of Maldives, Centara Grand Island Resort & Spa Maldives delivers a unique premium 4 star resort experience and offers the ultimate in barefoot luxury along with a range of exciting activities that will appeal both to couples and to families.

Featuring 112 suites & villas, the resort offers diving enthusiasts outstanding diving opportunities including an excellent house reef complete with a dedicated sunken ship wreck and is within easy reach of the top dive spots in the Maldives. The resort exclusively offers all guests a premium all-inclusive vacation experience, Fully Inclusive - All Inclusive Benefits, along with a perfect white sand beach and crystal clear water of the Indian Ocean.

Centara Grand Island Resort & Spa Maldives offers more than simply daytime sun, sea, and sand. The resort features a variety of dining options, pools, recreation activities, Sports and Fitness facilities, bars and lounges with nightly entertainment, SPA Cenvaree, and a Kids Club.

Accommodations

Resort accommodations are divided into “on island” and “over water”.

On island are all beach front and comprise either Beach Suites, our lead category or 2 bedroom Pool Villas, our premium guest accommodation.

Over water, we offer 3 types of villas; all have direct access to the sea and surrounded by house reef and coral. Deluxe over water villas are the lead category, we offer a unique family friendly water villa complete with separate kids bedroom for more privacy, and our 2 level Luxury sunset water villas are positioned to enjoy the stunning Indian Ocean sunsets.

Room facts at a glance		In-room features																					
Room Type	No. of rooms	Room size (M ²)	Max occupancy (Adult AD + Children CH)*	Extra bed capability	Individual air-conditioning	Island Tub Bath	Bath Tub	Personal jacuzzi spa	Rain Shower	Mini-bar refrigerator	DVD Player	Tea & Coffee maker	In-room safe	Hair-dryer	Bathrobes	Slippers	Satellite colour TV	In-house movies	Clock	Personal pool	Seperate living / dining room	Evening turn down	Wi-Fi Internet Access
Beach Suite	42	87	3AD or 2AD, 2CH	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓
Deluxe Water Villa	10	87	3AD or 2AD, 1CH	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓
Deluxe Water Villa - Island Club	8	87	3AD or 2AD, 1CH	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓
Deluxe Family Water Villa	10	92	3AD or 2AD, 2CH	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓
Luxury Sunset Water Villa	20	110	3AD or 2AD, 1CH	✓	✓	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓
Luxury Sunset Water Villa - Island Club	14	110	3AD or 2AD, 1CH	✓	✓	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓
Luxury Beach Front Pool Villa - Island Club	8	158	5AD or 4AD, 2CH	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Family Holidays in the Maldives

Whilst several of our room types offer extra bedding options, 2 categories are ideal for family vacations. The Beach Suite offers duplex suite accommodations with the master bed on the upper level. The luxury room offers a convertible double bed which is ideal for 2 children to share. Here children will enjoy a free stay, paying only a compulsory All-inclusive charge per night in the resort. The same benefit applies to our Deluxe Family Water Villas where children have a separate bedroom with bunk beds allowing a little more privacy for the parents.

The above chart identifies maximum occupancy for adults and children in each category.

For room types other than the 2 family friendly options highlighted, extra adults and children are all charged (above 2 adults) at the extra bed rate on the contract.

Please note 2 bedroom Pool Villa rates are based on 4 adults sharing.

Beach Suite



42 Beach Suites accommodate up to 3 adults OR 2 adults and 2 children per room. This spacious beach front suite comprises 87 square meters separated into 2 floors and connected via staircase and offers a master king or twin bedroom complete with a separate furnished living room, bathroom with Island bathtub and heavenly rain shower, individually controlled air-conditioning, control panel, comfortably furnished terrace, flat screen TV with international satellite TV channels/programmes, radio and in-house music, mini-bar, in-room safe, smoke detector, IDD line telephone, high-speed Internet access, hairdryer, and tea & coffee making facilities.

Deluxe Water Villa



10 Deluxe Water Villas accommodate up to 3 adults OR 2 adults and 1 child per room. This spacious over water villa comprises 87 square meters and offers a master king or twin bedroom complete with furnished living room area, bathroom with personal jacuzzi spa and heavenly rain shower, individually controlled air-conditioning, control panel, comfortably furnished terrace, flat screen TV with international satellite TV channels/programmes, radio and in-house music, mini-bar, in-room safe, smoke detector, IDD line telephone, high-speed Internet access, hairdryer, and tea & coffee making facilities.

Deluxe Water Villa - Island Club



8 Deluxe Water Villas - Island Club accommodate up to 3 adults OR 2 adults and 1 child per room. This spacious over water villa comprises 87 square meters and offers a master king or twin bedroom complete with furnished living room area, bathroom with personal jacuzzi spa and heavenly rain shower, individually controlled air-conditioning, control panel, comfortably furnished terrace, flat screen TV with international satellite TV channels/programmes, radio and in-house music, mini-bar, in-room safe, smoke detector, IDD line telephone, high-speed Internet access, hairdryer, and tea & coffee making facilities. The Island Club lounge access and facilities are included for this room type.

Deluxe Family Water Villa



10 Deluxe Family Water Villas accommodate up to 3 adults OR 2 adults and 2 children per room. This spacious over water villa comprises 93 square meters and offers a master king bedroom complete with furnished living room area, bunk beds in a separate kids area, bathroom with personal jacuzzi spa and heavenly rain shower, individually controlled air-conditioning, control panel, comfortably furnished terrace, flat screen TV with international satellite TV channels/programmes, radio and in-house music, mini-bar, in-room safe, smoke detector, IDD line telephone, high-speed Internet access, hairdryer, and tea & coffee making facilities. Terraces have secure fencing with locks so our child friendly.

Luxury Sunset Water Villa



20 Luxury Sunset Water Villas accommodate up to 3 adults OR 2 adults and 1 child per room. This spacious over water villa comprises 110 square meters separated into 2 floors and connected via staircase and offers a master king bedroom complete with a furnished living room, bathroom with bathtub and heavenly rain shower, individually controlled air-conditioning, control panel, comfortably extensive private terrace for each floor, flat screen TV with international satellite TV channels/programmes, radio and in-house music, mini-bar, in-room safe, smoke detector, IDD line telephone, high-speed Internet access, hairdryer, and tea & coffee making facilities. Extensive outdoor living area is located over 2 floors.

Luxury Sunset Water Villa - Island Club



14 Luxury Sunset Water Villas - Island Club accommodate up to 3 adults OR 2 adults and 1 child per room. This spacious over water villa comprises 110 square meters separated into 2 floors and connected via staircase and offers a master king bedroom complete with a furnished living room, bathroom with bathtub and heavenly rain shower, individually controlled air-conditioning, control panel, comfortably extensive private terrace for each floor, flat screen TV with international satellite TV channels/programmes, radio and in-house music, mini-bar, in-room safe, smoke detector, IDD line telephone, high-speed Internet access, hairdryer, and tea & coffee making facilities. Extensive outdoor living area is located over 2 floors. The Island Club lounge access and facilities are included for this room type.

Luxury Beach Front Pool Villa - Island Club



8 Two Bedroom Luxury Beach Front Pool Villas - Island Club accommodate up to 5 adults OR 4 adults and 2 children per room. This spacious beach front villa comprises 159 square meters and offers two bedrooms (king and twin bedroom) complete with a separate furnished living room, exclusive private pool, bathroom with Island bathtub and heavenly rain shower, individually controlled air-conditioning, control panel, comfortably furnished terrace, flat screen TV with international satellite TV channels/programmes, radio and in-house music, mini-bar, in-room safe, smoke detector, IDD line telephone, high-speed Internet access, hairdryer, and tea & coffee making facilities. The Island Club lounge access and facilities are included for this room type.

Please note the contract rate for this room type is based on 4 adults sharing.

Wining and Dining

Fully Inclusive - All Inclusive Benefits at Centara Grand Island Resort & Spa Maldives:

All guests at Centara Grand Island Resort & Spa Maldives receive the Fully Inclusive - All Inclusive benefits including:

- Daily buffet breakfast, lunch, and dinner at Reef Restaurant (the resort's all day dining restaurant)
- A once per week opportunity to dine at Lotus (Thai restaurant) or Azzuri Mare (Italian restaurant). Additional visits are available with a credit against a la carte consumption (USD 40 per adult / USD 20 per child).
- Afternoon tea and afternoon children ice cream
- Pre dinner service at Coral (the resort's main bar & lounge)
- All day soft drinks and mineral water
- Open bar service including house pouring brands, cocktails of the day, house white, red, and sparkling wine, house beer brands, soft drinks, and mixers at Aqua (the resort's over water bar) and Coral (the resort's main bar & lounge) between 11:00 a.m. and midnight daily
- Complimentary use of non-motorized water sports (exclude dive and snorkling equipment)

Fully Inclusive - All Inclusive Benefits exclude:

- In-villa dining • Mini-bar consumption • Spa services • Motorized water sports
- Dive and snorkling equipment • Island Club benefits • Excursions

Centara Grand Island Resort & Spa Maldives offer a choice of 7 food and beverage outlets on the island. Descriptions are as follows:

ALL INCLUSIVE AT A GLANCE

Meal	Hours	Locations	Detail	Eligibility
Breakfast	07.00 - 10.00	Reef	Full Buffet Breakfast	Open to all guests
		Island Club Lounge	Deluxe Cont Breakfast	Island club guests only
Mid Morning Service	10.30 - 11.30	Island Club Lounge	fruits	Island club guests only
Lunch	12.00 - 14.30	Reef	Buffet lunch	Open to all guests
Afternoon Tea	15.30 - 16.30	Coral Bar	Traditional	Open to all guests
		Island Club Lounge	Traditional	Island club guests only
Kids Ice Cream	15.30 - 16.30	Coral Bar	Ice-cream selection	Open to all our younger guests
Pre-Dinner Snacks	18.30 - 19.30	Island Club Lounge	Savouries to enjoy with pre-dinner drinks	Island club guests only
		Coral bar		Open to all guests
		Aqua Bar		Open to all guests
Dinner	19.00 - 22.00	Reef	Buffet dinner	Open to all guests
	19.00 - 23.00	Lotus	Thai Dinner	See Individual restaurant for details
	19.00 - 23.00	Azzuri Mare	Italian Dinner	See Individual restaurant for details
	19.30 - 22.30	Island Club Lounge	5 course dinner	Island club guests only
Beverages	Hours	Locations	Details	Eligibility
Full Bar Services	11.00 - 24.00	Coral Bar	All alcoholic, non alcoholic beverages, wine, beer, and cocktails as shown in brand lists	Open to all guests
	11.00 - 17.00	Poolside	All alcoholic, non alcoholic beverages, wine, beer, and cocktails as shown in brand lists	Open to all guests
	11.00 - 24.00	Aqua Bar	All alcoholic, non alcoholic beverages, wine, beer, and cocktails as shown in brand lists	Open to all guests
	11.00 - 22.30	Island Club Lounge	All alcoholic, non alcoholic beverages, wine, beer, and cocktails as shown in brand lists	Island Club guests only
Tea and Coffee services Also available during all meal times and all restaurant outlets	09.00 - 24.00	Coral Bar	House blend coffee and teas as stated in brands	Open to all guests
	10.00 - 17.00	Poolside	House blend coffee and teas as stated in brands	Open to all guests
	09.00 - 24.00	Aqua Bar	House blend coffee and teas as stated in brands	Open to all guests
	09.00 - 22.30	Island Club Lounge	House blend coffee and teas as stated in brands	Island Club guests only



Reef Restaurant – Main Dining Venue

Seating 120 indoors, 74 out doors (total 194)

Open daily for breakfast, lunch, and dinner from 07.00 to 22.00

The resort's main restaurant features specialty buffets that showcase the world's greatest cuisines. Buffets operate on an 8 day cycle ensuring a daily change of variety to suit everyday appetite.

Numerous live cooking stations are a feature of this ocean front restaurant, ensuring food is exciting and prepared freshly in front of the guests. As an additional feature, this restaurant offers a teppanyaki table which provide both fun and a fantastic food for the evening dining experience. Reservations are essential and a surcharge of USD 10 per person is applicable.

House wines, beers, and soft drinks are included as part of the inclusive plan. Tea and coffee is also served. Specialty wine and non-included beverages not under the plan will be charged on consumption.



Lotus Restaurant – Specialty Thai Restaurant

Seating 38 indoors, 32 outdoors (total 70)

Open daily for dinner 19.00 to 23.00

Advance reservations are required

The resort's Thai restaurant showcases the highly acclaimed Thai cuisine and also brings gracious Thai hospitality to the Maldives. The food is traditional Thai, but prepared in a contemporary style. Our chefs are flown in from Thailand where they have worked for prestigious restaurants and ensure this dining experience is totally authentic.

Our outdoors seating surrounds a lotus pond and offers a truly memorable dining experience. For special occasions ask about our private dining room

Lotus Restaurant is a specialty restaurant. All-inclusive diners have the option to visit this outlet once per week. The restaurant offers a traditional Thai dinner menu, which is served "family style" in the middle of your table for you to enjoy. The menu choices change daily.

As an alternative, guests can select from an a la carte menu and in this event a credit is offered against the value of their selections. This credit is currently USD 40 per adult, USD 20 per child.

Additional visits to Lotus per week will be utilizing the credit allowance against personal selection.

House wines, beers, and soft drinks are included as part of the inclusive plan. Tea and coffee are also served. Specialty wines and non-included beverages not under the plan will be charged on consumption.

Our Island Club guests can dine at any time in Lotus and enjoy the Thai dinner of the evening. Alternatively they, too, can select a la carte with the same credit allowance. Reservations are essential.



Azzuri Mare – Specialty Italian Restaurant

Seating 25 indoors, 30 outdoors (total 55)
Open daily for dinner from 19.00 to 23.00
Advance reservations are required

The resort's Italian restaurant is situated over the pristine house lagoon. The menu features food from several Italian regions. This outlet specializes in freshly fired pizzas, prime cuts of meat and locally caught seafood – all cooked in the open display kitchen with home made pastas an absolute favourite.

Dinner is a la carte. All-inclusive guests may select a starter, main courses and desert from the menu or choose chef's daily special menu. Occasionally, the chef will offer some specialty items which will incur a surcharge, but these are clearly highlighted in the menu, and are offered in addition to the main and extensive menu.

All-inclusive guests may select this venue once per week with additional visits available via a credit system giving guests a USD 40 allowance (USD 20 for child) against the a la carte menu. House wines, beers, and soft drinks are included as part of the inclusive plan. Tea and coffee are also served.

Specialty wines, non-included beverages not under the plan will be charged in consumption. Our island club guests can dine at anytime in Azzuri Mare.
Reservations are essential



Coral Bar – Main Resort Bar and Lounge

Seating 156 indoors, 66 outdoors (total 222)
 Open daily at 9.00 to 24.00 (midnight) with all-inclusive alcoholic beverages served from 11 am.

Much more than a bar, the Coral Bar is an entertainment centre offering a full range of beverages under the all-inclusive plan. House brands served as part of all-inclusive are,

WINE

Cava Painous (Sparkling-Spain)	St Digna Cabernet Sauvignon (Rose-Chile)
Orvieto Classico Ruffino (White-Italy)	Paul Jaboulet Le Petit Syrah (Red-France)

BEER

Tiger Draught	Carlberg Draught
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SPIRITS

Nickov Vodka	Vollongo White Rum
Kingston Gin	Vollongo Dark Rum
Sir Edward Whisky	Napoleon Brandy

COCKTAILS

Please ask your attendant for today's selection.
 (Choice of 4 changing daily)

SOFT DRINKS

Coke	Diet Coke
Sprite	Fanta Orange
Bitter Lemon	Dry Ginger Ale
Tonic Water	Soda Water
House Mineral Water (Still)	
Orange Juice	Pineapple Juice
Apple Juice	Mango Juice
Tomato Juice	

COFFEE & TEA

Filter Coffee	Decaffeinated Coffee
Earl Grey Tea	English Brreakfast Tea
Sencha Green Tea	

The lounge itself is split level with the second floor fitted out as a sports bar complete with pool tables, darts, and other games. Over teen club e-zone also utilised part of the upper sports lounge during day time hours.

Nightly entertainment is also offered at Coral Bar. Afternoon tea service is available at Coral Bar lounge from 15.30 to 17.30 daily.



Aqua Bar – Specialty Over Water Bar

Seating indoors 37, outdoors 26 (total 63)

Open daily 09.00 to 24.00

The Aqua Bar is a much smaller and intimate option compared to Coral Bar and is the perfect venue for guests seeking a little peace, tranquility, and spectacular ocean views.

Situated over the pristine house lagoon and featuring open deck seating, ideal for watching the spectacular sunsets that regularly paint the skies of the Indian Ocean. Close to Azzuri Mare, it also makes the ideal bar for pre-dinner cocktails.

House brands served as part of all-inclusive are,

WINE

Cava Painous
(Sparkling-Spain)
Orvieto Classico Ruffino
(White-Italy)

St Digna Cabernet Sauvignon
(Rose-Chile)
Paul Jaboulet Le Petit Syrah
(Red-France)

BEER

Tiger Draught

Carlberg Draught

SPIRITS

Nickov Vodka
Kingston Gin
Sir Edward Whisky

Vollongo White Rum
Vollongo Dark Rum
Napoleon Brandy

COCKTAILS

Please ask your attendant for today's selection.
(Choice of 4 changing daily)

SOFT DRINKS

Coke
Sprite
Bitter Lemon
Tonic Water
House Mineral Water (Still)
Orange Juice
Apple Juice
Tomato Juice

Diet Coke
Fanta Orange
Dry Ginger Ale
Soda Water

Pineapple Juice
Mango Juice

COFFEE & TEA

Filter Coffee
Earl Grey Tea
Sencha Green Tea

Decaffeinated Coffee
English Breakfast Tea



Pool side – Outdoor Poolside Bar

Seating 50 sun beds plus lounging cushions, and table seating options

Open daily from 10.00 to 17.00

Situated on the west side of the resort, the infinity pool extends out into the hours reef and is designed to offer unparalleled views over the azure expanse of the Indian Ocean. Generous open decks are ideal for sun worshippers, and the area offers a separate children pool.

Bar service is included as part of the inclusive plan, with alcoholic beverages served from 11.00 to 17.00 daily at Coral bar.

House brands served as part of all-inclusive are,

WINE

Cava Painous

(Sparkling-Spain)

Orvieto Classico Ruffino

(White-Italy)

St Digna Cabernet Sauvignon

(Rose-Chile)

Paul Jaboulet Le Petit Syrah

(Red-France)

BEER

Tiger Draught

Carlberg Draught

SPIRITS

Nickov Vodka

Kingston Gin

Sir Edward Whisky

Vollongo White Rum

Vollongo Dark Rum

Napoleon Brandy

COCKTAILS

Please ask your attendant for today's selection.

(Choice of 4 changing daily)

SOFT DRINKS

Coke

Sprite

Bitter Lemon

Tonic Water

House Mineral Water (Still)

Orange Juice

Apple Juice

Tomato Juice

Diet Coke

Fanta Orange

Dry Ginger Ale

Soda Water

Pineapple Juice

Mango Juice

COFFEE & TEA

Filter Coffee

Earl Grey Tea

Sencha Green Tea

Decaffeinated Coffee

English Breakfast Tea



Island Club Lounge – Exclusive Club Lounge for Island Club Guests

The island club lounge is an exclusive environment for our Island Club guests which total approximately 34 rooms within the resort.

Offering a resort within a resort concept, the lounge offers;

- Club lounge with relaxing seating
- Private swimming pool
- Private members bar offering premium beverages from 11.00 to 24.00 (midnight)
- Private dining venue for dinner service only offering an exclusive 5 course menu of the day served poolside. This is available everyday to Island Club guests subject to advance reservation.
- Concierge services including poolside are featuring SPA Cenvaree mists, cold towels and fruit plate refreshers.

Premium beverages served as part of the all-inclusive plan;

ISLAND CLUB ALL INCLUSIVE BEVERAGE

Non - Alcoholic Drinks: 08.00 – 24.00 Hrs

Alcoholic Drinks: 11.00 – 24.00 Hrs

WINES BY THE GLASS

SPARKLING

Cava painous

Spain

ROSE

St digna cabernet sauvignon chile

WHITE

Orvieto classico ruffino –italy

RED

Paul jaboulet le petit syrah

France

BOTTLED AND CANNED BEER

Tiger

Corona

Carlsberg

APERITIF

Campari
Pernod

VERMOUTH

Martini bianco
Martini dry
Martini rosso

SHERRY AND PORT

Tio pepe sherry
Sandeman ruby port

VODKA

Russian standard Original

GIN

Greenall's London Dry Gin

RUM

Appleton estate V/X Jamaica white rum
Appleton special Jamaica gold rum

MALT WHISKY

Auchentoshan classic single malt scotch whisky

WHISKY

Cutty Sark Black Blended Scotch Whisky

BOURBON

Rittenhouse 100 proof straight

TEQUILA

Jose cuervo

COGNAC

Courvoisier vs

LIQUEURS

Baileys irish cream
Drambuie
Kahlua

Cointreau
Grand marnier
Southern comfort

SOFT DRINKS

Coke

Sprite

Bitter lemon

Tonic water

Diet coke

Fanta orange

Dry ginger ale

Soda water

STILL MINERAL WATER

Evian still mineral water

SPARKLING MINERAL WATER

Perrier

CHILLED JUICE

Orange

Apple

Tomato

Pineapple

Mango

COFFEE

Filter plain

Cappuccino

Espresso

Filter decaffeinated

Café latte

TEAS

Ronnefeldt lemon sky tea

Ronnefeldt cammomile tea

Ronnefeldt jasmine tea

Ronnefeldt earl grey tea

Ronnefeldt irish breakfast tea

Ronnefeldt japanese green tea

Frequently asked questions (FAQs)

Q: Where is Centara Grand Island Resort?

A: The resort is located in South Ari Atoll, Maldives. The island is approximately 87 kilometers from the capital Male and is accessible via speedboat and seaplane service.

Q: How do I get to Centara Grand Island Resort?

A: There are two options both from the capital of Male, where the International airport is located. By Air Maldives Air Taxi (MAT) service operates to and from the island via seaplane service. This service is pre-bookable via the resort only and it is not possible to arrive without a reservation. MAT operates from the domestic seaplane terminal located at the far end of the International airport. Shuttle bus service (free) operates to and from the main airport arrival area (approx. 10 mins). MAT also provides an information counter and check-in facility at the arrivals area.

There is a departure lounge and food outlets located at the seaplane terminal. The journey time to Centara Grand Island Resort is approximately 24 minutes. On the return journey, you will collect your luggage on arrival at the MAT terminal and the shuttle bus will transfer you to international departures.

Regarding luggage allowance, please find below our guidelines:

- Free Luggage allowance - 20 kgs per passenger.
- Free Hand luggage - 05 kgs per passenger.
- Maximum permissible weight for any single piece of luggage – 32 kgs (any luggage weighing in excess of 32 kgs will be required to be repacked before acceptance at check-in).
- Overweight luggage - you are welcome to carry additional luggage in excess of your free luggage allowance and understandably we charge USD4/- per/kg for return trip and the luggage will be forwarded on the first available flight and may not be transported on the same flight as the passengers travel.

Pls see below a copy from our contract with sea plane

Baggage

Each passenger may carry 20 KGs of checked luggage and 5KGs of hand luggage. The Carrier reserves the right to charge US\$ 2.00 per KG return to excess baggage. The Carrier does not guarantee to transport baggage on the same flight as the passengers. The carrier reserves the right to refuse carriage of out-sized items or baggage heavier than the baggage allowance, as well as restricted articles and dangerous goods. It is the responsibility of the Charterer to inform the passengers in advance of these baggage restriction.

Please note, seaplanes can only operate during daylight hours.

International flights arriving after dark and before 6.00 am will need to remain overnight in Male. There are several hotel options available.

The alternative transportation to the resort is via speedboat. This service departs directly from Male to the resort and takes approximately 90 minutes.

The service can operate 24 hours but is not recommended during daylight hours where seaplane service is faster and more efficient.

Centara can arrange a private speedboat service based on a minimum 4 persons traveling together.

It is possible to take speedboat out to resort and return via seaplane at 50% of each respective service.

Q: What are the check-in / check-out times?

A: According to international standards rooms will be available to occupy from 14.00 hrs on the day of arrival. Of course if your booked room type is available sooner, it will be possible to access; however, this is never guaranteed unless the room is pre-paid from the previous night.

Showers and full access to resort facilities are available immediately after you arrive on the island

(see also All-inclusive plan)

Check-out time is at 12 pm unless you have made alternative arrangements to extend your room with resort management (supplements will apply)

Q: How does all-inclusive work?

A: The resort provides an all-inclusive plan related to food and beverages; in other words, your room rate includes unlimited access to following items:

All-inclusive is based on a 24 hours period, so if you arrive on the island for lunch day one, your service ends with breakfast on your last day. If your departure is beyond this point, it is possible to extend access to all-inclusive products and services at a charge.

The charges are as follows;

Up to 5 hours – Adult USD 40, Child under 12 USD 20

Over 5 hours – Adult USD 80, Child under 12 USD 40

Q: What if I get sick on the island?

A: The resort has a well stocked and equipped clinic together with full time trained doctor. (it is essential you travel with an insurance policy)

Q: Can I bring electrical items?

A: By all means, the resort offers 220 volt electrical charge, except for shaver points in our bathrooms which offer 110 or 220 volt connection options

Q: What is the currency on the island?

A: US Dollars

Q: Can I get access to the internet?

A: WIFI service is available (at a cost) in your villa or suite and at all public areas around the resort. Wi-Fi is complimentary to our island Club guests in the Club Lounge

Q: Is the Island suitable for children?

A: Yes, Centara Grand Island Resort offers a comprehensive range of activities and services for all ages. Our programs are divided into;

Kids – Camp Safari ages 4-9 years old

Teens – E-zone ages 10-17 years old

Babysitting is also available on request and is charged at a nominal hourly rate. Cots and highchairs are also available within the resort.

Q: Is there any sightseeing opportunity from the resort?

A: Yes, we offer an extensive range of half and full day programs, all bookable at our guest relations desk.

Snorkeling Safari

Discover the beauty of the underwater world which the Maldives is renowned for. Travel by Dhoni to a close by reef flourishing with marine life and coral. Take the plunge and experience the diversity of marine life and impressive reef structures surrounding the atolls. You don't need to be a seasoned scuba driver to enjoy the majestic undersea kingdom. Our team will be on hand to ensure a safe and remarkable adventure.

Time: 10.00 to 12.00 or 15.00 to 17.00

Minimum: 6 guests

Maximum: 10 guests

Sunset Dolphin Cruise

Cruise the surrounding waters by traditional Maldivian "Dhoni" and be fortunate enough to witness a school of dolphins basking in the evening sun as you sail through calm waters and a sky painted by setting sun. What an idyllic way to end the day and unwind while enjoying chilled champagne and canapés, setting the perfect mood for the rest of the evening.

Time: 17.30 to 19.30

Minimum: 6 guests

Maximum: 12 guests

Local Island Discovery

The half day island discovery takes you on a dhoni cruise to a nearby inhabited island where you get an opportunity to visit a typical Maldivian village and see firsthand how life in the atolls has gone on, almost unchanged, for hundreds of years. The islanders are very hospitable and welcome visitors with open arms, proudly showing off their way of life. See traditional houses made from coral and shells, visit the mosque, cultural centre and shop for island handicrafts and souvenirs.

The full day island discovery includes the above and also a trip to an uninhabited island where you will enjoy a lunch of cold meats, salads, soft drinks and mineral waters. Spend the afternoon sun bathing, swimming and snorkeling the island's languid lagoon. Return to the resort just before sunset.

Time: 10.30 to 14.30 (half day)

10.30 to 17.30 (full day)

Minimum: 6 guests

Maximum: 12 guests

Sunset Fishing

The ocean surrounding Centara and its reef abounds with fish, presenting a unique and unforgettable opportunity for the anglers amongst you. The adventure commences at 17.30 when the Dhoni sails for a favourable fishing ground chosen by the knowledgeable captain. Using local methods cast out your line and hook and see what bites! Relax on the deck of the Dhoni as sunsets over the reef and savour the activities of marines life at night. This is an experience not to be missed. For an additional charge why not have the kitchen prepare your catch the way you want it, and serve it to you at our Reef restaurant.

Time: 17.30 to 19.30

Minimum: 6 guests

Maximum: 12 guests

Moonlight Cruise

Moonrise in the Maldives is truly a spectacle that will leave you speechless. Watch in awe as the moon rises from the Indian Ocean and embarks on its nightly sojourn across the heavens. Chilled champagne and canapés set the scene for a truly romantic moment for you and your loved one.

Time: 21.30 to 23.30 (times can change \, depending on moon rise)

Minimum: 4 guests

Maximum: 8 guests

Robinson Crusoe Experience

Have you ever dreamed of emulating Daniel Defoe's fictional hero, Robinson Crusoe, being left alone on a tropical island, with only the sound of the breeze rustling the coconut palms, and the waves breaking over the reef for company? Your adventure begins after breakfast with a speedboat journey over the azure waters of the Indian Ocean, when we take you to a nearby uninhabited island. Once there, we will drop you off and leave you to explore the island at your

own leisure and while away the day. Our Chefs will prepare you a cold lunch of steamed lobster, roast beef tenderloin, a selection of salads, fresh fruits, dessert and cheese. We will also include a bottle of champagne and selection of soft drinks and mineral waters, something even Robinson Crusoe did not have! A mobile phone will be provided so you can call the resort and tell us when you would like to be picked up.

Time: 10.30 to 17.30 (on request)
Maximum: 2 guests

Private Island Lunch

A short speedboat trip across the South Ari Atoll will take you to a deserted private island, where you can explore the island, taking leisurely strolls in the surf, sunbathe or snorkel the pristine lagoon and reef. Your personal Chef and waiter will have precede you to the island and set up a table for two at an ideal and shady area of the island where they will cook and serve a gourmet lunch at your chosen time. Chilled champagne, soft drinks and mineral waters are also on hand to help quench your thirst and provide relief from the hot tropical sun

Time: 10.30 to 17.30 (On request)
Maximum: 2 guests

Male Shopping and Photo Flight

Enjoy a 30 minutes seaplane transfer from the resorts to the capital city of Maldives, Male. You will be met upon arrival by a local guide and will then travel from the airport island to Male by Dhoni where your adventure begins! Your guide will lead you through the busy streets of Male and show you the main tourist attractions and sites. You will have time to take photographs and time to do some shopping at the many local craft stores. Visit the fish market to see how the local fisherman trade in this importance industry.

At the end of your guided tour of Male, you will travel by Dhoni back to the airport island where you will board your seaplane to travel back to the South Ari Atoll and Centara Grand. A fabulous opportunity to see the Maldives from the air and take some amazing photographs for your holiday album!

Time: To be confirmed at point of booking
Minimum: 6 guests

Q: What marine life can I expect to see at the resort?

A: Centara Grand Island Resort and Spa Maldives features and excellent house reef. The entire island is surrounded by some of the most unbelievable marine life and coral found in Maldives. Just a few steps from your villa, or a short swim from the beach shore, take the time to go and discover this amazing marine world!

Some of the fabulous species that you might see when snorkeling the house reef include;

Anemonefish

Belong to the Damselfishes family which at least 50 species can be found around the Maldives. They secrete a protective mucus covering over their bodies which allows them to live a symbiotic (beneficial to both parties) relationship with anemones. Each species of fish has its own personal preference for which anemone species it uses as its home of which it is rarely seen away from. They can be identified by white horizontal lines on the body.

Angelfish

14 species found around the Maldives.

These are one of the smaller reef fish and being diurnal, can be found in many colours at shall, snorkeling depths. Most of them feed on a diet consisting of algae and small invertebrates. They look similar to butterfly fish but have a more prominent visible spine at the lower corner of their gills.

Parrotfish

23 species found around the Maldives.

Most abundant and easily recognizable due to their large size and bright colours. By eating algae and hard coral they play an important role in reef building and they also feed upon sea grasses and invertebrates. The adults can be seen schooling together either on the shallow reef flats or along the reef edge.

Surgeon Fish

30 species found around the Maldives and these also include sub-species of unicorn fish. Easily identified by shape and colour they are commonly found on the reefs where they graze the algae from the bottom. Usually found in small schools. The juveniles tend to be less colourful, smaller in size and live solitary.

Honeycomb Moray Eel

Honeycomb Moray Eel, a fish with a long tapering tail, a shortened head, a blunt snout with powerful teeth. Dark blotches, surrounded by a yellow network, formed in the shape of a honeycomb give this species its name, Honeycomb Moray Eel. The blotches vary in size between individuals depending upon their habitat. The honeycomb Moray Eel is usually found in dark holes and deep coral caves and rocky reefs and can grow to as long as two metres in length.

Saddled Puffer Fish

The saddled Puffer fish is one of the more easily identifiable puffer fish. Its unique color and pattern makes it stand out even among the colourful coral reefs, and gives ample warning to any would be predators. The adults Saddled Puffer fish usually swims in pairs, while the juveniles swim alone and stay in the shelter of the reefs. This species can grow up to a length of 10cm.

White Lined Lionfish

The dark general colour with thin white lines makes it easier to identify the white-lined Lionfish. Found in areas with no or little hard coral growth, the White-Lined Lionfish prefers a habitat of dead coral areas having algae or other non-stinging type of growth. Armed with poisonous barbs/quills, it is well equipped to protect itself from predators. It is usually found in depth of around 25 meters, in caves along the steep slope of the reef. A fully grown White-Lined Lionfish can measure up to 20 cm.

Whale Sharks

Probably one of the most unique species of fish is the Whale Shark. Most would assume due to their name and features that they are from the shark family.

These graceful and peaceful creatures are well known to frequent the waters surrounding Centara in South Ari Atoll. The Whale shark is a slow moving filter feeding shark that is the largest living fish species. It can grow up to 12.2m in length and can weigh up to 13.6 tonnes. They are found in the tropical and warm oceans and can live up to 70 years. The species are thought to have originated about 60 million years ago. Although whale sharks have very large mouths, they feed mainly, though not exclusively, on plankton, microscopic plants and animals.

This species despite its enormous size, does not pose any significant danger to humans. It is a frequently cited example when educating the public about the popular misconceptions of all sharks as "man-eaters". They are actually quite gentle and can be playful with divers. Divers and snorkelers can swim with this giant fish without any risk apart from unintentionally being struck by the shark's large tail fin.

Rays and Sharks

Sharks over the years due mainly to the film industry have earned a bad reputation as fierce killers of the sea but these thoughts are mainly misconceptions. They are just another type of fish.

Sharks and rays have a body made entirely of cartilage, the same material that you have in between joints such as knee. A shark's primary sense is its smell, (along with good colour eyesight), being

able to detect blood from a wounded fish over 0.4 km away. Jelly fish filled canals on their head allow them to sense the small amounts of electricity emitted by other animals such as the vibrations from a fish as it moves through the water. A very amazing animal as you can see!

Whitetip Reef, Grey Reef and Silvertip Sharks – the most likely “larger seen” sharks in the area, reaching lengths of up to 180cm. Active mainly at night they can be observed resting on the sandy bottom during the day resting in preparation for the nightly food hunt along the reef.

Hammerhead Sharks – Rarer to spot in the Maldives but if you are lucky enough to see one they make for breathtaking viewing. Up to 4m in length, they feed on herring, mackerel and sardines and sometimes other sharks. Cruising along at gentle speed of 15mph, maintaining a safe distance is best to be able to appreciate these awesome creatures.

Manta Rays – Rays can sometimes be spotted around the reef areas of the resort or at some dive locations.

Turtles – 3 species inhabit the Maldives, Loggerhead, Green and Hawksbill Turtles. A bony shell protects their soft body underneath and paddle-like limbs allow for ease of movement through the water. Despite breathing air they can slow their heartbeat thus enabling them to sleep underwater for several hours.

Sadly, turtles today are threatened by human activities such as hunting and pollution. Discarded plastic bags are just one of the dangers if ingested turtles face daily.

Cetaceans – Around Centara you may see several species of dolphin including the Bottlenose Dolphin and the Common Dolphin. Being mammals, dolphins breathe air just like us and therefore are usually seen when they breach the surface to take a breath. They are also social animals and tend to be seen together in large pods as they hunt for schooling pelagic fish.

Q: Do you have a spa at the resort?

A: Yes, Spa Cenvaree is our signature spa. Our oceanfront village spa is inspired by clear open skies, warming woods and experiences that are designed to enliven each of your senses through music, rituals, traditions and touch. Throughout your spa journey at SPA Cenvaree, you will experiment with these concepts, including the learning of traditional herbs and their benefits in your spa treatments, enveloping yourself in the natural setting, letting go of time and find peace in your soul with inspirational meditative music.

The spa experiences harness the very best ingredients harvested locally and by blending them with a tranquil environment. Each day is dedicated to time to rest, relax and discover a feeling of peace. Our menu treatment includes personalized programmes tailored to your needs during your stay.

Spa Facilities

- 11 multi-function therapy rooms
- Vichy Rain Shower
- Wet treatment room with Jacuzzi and herbal steam
- Manicure & Pedicure salon
- Powder Room with Hair and Make Up Services
- Outdoor relaxation lounges

SPA RETREATS

- 2 & 3 Day Spa Programme

1. Prana (Vital Life Force Energy)
2. Shanti Journey (In Sanskrit means Inner Peace)

- Holistic Health Retreat with Ayurvedic wellness therapies & detox programmes
- Anti Cellulite Therapies
- Organic Facials featuring Jurlique Anti-Ageing Facials
- International and traditional massages such as Deep Tissue, Hot Stone, Traditional Thai massage and Balinese Massage.
- Bridal Spa Retreat encompassing beauty and body care from head to toe.
- Yoga Stretching and Breathing Programmes
- Wellness therapies designed for his and for her such as Stress Relief, Chill Out, and Hair & Scalp care.

Q: Can I dive from the resort?

A: Centara resort boasts some of the best diving in the Maldives. The resort offers diving enthusiasts outstanding diving opportunities including a dedicated 52 meter sunken ship wreck, and the island is also in reach of the top dive spots in the Maldives. Whether you are an avid diver or just beginning "Best Dive" has something to suit everyone.

Q: What water sport activities do you have?

A: The resort is fully equipped with Wind Surfers, pedal boats and canoes, all these items are offered complimentary (wind surfers need to have past experience) lessons are available at additional charge. Windsurfing is free for expert only. plus our Catamaran sail boats (Catamaran at additional charge) Motorised activities including Jet skis, Water skis, Wake boarding, Banana boat rides and fun tubes are all available at a charge.

Q: Can I snorkel directly from the resort?

A: Our house reef has an abundance of marine life, all of which can be accessed directly from the beach or individual water villa.

Snorkeling equipment is available at the dive centre for rental of 10 US dollars per day. Island Club guests receive complimentary equipment during their stay.

Q: Can I pre book a dive experience?

A: Yes, we offer a range of pre-bookable packages from beginner to professional. Details available on-line or via contact to the resort

Q: What is the policy of Centara Grand Island Resort related to social and environmental responsibility?

A: Centara Grand Island Resort and Spa Maldives under Centara Hotels and Resorts' umbrella has a strong focus on sustainability inherent in it's business model. The Group is committed to operate its business and operations to a high degree of ethical, social and environmental responsibility.

As part of the Centara Hotels and Resorts family's member, Centara Grand Island Resort and Spa Maldives aims to provide the deluxe island resort experience while delivering its sustainability practices in a responsible way via local community education and support and by teaching it's staff members about global environmental practices. It's aim is to operate the resort with a high standard of environmental & ecological conservation and protection.