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My MALDIVES hideaways

Brides Editor Deborah Joseph honeymooned in the Maldives and has been back every year since. These are her three favourite resorts – for now...

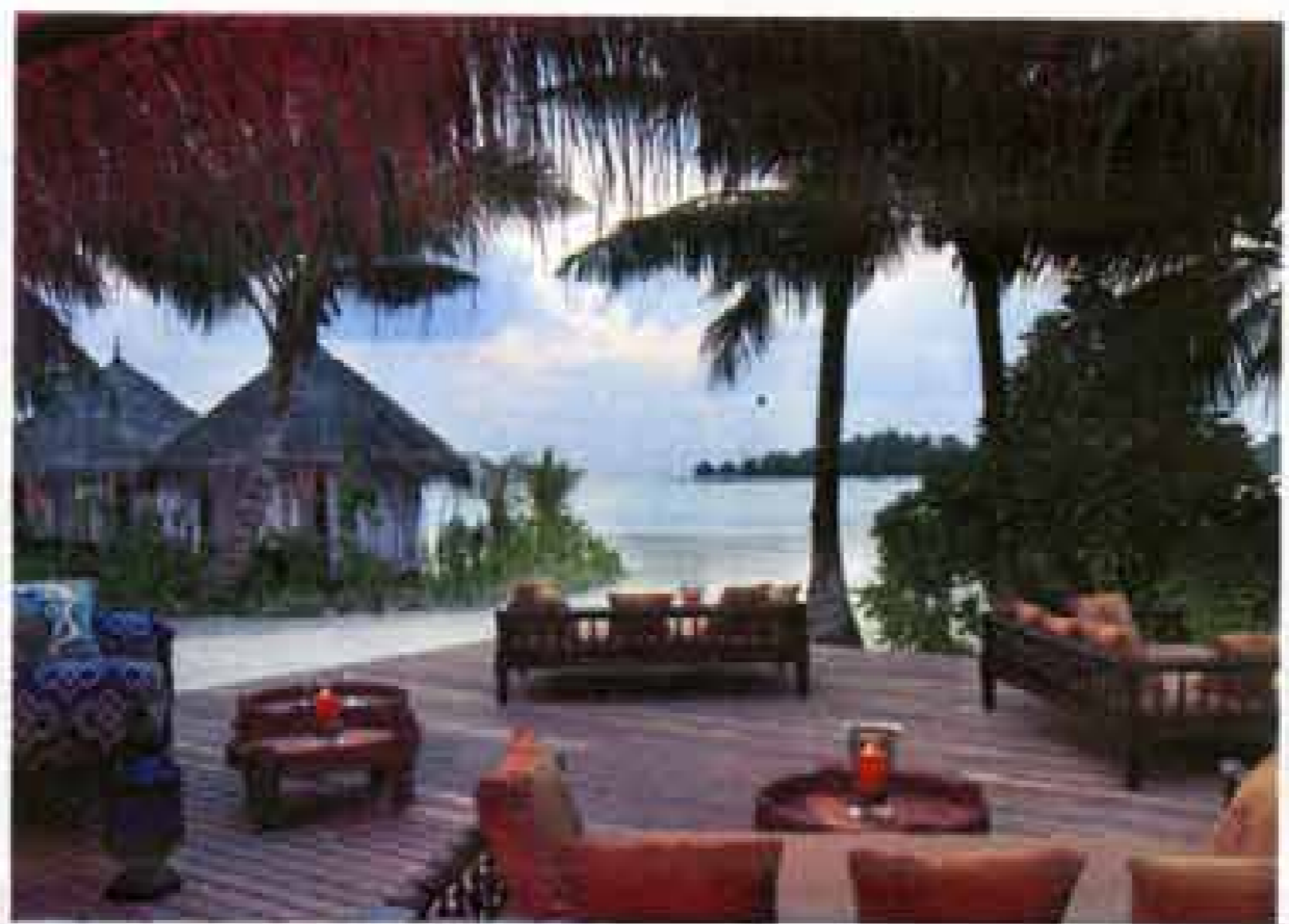


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Four Seasons Maldives at Landaa Giraavaru

An incredible spa, an Olympic-size infinity pool, four restaurants and a dive centre... The Four Seasons is one of the most glamorous Maldivian islands, perfect if your life involves high heels in the sand and bobbing along with Rimoni oligarch-types.

Seasons in Style (01244 202900; seasonsinstyle.com) offers seven nights from £2,700pp b&fb, including flights and airport transfers.



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Naladhu

A must-visit for couples with cash to spend who want a *Robinson Crusoe* feel. This new resort in the South Malé Atoll has 19 colonial-style villas with plunge pools, an infinity pool, great but discreet round-the-clock butler service and a fabulous spa. For an everlasting memory, head off into the sunset in a *dhoni* (traditional Maldivian boat) to watch dolphins play.

Kuoni (01306 747008; kuoni.co.uk) offers seven nights from £4,067pp b&fb, including flights with Sri Lankan Airlines and boat transfers.



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Baros One of the Maldives' first tourist spots, Baros had a major post-millennium transformation from a good four-star to a fabulous five-star. It's worth dragging yourself from your room to enjoy the three restaurants and the incredible house reef where you can swim with baby sharks (they're vegetarian). Baros doesn't have a pool, so it's perfect for sea-lovers wanting a private experience: on the beach rather than communal sun worshipping. Indulge in a hot stone massage at the Aquaa spa and go diving with manta rays for one of life's truly memorable experiences.

Seasons in Style (01244 202900; seasonsinstyle.com) offers seven nights from £1,725pp b&fb, including flights and boat transfers.