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#### **Baros, Maldives**

A luxurious resort located a 20-minute boat ride from Malé, Baros is a paradise island with elegant villa accommodation. The Deluxe and Baros Villas are spacious with outdoor bathrooms and giant bathtubs making up for the lack of private pools; the slightly larger Pool Villas have their own infinity plunge pools and large patios, while the Baros Residence is a luxurious two-room suite. All are spread along the white-sand tropical beach, apart from the Water Villas which are built on stilts in the water.

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There are daily excursions to other islands on the resort's schedule, plus a PADI dive centre and a marine biology centre where guests can help plant corals and learn more about the house reef (don't be surprised if you spot both reef sharks and turtles when you snorkel). The hotel also organises sunset sailing on Nooma, its traditional *dhoni*, and can drop guests off at a sandbank in the middle of the Indian Ocean for an incredible gourmet meal under the stars. In fact, Baros prides itself on its food, and the restaurants and bars offer plenty of choice - from buffets at the Cayenne Grill to five-course degustation menus at The Lighthouse (the tuna carpaccio is a must). The Aquum Spa specialises in Asian treatments, and there are daily yoga classes on the deck to the water villas, as well as sunrise sessions on the sandbank, too.

*Baros: North Malé Atoll, Maldives (00 960 664 26 72; [www.baros.com](http://www.baros.com)). Kuoni (01306 747008 or [www.kuoni.co.uk](http://www.kuoni.co.uk)) offers seven nights on a room and breakfast basis at Baros Maldives in a deluxe villa, including flights with Sri Lankan Airlines from Heathrow with transfers in resort, access to the VIP lounge in Malé airport on departure and an airport lounge in the UK. Prices from £1,560 per person based on two sharing*



## Guide to Maldives

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## How To Get There

### AIRPORT

Malé International Airport is on Huhule Island a few kilometres from the capital. It is the only international airport in the Maldives.

### AIRLINES FROM THE UK

Emirates Airlines (0844 800 2777; [www.emirates.com](http://www.emirates.com)) flies from Heathrow or Gatwick to Malé via Dubai. SriLankan Airlines (020 8538 2001; [www.srilankan.aero](http://www.srilankan.aero)) flies from Heathrow to Malé direct or via Colombo. Qatar Airways (0870 389 8090; [www.qatarairways.com](http://www.qatarairways.com)) flies four times a week from Heathrow to Malé via Qatar.

The main company for inter-island transfers is Maldivian Air Taxi (00 960 331 5201; [www.maldivianairtaxi.com](http://www.maldivianairtaxi.com)). Ask your hotel to sort out transfers.

## Tour Operator

Specialist tour operators include Carrier (0161 491 7630; [www.carrier.co.uk](http://www.carrier.co.uk)), Abercrombie & Kent (0845 618 2200; [www.abercrombiekent.co.uk](http://www.abercrombiekent.co.uk)), Elegant Resorts (01244 897 505; [www.elegantresorts.co.uk](http://www.elegantresorts.co.uk)), ITC Classics (01244 355 550; [www.itcclassics.co.uk](http://www.itcclassics.co.uk)), Seasons in Style (01244 202 000; [www.seasonsinstyle.com](http://www.seasonsinstyle.com)) and The Ultimate Travel Company (020 7386 4646; [www.theultimatetravelcompany.co.uk](http://www.theultimatetravelcompany.co.uk)). Kuoni (01306 747008 or [www.kuoni.co.uk](http://www.kuoni.co.uk)) offers seven nights at **Baros Maldives**, including flights with Sri Lankan Airlines from Heathrow with transfers, from £1,560 per person based on two sharing.