

# PROJECTS ABROAD.

**Sea Turtle & Coastal Conservation  
for Teenagers in the**

# Maldives



**Scenic snorkelling, marine  
conservation, and cultural  
immersion**

4 QUALITY EDUCATION  


12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION  


14 LIFE BELOW WATER  


15 LIFE ON LAND  




**SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT  
GOALS**



## Trip highlights:

- Snorkel through the world-famous, warm waters of the Maldives, identifying marine species and studying coral reefs, fish, and sea turtles.
- Engage in marine conservation work and learn from experts, participating in beach cleans, Coral Watch surveys, and volunteering at a marine centre.
- Enjoy social activities perfectly designed for island life, including beach sports like yoga and volleyball, an island-hopping adventure, and a beach bonfire.
- Develop your confidence, independence, and global perspective as you are introduced to new traditions and lifestyles with other teens from around the world.

 **LENGTH**  
14 Days

 **SUPERVISION**  
24/7

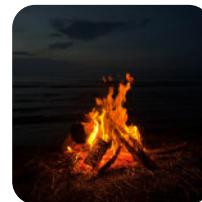
 **TRANSPORT**  
Boat, Seaplane

 **ACCOMMODATION**  
Guesthouse

 **SERVICE**  
40 hours

# Overview

The following is included in the cost of your trip (subject to change).



## Service Work

- Safety and project orientation
- Marine centre volunteering
- Snorkelling adventures
- Upcycling workshop
- Beach clean-ups
- Coral and fish studies
- Outreach work at a local school
- Sustainable fishing trip
- Seagrass workshop
- Seagrass collection session
- Marine conservation documentary
- Care for, feed, and clean sea turtles
- Ocean cleaning snorkel session
- Coral Watch survey

## Culture & Leisure

- Island scavenger hunt
- Maldivian cooking class
- Dhivehi language lesson
- Island hopping adventure
- Boat excursion
- Beach bonfire
- Beach yoga session
- Beach painting session
- Beach volleyball games
- Karaoke night
- Games nights
- Movie night

## Food/Accommodation

- Three meals/day (all diets catered for)
- Drinking water
- Guesthouse

## Logistics

- Airport transfers in the Maldives
- Orientation and tour of cities
- Travel in country
- Pre-departure support
- 24/7 support from local staff
- Emergency assistance



## Day 1

# Arrival

Land at the impressive Velana International Airport on the neighbouring island of Maldives capital city, Malé. Enjoy unique views of the city as you land and transfer to a local seaplane, heading for Madivaru Airport.

There, you will have one final transfer to Naifaru where our local team will meet you, get you anything you need, and help you settle into your accommodation.

Our staff will provide a comprehensive induction session to ensure you are fully prepared for life in the Maldives. This includes the safety and ethics of your conservation work, the local culture, and a tour of the island where you'll be staying for the next two weeks.

In the evening, relax after a busy day with dinner at the accommodation and the chance to get to know your newfound friends. Share stories, discuss culture, and enjoy a tropical sunset before diving into your conservation work the following day.



## Days 2 - 4

# Conservation work

Start building your conservation skills with a visit to a local marine centre, learning about their sea turtle rescue and rehabilitation programme and coral reef ecosystems.

You'll return to the marine centre the following day as a volunteer, supporting turtle care, food preparation, and tank cleaning to assist in their rehabilitation. This is a great chance to get stuck in and learn directly from the professionals there.

You'll also head out on your first snorkeling adventure to identify marine species and learn about the biodiversity of the area, conduct a beach clean-up on an uninhabited island, and attend a fascinating upcycling workshop.

Every evening, you'll enjoy a traditional Maldivian dinner at your accommodation and have time to relax with your friends, including a movie night, games night, and even a cookery class on Day 4.



## Days 5 - 8

# Skill development

Continue working alongside marine conservation experts with two snorkelling activities over the next few days, studying coral structures, observing fish behaviour, and removing harmful debris from the ecosystem.

Attend a workshop on the importance of seagrass before heading out to collect some for the green turtles at the marine centre. Then, go back as a volunteer and carry on feeding, observing, and caring for the turtles living there.

Conduct a crabbing activity, catching food for the turtles at the marine centre while enjoying the sunset. One afternoon, you'll even get to join a local fishing crew on their boat as you learn traditional, sustainable fishing techniques.

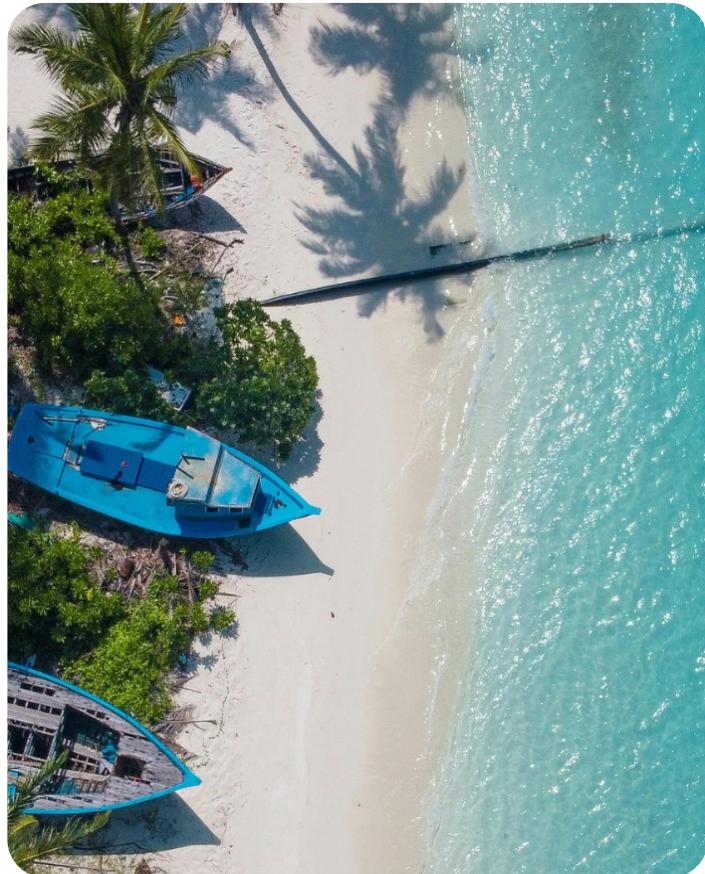
Outside of your project work, you'll have an island scavenger hunt, join a Dhivehi language class to help you better understand Maldivian culture, enjoy an evening of karaoke, and watch a marine conservation documentary.

## Days 9 - 10

# Beachside retreat

Take a short break from your project work to rest and relax while truly experiencing tropical living. Embark on an island hopping adventure and boat excursion in the mornings, exploring nearby islands, beaches, reefs, and wildlife.

In the afternoons, try beach painting to capture the beauty of the Maldives and find inner peace with a beach yoga session. One evening, you'll also share stories and music around a bonfire.



## Days 11 - 13

# Citizen scientists

Spend your final few mornings using the skills you've learned. Start back with the turtles at the marine centre, conduct another beach clean-up, and snorkel with the sea turtles in the wild.

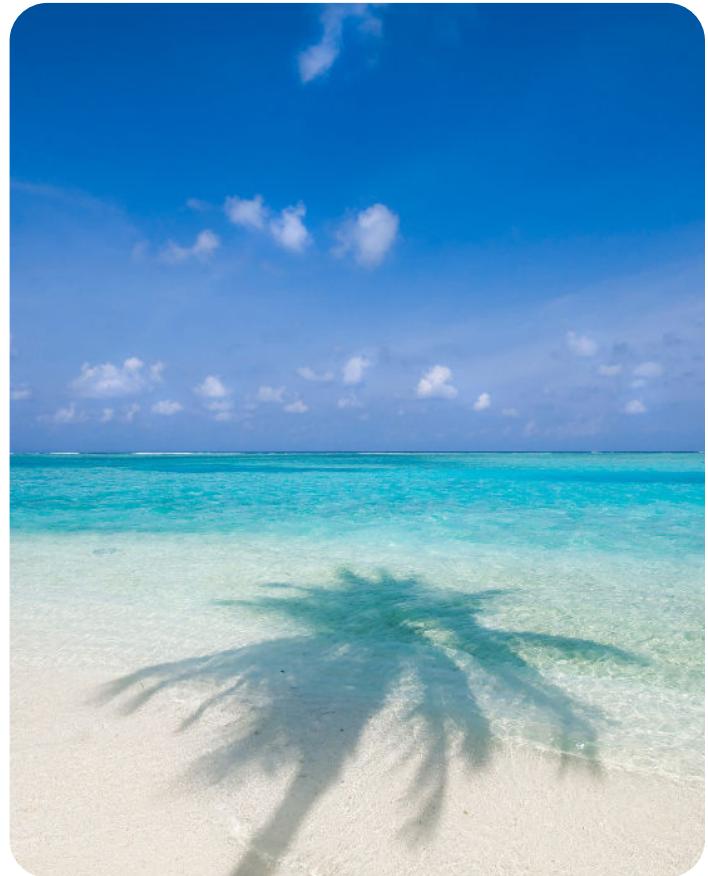
You'll also join a citizen science project called Coral Watch, assessing coral bleaching and reef health. Enjoy picnics and games, plus your final game of beach volleyball before celebrating your time in the Maldives with a special farewell dinner.

## Day 14

# Departure

Reflect on the once-in-a-lifetime journey you've undertaken as you head back to the airport. Don't forget to share your contact details with your new friends to forever remember your time in the Maldives!

As you pack your bags, think about your newfound confidence, skills, and memories from your journey — you'll be taking these home too.



# Destination

The Maldives is a stunning archipelago of more than 1,000 coral islands in the Indian Ocean. The Dhivehi people, an ethnic group with ancestral roots in Sri Lanka and India, make up approximately 95% of the local population.

The Maldives gained independence from Great Britain in 1968 and is now a global leader in tourism and climate consciousness.

It is the lowest country in the world, with an average of just 1.5 metres above sea level!

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### LANGUAGE

Dhivehi

### CURRENCY

Maldivian Rufiyaa

### NATIONAL DISH

Garudhiya (fish broth)

### POPULATION

530,000

### TIMEZONE

GMT +5

### NATIONAL ANIMAL

Yellowfin Tuna

### CAPITAL

Malé

### COUNTRY CODE

MV

### NATIONAL BIRD

Maldivian Waterhen

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