

Postcard from Kurumba



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Welcome to our second issue of "Postcard from Kurumba."

Since we last wrote we have been busily working on some great new initiatives for our guests. In the coming months there will be a number of new small touches for you all to enjoy, but we want to keep them as a surprise until your next visit to Kurumba.

The big news for us which we can share is our new "Dine-Around Premium" package. This fabulous new option offers great value and includes a wide selection of dining in seven of our speciality restaurants, as well as selected drinks, including wines, with your meals. This new option is already heavily in demand, and shows how much we value the feedback of our guests – many of whom asked us to provide a way to enjoy the extraordinary options available at Kurumba. Bon appetite!

We have many guests who love holidaying in our Private & Pool Villas, Presidential Suites and our Royal Residence – excellent options for enhanced privacy, spaciousness and luxury. From the 18th of December, we are offering guests staying in these top category rooms a premium breakfast in the Ocean Grill, serving an a la carte menu with some extra special options and touches...not to mention a stunning view of the beach and azure waters. To add even further value to guests in these premium villas, guests of these residences will also now enjoy complimentary afternoon cocktails at the Beach Bar from 5pm – 7pm.

If you have the time, please check out our revamped website at www.kurumba.com. We have added new pages and fact sheets, and hopefully created a more exciting "look" for Kurumba's website.

Also we would love you to become a fan of Kurumba Maldives on our [Facebook page](#). Hope to see you there.

That's enough from me; however let's see what else is happening in Kurumba.

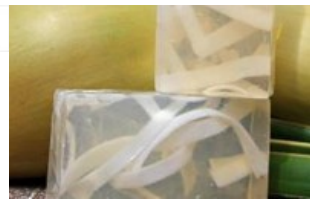


Underwater adventures

Well, it was a tough job, but someone had to do it. We have been spending some time in the water for you so we could develop a guest snorkel guide to Kurumba. This guide helps guests to find all of our favorite marine species and to plan your snorkeling fun while on holiday. This will be in our compendium and online.

Something that not everyone knows about Kurumba is that the diving offered by Euro Divers, our dive school and centre, is second to none. To help people to know more about the diving offered we have put together a diving fact sheet with all the sites and some information about learning to dive while you are here.

Enjoy the bubbles!!



We are listening to you

Because the opinion of our guests is so very important to us, we have a new guest survey system called Market Metrix that allows us to reach out to you every time you stay at Kurumba. Some of the recent feedback we have been able to put into action include:

- Reduced prices for children and extra persons in rooms.
- Better priced minibar items and water
- All new music in Vihamana and Kurumba Mahal.
- Ocean Grill beach side breakfast for premium Villa guests.

Within the guest rooms we have a few new touches we have recently implemented. We are particularly thrilled with our new bespoke toiletries created from coconut, mint, and tea tree oils. Our signature is the Kurumba coconut soap which has our guests raving!



Your passport to dining

We have developed a Dine Around Premium package, the perfect passport to your dining enjoyment while at Kurumba.

The new dining option includes a choice of seven restaurants and selected beverages with lunch and dinner. The package is great value and hopefully will hit the spot with our returning guests!

Just think, where else in the Maldives can you have a meal plan that allows you to eat in a different restaurant each night of the week.

Beverages that will be included are selected wines, spirits, beers, soft drinks and water.

Please feel free to check out this link, [dining plans](#) for more details.

Services



The heart of house.

A lot of new initiatives are underway to make the lives of the team at Kurumba more fun and exciting, including our continued revamp of the team restaurant, a new cricket pitch, a futsal court, staff internet and many hours of training and development.

A new team accommodation block is progress and we are starting to see construction building this brand new block up from the ground. This new building will host a cafeteria, internet cafe, learning centre, cinema, gymnasium and more team accommodation.

Those of you who have been coming to Kurumba for years will be happy to know that we have new uniforms in development for all staff. The new uniform features an updated look that is more comfortable and stylish with some nice Maldivian embroidery highlights. The uniforms are in production as we speak.



"Catching up with the Jones" - a chat with Mr Anton Malkov & Mrs. Polina Tyapvesina

One of the things we are most proud of is your loyalty to us - Some of you have been coming to Kurumba every year (or twice a year) for as long as we can remember. We met up with Anton Malkov and Polina Tyapvesina poolside to learn about "their Kurumba".

What keeps you coming back? We love Kurumba for the level of service, the tranquility and the natural flow of the Resort. We do not need to think and make decisions and it just happens. We also like the dive center as well.

How many times have you been to Kurumba? Three times. We first came here on our honeymoon in 2006 and then could not resist another trip later that year.

If you had to name one thing that is your favourite, what would it be? It is difficult to say, but once again, the natural flow of the resort.

If we could change something, what is your advice? Please bring back the duck dish in the Ming Court that was done 4 different ways. It had a great cooking method and was truly the best ever.

What is one thing that is new that you appreciate? The beach Service with the fruits and afternoon juice is a nice touch.

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