

FOOD & BEVERAGE MEDIA FACTFILE

As the sun begins to set, Kurumba Maldives becomes a vibrant oasis offering an unrivalled range of dining options. A wonderland of eight restaurants provides a different culinary adventure for each day of the week. The endless options and range of meal plans ensure the guest is in control. As the night unwinds, live entertainment provides a vibrant backdrop; be it a live Jazz duo, pop group or DJ party setting the beat.

Delicious Dining

From wholesome breakfasts to playful Maldivian lunches and unhurried gourmet dinners, there are feasting options to suit every mood at Kurumba. The resort also caters for various dietary requirements offering special vegetarian and gluten free alternatives.

- Authentic Maldivian flavours and awe-inspiring views of the lagoon are always on the menu at *Thila*, a contemporary venue for enjoying al fresco dining and fine seafood
- Satisfying hunger cravings at breakfast, lunch and dinner, *Vihamanaa* offers extensive international options alongside daily themed buffets and live cooking stations.
- Featuring modern Italian cuisine and an extensive wine list, *Isola* is a relaxed restaurant serving up fresh and tasty food sure to wow the taste buds.
- For a memorable experience, guests can venture to *Hamakaze* which offers a relaxed over water setting for Japanese sashimi, teppanyaki and Hibachi specialties.
- East, the resort's Asian restaurant is inspired by the flavours of modern China, Vietnam and Thailand, offering an array of shared and individual dishes.
- Guests seeking an Indian banquet fit for a Maharajah can try *Mahal*, where the resident chef serves up tasty aromatic tandooris, rich curries, buttery naans and sweet desserts.
- Al Qasr, 'The Palace' lives up to its name. The sumptuous setting brims with Arabic decadence and the selection of dishes inspired by Tunisia, Lebanon and Morocco are equally impressive.
- Open from just after breakfast until late into the evening, the *Café* is on hand any time hunger strikes. From crunchy salads to tasty sandwiches or an ice cream to cool down, it's a good place to take a break from the sun and enjoy a quick bite.
- For guests who can't bear to tear themselves away from their own Maldivian paradise, *In Villa Dining* is also available 24 hours a day.

Flexible Feasting

With five different meal plans to choose from, guests can select an option that works for them. The popular *Dine Around All Inclusive* plan provides value and ultimate flexibility to have breakfast, lunch and dinner in any of the operating restaurants, along with a range of alcoholic



and non- alcoholic beverages. The plan also boasts a complimentary Snorkelling Safari or Malé Tour. Meal plans are available for stays of 4-nights and more and can be upgraded on arrival.

Something Special

In addition to the eight signature restaurants, Kurumba also provides a number of extra special dining experiences. The premium breakfast at *Thila* provides an indulgent start to the day with a delicious à la carte menu and free flow of sparkling wine.

For guests wanting to impress someone special, the memorable *Sounds of the Sea* dining experience includes an elegant five-course dinner, complemented by selected fine wines, served on the beach by a private butler.

Bars and Entertainment

Each evening after dinner, the resort showcases the hottest local music talent. The best local bands and DJs travel from the capital to perform and provide guests with a vibrant backdrop to their evening. For a chilled out escape by day and a lively atmosphere in the evening, guests can head to Kandu, an open-air pavilion serving drinks and cocktails from morning till night. For those who are not just content watching the show, Kalhu offers a live DJ, dance floor and regular karaoke nights, providing the perfect outlet for channelling inner lucky voices.

About Kurumba Maldives

Kurumba Maldives is set on a tropical island in the North Male' Atoll, conveniently situated a brief 10 minute speedboat ride from the airport. Dotted with coconut trees that are the island's namesake, Kurumba was the first private island resort in the Maldives. Beautiful gardens, palm fringed white sandy beaches and a vibrant house reef is the hallmarks of this classic Maldivian resort.

The resort offers an array of nine styles of accommodation, ranging from comfortable Superior rooms to the spacious Royal Residence, spread amongst the island's lush tropical gardens with easy access to the beach. With eight different restaurants to choose from Kurumba Maldives will charm you with its unparalleled choice of dining experiences and a wide range of recreation activities and entertainment. All while maintaining idyllic refuges and quiet spaces of relaxation to create the perfect balance for a holiday in paradise, perfect for honeymooners and families alike.

Over the years, Kurumba has played host to a variety of foreign dignitaries and Heads of State, including Indian Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh, former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan, and former US Presidents Bill Clinton, George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush. It has also been the recipient of numerous accolades and awards, including Maldives Leading Hotel (World Travel Awards) in 2010 and 2011, and Trip Advisor's Travellers' Choice Awards for Best Service and Luxury (2013) as well as the number one All-Inclusive resort in Asia (2014 and 2015), and number one best All-Inclusive resort in the world (2015).



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