Marhabaa and welcome to our 29th issue of "Postcard from Kurumba"

Thank you for taking the time to read our short update. To our friends of Kurumba, we would like to wish you a delightful festive season and that your plans for the coming year are both enriching and exciting.

In the past few months, we’ve been making little improvements here and there, within the resort, to make your stay with us more enjoyable. We believe that investing in our team members are important as they are what makes Kurumba special. If you do get the chance, we certainly encourage you to take advantage of our Green & Back of House Tour, as this tour allows you to a view of the back of the house, where we produce power, water and treat waste. This also allows you to say hello to our team members and know
more about the lives that they lead.

We would like to thank all the guests who have posted positive reviews on travel sites and on our Facebook page. Please keep sharing our good news on social media platforms!

If you are looking to return in the coming months, please feel free to contact us directly at the resort for our latest special offers and return guest benefits or contact your preferred agent. It would be a pleasure to welcome you back and I certainly hope that we will see you again in the nearest future.

Tropical regards,

RYSZARD MAJEWSKI

General Manager

Wine & Dine

New Menus at Thila & Hamakaze

In light of feedback from guests and Thila Restaurant's recent win of the Best
Luxury Seafood Restaurant & Luxury Theme Restaurant in the Indian Ocean this year, we have now launched new and more refined menus at both Thila and Hamakaze that are sure to tickle your tastebuds.

Thila’s cuisine is contemporary and features Maldivian grills. Daily Premium breakfast is served in Thila for guests residing in the higher room categories.

The stunning over-water gazebo that houses the Hamakaze japanese restaurant now carries a wider range of Japanese cuisine ranging from teppanyaki to your favourite selection of sushi and sashimi. A must try on your next visit.

**New Ice Cream Selections & Teppanyaki Ice Cream**
To cool yourself off after a day of activities, come on down to Kandu Bar and give our new ice cream selections a try! Enjoy these ice cream ranges with delightful toppings that come with them! It would definitely be the coolest way to spend you time at Kurumba!

The word "teppanyaki" is not only about grilled meats. If you have not heard or seen ice-cream being "stir-fried" on an ice pan, try any of these new rolled ice-creams the next time you visit Hamakaze! A complete new way of preparing ice cream with absolute entertainment.

**Cake Corner at Kandu Bar**
If you have a sweet tooth or are feeling the munchies while having a drink or two at Kandu Bar. Try our selection of cakes at the little Cake Corner. Selection ranges from Boedalous Pear Tart, Eclair Strawberry Open Face, Passion Dome Cake, Chocolate Orange Cake, one or more of which would definitely capture your fancy.
Keeping You Busy

Marine Life Presentation by Euro Divers

Check out our new and improved Marine Life Presentation, conducted by our in-house Dive Centre, Euro Divers. Learn about the marine life in the Maldives, its environment, flora and fauna and how to protect our waters from the many dangers that they face on a regular basis. This educational presentation is enlightening and is a relaxing way to spend an evening after a hard day of activities. This presentation also offers you a chance to ask any questions you may have about our ocean and its wildlife.

Marine Life Origami at Euro Divers

Strengthen your paper skill with a little Origami! Origami is a Japanese word of which Ori, means "folding" and Gami (or Kami), means "paper", an art which is often associated with Japanese culture. This art allows you to fold paper into decorative shapes and figures. Here at Kurumba, we will teach you the art of creating marine creatures using the skills of origami. A fun activity to be enjoyed by both adults and children alike.
Upcoming Events

Christmas & New Year's Eve

At Kurumba, we will be starting Christmas celebrations for children on 20th December with a list of fun and exciting activities ranging from the Christmas Drawing competition, face painting to Ginger Bread decoration! For Christmas Eve, Thila Restaurant is offering a Christmas classic themed buffet for those who want to celebrate the evening with friends and family.

New Year's Eve is planned to be bigger and better than ever! This New Year's theme is "Retro" so come in your most fashionable retro garb and stand a chance to win fabulous prizes for best dressed adult and child. A prize will also be given for "Return Guest" category as a gesture of thanks for your support. The evening will start with welcome cocktails at Kandu before heading on to Thila for dinner. The buffer will be extensive as ever.

After dinner, head on down to Kandu where the party will continue with our live band playing the best "Retro" hits to keep you dancing the night away. An evening to remember, while we countdown to a brand New Year!

Kids Carnival

Come one and all and join us for this new and fabulous event on 1st January 2019, the Kids Carnival. To break into a new year, we have decided that
nothing starts the year better than the joy and laughter of children having fun! To be held at Majaa Recreation, kids will enjoy games like Balloon Pop, Spin The Wheel, Balloon Art and much more! Look out for the exciting prizes to be won. Enjoy snacks, cotton candy and more, as you rightfully would at any self-respecting Carnival!

**Orthodox Christmas**

This Orthodox Christmas, Kurumba will be offering you a scrumptious buffet spread with Christmas specials to help make your celebration complete!

**Chinese New Year**

This coming Chinese New Year, we shall be ushering in the year of the Pig with accordange to the Chinese Lunar Calendar. Chinese New Year is also known as the "Spring Festive" and is the most important traditional festival for the Chinese all around the world. At Kurumba, we shall be presenting a traditional range of Chinese cuisine with our daily buffet dinner at Vihamanaa restaurant.

Stories With Friends

New "Friends of Kurumba" Membership
Based on our repeater guests' feedbacks, we have now revised our "Friends of Kurumba" membership benefits, which now includes a new category, the Platinum card. The memberships now offer special discounted rate if you were to book directly with the hotel, early and late check outs (subject to availability), snorkelling equipment use and premium breakfast for higher membership categories and of course, the usual discounts on your food and beverages, in-house excursions and spa services.

Click here to read more about your new Privileges as a "Friends of Kurumba" member!

**Share Your Kurumba Story With Us**

A picture worth a LIFETIME. A family of generations standing next to each other and proudly showing that life isn't a matter of milestones but of moments; moments of happiness and love. Many of us surely wonder why our regular guests keep coming back and the answer is simple. Our friendly and helpful staff.

We are proud to have won such loyal friends in Kurumba Maldives and would like you to share your Kurumba story with us! Send us your tales at salesandmarketing@kurumba.com with some photos of your trip and we might just publish them on our next newsletter!

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**Back Of Stage**

Meet our two management trainees, Suzeena Ahmed and Hamdhoon Gasim, who completed their 12-month training programme in all departments of the resort. Suzeena was an in-room dining order take who got promoted to Events Coordinator. She is now in-charge of all facets of meeting and events carried out in the resort. Hamdhoon who was previously a Guest Service
Host is now a Front Office Supervisor.

Kurumba Maldives has a strong commitment to social responsibility in all aspects of the resort operation. We offer our employees both the opportunity to maximize their potential as well as a range of training programme that meet their needs to enhance their professional skills. Two future leaders will be given the same opportunity next month.

For more information on Kurumba Maldives' CSR Programme, please visit our website. #kurumbamaldives #csractivities #managementtraineeprogram

Stay tuned for further updates about Kurumba Maldives and the team is looking forward to welcoming you soon to our sunny island!

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