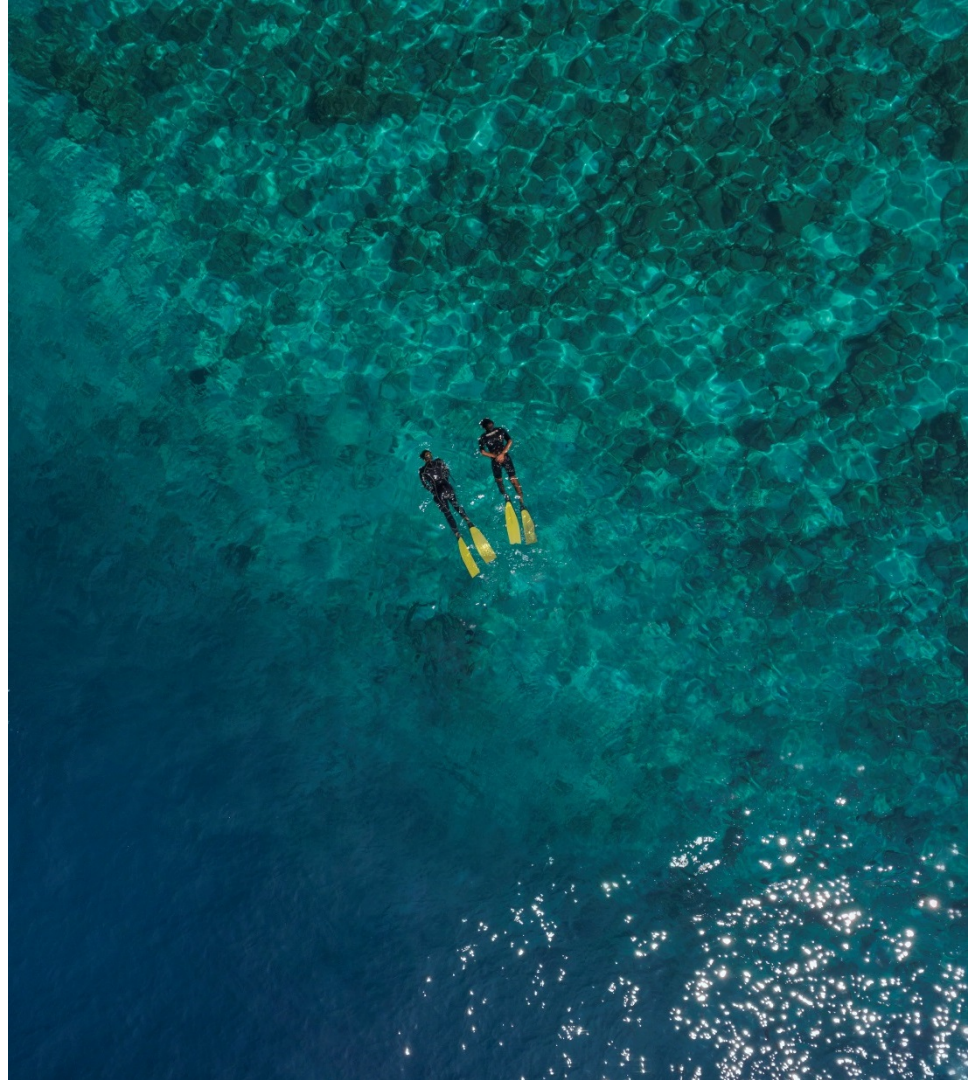


An underwater photograph of a vibrant coral reef. The foreground is dominated by large, branching, tan-colored coral structures. The water is clear and blue, filled with numerous small, colorful fish, including many bright orange ones. The background shows more coral and a dense school of fish swimming towards the surface. The overall scene is bright and lively.

DIVING
AT CHEVAL BLANC RANDHELI

SCUBA AT CHEVAL BLANC RANDHELI

The beauty of the ocean in the Maldives is due not only to the colour and transparency of the water, but also its spectacular marine life. You cannot visit Randheli without at least snorkelling and seeing this wonderful spectacle. Being able to swim amongst thousands of different species of multicoloured fish, admire the gentle motion of the turtles or the sinuous advance of small reef sharks, is a unique and priceless experience.





LEARN TO DIVE OR FURTHER YOUR EDUCATION

Our 5 Star PADI Dive Centre offers the full range of PADI courses. All of our PADI instructors are multilingual and experienced with additional skills such as the possibility to film your dive.

From basic PADI certification, to PADI Distinctive Specialties such as Shark Awareness Diver or Manta Awareness Diver, a wealth of tailored courses are available.

For a head start on PADI certification, it is possible to complete the online theory training before your arrival at the Maison. Kindly follow this [link](#) to complete the training, and remember to bring your certification to the Dive Centre for your introductory dive.

Our Dive Centre has been awarded with the Green Star Award by PADI in 2017.

CERTIFIED ALREADY?

Single and double-tank dives, full-day excursions, sunrise and sunset dives, night dives, excursions to specific shark, manta or wreck dives. You can also privatise a dive boat and let yourself be guided by an experienced instructor.

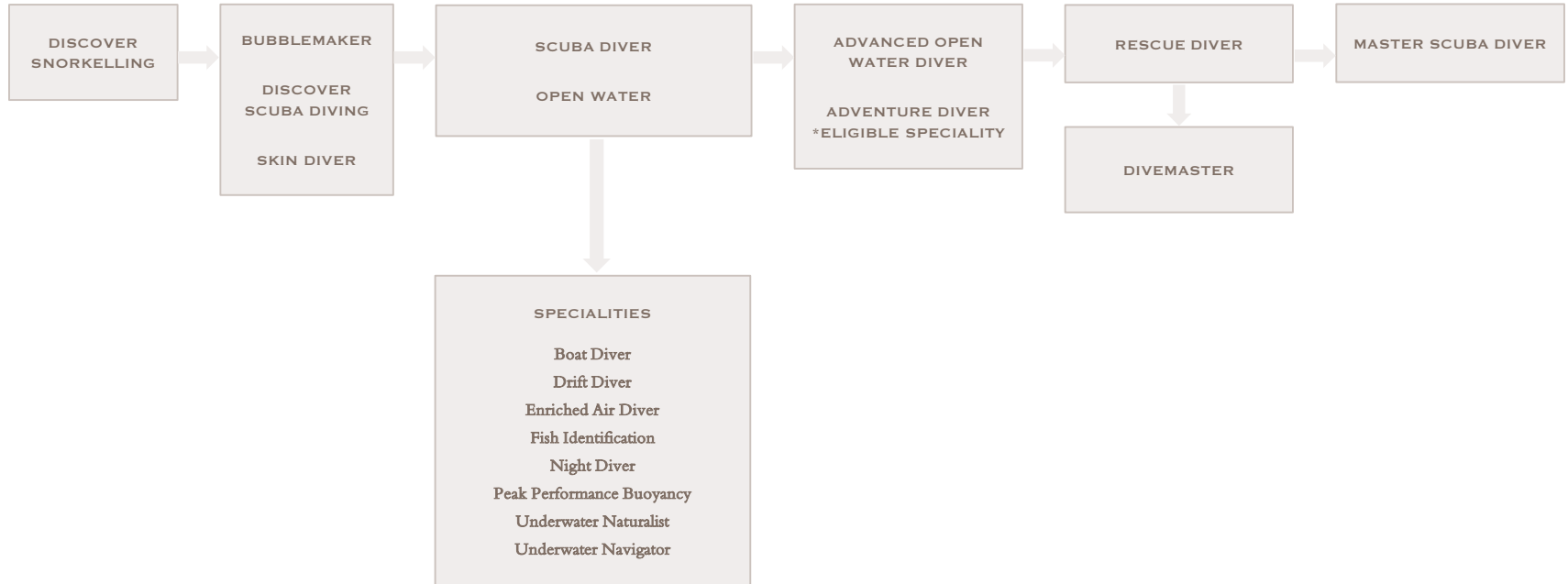
You have the choice of diving either with air or with Nitrox, should you be certified as a Nitrox Diver.

Kindly remember to bring your certification and log dive book at the Dive Centre.



PADI DIVE COURSES

Cheval Blanc Randheli is delighted to offer you the below PADI dive courses. Discover details of the courses in the following pages.





PADI DIVE COURSES AT THE MAISON

BUBBLEMAKER

Bubblemaker is as fun as it sounds – a chance for kids to blow bubbles by scuba diving. Children who are at least 8 years old can use scuba gear to breathe underwater and swim around in shallow water.

DISCOVER SCUBA DIVING

Have you always wondered what it could be like to breathe underwater? If you would like to try scuba diving, but are not quite ready to take the plunge into a certification course, Discover Scuba Diving is for you.

OPEN WATER DIVER

Get your scuba diving certification with the Open Water Diver course – a globally recognised scuba course. Millions of people have learned to scuba dive and gone on to discover the wonders of the aquatic world through this course.

ADVENTURE DIVER

The Adventure Diver course is a subset of the Advanced Open Water Diver Course. Have you always wanted to try digital underwater photography, fish identification or wreck diving? There is a long list of scuba adventures you can take part in during this programme. Complete three Adventure Dives and you earn the Adventure Diver certification.

PADI DIVE COURSES AT THE MAISON

ADVANCED OPEN WATER DIVER

This course is designed to advance your diving, so you earn your Open Water Diver certification in the shortest delay. It helps build confidence and expand your scuba skills through different Adventure Dives.

RESCUE DIVER

Learn to prevent and manage problems in the water, and become more confident in your skills as a diver, knowing that you can help others if needed. During the course, you learn to become a better companion by practicing problem solving skills until it becomes intuitive.

ENRICHED AIR DIVER

The Enriched Air Diver course is PADI's most popular specialty scuba course. Why? Because scuba diving with enriched Nitrox air requires less decompression time, especially on repetitive scuba dives. This will give you the opportunity to stay underwater longer, hence many divers choose it as their first specialty.





STYLES OF DIVING IN THE MALDIVES

The Maldives are known worldwide for their vibrant array of underwater flora and fauna, playing host to some of the Earth's most sought-after dive destinations.

KANDU DIVING

Kandu, or channel diving, is a drift dive through the currents that weave throughout the Maldivian island chains. Divers may encounter eagle rays and sharks, as well as groups of magical migrating animals.

REEF DIVING

With widespread, colourful coral and complex, naturally formed terraces, the reefs of the Maldives play home to a vibrant population of animals.

WRECK DIVING

For a touch of pirate-style adventure, divers can glide in and out through sunken ships, now acting shelters for an entire population of fish.

MALDIVIAN MANTA RAYS

Plunge into the graceful underwater world of sea angels. Watch closely as their gentle wings glide through the water with magnificence.

Cheval Blanc Randheli is delighted to host an experience like no other, partnering with the Manta Ray Conservation Charity.

The Manta Conservation Charity uses all collected documentation (film, photos) to attempt identifying each ray and provide insight on their age, gender and normal whereabouts. For never-before spotted mantas, guests are invited to name *their* ray!

Manta rays can be observed from Mid-July to October.





OTHER UNDERWATER LIFE

The most common species encountered during the diving experiences are carrousel of jackfish hunting small prey, as well as trigger and surgeon fishes found in smaller reefs. During the early morning, eagle rays, small sharks and turtles can also be observed

One of the most famous dive sites in this area is Orimas Thila, a cleaning station for gray reef sharks, where guests can see up to four different shark species in one dive: whitetip-, gray reef-, guitar- & leopard-shark. Moreover, frequent appearances in this dive site are eagle rays, barracudas, jacks and tuna fishes.

OUR DIFFERENT DIVE SITES

The diving experience is an outstanding opportunity to meet the unexplored magnificent Maldivian reefs and corals. Indeed, you will have the convenience of facing a multitude of extraordinary fish species in one of the different dive sites.

You will have the opportunity to enjoy the survey of several dive sites – all in the range of about 40 minutes from our Maison – depending on your wishes and expectations. Most of our proposed dive sites are suitable for beginners to experience the thrill of drift dives in Maldives.

Furthermore, we are delighted to propose snorkelling excursions to Hanifaru Bay in Baa Atoll (approximately 1 hour ride). This Marine Protected Area has gained international repute as one of the most reliable places in the world to see a large numbers of endangered mega fauna as manta rays and whale sharks during the Maldives' South-West monsoon.





DIVE BUTLER SERVICES

Have you ever wanted your own dive instructor, your own boat, or maybe both? Take advantage of our Dive Butler services by booking a private dive session with the Cheval Blanc Randheli Dive Centre. Our professional and friendly instructors will guide you on your private and exclusive underwater journey; choose from all PADI dive courses, a beginner lesson, or maybe just a guided dive, and discover the serenity and care offered to you. Private dives are inclusive of up to 2 guests, so we can provide you with the maximum amount of attention, individual sessions and one-on-one activities – the ultimate luxury for adventurous divers.

A Marine Biologist is also available for dive guiding, providing information about the various species encountered, the state of the coral reefs as well as various conservation efforts launched in order to help protect them.

DIVING EXCURSIONS

For beginners and experienced divers, we will recommend the finest sites in Noonu Atoll or beyond, teeming with exotic marine life, and comfortably accessible by Azimut.

Here are some of our preferred dive sites:

SHARK POINT (45 MINUTES FROM RANDHELI)

This Thila makes dreams come true. The top reef of the North side of the Thila starts at 14 metres and drops off steep to a sandy bottom. When the current comes from the North-West side, you can observe large barracudas staying motionless into the current or chasing when the opportunity comes.

CHRISTMAS ROCK (40 MINUTES FROM RANDHELI)

One of the most precious Thilas in Noonu Atoll. It rises up from a 30 metre deep sandy bottom. It is named this way because the profile of the reef looks like a Christmas tree the top at 14 metres. It presents deep and shallow overhangs at the bottom, with layers and plateaux.





DIVING EXCURSIONS

SKIPJACK DIVE (1 HOUR FROM RANDHELI BY DHONI)

This sunken shipyard is an incomparable diving spot with two wreckages on a single diving site. The Skipjack 1 and 2 have been stretching out within this site ever since the early 80's and they are now emblazoned with brilliantly coloured soft and hard coral reefs.

KUREDHOO EXPRESS (1 HOUR FROM RANDHELI BY DHONI)

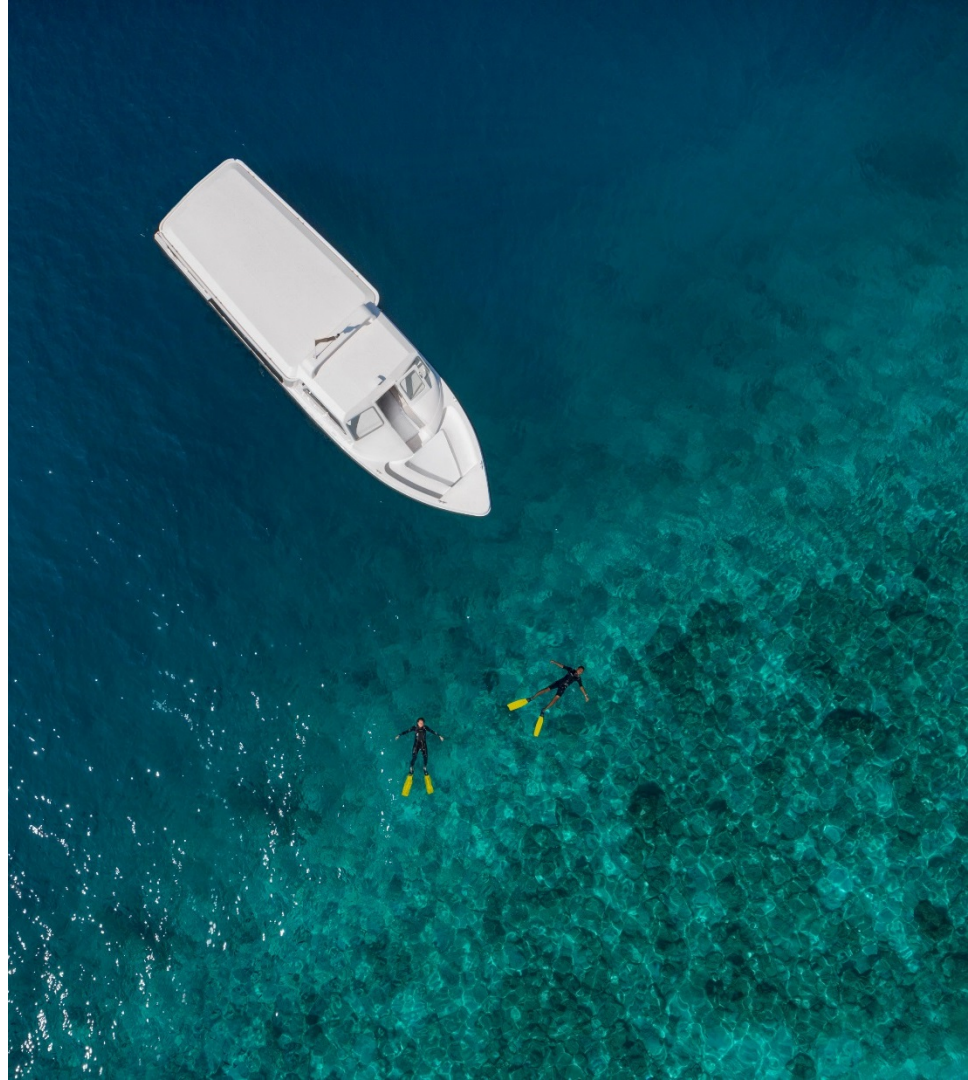
Kuredhoo Express is one of the most famous dive sites in the Lhaviyani Atoll. Kuredhoo Express gets its name from the strong currents that can occasionally flow here. There is a sandy channel leading to the corner of the reef, which reveals terraces at different depths – a great place to stop and watch the action.

UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY

Rental options are available for your scuba dives and snorkelling adventures.

GoPro Rental	per excursion	\$ 195
Canon Rental	per excursion	\$ 135
Underwater Torch	per excursion	\$ 25

Capture your unforgettable moments of underwater discovery and bring them home to treasure forever. Once the trip is completed, we will place all photos and videos on a memory stick for your safekeeping.





RANDHELI ACTIVITIES IN DETAIL

To discover the full list of Cheval Blanc Randheli's activities and experiences, kindly refer to the following links.

BOATS & WATER ACTIVITIES

From boat excursions to seabobbing and jet skiing, enjoy the waters of the Noonu Atoll with the Maison's water adventures [here](#).

SNORKELLING

Explore the vibrant underwater world of the Maldives with tailored snorkelling activities for all levels [here](#).

SPORTS & FITNESS

With two tennis courts and a fitness centre with cutting edge Technogym equipment, get fit and get strong [here](#).

FAMILY & CHILDREN

Discover the specially-designed experiences for children, teens and families [here](#).

SPA & WELLNESS

Indulge in the ultimate escape at the Cheval Blanc Spa island featuring exclusive treatments by Guerlain. Explore [here](#).

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