

Important Notice

As the Urban Hotels are located within the island community, unlike individual tourist Resorts there will be day to day activities going on the island; as you walk through the island community you will see, shops, cafes, some work activities inside the island. Children will be running and enjoying around, women will be busy with cleaning the island and cooking whilst men will be involved in daily activities like fishing, building small houses, boat building by the beach side etc.

Some of the joys of travelling is to explore nature, environment, learn and experience the way how people live, how people work and earn in these islands in the Maldives where there are crystal clear lagoons, white sandy beaches and multiple activities available at lower cost, where you can enjoy sun tanning, rest under hot sun on white sandy beach, swimming, snorkeling, fishing by the beach side, making own BBQ, enjoy local food. You can also enjoy photography, talk with local people, enjoy in sports activities.

Service level of accommodation will be different from tourist resorts in accommodation facilities in local islands and may vary. As most of the accommodations in local islands are own & maintained by families and by local people, guests can expect more friendly service by some property owners or by its staffs

Most of the Islands will have sports center from where you can rent snorkeling equipment's, windsurf, paddle board, and can buy snacks and non-alcoholic beverages from cafes and local shops:

Est. Price of some important items that guest can buy direct from a local shop: for information purpose only

Price – 300 ml Mineral water – Mrf 5

Price of Coca Cola, Fanta, Sprit (350 ml pet Bottle) : Mrf 20

Price of Red bull: Mrf 65

Price of Nescafe black : Mrf 20

Price of a packet Cigarette Camel or Marlboro: Est. Mrf 260/-

Local food like Rice or Roti & Curry: Mrf 45 – mrf 55

(In general, most of the local shops accept payments in Ruffiya and can pay by VISA & AMEX Cards) (Current Bank Exchange rate: 1 USD = 15.42 Mrf).

Selling & Consumptions of Alcoholic beverages are not allowed in local islands as the government Rules. Some Properties can arrange a day visit to a nearby Resort (subject to availability on request with a direct charge) where guests can enjoy a sip & can return to the island same day. Also some islands do keep Safari Boats (as a Floating bar) anchored in the island lagoon where they provide free transfer and guests can have a sip (at a cost and paid direct) and can return to the island

When walking through inside the island community It is advisable to wear a Short to cover thigh, (or a Sarong) & a T-shirt in order to respect the Culture and the Maldivian law. It is not allowed to wear bikini when walking through the island community. There is a separate BIKINI BEACH area in most of the islands where guests can Swim in Bikini & can Sun tan.

Usually, all the Properties (Guest Houses, Inns and Hotels) in local Islands will provide Towels in the room, Toiletries and will have free WIFI available to Guests. It is advisable to bring your own tanning lotions or Sunblock. Also some islands will have Health Center, Pharmacies and do have Currency exchange Service and most have ATM.

It is advisable to read & understand above facts before a booking is made. Once a booking is made, we will not be in position to accept any complain from Agents nor from clients regarding any above.

Thank you