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DIVE INTO A SUMMER OF MARINE MARVELS: THE NAUTILUS MALDIVES PRESENTS OCEAN DISCOVERY WEEK WITH AWARD-WINNING UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHER SIMON LORENZ

Maldives, 20th February 2025 – Immerse yourself in the extraordinary underwater world during Ocean Discovery Week at The Nautilus Maldives, an award-winning ultra-luxury private island hideaway. From 25th to 31st July 2025, this week-long summer experience invites guests to explore the vibrant marine biodiversity of the Baa Atoll UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. More than just a luxury escape, Ocean Discovery Week is an annual celebration of the ocean's wonders, offering a profound connection to its delicate ecosystems and fostering a deeper commitment to marine conservation.

Nestled near the iconic Hanifaru Bay, The Nautilus provides unparalleled access to over 40 exceptional dive sites teeming with marine life. Bespoke diving and snorkelling adventures promise unforgettable encounters with manta rays, whale sharks, and vibrant coral gardens, creating an oceanic journey of discovery and wonder.

Partnering with Acclaimed Underwater Photographer Simon Lorenz

This year, The Nautilus is thrilled to welcome renowned underwater photographer Simon Lorenz to enrich the Ocean Discovery Week experience. An award-winning marine photographer, speaker, and writer, Simon's work has graced the covers of leading nature publications worldwide. Beyond aesthetics, his photography serves as a compelling voice for marine conservation.

As a PADI instructor and photo coach, Simon is passionate about guiding divers and photographers in refining their skills. His curated dive expeditions blend rare underwater encounters with hands-on photography training. Simon's impressive portfolio includes collaborations with CNN, BBC, NatGeo, and marine NGOs such as WWF, the UN, and The Nature Conservancy. A dedicated advocate for shark conservation, he serves on the advisory board of the Hong Kong Shark Foundation, actively fighting for their protection.

During The Nautilus's Ocean Discovery Week, guests will have the rare opportunity to dive and snorkel alongside Simon, gaining insights into capturing the ocean's breathtaking beauty.



while deepening their understanding of the marine ecosystems of the Maldives. His immersive workshops and marine talks, underwater family photography sessions, and guided dives and snorkelling expeditions promise an exclusive perspective on marine life, making this a truly one-of-a-kind experience.

An Ocean-Inspired Celebration Awaits

Beyond the depths, The Nautilus offers an exquisite blend of adventure and tranquillity through an array of water-inspired experiences. Thrill-seekers can embark on exhilarating Jetski, Seabob and E-foil expeditions, set sail on dolphin-watching cruises, or encounter sea turtles on a Hello Turtle adventure. For those seeking tranquillity, Solasta Spa provides serene escapes with sunrise yoga, mindful breathwork, and water sound healing meditation, all set against the soothing symphony of the ocean. Young explorers can take part in the resident marine biologist's coral planting workshops, Bubble Maker courses, underwater treasure hunts, watercolour art sessions, and creative ocean-inspired projects.

Join us for The Nautilus's Ocean Discovery Week, a one-of-a-kind summer festival, where the ocean's beauty, mystery, and wonder come to life through unforgettable adventures and heartfelt connections to the sea. Contact The Nautilus at hello@thenautilusmaldives.com and for more information, visit our website [here](#).

High-resolution photos can be downloaded at [the link](#).

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ABOUT THE NAUTILUS MALDIVES

Located in the Baa Atoll – a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve – and surrounded by the natural beauty of Hanifaru Bay, The Nautilus is an ultra-luxe bohemian hideaway in the Maldives, boasting just 26 beach and ocean houses and residences. The private island resort provides guests with the freedom to create the holiday they desire. Each house and residence benefits from a full butler service with a dedicated House Master, taking bespoke luxury to a new level and catering to each guest's individual needs in creating a programme of unique experiences. A huge selection of activities for all ages ranges from bespoke culinary adventures to underwater adventures and private yacht cruises. The resort features three restaurants and two bars, as well as the Solasta Spa that provides bespoke wellness programmes; a range of treatments; and yoga, fitness and meditation classes.

Created by a Maldivian hospitality visionary who was instrumental in developing numerous award-winning resorts, The Nautilus is the benchmark for ultra-luxury, not just in the Maldives but worldwide. His legacy is carried forward through the bohemian philosophy of the island by the next generation of the family.

The Nautilus was named Best Resort in the Indian Ocean in *Condé Nast Traveler's* Readers' Choice Awards 2020 and amongst the top three Best Resorts in the World. It was also listed in *Condé Nast Traveler's* highly prestigious The Gold List 2021 and *Condé Nast Traveler Middle East's* The Gold List 2021 and recognised as Best Private Island Retreat in *Tatler's Travel Awards* 2021. The Nautilus Maldives was named by *Condé Nast Traveler's* 2022 Readers' Choice Awards as one of the top resorts in the Indian Ocean and has also been recognised by *TripAdvisor* as one of the top 10% of hotels worldwide in the 2023 Travelers' Choice awards. The Nautilus Retreat was listed among the Maldives' Most Outrageous villas by *Travel+Leisure* Luxury Awards Asia Pacific 2024. Most recently, The Nautilus Maldives was recognised among the top 5 Resorts in the Indian Ocean by *Condé Nast Traveler's* 2024 Readers' Choice Awards.



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