

THE
NAUTILUS
BEACH & OCEAN HOUSES
MALDIVES

An island that cares for your future

SUSTAINABILITY AT THE NAUTILUS



SUSTAINABILITY IN EVERY BREATH

At The Nautilus, sustainability flows through every moment, like a silent, rhythmic tide that nurtures and preserves. We create an ultra-luxury experience that mirrors the untouched beauty around us, where every element is consciously chosen.

Our island sanctuary breathes in harmony with nature, embracing a holistic vision that honours social, environmental, and economic realms alike. Each touchpoint tells a story: handcrafted furnishings from sustainable materials, local artisans empowered with pride, and cleaning products as pure as the ocean they protect.

We glow softly under energy-saving LEDs, while reclaimed wood replaces plastic with quiet purpose. Water is carefully conserved, single-use plastics are eliminated, and recycling is woven into the fabric of daily operations.

Sustainability is more than a promise—it's the essence of The Nautilus, which shapes not just our choices, but our very way of being.



HARNESSING THE SUN'S ENERGY

In July 2024, The Nautilus welcomed a new chapter in sustainability, installing 704 solar panels to harness the sun's power and generate 430,000 kWh of clean energy each year. This shift towards renewable energy reflects our promise to tread lightly, reducing our carbon footprint, curbing energy consumption, and easing fuel use. We achieved a 25% savings in materials and maintenance, and a reduction of over 814 tonnes of carbon emissions annually, equivalent to planting 7,841 trees.

At The Nautilus, we prove that ultra-luxury hospitality and nature's harmony can seamlessly entwine. Here, every moment is a celebration of the finer things, powered by the sun and shaped by our care for the world around us.



WHERE WATER FLOWS THOUGHTFULLY, NATURE THRIVES

Sustainability is at the core of The Nautilus, with eco-conscious practices carefully woven into our island's design. Central to these efforts is our advanced Grey Water Treatment Plant, which conserves water resources by treating wastewater from guest houses, residences, and our team-members' village. Capturing greywater from showers and sinks, the system recycles it for irrigation, toilet flushing, and various outdoor uses, ensuring that every drop is used thoughtfully.



NURTURING THE SEA

At The Nautilus, the vibrant underwater world is as essential to us as the island itself, with each coral bloom and reef shimmer forming part of our sanctuary's soul. To protect this delicate marine wonder, we invite guests to adopt a coral frame, placed gently in the island's lagoon to grow and flourish. With regular updates from our resident marine biologist, guests can follow their coral's journey, watching it come to life with the rhythms of the ocean.

Our coral restoration efforts are now entering a new chapter, as we establish a coral nursery to nurture a variety of coral fragments. By introducing different species, we aim to enrich the biodiversity of the reef, creating a thriving underwater garden for generations to come.



EMPOWERING OUR OWN

The Nautilus proudly celebrates the strength of homegrown talent, with many local team members flourishing in senior management roles. We go beyond offering jobs, training and actively supporting local businesses and independent artists through mentorship programmes, sponsorships, and partnerships. Here, we cultivate a workplace where personal and professional growth flourish side by side, nurturing a sustainable and inclusive environment where every individual is empowered to thrive.



THE INDIAN OCEAN'S LARGEST GREEN WALL

The Nautilus proudly features the Indian Ocean's largest green wall, planted with over 20,000 dhun'gethi bushes (*Clerodendron inerme*). Spanning 330 metres, this living wall gracefully encircles the heart of the island, providing natural shade, privacy, and a lush backdrop that blends into the landscape. Ranging from three to six metres in height and covering a total area of 1,700m², it serves as a green sanctuary, separating guest spaces from the team-member village.

Designed with nature in mind, the wall thrives with minimal intervention, drawing water from natural rainfall or our state-of-the-art Grey Water Treatment Plant during drier months. Surrounding trees cast dappled shade over the wall, and as the landscape matures, other plant species, such as ferns, will be introduced to enrich the green canopy. Native species chosen for their resilience are planted throughout the island, reducing the need for irrigation.



PROTECTING NATURAL RESOURCES

At our island sanctuary, every recyclable material is carefully gathered and entrusted to a dedicated partner, embarking on a journey of renewal. Our sustainability and energy initiatives weave a story of mindful stewardship, empowering The Nautilus family with purpose and insight. Through gentle guidance, we cultivate a deep reverence for the natural world, providing waste segregation bins to ensure that each action we take leads toward a brighter, greener future.

In partnership with PARLEY Maldives, The Nautilus honours the delicate balance of nature, reimagining the journey of plastic and its impact. Here, we refuse single-use plastics, offering refillable 200ml bottles for amenities, while eco-friendly materials are used for our cotton buds and toothbrushes.

Our shores are sacred, where the ocean's gifts are appreciated, and practices such as crab-hunting and lobster-catching are forbidden. We ensure that nesting turtles find their way to the sea undisturbed.

Every team member at The Nautilus holds a commitment to conservation, weaving sustainability into each choice, from recycled paper and organic foods to sustainable wood.



CONSCIOUS ULTRA-LUXURY HOSPITALITY

At The Nautilus, we adopt a delicate balance where ultra-luxury meets mindful sustainability. We invite our guests to play a part in conserving our planet's precious resources by reusing linens, with fresh replacements offered every other day or upon request. A simple gesture with a profound impact—saving water, energy, and the use of detergents. For towels, the choice is yours: hang them to reuse or leave them on the floor for replacement. These small acts ripple through our sanctuary, echoing a commitment to a gentler way of living.

Our colourful coral reefs, delicate and teeming with life, are treasures we cherish and protect. With sunscreens containing oxybenzone and octinoxate posing a threat to these fragile ecosystems, we encourage guests to choose reef-safe alternatives or embrace protective wear, such as rash vests.



DESIGN WITH PURPOSE

In an inspired collaboration, The Nautilus has reimaged the furnishings of its Young Wonderers children's club and The Nautilus Lounge at Velana International Airport. The spaces now feature ecoBirdy's ergonomic design pieces, crafted entirely from repurposed plastic waste, offering young guests an immersive experience that blends creativity, sustainability, and style.

Founded in 2018 by Vanessa Yuan and Joris Vanbriel, ecoBirdy began as a research project to create a sustainable solution for recycling plastic toys. Their unique material, ecothylene® — 100% recycled and recyclable — underpins designs that are both visually striking and purpose-built for children's comfort.

From the first welcome at The Nautilus Lounge to playful moments at Young Wonderers, children are embraced by environments that celebrate beauty, imagination, and conscious living.



PRESERVING HERITAGE THROUGH LOCAL HARVESTS

At The Nautilus, we draw strength from the bonds we cultivate with neighbouring islands, where tradition's roots run deep. We seek the richness of locally grown harvests and the skilled hands of local artisans, embracing the beauty of indigenous agriculture and time-honoured farming methods.

By incorporating local produce and craftsmanship into our story, we preserve the cultural essence of these islands, sharing their authentic treasures with our guests. Here, the ripple of tourism brings prosperity to the communities we cherish—creating livelihoods, fostering resilience, and sustaining the spirit of these shores for generations to come.



IMMERSING IN MALDIVIAN TRADITION

We believe that true immersion in the Maldivian way transforms each moment into something truly unforgettable. Whether you find yourself wandering through a nearby island, where the spirit of the community reveals itself, uncovering the layers of history at a local museum, or exploring the subtleties of the Dhivehi language in an engaging class, each experience is crafted to offer both cultural richness and deep satisfaction.

Feel the rhythmic heartbeat of the islands through the soulful beats of boduberu, as traditional drumming brings the spirit of the Maldives to life. By embracing these cherished traditions, we ensure that every stay is not just an ultra-luxury escape but a meaningful connection to the heart and soul of our sanctuary.



CREATIVE GASTRONOMY

In our herb garden, basil, mint, and coriander are gently gathered by the hands of our chefs, while hibiscus blooms lend their subtle beauty to marinades, infusing each dish with a whisper of the island's soul. Our signature sauces—crafted fresh and organic—draw upon lemongrass, mint, and chilli leaf, capturing the earth's essence in every vibrant flavour.

At Zeytoun, our fine dining sanctuary, pasta emerges as a delicate work of art. Chitarra, seafood pasta, and ravioli are shaped by hand, with every fold and twist prepared with the utmost precision and passion.

From the depths of the sea, we bring only the finest. Lobsters, no less than 800 grams, arrive from trusted local waters, and every fish caught with sustainable pole-and-line or bottom-line methods is a gift from the ocean.



IMPACTFUL INITIATIVES

We forge deep connections with our neighbouring islands, cherishing the bounty of locally grown produce and the artistry of locals whenever we can. This transcends mere commerce; it nurtures the heartbeat of the islands' economies. By championing local agriculture, we honour age-old farming traditions and cultivate sustainable practices, invigorating the local economy and opening doors to new job opportunities.

In sourcing locally, we weave a rich tapestry of cultural heritage and craftsmanship, enhancing our guests' experiences with authentic treasures. Our efforts ensure that the fruits of tourism are shared with local communities, fortifying their long-term prosperity and resilience.



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