

ime can serve to enhance things of exceptional beauty. In the Indian Ocean, the delicate ecosystem, rich coral reefs and ancient palms, rooted as they are into a string of pristine islands, have an ability to become more magnificent with age. And so it is at Baros Maldives, one of the first luxury resorts in an atoll renowned for romance, and which is currently celebrating 40 years of excellence in the region.

Baros Maldives is as ardent about its heartfelt hospitality as it is about the island's prestigious heritage. Natural, elegant materials keep the 75 private thatched villas perfectly attuned to the lush, tropical surroundings, while the genuine warmth and attention of the staff continue to inspire the restful, romantic ambience for which the resort is well known. Here, honeymoons and intimate occasions have been perfected over a fourdecade history.

This idyllic coral island features a translucent lagoon encircled by fragrant gardens, unspoiled beaches and waters rich with marine life. Island living is effortless: gourmet chefs prepare exotic dishes that can be enjoyed in the sophisticated setting of the Lighthouse Restaurant, in the privacy of your villa, on an isolated sandbank or even on a sunset cruise. Baros Maldives has long cultivated exceptionally personal moments

Clockwise from main image: The Piano deck: na sunset cruise:



that have earned the resort a multitude of awards and accolades.

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Informed by years of experience, Baros Maldives anticipates the mood of the sophisticated traveller. A variety of cocooning villas, a chic spa and expert-led yoga classes guarantee the tranquillity and seclusion craved by many visitors. However, both the dedicated EcoDive centre and water sports facility also cater to

more energetic impulses, which may include house reef snorkelling, windsurfing or kayaking. The island lies only 50 minutes from 30 excellent dive sites - as well as the Maldives Victory shipwreck - leaving much to explore.

This 40th anniversary is a poignant reminder of the importance of environmental principles at Baros Maldives. By virtue of passionately conserving the island's purity and natural attributes, time has been kind to this increasingly admired Maldivian resort. Consequently, guests will continue to be entranced by its beauty for many years to come.

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