



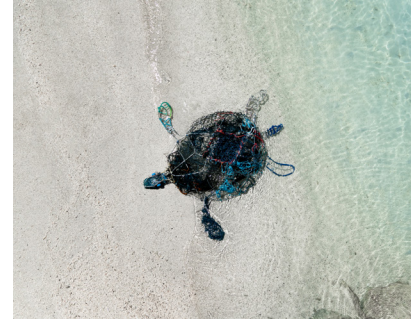
CORAL, CANVAS AND CERAMICS: PATINA MALDIVES, FARI ISLANDS CELEBRATES WORLD OCEAN DAY 2023 WITH CRAFT AND CARE

Standard bearer for Maldives marine conservation propagates 'oceans first' ethos through collaborative art projects and local schools outreach

Unwavering in its pursuit of perpetuality, [Patina Maldives, Fari Islands](https://patinahotels.com/maldives-fari-islands) embraced the opportunity to engage guests and local community alike with an inspiring [World Ocean Day](#) programme encompassing hands-on conservation workshops, ocean-themed facepainting, and thought-provoking collaborative art projects.

Patina Hotels & Resorts' passion for nurturing next-gen sustainable values in tomorrow's travellers was in evidence at the local school on neighbouring island Gaafaru, as the resort's aptly named resident marine biologist Oshin Christopher led a coral ceramics workshop. The schoolkids discovered how Patina Maldives and its ceramic tableware partner, Kevala Ceramics, successfully innovated handmade ceramic frames as a natural alternative for coral propagation, before making their own to be added to the 60+ ceramic frames and 70+ ceramic structures already planted into the resort's house reef to date.

Back at Patina Maldives' pioneering children's centre, Footprints - a place of discovery and inspiration powered entirely by Swimsol marine solar panels – younger resort guests took up a World Ocean Day poster-making challenge, using paints and marine cut-outs to fill a giant canvas with heartfelt slogans and moving depictions of the marine environment.



Older guests meanwhile were invited to take part in a collaborative art project, using pieces of recovered marine plastics, ghost gear and other recycled materials to transform a wire framework into a striking sculpture of a sea turtle. While this transformation took shape, the resort's marine biology team gave a World Ocean Day presentation; kids enjoyed marine animal facepainting - complete with a photobooth to capture their new looks; and a special ocean-themed high tea and drinks were served.

As the sun set on World Ocean Day 2023, the kids' giant canvas and the turtle sculpture were carefully relocated for display as a permeant, continually evolving installation in the resort's Fari Marina Village, that will invite guests to contribute to its evolution with their own marine plastic and ghost gear finds. The sculpture will serve as a perpetual reminder of the urgent need to protect and restore our blue planet, and a testament to what can be achieved through collective action.

Rates at Patina Maldives, Fari Islands start from USD1,552 (approx. GBP1,245) per night based on two adults sharing a One Bedroom Pool Villa in June 2023, excluding tax and service.

Receive 25 per cent off villa accommodation with the '[Summers at Patina Maldives](#)' package, plus complimentary half board, return airport boat transfers for stays of four consecutive nights or more, and complimentary [Guest Benefits](#). Stay must be booked 30 days in advance. Terms and conditions apply. To book visit patinahotels.com/maldives-fari-islands, email reservations.maldives@patinahotels.com or tel. +960 4000 555. Part of the Global Hotel Alliance (GHA) DISCOVERY loyalty programme, Patina Maldives, Fari Islands recently enhanced its offering so that PATINA DISCOVERY members at all levels can now expect even more VIP recognition, rewards and access to members-only experiences.

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ABOUT PATINA MALDIVES, FARI ISLANDS

Patina Maldives, Fari Islands is the inaugural flagship property from sophisticated new lifestyle brand Patina Hotels & Resorts, the latest hospitality concept by Capella Hotel Group. Designed by renowned Brazilian architect Marcio Kogan, Patina Maldives offers 90 contemporary one- to three-bedroom Beach and Water Pool Villas, alongside 20 Fari Studios, all of which embody a harmony of sanctuary and stimulation. Set in the Fari Islands archipelago in North Malé Atoll, guests can immerse themselves in a new expression of island life through thoughtful tailor-made wellness journeys, interactive music programmes, captivating culinary experiences, and bask in the light-filled Amarta, a James Turrell Skyspace pavilion — all while embracing the vibrant social scene that emanates from the destination's communal heart: the Fari Marina Village and Fari Beach Club.



ABOUT PATINA HOTELS & RESORTS

Patina Hotels & Resorts is the latest hospitality concept from Capella Hotel Group. Born out of guests' desire to honour individuality, Patina appeals to a new generation of travellers who seek deeper connections with themselves and the world around them. The human-centred design flows with the natural modes people are in, gently and intuitively providing for each guest's individual needs, ensuring that no two stays are exactly the same. A five-star, sophisticated lifestyle brand, Patina Maldives, Fari Islands was the first launch, with further properties in Osaka and Sanya also in development. Patina Hotels & Resorts is a member partner of DISCOVERY, a multi-brand loyalty programme representing a collection of 40 independent hotel brands over 100 countries worldwide

ABOUT FARI ISLANDS

Fari Islands is an elevated Maldivian resort experience that celebrates nature, craft and connection. A Pontiac Land Group development anchored by three world-class hospitality brands, Fari Islands is located in the North Malé Atoll within the Maldives, a 50-minute luxury boat transfer from Malé International Airport. The archipelago also features the picturesque Fari Marina Village, built around a vibrant Beach Club, charming boutiques and a selection of handpicked, upscale food and beverage options. Spaces have been masterfully designed by renowned architects from Studio MK27 (by Marcio Kogan), Kengo Kuma & Associates, and Kerry Hill Architects, to bring about a delicate balance of serene and social. One of the islands is home to a thoughtful hospitality campus; Fari Campus is a dedicated island for staff with a focus on community, education, and engagement, and is the first of its kind in the Maldives.

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