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# Spectrum Guide To Maldives (Spectrum Guides)



## Synopsis

A garland of gems strewn across the equator, the Maldives a chain of 1,190 Indian Ocean coral islands is known to fortunate travellers as one of the world's best-kept secrets. A fusion of Indian, Arabic, and African cultures, these island people have developed their own fascinating heritage and language. Spectrum Guide to Maldives unlocks the secrets of this colorful, little known world in great detail, outlining its past and culture and guiding the potential visitor from one atoll to another. With definitive sections on the economy, flora and fauna, marine life and underwater diving, it is the first and only comprehensive and visitor-friendly guide to the wonders of this paradise regained.

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In Spectrum Guides' latest addition to its popular series, stunningly beautiful color photos draw readers into the exotic world of the Maldives. This guidebook provides a comprehensive and detailed description of the country's culture, heritage, and economy, along with pertinent visitor information. Whole sections are devoted to marine life, geography, and the life and customs of the people who live on this chain of more than 1000 coral islands in the Indian Ocean. A directory of airlines and tour operators is included at the end. But it is the photos that make the book. Taken by renowned photographers Duncan Willets and the late Mohamed Amin, the breathtaking images of landscapes and intimate scenes of everyday life capture a realistic portrait of a little-known world. An enchanting book for any collection. A Stephanie Papa, Baltimore Cty. Circuit Court Law Lib., MDCopyright 1999 Reed Business Information, Inc.

This is an interesting book on the Maldives, unlike most guide books on the market. It contains lots of useful data about the country's history and culture, and therefore it is still interesting even if published many years ago. Information about the resorts will be out of date now but for this you need another book or just go online. There are also a number of good photographs, both topside and underwater, which will whet your appetite for a trip to the Maldives! The book is printed on high quality glossy paper and as such is rather heavy, perhaps best suited to be read at home before traveling than to be carried around.

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