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# The Anantara Veli Maldives Resort

THIS ROMANTIC PARADISE BECKONS TRAVELLERS IN SEARCH FOR AN ADULT-ONLY EXPERIENCE THAT PUTS WELLNESS AT THE HEART OF THE STAY

Imagine a sanctuary nestled amidst a pristine lagoon and lush tropics, where nature and wellness become one and where privacy and tranquillity surpass expectations. That's precisely what the recently renovated Anantara Veli in Maldives offers honeymooners and travellers, welcoming them to a stunning natural island in South Malé Atoll. Reimagined and designed by the Tokyo-born, New York-based designer Yuji Yamazaki, this paradise point is nestled in nature and surrounded with layers of privacy incorporated into the design. Featuring new Beach Pool Villas and Deluxe Over Water Pool Villas, each of the private enclosures come with modern amenities without losing focus on privacy. Think standalone tubs, outdoor rainfall

showers, private pool and deck, over-water hammocks to watch the stars above, direct beach access and island-style bedrooms surrounded by tropical foliage where a glass door separates the room from the outdoor. For those who wish to rejuvenate the mind and body, the resort offers Ayurvedic facilities alongside daily yoga, herbal teas, a food therapist and more, all enhanced with light, sound, and scent therapy within the villa to complement the experience. Alternatively, a range of underwater or land-based activities which includes adopting a coral as part of Anantara's sustainability programme with the resident marine biologist, remains amongst the highlights that cater to all aspects of leisure and wellbeing.



## WHAT'S NOT TO MISS

**The Highlights:** As part of the newly introduced wellness concept, guests can book a personalised wellness villa experience which includes a counselling session upon arrival, daily yoga classes, or a personal training session, a healthy cooking class and a 20% discount on treatments available under Anantara's Healthy Balance programme. **The Hidden Gems:** The brand new Moroccan hammam offers authentic treatments, including facial and body therapies. Make sure to check out the Balance Wellness by Anantara which includes plush treatment suites, a nail salon, a medical spa, a Shirodhara treatment bed, and a relaxation garden with hot and cold plunge pools. **The Gastronomy:** The resort includes restaurants serving delicious dishes from around the world. While enjoying the ocean views, you can enjoy cuisines from Sri Lanka, India, Maldives, Japan, Thailand, and Italy. For something more personal, there's the Dining by Design experience which includes a private chef, butler, and sommelier.

## WHAT TO PACK

