

# December



[Lonubo Island at the Maafushivaru/Oyster](#)

December is the second-most expensive month to visit the Maldives due to the holiday vacation season. Peak prices signal the start of peak season and last until March. This is also the trickiest month to find whale sharks since they begin their migration to the eastern side of the archipelago, where they can be spotted until April when they start heading back west. Divers will also want to follow the whale sharks to the eastern side of the islands through April. Here, conditions are better and waters are calmer. In a last-ditch effort, the southwestern monsoon pours down in December again before bidding the islands farewell by January.