

South Ari Atoll

The X factor at Maafushivaru is its sister island Lonubo, which couples can book

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exclusively for dinner, a day on the beach or an overnight stay. The 48 beach and over-water villas are stylish and unfussy, with daybeds under a thatched roof on the outside deck. Dinner at 135° East — the island's teppanyaki restaurant —

makes the ultimate romantic evening. The resort also has its own Padi dive centre and offers sunset cruises.

Details A week's full board costs from £2,195pp (0800 1387170. kuoni.co.uk)