

# Map Of The Maldives Islands Located

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Time in the Maldives 26 February 2019 Time in the Maldives is given by Maldives Time (MVT) (UTC+05:00). However, some island resorts operate their own time zone, known as Maldives Island Time, up to 2 hours ahead of the official Maldives Time. The Maldives does not currently observe daylight saving time as daylight hours do not vary in Maldives because the country is located on the equator. because the country is located on the equator. Time Zone in Male, Maldives &quot;Maldives Island Time, unofficial time zone for some islands&quot; c99c055d25

== Geography == c99c055d25

Malé 30 square kilometres (3. Administratively, the city consists of a central island, an airport island, and five other islands presided over by the Malé City Council. Malé is the capital and most populous city of the Maldives. With a population of 211,908 in 2022 within its administrative area and coterminous geographical Malé is the capital and most populous city of the Maldives. The city is geographically located in the southern edge of North Malé Atoll (Kaafu Atoll). 20 sq mi), Malé is one of the most densely populated cities in the world. With a population of 211,908 in 2022 within its administrative area and coterminous geographical area of 8 c99c055d25

== Etymology == c99c055d25 The Maldives were influenced by the Kalingas of ancient India. The Kalingas were the earliest region of India to trade with Sri Lanka and the Maldives; thus, they were responsible for the spread of Buddhism. Stashes of Chinese crockery found buried in various locations in the Maldives also show that there was direct or indirect trade contact between China and the Maldives. In 1411 and 1430... c99c055d25 Minicoy is known as Maliku in the local language, Dhivehi, which is also the national and official language of the Republic of Maldives. The language is a descendant of Elu Prakrit and is closely related to the Sinhala language, but not mutually intelligible with it. However, the Lakhshadweep Administration refers to Dhivehi as Mahl. This is due to a misunderstanding on the part of a British civil servant who came to Minicoy in the 1900s during the British Raj. The official asked a local what his language was and he replied "Dhivehi-bas". The official looked confused as he had never heard of this language. Noticing this, the islander said "Mahaldeebu" as he knew that locals on the subcontinent referred to the kingdom to the south (the Maldives) by that name. The civil servant... c99c055d25

Maldives The Maldives' chain of 26 atolls stretches across the equator from Ihavandhippolhu Atoll in the north to Addu Atoll in the south. The Maldives, officially the Republic of Maldives, and historically known as the Maldivian Islands, is an archipelagic country in South Asia, located in The Maldives, officially the Republic of Maldives, and historically known as the Maldivian Islands, is an archipelagic country in South Asia, located in the Indian Ocean, near the southeastern boundary of the Arabian Sea. The Maldives is located southwest of India and Sri Lanka, about 750 kilometres (470 miles; 400 nautical miles) from the Asian continent's mainland c99c055d25

Minicoy Since 1956, the Indian Government has forbidden the direct travelling between the two islands despite their Minicoy, locally known as Maliku (Dhivehi: ދަލިކު; pronounced [məliku]), is an island in Lakshadweep, India. Administratively, it is a census town in the Indian union territory of Lakshadweep. Thuraakunu in the Republic of the Maldives. The island is situated 398 km southwest of Kochi and 425 km west of Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city of Kerala. Along with Viringili, it is on Maliku atoll, the southernmost atoll of Lakshadweep archipelago c99c055d25

The name "Maldives" may derive from Maale Dhivehi Raajje ("The Island Kingdom [under the authority of] Malé")." Some scholars believe that the name "Maldives" derives from the Sanskrit maladvipa, meaning "garland of islands", but this name is not found in ancient Sanskrit literature. Instead, classical Sanskrit texts mention the "Hundred Thousand Islands" (Lakshadweepa). Another theory suggests that the name "Maldives" derives from the Tamil "malai tivu" meaning "island of hills." Some medieval Arab travellers such as Ibn Batuta called the islands "Mahal Dibiyat" from the Arabic word Mahal ("palace")." This is the name presently inscribed in the scroll of the Maldive state emblem. c99c055d25

Traditionally it was the King's Island, from where the ancient royal dynasties ruled and where the palace was located. The city was then called Mahal. Formerly it was a walled city surrounded by fortifications and gates (doroshi). The Royal Palace (Gan'duvaru) was destroyed along with the picturesque forts (koshi) and bastions (buruzu) when the city was remodelled under President Ibrahim Nasir's rule in the aftermath of the abolition of the monarchy in 1968. However, some buildings remained, namely, the Malé Friday Mosque. In the last few decades, the island has been considerably expanded in size through land reclamation. Over the years, Malé has been the center of political protests and milestone... c99c055d25

Atolls of the Maldives The largest of these atolls is Boduthiladhunmathi, while the atoll containing the most islands is Huvadhu. The Maldives consists of 20 natural atolls, along with a few islands and isolated reefs stretching from 7 degrees 10 minutes north to 0 degrees 45 minutes The Maldives consists of 20 natural atolls, along with a few islands and isolated reefs stretching from 7 degrees 10 minutes north to 0 degrees 45 minutes south  
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The Maldives is the smallest country in Asia. Its land area is only 298 square kilometres (115 sq mi), but this is spread over roughly 90,000 square kilometres (35,000 sq mi) of the sea, making it one of the world's most spatially dispersed sovereign states. With a population of 515,132 in the 2022 census, it is the second least populous country in Asia and the ninth-smallest country by area, but also one of the most densely populated countries. The Maldives has an average ground-level elevation of around 1.5 metres (4 ft 11 in) above sea level, and a highest natural point of only 2.4 metres (7 ft 10 in), making it the world's lowest-lying country. Some sources state the highest point, Mount Villingili...  
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Background == c99c055d25

Administrative divisions of the Maldives According to the Decentralization Act 2010, the administrative divisions of the Maldives would consist of atolls, islands, and cities; each is The administrative divisions of the Maldives refers to the various units of government that provide local government services in the Maldives. Administratively, there are currently 189 islands, 18 atolls and 4 cities in the Maldives. Geographically, the Maldives are formed by a number of natural atolls plus a few islands and isolated reefs which form a pattern from north to south. Maldives. According to the Decentralization Act 2010, the

administrative divisions of the Maldives would consist of atolls, islands, and cities; each is administered by its own local council, under the basic terms of home rule c99c055d25

These Admiralty charts were printed as three separate large maps by the Hydrographic Service of the Royal Navy. Moresby's charts were... c99c055d25 The Maldives – island nation comprising a group of atolls in the Indian Ocean. The Maldives is located south of India's Lakshadweep islands, and about seven hundred kilometres (430 miles) south-west of Sri Lanka. The twenty-six atolls of Maldives' encompass a territory featuring 1,192 islets, two hundred and fifty islands of which are inhabited. c99c055d25

Outline of the Maldives The Maldives is located south of India's Lakshadweep islands, and about seven hundred kilometres (430 miles) south-west of Sri Lanka The following outline is provided as an overview of and topical guide to the Maldives:. atolls in the Indian Ocean c99c055d25

== Kaafu or Malé Atoll == c99c055d25 Some atolls are in the form of a number of islands, and others in the form of isolated reefs, which could be classified as smaller atoll formations. All land above the surface in the Maldives is of coralline origin. The atolls of the Maldives form a quite regular chain and, especially in the northern and central atolls, an arrayed structure is apparent. There are broad and deep channels between some atolls. The origin of the word "atoll" itself is in the language of the Maldives. "Atoll" (from Dhivehi: atholhu) is now used in many languages worldwide. c99c055d25 The atolls of the Maldives are and were very dangerous for navigators due to their complexity. In 1834–1836, British captain Robert Moresby undertook the cartography of the Maldives, drawing the first accurate maritime charts of the atolls. c99c055d25 Unlike other atolls of

the Maldives, Addu Atoll has a lagoon that is a natural anchorage, accessible through four natural channels. This results in a natural harbour that is very calm and safe for sea vessels at all times and is not affected by seasonal changes. The four channels are arranged around the atoll as follows: the Kuda channel and the nearby Maa channel are... c99c055d25

Kaafu Atoll As the two Malé Atolls are the main islands of the administrative district, the entire Kaafu Atoll administrative division is officially named Malé Atoll or Malé Atolhu in the Dhivehi language. Retrieved 2018-04-30. National Bureau of Statistics, Maldives. Based on list of islands in "Atolls of the Maldives". Yearbook Maldives 2017. Ministry of Fisheries Kaafu Atoll is the code name (roughly equivalent to "Atoll K" in English) given to an administrative division in the Republic of Maldives which consists of the geographical atolls of Kaashidhoo Island, Gaafaru, North Malé Atoll and South Malé Atoll c99c055d25

Although Malé, the capital of the Maldives, and the adjacent islands of Vilingili, Hulhule and Hulhumalé, are geographically part of the North Malé Atoll, they do not form part of the Kaafu Atoll administrative division and are a separate administrative division. c99c055d25 The religion original settlers of the islands is most likely to be Hinduism... c99c055d25 Kaafu is a code letter of the Thaana alphabet used in the Dhivehi language assigned to one of the administrative divisions of the Maldives which is officially and traditionally known by the name Malé Atoll. The Thaana alphabet code names are not the names of the natural or geographical atolls of the Maldives which make up these divisions. These administrative divisions may consist of part of, a single or several... c99c055d25

History of the Maldives The Maldives historically has held strategic importance The history of the Maldives is intertwined with the history of the broader Indian subcontinent and surrounding areas in South Asia and the Indian Ocean. The Maldives is formed of 26 natural atolls, comprising 1,194 islands. The Maldives is formed of 26 natural atolls, comprising 1,194 islands. South Asia and the Indian Ocean c99c055d25

Seenu Atoll Administratively, Addu Atoll is the location of Addu City, one of the four cities of the Maldives. is the southernmost atoll of the Maldives. Addu Atoll, together with Fuvahmulah, located 40 km north of Addu Atoll, extend the Maldives into the Southern Seenu Atoll, historically known as Addu Atoll, is the southernmost atoll of the Maldives. (The districts of Addu City are not according to the natural islands that it comprises). Addu Atoll is located 540 km south of Malé, the country's capital. Addu Atoll, together with Fuvahmulah, located 40 km north of Addu Atoll, extend the Maldives into the Southern Hemisphere. Addu City consists of the inhabited areas of Addu Atoll, namely the natural islands of Hulhudhoo, Meedhoo, Maradhoo, Feydhoo, and Hithadhoo. In addition to the areas that are included as a part of Addu City, Addu Atoll has a number of other inhabited and uninhabited islands, including the island of Gan, where Gan International Airport is located c99c055d25

The Maldives historically has held strategic importance due to its location on the major marine routes of the Indian Ocean. Its closest neighbours are the British Indian Ocean Territory, Sri Lanka, and India. The United Kingdom, Sri Lanka, and some Indian kingdoms in the past have had deep cultural and economic ties with the Maldives for centuries. Maldivians also traded with Aceh and many other kingdoms in what is now Indonesia and Malaysia. The Maldives were a primary source of cowrie shells, which were then used as

currency throughout Asia and parts of the East African coast. c99c055d25

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