

Five places you must visit before the revolution

Marine Life at Your Doorstep

THE BEST OF MALDIVES package at Anantara Kihavah Maldives Villas is ideal for a taste of adventure and to experience three of the resort's most loved offerings ; snorkelling with manta rays, stargazing from an overwater observatory, and a feast at SEA, the world's first underwater restaurant and wine cellar. The offer includes complimentary daily breakfast, and dinner at any of the resort's three restaurants during your stay. Located on the Kihavah Huravalhi Island in Baa Atoll, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, the state-of-the-art resort offers accommodation in 80 private villas and residences. Choose from a beachfront oasis or an overwater pool villa, and hit the ocean at your leisure with complimentary snorkelling gear.



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Food, Fun – Everything under the sun

Most people know about the Japanese capital of Tokyo and perhaps a little about Osaka and Kyoto – but beyond that much of this interesting country remains a mystery to travellers. Dubbed the “Hawaii of Japan”, the eponymous main island is just one of more than 160 that make up the Okinawa prefecture – an archipelago trailing like a strand of pearls towards Taiwan. Some of the islands are inhabited, simply a slip of untouched white sand lapped by azure seas, while others are scattered with luxury resorts at the edge of pristine dive sites. Others, still, like the far-flung Yaeyama Islands, are thick with jungle, lush mangrove swamps, rivers and waterfalls.

Okinawan cuisine is distinctly different from that of mainland Japan and bears notable Taiwanese influences. Okinawans too proudly proclaim that they use every part of the pig except the squeal and pork makes an appearance in almost every dish, including bits like ears, trotters and blood which are generally disdained by the Japanese. Even Spam has a distinct following.

