

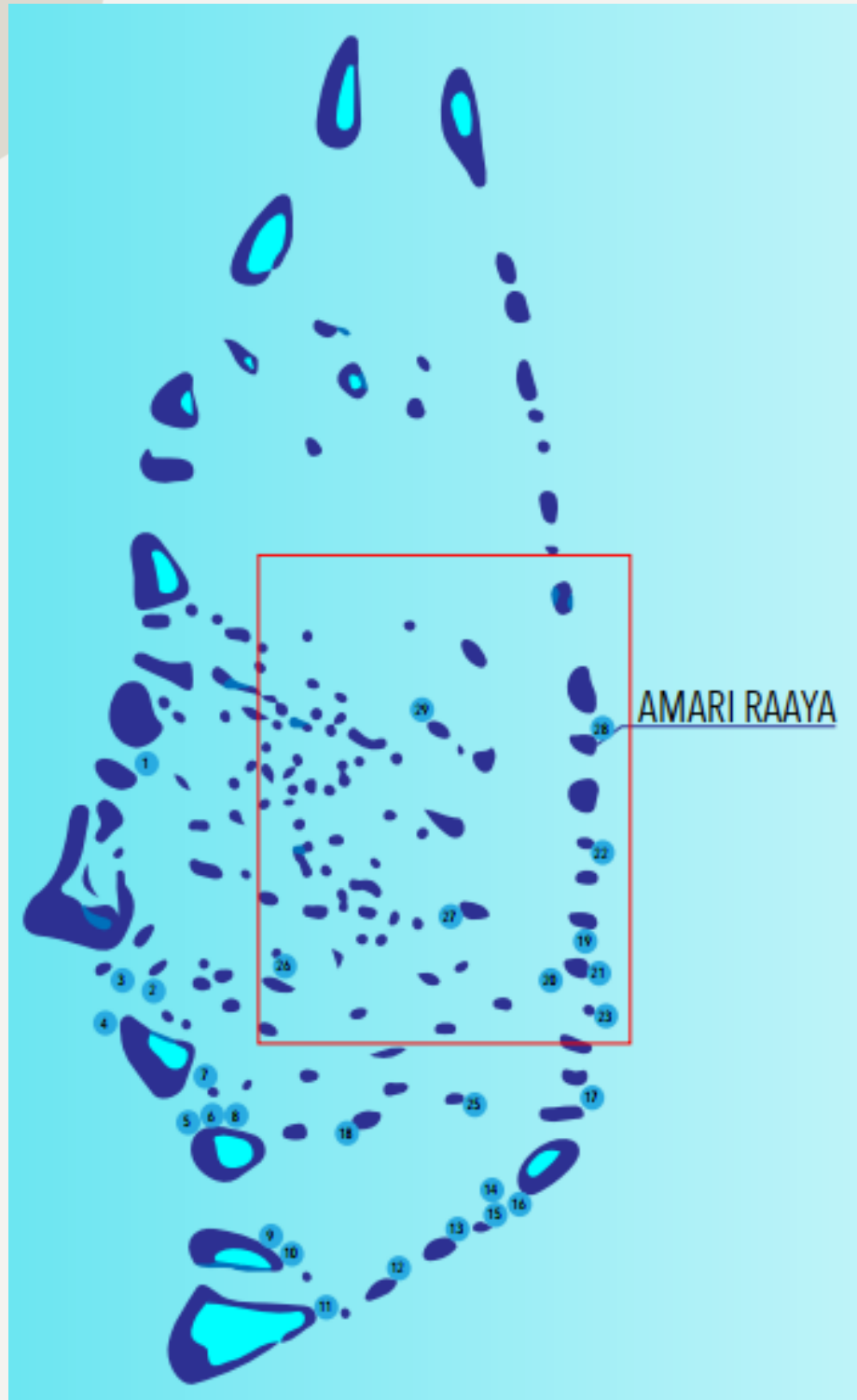


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**DIVE AND SNORKELING
SPOTS**

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VANDHOO THILA

Type of activity: Diving & Snorkeling

Experience level: Suitable for all levels.

Depth range: 10 – 30 meters

Characteristics: This dive site, located inside the atoll's eastern side, consist of a large pinnacle with overhangs. Starting from 6 to 9 meters, the thila goes down to 40 meters and lies on a sandy bottom. The north side is full of soft corals especially yellow and pink. Fan corals can be found at around 24 meters.

Marine life: Scuba divers can expect to see clouds of four line snapper and fusilier being chased by dogtooth tuna and blue trevallies. On the shallow part juvenile reef fish are usually chased by snappers and jack fish. Stingrays are resting in the overhangs surrounded by soft corals and sea fans. In the small caves it is easy to find brown marbled and black saddled groupers. Divers can also find schools of sweetlips, mackerels, and larger groupers. From June to November, the thila serves as a cleaning station for Manta rays.



KOTTEFARU OUT

Type of activity: Diving & Snorkeling

Experience level: Suitable for all levels.

Depth range : 8m – 30m+

Characteristics: A long and large reef in the eastern side of the atoll with crevices and overhangs. It consists of a sharp wall that starts from 14 until 45+ meters with a length of around 400 meters.

Marine life: This dive site offers healthy hard corals specially in the shallow area and nice soft and whip corals in the deeper area. A great place to find lobsters and moray eels, as well as pufferfish, porcupinefish, snappers and even tunas passing by in the blue water. The pink corals and fan corals on the wall offer lots of small marine life to discover. Stingrays can be seen inside the deeper cave around 25 meters, and fusiliers are always being chased by dogtooth tuna and giant trevallies. The shallower part of this reef is rich in sweetlips, blue striped and yellow snapper. Turtles can also be seen here occasionally.



VAKKARU

Type of activity: Diving & Snorkeling

Experience level: Suitable for all levels.

Depth range: 5 – 15 meters

Characteristics: Near Reethi Faru, on the reef close to the sandbank, there is an exciting Manta point. During the winter season between December and April, manta rays are settled in this area, both for the richness of plankton and for the cleaning stations.

Marine life: Scuba divers can admire mantas at very close distance. In this particular spot, manta rays touch the reef while little cleaner fish approach them to remove the parasites from their skin.



GEMANA FARU

Type of activity: Diving & Snorkeling

Experience level: Suitable for all levels

Depth range: 2-20m+

Characteristics: This is a hard coral reef which is also well-known as the best place in the atoll to snorkel with turtles. The top of the reef starts at around 2 meters, and it slopes down gradually to 20m+. Inside the reef small many pinnacles which turtle make their home.

Marine life: Hawksbills turtles, anemones, batfish, fusiliers, snappers and the occasional stingray



HANIFARU BAY

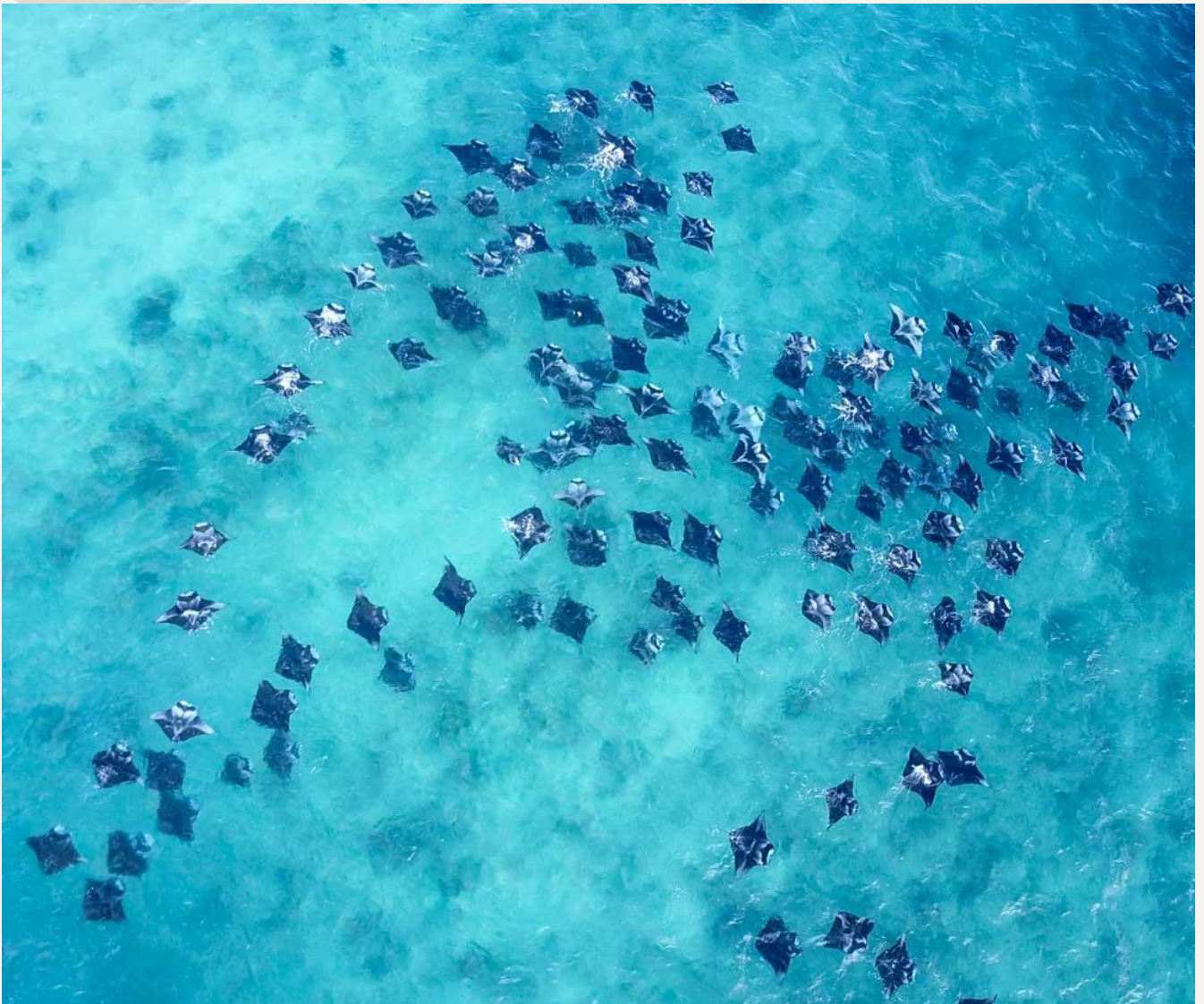
Type of activity: Snorkelling

Experience level: Suitable for all levels

Depth range: 2-20 m

Characteristics: The largest aggregation of reef manta rays in the world happens in this famous bay from May until mid-November. It takes a one-hour boat ride to reach this marvelous place and it's located in the neighboring Baa Atoll. The bottom the bay is mostly sandy with a few coral blocks and due to its shape, vast quantities of plankton get accumulated inside which then attract a large amount of manta rays.

Marine life: Manta rays and the occasional whale shark.





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