# CHEVAL BLANC RANDHELI PRESS KIT



# AN INTIMATE AND CONTEMPORARY HAVEN

Cheval Blanc Randheli opened in the Maldives in November 2013 as LVMH Hotel Management's second Cheval Blanc Maison.

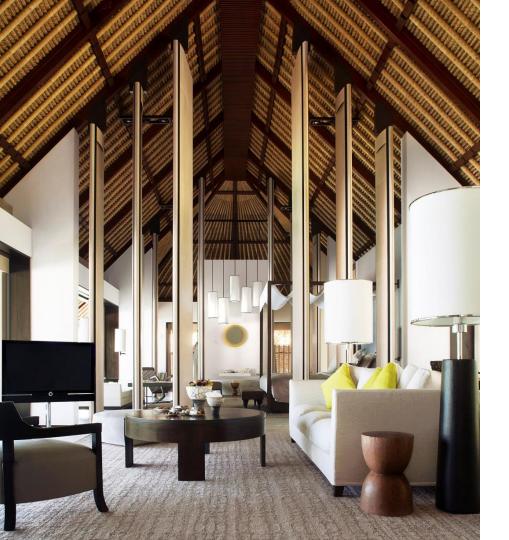
Cheval Blanc Randheli is situated on the unspoiled Noonu Atoll, just 40-minutes north of Malé, in the serene setting of the Maldivian archipelago.

The 46-villa Maison complements the group's alpine property, Cheval Blanc Courchevel, and the Caribbean Maison, Cheval Blanc St-Barth Isle de France, by offering the same stylish design and relaxed, friendly atmosphere in the heart of the Indian Ocean.

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Location: Noonu Atoll, Republic of Maldives





# **ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN**

Elegant, refined and designed for stylish island barefoot living, Cheval Blanc Randheli is born from a creative collaboration with celebrated architect Jean-Michel Gathy. The Maison was created in synergy with the island's natural surroundings, and the striking architecture naturally blends with the atoll's surrounding landscape. Great attention has been given to the privacy of guests, ensuring a feeling of space throughout the Maison. This is particularly reflected in the elegant design of each villa; lofty cathedral-style ceilings are framed by seven-metre-high handcrafted doors that create a strong sense of openness or when closed, an intimate atmosphere.

The flow of the resort is residential, with an abundance of settings designed for guests to use as they wish – for relaxation, for contemplation, for conversation or simply to enjoy a stunning view. The villas are furnished with materials from the Indian Ocean – teak, rattan, bamboo, thatch and coconut shell. These materials are enhanced by a stylish colour palette of white, taupe and oyster grey with splashes of pop yellow and green. As well as bespoke design elements and artwork throughout, a collection of 46 sculptural colour "spots" by artist Vincent Beaurin make each villa truly individual.

# THE VILLAS

Set between lush jungles and the crystal clear ocean, each of the 46 villas, all available with one or two bedrooms, are a private sanctuary offering a unique residential experience and a spectacular sense of place. All have a large living room, spacious bedrooms – which draw the eye out to the stunning scenery – double dressing rooms and light-filled bathrooms with in and outdoor showers, while they all feature a 12.5m private infinity pool and dining pergola or pavilion.

#### ISLAND VILLAS

Set within luxurious garden and ranging from 240 to 300 sqm, the 15 Island Villas are particularly suited for families. Outdoor terraces allow for relaxation on the villa's own white sand beach surrounded by an exotic garden.

#### WATER VILLAS (11 LAGOON VIEW & 4 OCEAN VIEW)

Perched on traditional over the water stilts, the 15 villas of 240 sqm offer an unforgettable living experience with endless views over the pristine Indian Ocean.

#### GARDEN WATER VILLAS (4 LAGOON VIEW & 11 OCEAN VIEW)

Built partly over the ocean with an overwater deck but also on the island with an exotic private garden, the 15 Garden Water Villas are unique to the Maldives and a true expression of island living.





# **CHEVAL BLANC RANDHELI PRIVATE ISLAND**

This one-of-a-kind four-bedroom villa gives guests the freedom of an utterly private home, with all the services of the Maison. The hideaway sprawls across its own dedicated island, which is only accessible from a private jetty, just 3 minutes away from the main island. This beautiful beachfront villa has 4 bedrooms, large indoor and outdoor living areas including an outdoor dining pergola and a cinema for private screenings, or a family photo slide-show, courtesy of the Maison's photographer.

This Cheval Blanc Randheli Private Island is the epitome of lush modern island living, with exceptional private spaces, a dedicated team and exclusive facilities including its own spa, a stunning 25-metre-long swimming pool, pristine beaches, exotic gardens and a private boat. Overseen by a dedicated team – available 24/7 and housed on premises – guests will be surprised and delighted by tailor-made activities and unforgettable experiences, that are made to measure to meet every individuals' wishes.

The Cheval Blanc Randheli Private Island offers the ultimate holiday experience for families and friends to enjoy the very best of Cheval Blanc Randheli in blissful privacy.

### WELLBEING

Set sail aboard a traditional dhoni to the Maison's dedicated Spa Island, where six thatched treatment villas overlook the crystal clear waters of the lagoon, offering guests peace and relaxation. The menu of Guerlain treatments includes 6 treatments created exclusively for the Maison such as the Sun Ritual or the After-Diving Experience.

Four single and two prestige couple villas – the Orchidée Villas – offer a sanctuary for guests to discover Guerlain's exceptional anti-ageing skincare products, a full range of Guerlain's wellbeing treatments, the brand's skincare, make-up and fragrance collections. To complete the wellbeing offer, the Hair Spa by Leonor Greyl offers exclusive, tailored natural hair treatments.

The Cheval Blanc Spa also has separate hammams – complemented with a cold plunge pool for a reviving experience. With its deliciously healthy Spa Bar, large swimming pool and serene beach, the Spa Island offers an ideal getaway for those seeking to indulge in a full day of pampering.

The island Yogi invites her guests to indulge in individual or group yoga sessions with various classes of Sunrise or Sunset Yoga, Aerial, Power or Weight Loss yoga for all levels, and Hatha, Ashtanga or Vinyansa yoga for intermediate and advanced yogis. You could also indulge in meditation to set your mind and body into an extreme level of relaxation with a choice of Concentration, Cyclic, Mindfulness or Spiritual meditation.





# ART DE RECEVOIR

European "Art de Recevoir" is at the core of Cheval Blanc's philosophy. Created by Cheval Blanc's team of Experience Alchemists, a truly personal approach translates into tailor-made activities, unforgettable experiences and bespoke surprises for each guest, creating lasting memories.

Your own Majordome – meaning butler in French – is on hand 24/7 offering services such as packing and unpacking, the preparation of snorkelling equipment and organising meals, while they also aim to delight guests with thoughtful treats and surprises through out their stay.

#### EXPERIENCES

Guided by the Maison's Alchemists, guests may enhance their stay by enjoying one-off experiences created just for them. Be it an adventurous desert island family day trip on the Maison's private yacht, a romantic movie under the stars screening their favourite film, or a bespoke dinner on the beach, the possibilities are endless.

Food is an art at Cheval Blanc Randheli, with restaurants that are entertaining, surprising and deliciously varied. The island's experiences range from fine dining to relaxed alfresco in five restaurants, and three bars which complete the Carte Blanche in-villa menu and tailored offering.

#### THE WHITE RESTAURANT

This signature concept of Cheval Blanc Randheli offers a casual island chic atmosphere. Its contemporary yet relaxed style blends in with its stunning architecture, white sand beaches and turquoise waters. In this splendid environment, the White Restaurant offers an international menu balanced with Indian Ocean flavours, including Maldivian specialties. Guests can sit outdoor for feet-in-the-sand meals overlooking the lagoon or indoor with an option of private atrium rooms.

#### THE WHITE BAR

The White Bar – the Maison's poolside bar – offers all-day cocktails, refreshments, pastries and a contemporary menu; live-music entertainment creates a stylish open-air ambiance. It also proposes comfortable oversized hammocks, ideal for a lazy afternoon siesta or romantic evening drinks gazing at the stars.



#### LE 1947

Named after Château Cheval Blanc's most sought-after Grand Cru, here the Chef revisits French culinary know-how with local inspiration with a 9-course tasting menu that evolves on a weekly basis and is a truly unexpected gastronomic experience for the Maldives.

The adjoining 1947 Evening Bar with its live piano entertainment has views over the glass enclosed wine cellar, stocked with rare vintages that can be discovered in the tastings organized in the cellar's comfortable setting. The nearby Cigar Lounge with its cosy atmosphere completes this fine dining experience for connoisseurs.

#### LA TABLE DE PARTAGE

La Table de Partage is a private dining space that celebrates the art of eating together. The creative menu is prepared by the Chef according to each party's wishes, accompanied by magnums of vintage wine and champagne only. The guests there enjoy the top quality and creativity of the Chef in exclusive privacy.

#### CARTE BLANCHE

The Carte Blanche menu grants guests total flexibility for their in-villa dining choices; Chefs are always on hand to prepare an elaborate feast in the privacy of your own villa or delicious picnic to accompany any journey. This could be a fully themed Oriental Night to a deliciously tasty Indian Spices tasting menu in whichever location the guest prefers.

#### THE DIPTYQUE

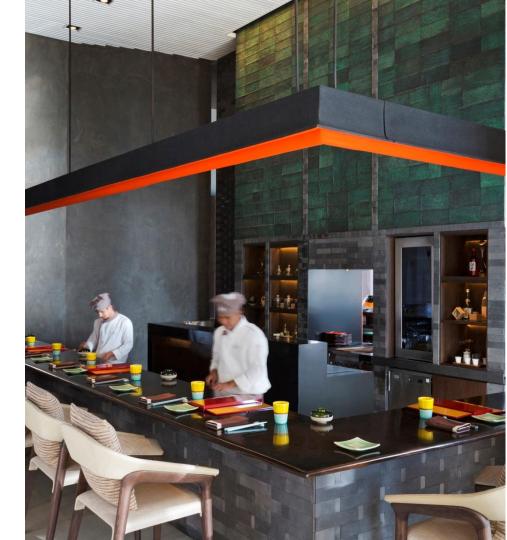
The Diptyque, inspired by the concept of live cooking and interaction between guests and Chefs, is split into two areas.

The areas - East Asian on one, Japanese on the other - invite guests to a experience a different culinary journey. Each evening, the inspired team demonstrate their culinary skills before the eyes of delighted guests sitting at the counter right in front of them. For a more alfresco dining experience, guests can choose to sit outdoors on the beachfront, overlooking the ocean.

Diners can follow the Chefs recommendations or choose à la carte from a menu which includes the freshest Nigiri, Makimono and Sashimi as well as delicious East Asian specialties such as Gyoza, Tempura, Dim Sum and Miso Black Cod.

#### TEPPANYAKI

Surrounded by the tropical garden and facing the ocean, the new Teppanyaki experience will delight the guests in search of theatre and culinary mastery. The menu will include beef from Japan, Hamachi, lobster caught in Maldivian waters, and fresh vegetables from the Chef's garden.



#### THE DEELANI

This overwater, alfresco restaurant is the centre of the Maison's Mediterranean cooking. Simple and focused on fresh ingredients, The Deelani invites guests to enjoy Mediterranean dinners inspired by culinary highlights from Spain, France and Italy, with nods to Turkey, Greece and Morocco. Throughout the day, homemade gelato, sorbets and granita can be enjoyed on the sundeck, before the restaurant's atmosphere begins to build at cocktail hour. The evenings bring delicious tapas and fresh seafood cooked on a Mediterranean style grill. Menu highlights include Mediterranean Mezze, langoustine Prosecco Risotto, Strozzapretti with veal Ossobucco ragout and homemade pizzas.

#### THE SPA BAR

The Spa Bar offers nourishing and fresh food for your wellbeing, based on healthy cuisine and detoxification. Our Chef reduce the amount of added salt by substituting with spices and herbs, using contrasts of acidity to tantalise the palate.

Design your own healthy smoothie with all kind of fruits and our large choice of milks or let the recommendation of our Ambassadeurs surprises you with less common ingredients: acai, maca, hemp, chia, camu camu, spirulina...

# FAMILY

The wellbeing of families is another key element of Cheval Blanc's "Art de Recevoir", with a dedicated team ensuring that children are completely catered for; from specially-designed linen, to carefully-crafted mini-furniture and tailored food and drink menus.

Le Carrousel, with its dedicated arts & crafts rooms and private pool with slide, welcomes children aged 3-12 years to enjoy a rich collection of experiences, ranging from nature to culture, adventure, education, art and sport, and provides many memorable activities for families to enjoy. This includes family beach Olympics, night ghost crab hunting, cultural days, flora and fauna workshops, island treasure hunts and much more.

For teenagers, the Paddock Club offers exciting water sports, snorkelling, yoga, stargazing and dedicated programmes such as Junior Lifesaver, which trains teens in lifesaving skills and first aid. This teenage club is equipped with a media lounge, table-football, ping-pong table and more. Its proximity to the Watersports Centre also makes it an ideal place for teenagers to socialise and enjoy an exciting range of aquatic experiences.



# **DIVE CENTRE**

The beauty of the ocean in the Maldives is due not only to the colour and transparency of the water, but also its spectacular marine life. You cannot visit Randheli without seeing this wonderful spectacle: explore the reefs of Kuredu, famous for its large population of green turtles, or snorkel in the picturesque waters of the UNESCO protected Hanifaru Bay – a known nursery for mantas, rays and an array of sharks.

#### PADI

The 5-Star PADI Dive Centre offers the full range of PADI courses. All of our instructors are multilingual with additional skills such as Underwater Photography/Videography or Marine Biology, and have years of diving experience.

From basic PADI certification, to PADI Distinctive Specialties such as Shark Awareness Diver or Manta Awareness Diver, a wealth of tailored courses are available.

#### EXCURSIONS

Our qualified captain and enthusiastic crew enjoy sharing the island's hidden reefs, lagoons and beaches. Any combination of activities on bespoke excursions are possible including fishing, snorkelling, diving. Popular excursions also include a sunset cruise where dolphins are known to swim alongside the boat or a traditional Maldivian fishing trip. The choices are endless.

# **FITNESS, RECREATION & SPORTS**

#### WATERSPORTS CENTRE

Connect with nature and immerse yourself in a wide range of activities and motorized toys for both young and young at heart.

Exhilarating experiences await the most adventurous: flyboard, hoverboard, wakeboard, jetski and seabob... or glide with a pedal boat, kayak and boards. The water sports course are TOPCAT and VDWS certified.

#### **FITNESS CENTRE**

Overlooking the idyllic turquoise waters, the fitness centre offers a workout facility outfitted with state-of-the-art Technogym equipment and a weekly schedule of complimentary classes. From High Intensity Interval Training to personalised Pilates, our certified fitness instructors are on hand to provide the ultimate wellbeing experience tailored to your strengths.

#### TENNIS

Built according to US Open and Paris Masters standards, one artificial and one hard tennis court await beginners and experts for a special tennis experience.

Internationally experienced and certified tennis professional, Ivo Fonseca has been specially trained by Recreational Tennis Coaching to host tennis or beach tennis lessons catering to each player's current set of skills and athletic level with an enthusiastic and supportive teaching method.



### BOUTIQUES



#### CONCEPT STORE

The inspiration of this one-of-a-kind retail experience is drawn from the founding values of Cheval Blanc: Craftmanship, Creativity, Exclusive Privacy and "Art de Recevoir". Each item is hand-selected from global designers who excel in their craft. The spirit of Cheval Blanc is reflected in each piece, meant to be worn during guests' stay in Cheval Blanc Randheli, evoking a certain level of natural sophistication.

#### LA PETITE BOUTIQUE

Cultivating the latest in swim resort fashion in the true Randheli-style, the young and young-at-heart will appreciate browsing a vibrant collection of accessories and apparel to enjoy the soft sands, pristine waters and thrilling beach activities.

#### THE CHEVAL BLANC SPA BOUTIQUE

A collection of exclusive Guerlain products is offered, whether its cosmetics selected for their anti-UV and regenerating benefits, or makeup and fragrance to perfectly channel the beautiful Maldivian surroundings. For an extra touch, Guerlain's exclusive perfumes may be engraved upon guests' wishes for an elegant souvenir of Randheli.

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Developed by LVMH Hotel Management, Cheval Blanc is a brand of exceptional Maisons. The first one, Cheval Blanc Courchevel, opened in 2006 in Courchevel, followed by Cheval Blanc Randheli, which opened in the Maldives in autumn 2013. The brand has continued its international development with the opening of Cheval Blanc St-Barth Isle de France in the French West Indies in October 2014 as well as future projects, namely in Bali and within La Samaritaine in Paris. LVMH Hotel Management also runs White 1921 Courchevel, White 1921 Saint-Tropez and La Résidence de la Pinède in Saint-Tropez.

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