



CELEBRATE *the* SEASON *at* JA MANAFARU

CELEBRATE THE WORLD OF JA
FESTIVE SEASON 2026

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A FESTIVE STORY WRITTEN *by the* SEA

At the northern edge of the Maldives, where the pace is gentle and the ocean is always close, JA Manafaru brings a warm, effortless spirit to the festive season.

Christmas arrives with joyful family moments, generous dining, glowing lanterns beneath the palms and evenings shaped by music, firelight and shared celebrations. As the year turns, the island comes alive with sunset gatherings and unforgettable moments beneath the stars.

Here, festive traditions are reimagined with barefoot ease and genuine connection, creating a season of memories written by the sea.



The FESTIVITIES *Begin*

21ST MONDAY DECEMBER

FLY BOARD & JET SURF WITH THE GRINCH

Festive mischief takes to the water as the Grinch makes a spectacular entrance on the waves.

1 pm | Opposite Kakuni

TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

Gather as dusk settles and the island comes to life with glowing lanterns, music and the first sparkle of Christmas.

6 pm | The Cellar Entrance

22ND TUESDAY DECEMBER

POOL PARTY

Sunshine, music and playful poolside moments set the rhythm for the festive days ahead.

10 am | Andiamo Pool

23RD WEDNESDAY DECEMBER

MANAFARU EXPERIENCE

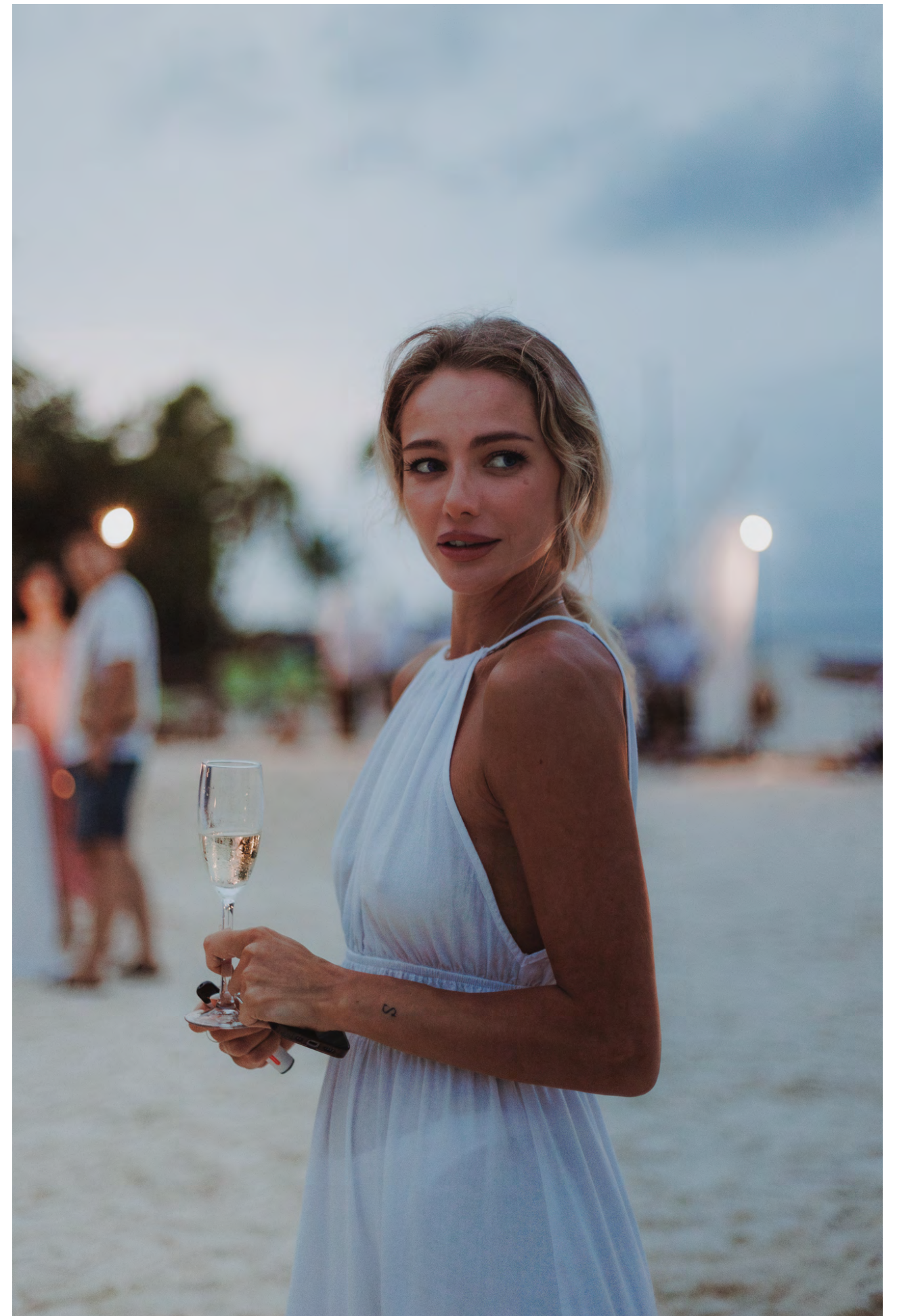
Discover the spirit of the island through a collection of signature experiences and adventures.

10 am | Stingray Jetty

APERITIVO & SHISHA EVENING

Ease into golden hour with refined drinks, relaxed conversation and the gentle rhythm of island life.

6 pm | Veli Bar





A CHRISTMAS *Filled with Wonder*

24TH THURSDAY DECEMBER

GINGERBREAD HOUSE UNVEILING

A much loved festive tradition is revealed with a little island magic.

11 am | Kakuni

CHRISTMAS APERITIVO

Raise a glass at sunset as anticipation builds for Christmas Eve.

6.30 pm | Best Dive Beach

CHRISTMAS GALA DINNER

An elegant evening of festive flavours, live music and celebration beneath the island sky.

8 pm | Kakuni

CHRISTMAS EVE BEACH PARTY & BONFIRE

Gather by the shore for firelight, music and barefoot celebration beneath the stars.

9.30 pm | Best Dive Beach

A DAY *of* FESTIVE JOY

25TH FRIDAY DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

A joyful festive feast filled with generous flavours, lively entertainment and a special visit from Santa by the shore.

12 pm | Kakuni

26TH SATURDAY DECEMBER

SANDCASTLE & BEACH ART

The shoreline becomes a canvas for creativity, imagination and playful festive moments.

8.30 pm | Best Dive Beach

27TH SUNDAY DECEMBER

BONFIRE & STORYTELLING

Gather around the fire for stories, laughter and an evening beneath the island stars.

8.30 pm | Best Dive Beach

30TH WEDNESDAY DECEMBER

APERITIVO & SHISHA EVENING

A relaxed golden-hour pause before the island's grand New Year celebrations begin.

6 pm | Veli Bar



A NEW YEAR *Begins on the Island*

31ST THURSDAY DECEMBER

NEW YEAR APERITIVO

Champagne at sunset as the final evening of the year begins.

6.30 pm | Best Dive Beach

NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA DINNER

An elegant evening of exceptional dining, live entertainment and celebration.

8 pm | Kakuni

NEW YEAR'S EVE BEACH PARTY

Music, firelight and celebration beneath open skies as we welcome 2027 together.

9.30 pm | Best Dive Beach

1ST FRIDAY JANUARY

DED MOROZ ARRIVAL

A joyful cultural tradition brings an extra touch of wonder to the first day of the year.

11 am | Kakuni Beach

NEW YEAR BRUNCH

A relaxed island brunch to begin the year with good food, sunshine and celebration.

12 pm | Kakuni





A TIMELESS TRADITION

Celebrated by the Sea

6TH WEDNESDAY JANUARY

ORTHODOX CHRISTMAS APERITIVO

Champagne at sunset as the island gathers for an elegant Orthodox Christmas celebration.

6.30 pm | Veli Bar

ORTHODOX CHRISTMAS GALA DINNER

A refined evening of tradition, festive flavour and warm island hospitality.

8 pm | Kakuni

AFTER PARTY

Continue the celebrations with music, drinks and a relaxed island atmosphere.

10 pm | Veli Bar

LITTLE EXPLORERS’ FESTIVE FAVOURITES

A WORLD OF FESTIVE DISCOVERY

BREAKFAST WITH THE MAGICIAN

LETTER TO SANTA

SANDCASTLE & BEACH ART

POTTERY & CREATIVE WORKSHOPS

KIDS POOL PARTIES

GAMES & TREASURE HUNT

**FESTIVE SCREENINGS
BENEATH THE STARS**

★	Festive Screening Ticket	★
22 December – Home Alone 25 December – The Grinch 28 December – The Holiday 1 January – The Grinch 2 January – The Holiday 4 January – The Greatest Showman 7 January – The Avengers 8:30 PM Movie Theatre		

Throughout the festive season, younger guests are invited into a world of imagination, discovery and joy, with creative activities, playful adventures and magical moments designed to become lasting holiday memories.



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