

Dining



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Discover Soneva Jani's restaurants on the island of Medhufaru and within The Gathering. Choose from international buffets, Japanese cuisine, a toes-in-the-sand restaurant featuring crustaceans and more.











Crab Shack

With an upstairs deck to watch sunsets from, try the Sri Lankan Mud Crab curry, or the Alaskan crabs that rotate through the week. An extensive selection of rose wines are the highlight of the drinks menu. It was voted the 'World's Most Romantic Restaurant' on CNN.com.

• Open for lunch all week 12:30 - 14:30

Guess Who's Cooking

Dine on a secret menu, prepared by one of our chefs, in a secret, ever-changing location. There is no menu, with each dish tailored to your preferences. Our chef will reveal themselves only after the meal, to talk about the concept, ingredients and what inspired them. It is advised that guests book before 16:00 on Thursday.

• Open for dinner every Thursday 19:30 - 22:30

The Director's Cut

The Director's Cut serves modern style sashimi, black cod and other Japanese favourites with a contemporary twist. Enjoy a set meal while you take in a classic film at our overwater silent theatre, Cinema Paradiso

• Open for lunch every Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday 12:30 - 14:30 & open for dinner all week except Monday & Friday

So Bespoke

Flames, smoke and unspoilt views of the Noonu Atoll set the stage for the So Bespoke open-air teppanyaki table. Situated next to Cinema Paradiso, this intimate dining destination seats just ten guests per sitting.

• Open for dinner all week except Monday 19:30 - 22:00

Down to Earth

Begin your day with fresh fruits, juices, and breakfast staples. The day continues with a buffet of organic salads, live cooking stations, the wood-fired pizza oven, tandoors and grills. Sunset aperitifs lead into our evening menus where chefs take the stage in the open kitchen.

Open for dinner, lunch & dinner all week except Monday

- Breakfast: 07:30 10:30 Lunch: 12:30 14:30
- Dinner: 19:30 22:30

Overseas by Mathias Dahlgren

From the mind of acclaimed Swedish chef, Mathias Dahlgren, Overseas' menu is an ode to organic produce and the sea. Dine on pescatarian, vegetarian, and plant-based single plates, sharing plates, and signature dishes for lunch and dinner.

• Open for dinner all week except Monday 19:00 - 22:30



So Wild by Diana Von Cranach

Dine on a health-conscious plant-based menu designed by the innovative raw food chef Diana Von Cranach, showcasing unique and simple dishes that revive historical, nearly-forgotten traditional recipes from the Indonesian Spice Islands and South East Asia. Ninety percent of the ingredients come freshly picked from Soneva Jani's organic garden and most dishes will be raw. Expect some unusual ingredients, as well as healing herbs and botanics.

• Open for dinner on selected days 19:30 - 22:30



So Primitive

Gather together for a dining experience that brings the element of fire to the fore. So Primitive's centrepiece is a fire pit where different cooking techniques are honoured. Think roasting, grilling, searing over flames, cooking over coals using kettles and clay pots, and salt-crusted baking. Choose from a menu that features fresh seafood, meats, and plant-based dishes.

• Open for dinner all week except Thursday 19:30 - 22:30



So Imaginative

Seating up to 20 guests, So Imaginative is a private room perfect for celebrations. Our sommeliers can also create inspired wine tastings and wine dinners here.

• Open for lunch all week 12:30 - 14:30 & open for dinner everyday except Monday 19:30 - 22:30



So Engaging

So Engaging is the chef's table, which offers a mystery menu for five very special guests. Get a front row seat to the action, and converse with our chef as he prepares exciting, delicious dishes for his guests of honour.



So Starstruck

Gaze towards the heavens at the first overwater observatory in the Maldives. Sit at one of the four dining tables around our telescope and dine on an expertly crafted menu while our resident Astronomer is on-hand to help navigate the skies.

• Open for dinner all week except Monday 19:30 - 22:30















The Gathering Bar

Drinks and tapas can be enjoyed at any time at this day-into-evening overwater bar. As the sun begins to set, ease into an organic aperitif. Our main bar has one of the best selections of freshly made cocktails, spirits and liqueurs in the Maldives.

• Open everyday for breakfast, lunch & dinner

North Island

Tucked away on the North Island, this spot is perfect for swimming, snorkelling and time in the sun. Enjoy a pop-up dinner of Maldivian delicacies on our private beach, prepared using what the chef caught or picked earlier that day.

• Open for private bookings all week

South Beach

A beautiful sandy white beach on the south side of the island where guests can enjoy lunch and indulge with a mix of Maldivian and Peruvian cuisines, while also experiencing the pit cooking method. Water sports are also available at South Beach, the perfect way to while away the time before lunch is served.

• Open for lunch all week

So Local

Discover street food culture from around the world at our 'no-menu' dining concept by Swedish chef Mathias Dahlgren. A meeting place for our diverse Hosts and guests, So Local is located within our organic gardens and showcases one unique cuisine each month.

• Open for dinner all week except Monday & Saturday 19:30 - 22:30

Floating Kitchen

A dining experience never to be forgotten, our Floating Kitchen brings the best of our award-winning chefs to the secluded surrounds of your luxury villa. As the buoyant kitchen floats on the surrounding waters, feast on a decadent five-course meal prepared oceanside in front of your very eyes.

• Open for dinner all week except Sunday & Monday 19:30 - 22:30

Asian Kitchen

Journey across the world's largest continent at Asian Kitchen, situated on the second floor of The Gathering. For lunch or dinner, indulge in Chinese stir-fries and dumplings, Indonesian delights, classic Thai street food, and succulent Cambodian treats grilled on hot lava stones.

• Open for lunch all week 12:30 - 14:30 & open for dinner all week except Monday 19:30 - 22:30

The Wine Cellar

Housed in the extraordinary wine tower within The Gathering, the Wine Cellar features a selection that includes predominantly organic or biodynamic wines. Chat with our sommeliers or organise a private wine tasting or wine dinner at the destination of your choosing. Here you will also find a selection of premium cold cuts and cheese, available with our compliments throughout the day.

• Open all day, every day



So Guilty

Indulge your sweet tooth in our complimentary chocolate room as you choose from handmade chocolates from our in-house chocolatiers. Take your pick of macaroons, truffles, bonbons and chocolates filled with pralines.

• Open all day, every day



So Chill

Choose from a multitude of ice creams and sorbets, mixing and matching the classics with Soneva Jani's limited-edition flavours. Gourmet charcuterie, cheese and preserves can also be enjoyed here throughout the day and evening.

• Open all day, every day



Destination Dining

A candlelit dinner under the stars. A private picnic with your loved ones. Curate your menu with our chefs, then choose a spot that speaks to you, with your toes in the sand or in the azure waters. The possibilities are endless.

• Open for private bookings all week except Monday



In-Villa Dining

Midnight desserts in the lunar glow? A family lunch where the children plan the menu? A romantic gathering of sensual flavours on a private terrace for two? Take advantage of your tropical living spaces for breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

• Open everyday for breakfast, lunch & dinner



Special Diets

Be your needs allergy-related or rooted in your religion or culture, we can cater to your dietary requirements. Don't hesitate to let us know of any special preparations - including plant-based, vegetarian, gluten-free, nut allergies, low-carb, and more - that you need in advance.

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