

Addu Atoll, Maldives

The Maldives' southernmost atoll sits just south of the equator, where a former WWII British RAF base shares the island with coral-fringed lagoons and manta-rich dive sites.

Tender port

Typical call: 6-8 hrs

Maldivian Rufiyaa / USD accepted

Dhivehi / English spoken

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender from ship to Gan Island pier

Best For: Snorkeling, diving, WWII history, cycling the link road

Walk to center: Gan town is steps from the tender pier; Hithadhoo (~14 km via link road)

Don't Miss: British Loyalty Wreck dive, Addu Nature Park, cycling Gan–Hithadhoo link road

Getting around: Taxi MVR 150–200 (~13 USD) · Rideshare not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Snorkeling at Koatthey & Addu Nature Park** — Addu's reefs escaped the 1998 bleaching and remain vibrant.
- British Loyalty Wreck Dive** — The SS British Loyalty, an oil tanker torpedoed in 1944, rests in 30 m of water near Gan.
- Manta Ray Encounter at Addu Manta Point** — Addu Manta Point is a year-round cleaning station where reef mantas with wingspans up to 5 m congregate.
- WWII RAF Base & British War Memorial** — Gan Island served as a Royal Air Force base from WWII through 1976.
- Cycling the Addu Link Road** — A ~14 km causeway-connected road links Gan, Feydhoo, Maradhoo-Feydhoo, Maradhoo, and Hithadhoo across open ocean causeways.

BEST WALKS

- Gan Island Waterfront & RAF Base Loop** 1.5 km · 30 min · Easy — From the tender pier, walk south along the waterfront past Equator Village Resort, then loop through the old RAF base area where runway fragments and concrete structures...
- Link Road: Gan to Feydhoo** 4 km one-way · 45 min walk / 15 min cycle · Flat — Follow the causeway north from Gan to Feydhoo across open ocean with lagoon views on both sides.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		84°	81°	15d
Jun		84°	81°	13d
Aug		83°	80°	17d
Sep		83°	80°	16d
Oct		83°	80°	18d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:50AM–8:40PM · Jun 5:30AM–10:01PM · Aug 6:32AM–9:05PM · Sep 7:20AM–7:58PM · Oct 8:08AM–6:51PM

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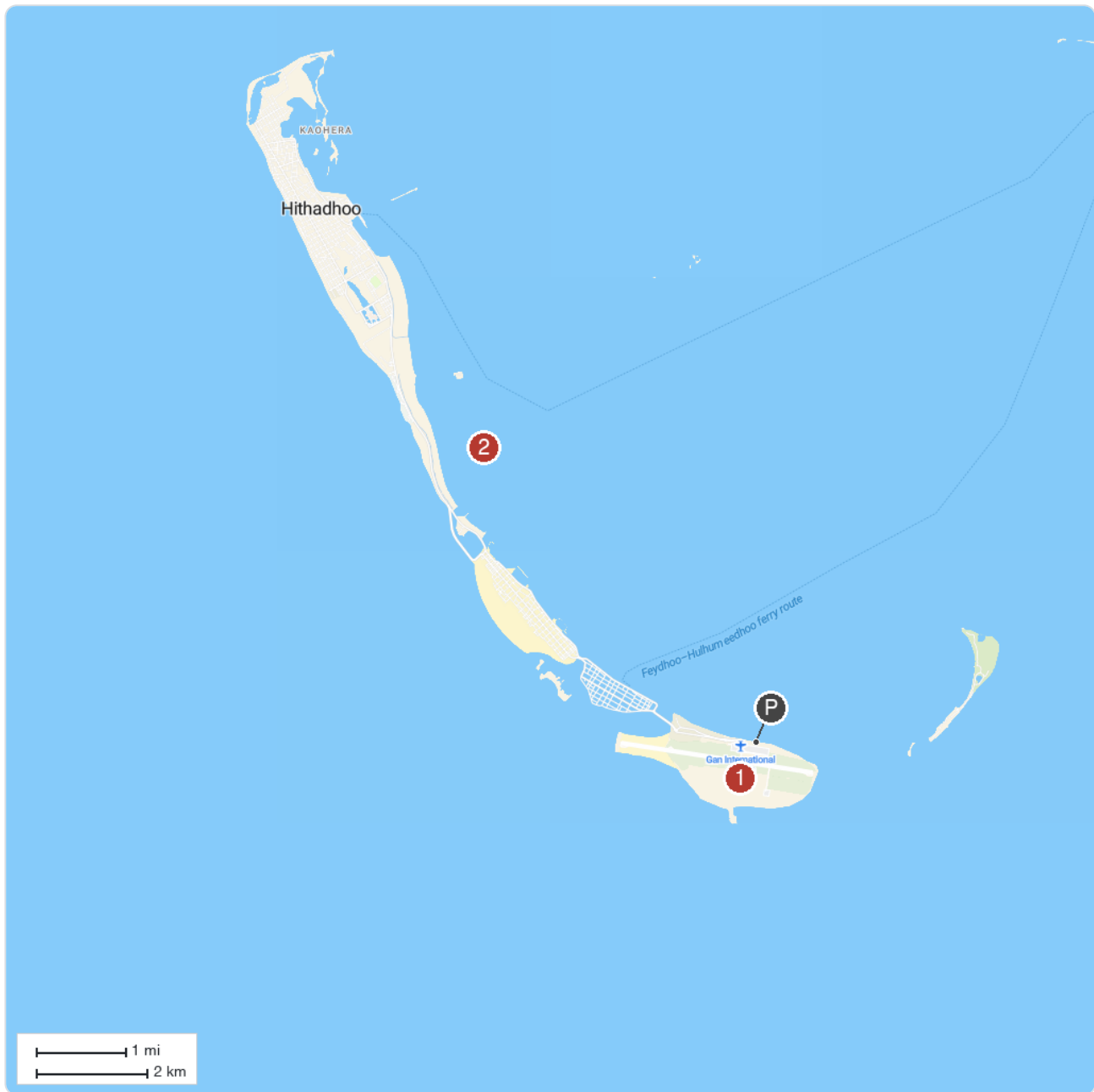
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Tender timing:** Tenders may queue at busy times — arrive at the gangway 15 min before your chosen departure to avoid a long wait.
- Rent a bicycle:** Local bike hire near the pier costs around \$5–10 USD for the day — the best-value way to cover the link road and explore multiple islands.
- Cash and currency:** USD is widely accepted at resorts and tour operators. Maldivian Rufiyaa is needed for local markets and tea shops. ATMs are available in Hithadhoo.
- Book diving ahead:** The British Loyalty wreck and Manta Point are popular — contact operators like Addu Scuba Dive before your cruise or at the pier on arrival.
- Equatorial heat:** Addu sits at 0.5°S — hot and humid year-round. Sun protection, a hat, and water are essential for outdoor activities.
- Dolphin watching:** Spinner dolphins are common in the lagoon and nearby waters — ask at the pier about short dolphin-spotting boat trips (usually 1-2 hrs).

Addu Atoll, Maldives — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



1 Gan Island Beaches White-sand beaches and turquoise lagoon on Addu Atoll's largest island.

2 British Loyal Shipwreck WWII-era wreck popular with divers just off Gan Island.

P Cruise port / terminal