



# SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES

Vakkaru Maldives is committed to developing a sustainable business through various initiatives across departments, while striving to deliver world-class product and impeccable personalized services to our guests.



## SUSTAINABLE PURCHASING

Encouraging local produce rather than importing from overseas, including fish and seafood. Work with suppliers to reduce the waste they are bringing, like cardboard boxes, polystyrene containers.



## NO SINGLE USE PLASTIC

Initiative to reduce and stop usage of plastic have been carried out in various ways. Such as removal of single use plastic containers, straws and bags from both guest and team member areas.



## GROW YOUR OWN FOOD

Our kitchen gardeners grow fruits, vegetables and herbs in The Organic Farm to reduce food miles and operating costs.



## MONTHLY EARTH HOUR

To reduce energy consumption and our impact on the environment, we celebrate a monthly Earth Hour with our team members every second Friday of the month.



## REEF CLEAN-UP & CORAL PLANTING

In our commitment to protect the surrounding environment, reef clean-up happens monthly involving both team members and guests to create more awareness about ocean environment preservation. Furthermore we had our guests and team members participate in coral planting, using a specially designed frame to attach the fragmented corals. This newly planted corals are monitored regularly by our team.



## CLEAN WATER SOLUTION

The resort on-site water treatment technology allows natural process to produce clean water including drinking water – still and sparkling. We also have a Reverse Osmosis water filter system which comes with UV filtration which produces the highest quality of drinking water for our team members.



## REDUCE | REUSE | RECYCLE

All soft drinks are removed from the mini bars and replaced with either tin or glass which are recycled after use. All plastic straws have been removed from the resort and we now use paper straws. Our Waste Management Program in place enables us to make sure no recyclables being thrown away as we always recycle and we have no area of the resort that is producing an extraordinary amount of waste without us knowing. We use 3 methods: wood chipping machine (for branches and woods), all food waste and wet garbage are composted, use of STP (Sewage Treatment Plan) to recycle our sewage water into irrigation water.