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## *Gili Lankanfushi, Maldives*

This private-island retreat is governed by a simple rule: “No news, no shoes.” It’s easy to follow this mantra in one of the 45 overwater bungalows; try a villa suite, with an open-air living room and a rooftop terrace, or the secluded Crusoe Residence, reachable only by boat. Guests have free access to bamboo bicycles, tennis and yoga, and

they’re assigned a personal assistant, called Mr. Friday (a nod to Robinson Crusoe’s pal), who will arrange spa treatments and diving. Gili recently unveiled the updated Private Reserve, the largest overwater villa in the world. The first guest to land? Astronaut Buzz Aldrin. *From \$1,385; gili-lankanfushi.com*  
— *Lilly LeClair*

WHEN TO GO

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TO APRIL

Dry season has less rain and humidity, though prices soar for the holidays. • Avoid peak monsoon season, June and July.

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