

Coral Biologist

Title	Reefscapers Coral Biologist (full time, annual renewable contract)
Location	Marine Discovery Centre, Four Seasons Resort Landaa Giraavaru, Baa Atoll, Maldives
Apply Before	14 February 2021
Start Date	March 2021
Contact	Simon Dixon, MDC Manager: mdcmanager.mlg@fourseasons.com
Websites	Reefscapers.com ; MarineSavers.com ; facebook.com/MarineSavers

We are seeking a motivated, out-going Coral Biologist to join our team of dedicated conservationists at our Marine Discovery Centre (MDC), based at Four Seasons Resort Landaa Giraavaru in the Maldives.

Coral Biologist Role

- Manage all aspects of our Coral Propagation Programme and associated activities.
- Maintain our coral frame database and provide photo updates for guest-sponsored frames.
- Collect coral fragments to create new frames; maintain and monitor/photograph existing frames.
- Write monthly illustrated reports (in English) for resort management and to feature on our websites.
- Conduct marine life briefings and guided snorkels for guests and journalists; devise new guest activities.
- Supervise and train our junior staff; proactively improve procedures and health & safety across the MDC.
- Work with colleagues to explore new research ideas for coral propagation and the wider marine biology field.

Candidate Specification

- BSc/MSc/PhD in Marine Sciences (Marine Biology, Environmental Science).
- Experience in coral conservation & research, coral ID, reef propagation, awareness/education programmes ESSENTIAL.
- Effective communication skills, particularly written/spoken English (extra languages desirable).
- Excellent team player, able to work closely alongside colleagues and unsupervised under own initiative.
- Confident swimmer with SCUBA certification (PADI Dive Master desirable); boat driving license (preferred).
- Physically fit non-smoker, able to carry 20kg weight and work long hours daily in the lagoon under full sun.
- Accurate computer skills and Excel numeracy; experience of databases (preferred).
- Positive, professional attitude; self-disciplined; good time management; resort experience (preferred).

Salary and Benefits

- The salary for this position is \$1000 USD per month (plus a small commission).
- Working hours 09:00 to 18:00 with occasional evenings; 6 days (one off day) per week; 36 days annual leave.
- Basic DAN dive insurance (sports diver bronze).
- Uniform; staff canteen meals; shared same-sex staff accommodation.
- Annual return flight (from Maldives to a regional international hub).
- Official high standards of dress code and behaviour apply at all times (copy provided upon selection). This includes maintaining a professional appearance and a helpful attitude towards resort guests and fellow staff.

Application process – please read carefully

Email your CV and cover letter (as PDF file/s with your name in the filename) to:

Simon Dixon, MDC Manager - mdcmanager.mlg@fourseasons.com

Include in your application: (a) “Coral Biologist” position; (b) why you fit this role; (c) contact details for 2 referees; (d) where you saw this vacancy advertised.

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted (we may add you to our emailing list for future vacancies).