



 **BEHIND-THE-SCENES VOLUNTOURISM AT SONEVA FUSHI AND SONEVA GILI
PAY 5 NIGHTS, STAY 5 FREE**

Soneva Fushi and Soneva Gili by Six Senses are offering the opportunity to give something back. For the next six months, guests are invited to stay at either resort for five nights, without charge and to spend five hours of each day working on local community projects, such as marine conservation, teaching children, planting trees and learning how to turn waste into wealth.

This unique Eco Season voluntourism package includes 5 nights paid, 5 nights free in exchange for 5 hours per day of valuable and motivating work for the first 5 days of a luxurious 10 day stay.

Guests can choose from the following areas of work:

1. **Marine Conservation** – divers and snorkelers will be taught how to boost coral reef recovery and to learn more about how to protect the dwindling shark community.
2. **Waste Management** – learn how to create home-made compost, charcoal and biochar to encourage locals into self-sufficiency and thereby reduce importation of food that can be grown at home.
3. **Carbon Mitigation** – Spend 5 hours planting trees on nearby islands to give Soneva neighbours much needed shade and to mitigate levels of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.
4. **Youth Education** – Give local island schools a 30 minute (pre-prepared) talk on waste management and composting, and to talk about Western culture and geography. Guests are invited to share their own relevant expertise in whichever field they specialise.
5. **Boost Local Island Income** – Assist local families by learning the skill of making cadjan roofing material to sell and public rubbish bins for raising awareness of waste management. This not only helps create revenue streams for the islands that struggle to find alternative methods, but also to help to keep their islands in a pristine condition.

 **Terms & Conditions of Eco Season Package**

- Validity 1st June – 12th October 2010.
- Valid for combined resort stays (at Soneva Gili and Soneva Fushi) with a total of 10 consecutive nights and the guests will be required to commit to 5 hours / day of community work for the first days booked at respective resorts. Alternatively all 10 days can be booked at one resort.
- Valid for stays booked directly with the Resort(s) or via third party, bookings need to be made with a minimum lead time of 2 weeks to design a tailor-made program for both resorts; the 5 complimentary nights refer to accommodation only.
- Complimentary nights are granted according to the number of days volunteered at each resort - a minimum of at least 2 days must be booked at 1 resort with a minimum of 5 voluntary days in total.

