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Valerie and Denis’s feet never touched the ground

Is there any other position for a happily married wife? Valerie Roe spent a week with her husband Denis on holiday in the Maldives with her legs in the air.

Albeit the legs in the air position was because the once-upon-a-time Lillie’s nightclub boss-turned-PR goddess Val and equine guru Denis were staying in a villa on sticks above the sea — at the five-star Kuramathi resort — on the tropical island of Kuramathi in the Indian Ocean.

“This was my first proper holiday in three years and as is always the case, it came and went too fast,” she told me. I can only hope that could not be said of Denis.

“The first few days were dedicated to work,” Valerie, who flew home last week, explained. “We chose this tropical heaven as the location photo shoot for Bellamianta Luxury Tan’s 2018 campaign shoot with top UK model Chloe Lloyd, who was joined by her fiancé, Union J lead singer Josh Cuthbert.” Once the shoot was wrapped, Denis flew in from Dubai (where he was doing a horse clinic) and joined Val for a magical holiday. “It was always on my bucket list to come here,” she gushed. “We had seven full days here to do whatever we pleased.”

On the way back they stopped in Dubai for two nights to stay with Denis’s brother and family who live there.

The couple’s son Josh, meanwhile, has been living at the Mouratoglou Tennis Academy and School in the South of France for two years. They are truly the Air Miles family.