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This package is not available for this voyage.

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❖ **MOOREA, FRENCH POLYNESIA**

MOZ-003 MOOREA ISLAND HIGHLIGHTS

Duration: 3.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$149.00



Date: March 28, 2023 08:00 AM

Enjoy a scenic orientation drive around Moorea's ring road, see the views from high Belvedere Lookout, and visit galleries showcasing island artwork. The distance around this idyllic island is only some 38 miles and the route is loaded with captivating sights and photo opportunities. Ride past fields of pineapples ripening in the sun, visit an ancient Tahitian stone temple, or marae, en route to the Belvedere, where magnificent views of Cook's Bay, Opunohu Bay and Mt. Rotui await. Pass through the Ha'apiti district and stop for a glimpse of one of Moorea's loveliest churches, then continue on around through Afareaitu and Papeto'ai. Your brief immersion into the island's artistic side begins with a stop at a gallery in the Tiki Village cultural center, where you can visit a replica of the thatched home Paul Gauguin lived in herein the Marquesas and view beautiful reproductions of his artwork. You'll also visit a gallery in another lovely beachfront village, where black-and-white works from the famous French-Tahitian photographer Adolphe Sylvain are showcased. Stopping off here in 1946, he became enchanted and never left. It happens.

- Settle in for a relaxed, panoramic spin around the circumference of Moorea.
- See pineapple fields, ancient stone temples, picturesque villages and romantic white beaches.
- Ascend to the Belvedere Lookout in for breathtaking views of the island and its coastal bays.
- Tour a cultural center displaying fine reproductions of Gauguin's artworks and thatched Tahitian home.
- Visit a village gallery where the b&w photos by mid-century photographer A. Sylvain will capture your imagination.
- Wear casual, weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 90-minutes of easy to moderate walking/standing. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, can make their own way on and off the transportation and have a companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina.

MOZ-002 AITO OFF-ROAD SAFARI

Duration: 3.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$149.00



Date: March 28, 2023 08:30 AM

Experience the exquisite beauty and flavors of Moorea during a picturesque, off-road excursion through this idyllic island. Depart the pier via four-wheel-drive vehicle for the scenic drive through Moorea's deep valleys and mountains. Your adventure begins with a drive to Paopao Valley. After passing by some pineapple plantations, you will cross the Paopao Opunohu Trail en route to Opunohu. A stop will then be made at one of the numerous sacred ancient sites, or marae, where you will learn about Polynesian culture. Next, you will continue to the Belvédère Lookout for incredible panoramic views overlooking Cook's and Opunohu bays. From here, you will drive through the interior trails of the Rotui Mountain to see the local flora. A stop on the way will allow you to enjoy a refreshment. Viewpoints will be part of your drive and give you multiple opportunities for photography.

- Travel off-road by 4WD to discover some of Moorea's most scenic and colorful locales.
- See pineapples ripening in Paopao Valley, visit an ancient sacred marae, and circle Opunohu Bay.

Ascend to Belvedere Lookout for astonishing panoramic views.

- Wear casual, weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 1-hour of easy to moderate walking/standing. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. There is some rough off-road driving and steep ascents and descents involved and therefore; the tour is not recommended for guests who have back or neck issues, pregnant women or those who suffer from vertigo. Some of the venues may be closed on weekends and holidays, alternative routes will be used according to availability. Guests must be at least 6 years of age and reach a height of 4.27 feet or 1.30 meters to participate. Light-weight clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; sunscreen; insect repellent; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Due to vehicle occupancy, families or couples may be split dependent upon final tour numbers. Seating may vary using a mix of inside &/OR outside seats.



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MOZ-004 DOLPHIN WATCHING EXPEDITION

Duration: 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price: \$229.00**



Date: March 28, 2023 08:45 AM, 12:30 PM

Join a noted marine biologist on a combination eco-tour and research expedition focusing on Moorea's wild, free-ranging dolphins. Since 1987, French-Polynesian dolphin specialist Dr. Michael Poole has been actively studying the fascinating marine mammals in these waters. Today, you'll join him or one of his research team members as they head out aboard a covered boat to Moorea's reef, where with luck, you'll encounter schools of acrobatic spinner dolphins at play as you learn about their remarkable life and society at sea. Dolphins are spotted on 95% of the tour outings, but the engaging narrative and sheer magnificence of Moorea's coastline views are reason enough to venture out here. Other types of dolphins, pilot whales and even humpbacks are seen in this area – the latter most present between July and November when these gargantuan ocean-goers perform their annual mating and calving rituals off these shores. Before returning to the pier, if time allows, you'll have an opportunity to visit these waters yourself – on a brief swim or snorkel directly from the boat.

- With a marine biology researcher as your guide, travel out Moorea's reef for some dolphin-spotting.
- Trawl the waters via covered boat, in search of acrobatic spinner dolphins and other marine mammals.
- Learn about French Polynesia's geology and evolution and see Moorea's dramatic beauty from the sea.
- Be on the lookout for larger dolphins, pilot whales and even humpback whales if the season is right.
- Enjoy an open-water swim or snorkel from the boat before returning, if time permits.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or shorts.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or aqua socks are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour involves a water entry; not a swim with the dolphins. While those with mobility concerns can be accommodated, due to limitations of the tour transportation, wheelchairs and walkers must remain secured at the pier. There are no restrooms or changing facilities on board the boat. Operation of this tour is subject to guide availability.

MOZ-005 LAGOON DISCOVERY WITH SNORKELING

Duration: 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price: \$149.00**



Date: March 28, 2023 08:45 AM, 12:30 PM

Experience Moorea's magnificent bays from above and below the waterline on a sightseeing cruise with snorkeling and beach stops. You'll depart the pier aboard a modern boat with comfortable covered areas to shade you from the sun as you admire the scenery of Cook's Bay and Opunohu Bay, reaching deeply into Moorea's north coast with lush, green Mount Rotui parked between them. After a time, you'll moor at a sandy islet surrounded by transparent turquoise waters shallow enough to walk in comfortably. Stepping in, you'll be able to enjoy time for snorkeling and even glide with stingrays and sharks in clear water. With this task taken care of, you'll take up anchor and reposition off another uninhabited islet nearby, where the agenda involves being served refreshments on board and taking some time to explore the beach and swim. If you like, this is where you can strap on the supplied snorkeling gear for a bit of underwater sightseeing off the boat. With ladders extending deep into the water making it easy to climb in and out, this is a comfortable opportunity for beginners and experienced snorkelers alike.

- Cruise the waters along two beautiful bays on Moorea's north coast and be immersed in scenic beauty.
- Hear intriguing commentary on the local geography, legends, flora and fauna from your captain.
- Feed a squadron of gentle, graceful rays while standing in crystal-clear, sandy shallows.
- Moored off a lovely uninhabited islet for refreshments, beach time and perhaps a swim.
- Enjoy an optional snorkel off the boat in normally calm water 6-10 feet deep; all the gear is on board.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or shorts.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or aqua socks are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is recommended for guests in good physical condition who are good swimmers. Those who opt to snorkel must be comfortable wearing the equipment provided, being in deep water and able to cope with occasional currents. The snorkeling locations selected will vary depending upon sea conditions and visibility. Guests are cautioned not to touch or step on the coral reef for both safety and environmental reasons. The waters surrounding Moorea do have stingrays, black-tip, white-tip, gray and lemon sharks which are generally considered harmless; however, those participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility. As with all creatures in their natural environment, the presence of rays or other marine life is not guaranteed.



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MOZ-008 CAPTURE MOOREA - PHOTO ADVENTURE

Duration: 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$259.00



Date: March 28, 2023 **09:00 AM**

Travel to the most picturesque venues on Moorea with an professional photographer that will offer valuable tips on how best to capture the sub-tropical scenery. Along the way, you will learn about the island's history, see vast fields of pineapple and pass dense forests with abundant archaeological sites. Upon reaching the interior, you will stop at Belvedere's lookout point so you can photograph Rotui, the spectacularly beautiful mountain that separates Cook's Bay and Opunohu Bay. The photographer guide will suggest vantage points and perspectives that will allow you to best capture the setting with your camera. You will also drive along the island's gorgeous western coast, following a road between lush green forest and the turquoise lagoon. It will be incredibly photo-worthy the entire way. Weather permitting, you will also pause at the Papetoai fishing village and Magic Mountain, which overlooks the northern part of the island and the barrier reef just offshore.

- Stop to snap photos of the most captivating and scenic parts of Moorea.
- Take pictures of sweeping panoramas and close-ups of island icons.
- Follow the photographer guide's tips on how best to capture each setting.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- Bring a sun hat, sunscreen, water and a camera.
- Wear flat comfortable walking shoes with non-slip soles.

This tour may be offered with two vehicles sharing one guide and will be adapted to the weather and quality of light. There is limited walking, but it is over bumpy surfaces. This tour is not recommended for guests with back or neck problems, limited mobility or for pregnant women. Guests who go ashore do so with the understanding that they will be mixing with members of the general public.

MOZ-009 CATAMARAN SAIL & SWIM

Duration: 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$259.00



Date: March 28, 2023 **09:00 AM**

Sail on a catamaran through the turquoise waters surrounding Moorea and stop to swim at a crystal-clear, immensely picturesque lagoon just offshore. The on-board atmosphere will be incredibly soothing throughout the cruise as Polynesian music will be playing in the background. As you settle in with a cool fruit juice in hand, you will be free to lounge about wherever you wish. There is casual seating under a canopy astern and comfortable mesh nets in the bow of the catamaran if you prefer to bask in the sun. With its shallow draft, the catamaran is ideal for cruising the lagoon and into areas other boats simply can't reach. Expect the scenery to be stunningly beautiful, as the landscape hasn't changed dramatically since Captain James Cook and Captain Samuel Wallis explored Moorea in the 18th century. In time, the catamaran will anchor in the lagoon, allowing you to take a refreshing swim.

- Settle in on a catamaran and sail the clear, turquoise waters surrounding Moorea.
- Take in the extraordinary scenery while seated in the shade or lounging in the sun.
- Enjoy a refreshing swim in the lagoon just offshore while the catamaran is anchored.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up.
- Bring a sun hat, sunscreen, a towel and water.
- Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour is for guests in good physical condition that are good swimmers and able to cope with occasional currents. A high step must be negotiated to board the catamaran, after which shoes must be removed. This tour is not recommended for wheelchair guests or for those with mobility concerns. Participating in water activities is at your own risk and responsibility. Guests who go ashore do so with the understanding that they will be mixing with members of the general public.



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MOZ-012 OHANA CATAMARAN CRUISE

Duration: 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price: \$229.00**



Date: March 28, 2023 09:00 AM

Cruise by luxury catamaran through Moorea's lagoon, stopping to snorkel and swim before continuing on for a spin further offshore in the open sea. Your vessel today is the sleek 65-foot Ohana, largest and fastest cat in its class with plenty of shaded seating and comfortable mesh netting up front for basking in the sun. Either way, the scenery is superb – heart-shaped, mountainous Moorea is lined with sparkling beaches backed by forests of lush palms. It's easy to imagine it looking exactly like this 250 years ago when Captain James Cook came by. The shallow-draft Ohana can ease into lagoon areas other boats can't reach – and in one of them, you'll have a chance to take a refreshing swim in the translucent water or grab snorkel and mask and slip in to view the world of coral and colorful reef fish under the surface. In time, your captain will pull up anchor and steer the Ohana out to the open sea. From this vantage point, you might spot carved Tiki stones back on the Moorea shore. You might also spot a pod or two of the playful spinner dolphins who love these waters as much as we do.

- Sail across Moorea's crystal-clear lagoon aboard a 65-foot maxi-cat that combines comfort and speed.
- Admire the unspoiled beauty of Moorea's coastline and mountains from this offshore vantage point.
- Explore shallow coves and other contours of the lagoon and enjoy a snorkel or swim at one of them.
- Head further out in open sea for a look back at the island and its two famous side-by-side bays.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or shorts.
- Flat shoes are recommended and must be removed before boarding.
- Bring a hat, a towel and bottle of water from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes limited walking, but participants must navigate two steps to enter/exit the catamaran and fit enough to adjust to the vessel's movement under sail. Access to the restroom is via a straight ladder. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility concerns. Guests wishing to snorkel must be comfortable wearing the equipment provided, swimming in varying depths of water and coping with occasional currents. Care should be taken not to touch or step on the coral reef for both safety and environmental reasons. Guests have the option of remaining on the boat and not swimming. Those participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility. Itinerary and stops may be altered due to weather conditions. Wildlife sightings, while likely, are not guaranteed.

MOZ-011 MOTU PIC NIC ESCAPE

Duration: 5.00 Hrs **Tour Price: \$199.00**



Date: March 28, 2023 09:30 AM

Cruise turquoise Moorea lagoon, anchor at a sandy white islet, and enjoy the tropical life awhile – including snorkeling and a Tahitian barbeque lunch. The boat trip alone is mind-bogglingly beautiful, with its from-the-water views of sharp mountain peaks, emerald green valleys, and Moorea's incomparable coastline. But that's all just the beginning. Once you reach the motu and wade in to its pristine beach – the waters here are quite shallow – you'll have over three hours to bliss out on this tiny hideaway. Feel free to spend them in the manner of your choice: sunning, swimming, drifting through daydreams under the palms. Feeling more adventurous than that? Use the supplied snorkeling gear to discover what's going on today in Moorea's amazing underwater world of colorful fish and coral. There are usually even inquisitive stingrays around who, in exchange for a piece of fish, just might delight you by dancing gracefully up to say a gentle hello. But don't spend too long out here. Because every proper South Pacific play day includes a picnic, and this one features Tahitian raw fish, grilled fish and chicken, fresh fruits, soft drinks and beer. You can play more afterwards.

- Sightsee by boat around magnificent Moorea as you make your way to a sandy small motu islet.
- Anchored offshore, wade in across shallow water for a few hours of South Pacific castaway bliss.
- Work on your tan, swim, snorkel the shallows where the fish are colorful, and the rays are friendly.
- At midday, enjoy a barbeque motu picnic lunch laid out in classic Tahitian style on the beach.
- After lunch, return to your activity/inactivity while being entertained with local music and a coco demonstration.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or shorts.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or aqua socks are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a bottle of towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

Walking and other activities are mainly at guests' discretion; however, participants on this tour should be in reasonably good physical condition. It may be necessary to climb a ladder to board the boat from the water. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Guests wishing to snorkel must be comfortable wearing the equipment provided, swimming in deep water and coping with occasional currents. Fins are not provided, nor permitted, on the tour. Guests are cautioned not to touch or step on any coral for both safety and environmental reasons. Those participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility. As with all creatures in their natural environment, the presence of rays or other marine life is not guaranteed. The lunch menu may vary based on season and availability.



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❖ NUKU HIVA, FRENCH POLYNESIA

NHV-001 VISIT TO TAIPIVAI VALLEY

Duration: 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price: \$179.00**



Date: March 31, 2023 08:45 AM, 09:15 AM, 01:30 PM, 02:00 PM

Take a guided group drive by 4WD caravan into the lush valley described by Herman Melville and survived by 2001's intrepid Survivor contestants. A famously rugged paradise, Taipivai Valley spectacularly beautiful, rich in archeological sites, and yours to discover during this adventurous excursion. Melville was first to bring this place to the attention of the outside world in his 1846 bestseller, Typee. Part novel, part real-life travelogue, the book recounts Melville's month spent living as guest and captive of the exotic – and reputedly savage – locals after deserted his whaling ship here on Nuku Hiva. The fact that the Survivor TV series chose to base their 2001 competition here indicates how little things have changed in Taipivai Valley in the intervening years. Your drive's precise itinerary and stops will vary based on local conditions but will certainly include spectacular views of the unspoiled coastline, bays and valleys – and pass small villages, churches and sacred temples. You'll also stop at the ceremonial religious site of Te A'Aitua for light refreshments, perhaps purchasing a handicraft souvenir of your Marquesas visit while here. You'll want to have some pocket cash for that; credit card swiping is slow to arrive in Taipivai Valley.

- Explore lush, remote Taipivai Valley, first made famous as the setting of a 19th-century page-turner, then by the Survivor series.
- Travel by group caravan in 4WD vehicles with your guide determining the route based on conditions.
- Capture photos and memories of traditional villages, religious and archaeological sites, wild forest and spectacular coastline and more.
- Enjoy a refreshment break at Te A'Aitua, a ceremonial site where indigenous handicrafts are often sold.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing but be prepared for a variable climate.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, insect repellent, a bottle of water from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is mainly panoramic with limited narration during photo stops only. Vehicles travel caravan-style in groups of approximately 15, with one tour guide for the group. While the tour includes limited walking, it does involve travel over both paved roads and uneven terrain. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and is not recommended for pregnant women or those with mobility concerns or back/neck problems. Families and friends wishing to ride together should contact the Shore Excursions Desk to arrange this; vehicles hold a maximum of 4 passengers. The drivers are not guides, and their command of English is very limited or none. Not all vehicles are air-conditioned. Traveling in the Marquesas is rustic, with limited facilities.



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❖ RANGIROA, FRENCH POLYNESIA

RGI-001 GLASS BOTTOM BOAT

Duration: 1.00 Hrs **Tour Price: \$129.00**



Date: April 02, 2023 08:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:30 AM, 01:00 PM, 02:15 PM, 03:30 PM

Drift over the famous coral gardens and sea life of Rangiroa during a scenic glass-bottom boat tour. Your destination is Tiputa Channel, the pass where currents – and plenty of fish – enter and exit Rangiroa's massive atoll lagoon. Scuba enthusiasts travel from all over the world to dive this spot, but you'll be able to check it out without even getting your toes wet. Depart the pier aboard a vessel whose large, clear floor panels provide excellent visibility down onto the huge coral heads that cluster in the channel's shallows and float gently over a vibrant underwater world. Your Polynesian boat crew will attract use their knowledge to attract fish directly under the boat for you viewing and photographing pleasure, while a solid roof over your head eliminates glare and helps keep things cool while you observe. The finned population varies with the day and tide, but is almost always colorful and can include turtles, rays, and black-tip sharks. On a lucky day, you'll catch a glimpse of one of the majestic Napoleon wrasses who live around here. Some are longer than your average scuba diver.

- Drift gently over the Tiputa Channel aboard a covered boat with large clear viewing panels in its floor.
- Gaze straight down onto the coral heads and observe a diverse world of tropical sea life.
- Marvel at this living aquarium as your Polynesian boat crew attracts fish directly under the boat.
- With luck, spot some of the black-tip sharks that frequent these waters and even a giant Napoleon fish.
- Wear lightweight clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This is not a snorkeling tour. The tour includes limited walking but is not suitable for wheelchair guests. While marine life is widely present in this region; sightings cannot be guaranteed. Although your local guides are the best available, they are not certified and may have limited English speaking skills.

RGI-003 DISCOVER THE WORLD OF PEARLS

Duration: 1.50 Hrs **Tour Price: \$69.00**



Date: April 02, 2023 08:30 AM, 09:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 12:30 PM, 01:30 PM

Travel to one of Rangiroa's renowned black pearl farms, learn how these lustrous treasures are produced and graded, and browse for unset pearls at the onsite shop. It's just a short hop by minivan to the pearl farm, its modest size representative of the pearling industry being a cottage industry here in these islands. It's certainly very much a hands-on operation, too, as you'll soon see as the farm staff provides some background on the evolution of the industry and on how these special black-lipped pearl oysters are selected, grown and grafted for production. After hearing it described, you'll see the process underway as you tour the work sheds and observe a grafter skillfully plying his trade. After a time, you'll have the opportunity to view a selection of unset black pearls available for purchase. Shape and luster are both key components of the pearl grading scale, and your guide will demonstrate the criteria used. The offerings available typically include round, baroque and semi-baroque pearls ranging in grade from C to A. No matter what the specifics, they're temptingly beautiful.

- Travel a short distance by minivan to a small-scale Rangiroa black pearl farm, typical of the area.
- Enjoy an informative tour and backgrounder on the industry's history and the operation of the farm.
- See how the unique black-lipped oysters that form these pearls are sorted and cleaned and watch a grafter at work.
- Learn the official grading system used to evaluate pearl shape and luster and browse unset black pearls offered for purchase.
- Light, resort-casual clothing is appropriate.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, insect repellent, a bottle of water from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is for guests who are interested in learning about pearl cultivation, or those shopping for unset black pearls. Walking on the tour is mainly at guests' discretion. The short, unguided transfer to the pearl farm is by minibus/van and some jump seats may be used. As vehicles do not have chair storage areas, the tour is not recommended for wheelchair guests. The prices at the farm are fixed, and cash, Visa or MasterCard are accepted for payment. Although your local guides are the best available, they are not certified and may have limited English speaking skills.



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RGI-002 SNORKEL THE AQUARIUM GARDEN

Duration: 1.00 Hrs **Tour Price: \$129.00**



Date: April 02, 2023 08:45 AM, 10:15 AM, 11:45 AM, 01:00 PM, 02:15 PM, 03:30 PM

Enjoy a guided snorkel through one of the world's most spectacular and diverse undersea habitats. The vast Rangiroa atoll is the second largest in the world, with a central lagoon so large you can't even see across it and some 400 separate islets – known as motus – forming a magnificent chain around it. You'll depart the pier aboard a local boat for the ride over to Motu Nui Nui, a natural, open-water aquarium renowned for its rich marine life. After a safety briefing, you'll strap on your mask and snorkel and enter the water to observe the reef life up-close. Expect to be dazzled by tropical fish of many colors, interesting corals and other undersea life. Throughout your exploration, your guide will be there to offer any assistance you need in the water – and at one point will orchestrate an opportunity to hand-feed the fish. They never seem to get full, or gain weight.

- Discover the enchanting underwater world of Rangiroa, showplace of the Tuamotu Islands.
- Cruise by local boat to the snorkel site at Motu Nui Nui, where the sea life is abundant and diverse.
- Get briefed by your guide, who will stay with the group throughout your time in the water.
- Slip in and explore a world of brilliantly colored fish and corals below the surface.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or shorts.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or aquasocks are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Guests should be in good physical condition, be good swimmers and fit enough to negotiate steps aboard the vessel. Participants must be comfortable swimming in varying depths of water and coping with occasional currents while wearing mask and snorkel. Fins are not provided. Guests are cautioned not to touch or step on any coral for both safety and environmental reasons. Those participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility. Wildlife sightings are likely but not guaranteed. Although your local guides are the best available, they may have limited English skills; thus, narration will be sparse at most.



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❖ **BORA BORA, FRENCH POLYNESIA**

BOB-004 GLASS BOTTOM BOAT

Duration: 1.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$149.00



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Venture into Bora Bora's famous lagoon by glass-bottom boat and be immersed in undersea beauty without getting wet. This exploratory outing heads out right from the pier in Vaitape, cruising through magnificently blue and clear waters. The large glass panels at your feet provide a window into the stunning underwater world and the vessel's roof provides protection from sun and glare, making it easy to capture great photos of the remarkable sights below. Color seems to be on display everywhere you look as parrotfish, butterfly fish and many other iridescent inhabitants thrive in the subsurface paradise, while lush tropical beauty surrounds you aboveground. Your guide will share fascinating facts about Bora Bora's teeming marine life and its unique terrestrial ecosystem, and at one point, a crewmember will dive beneath the boat to attract and feed schools of fish right under the glass. It's impossible not to be wowed by the natural splendor of the setting.

- Board a glass-bottom boat and head into Bora Bora lagoon for some fine underwater sightseeing.
- Shaded from the sun and with clear viewing windows at your feet, admire and photograph this world-famous marine ecosystem under ideal circumstances.
- Watch the frenzy as schools of colorful fish are fed by a crewmember right under the boat.
- Learn about the inner workings of the natural ecosystems that thrive both beneath and above the waterline here.
- Wear light-weight clothing.
- Flat, comfortable shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, bottle of water from the ship, insect repellent, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes limited walking, but guests must be able to negotiate steps to board the boat. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who can make their own way onto and off the boat and have a companion to assist them. There is no wheelchair storage available on the boat, so wheelchairs and walkers would be held on the pier. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. While it is likely you will see marine life, the presence of any type of wildlife is never guaranteed and tickets will not be refunded should a sighting not occur.

BOB-008 SHARKS & RAYS BY GLASS BOTTOM BOAT

Duration: 2.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$149.00



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View the ocean's toothiest denizens in safety through the floor of a glass-bottom boat and experience the thrill of a guide-led stingray swim. If ever there was a perfect place to experience these things, it's Bora Bora's lagoon – surrounded by sandy beach and spectacular green volcanic peaks. Your tour vessel has large glass windows at your feet for underwater viewing and a roof above you cutting the glare so you can capture stunning photos and videos. Departing from Vaitape pier, you'll enjoy a brief run out to a mooring tie-up in about 25 feet of water, where your seasoned crew will attempt to attract black-tipped sharks. Safely removed from the goings-on below, you can watch the swirling behavior of these fearsome denizens through the boat's floor – and perhaps even spot a few of the lemon sharks known to frequent the area. After a time, you'll move to a shallower, clear sandbank in the lagoon for a rare opportunity to view and swim with graceful stingrays in the water. The gliding ballet of these non-threatening creatures is something marvelous to see. And if you're game, your guide will even help get you close enough to embrace a few of the dancers.

- Head into Bora Bora lagoon by glass-bottom boat for an unusually thrilling underwater sight.
- Moor in about 25 feet of water and watch as your crew tries to attract wild sharks to the vessel.
- If they're successful – and they often are – watch these exciting creatures swim and circle right beneath the boat's underwater viewing windows.
- Elsewhere in the lagoon, enter the gin-clear shallows to watch in amazement as stingrays glide in balletic grace around you.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or lightweight clothing.
- Waterproof aqua shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Swimming is not permitted during the first stop with sharks but is highly recommended with the stingrays. Although shark and stingray sightings frequently occur, they cannot be guaranteed. Those participating in any water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility.



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BOB-009 LAGOON CRUISE WITH BEACH BREAK

Duration: 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$199.00



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This combination tour lets you explore Bora Bora's magical lagoon on board a covered boat, snorkel in pristine waters, and relax on a delightful beach. Your cruise from the pier and Vaitape Bay carries you past Raititi Pointe and the enchanting islets of Motu To'opua and Motu Tapu. Along the way, you'll be treated to glorious views of the crystalline lagoon as well as perfect vantage points on the island's ancient volcanic centerpiece, jagged Mount Otemanu. Your ultimate destination is a remote motu – that's what the Polynesians call their coral islets – where you'll enjoy a delicious South Pacific island beach break and refreshments. It's an ideal locale for sunbathing, taking a dip in the shallow water, or just hanging out in relaxed castaway style. After a time, you'll reboard and move on to slightly deeper waters for some snorkeling at a spot often frequented by graceful flotillas of stingrays. Don't forget to bring your camera along; photo opps on the hidden, eastern side of Bora Bora are plentiful and excellent.

- Board a covered boat and head into Bora Bora lagoon for some exceptional waterborne sightseeing.
- Cruise by the islets of Motu To'opua and Motu Tapu and catch breathtaking views of Mount Otemanu.
- Pull into a private island getaway for a classic South Pacific beach break and refreshments.
- Relax along the beach, sunbathe, or dip your toes in the clear shallows.
- Later, go for a lagoon snorkel at a spot where stingrays often glide by in graceful formation.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or lightweight clothing.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or aqua socks are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour's walking and other activities are mainly at guests' discretion, but participants should be in reasonably good physical condition. It may be necessary to negotiate a ladder to board the boat from the water. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Guests wishing to snorkel must be comfortable wearing the provided mask and snorkel, swimming in deep water, and coping with occasional currents. Fins are not provided. Guests are cautioned not to touch or step on corals for both safety and environmental reasons. Those participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility. The motu area visited is privately rented and guests are not permitted outside the property limits. There are no restroom facilities available at the islet.

BOB-012 MOANA JET SKI ADVENTURE

Duration: 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$499.00



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Zip through Bora Bora's spectacular wraparound lagoon on a jet ski, stopping every so often to swim, be further amazed by the scenery, and visit a private islet. This is no ride on a track – it's a wonderfully liberating opportunity to carve your own path through the water, following your guide but captain of your own ship, or – in this case – wave runner. The wind-in-your-hair adventure starts at the activity center where you'll have a safety briefing and orientation on how to operate your zippy watercraft – then it's off into the very magnificent blue yonder, with your guide charting the course. In time, you'll reach an idyllic strip of sand surrounded by some of the world's most stunningly beautiful water; it seems to glow with an iridescence all its own. Making the setting all the more dramatic are Bora Bora's iconic twin peaks – Mount Pahia and Mount Otemanu – looming as the backdrop. But enough of tranquility – it's time to jump back on your craft for more thrills as you tear off into the lagoon once more, this time headed for a secluded "motu" islet for some refreshments, a stroll, and a lesson in coconut lore and use.

- Hop aboard a jet ski for a thrillingly scenic zoom around Bora Bora's reef-ringed lagoon.
- With your guide leading the way, pilot your own watercraft through this electric-blue paradise.
- Visit a remote sandbar where the views back to Bora Bora's twin volcanic peaks are mind-boggling.
- Pull in to a private islet for some refreshments and a relaxed shoreside stroll or swim out to the reef.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or lightweight clothing.
- Flat walking shoes or aqua/reef shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel and bottle of water from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

There is limited walking on this tour, but guests must be able to board the jet ski without assistance. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Participants should be in good physical condition and strong swimmers comfortable in varying depths of water, able to cope with occasional currents. Guests should not touch or step on the coral reef or touch any underwater wildlife for safety and environmental reasons. Wildlife sightings, while likely, are not guaranteed. The wearing of expensive clothing and jewelry is discouraged. Cameras should be carried with care and appropriate protection. While there is a small, waterproof storage compartment on the jet ski, it is not 100% guaranteed to stay dry; stowing in your own waterproof bag is recommended. The jet ski can carry up to two guests with a combined maximum weight of 440 lbs. Drivers must be at least 16 years old and minimum passenger age is 10. Lifejackets will be provided and must be worn throughout the tour. Tour is priced per machine, not per person. Those who take part in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility and the local operator may require guests to sign a waiver before taking part in the tour.



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BOB-021 ATV ADVENTURE IN BORA BORA

Duration: 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$489.00



Date: April 03, 2023 01:30 PM

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Enjoy an exhilarating ride along the winding trails in Bora Bora's interior in an all-terrain vehicle, pausing at spectacular overlooks to marvel at the natural beauty. The guide will determine the exact route based on the conditions, and you can expect an exhilarating ride with outstanding views the whole time. As you race along the natural trails and off road, you will follow the idyllic coastline at times and travel inland, as well. Because Bora Bora was volcanically formed, there aren't indigenous mammals, but birds are abundant. You might see black-winged petrels, Pacific swallows and white terns. During stops at scenic overlooks, ask the guide about the flora and fauna, as there are all sorts of unusual species. It will be easy to make your way around Bora Bora, especially by using Mount Otemanu as a landmark. One of two extinct volcanoes, the peak is the island's highest and will often be in sight.

- Take an exhilarating ride around Bora Bora in a caravan of ATVs.
- Follow winding trails and drive off road for the ultimate thrill.
- Marvel at the views while pausing at the most scenic outlooks.
- Listen to the guide elaborate on the most noteworthy flora and fauna.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

The cost of this tour is per vehicle not per person, so only one guest per couple needs to book it. Drivers must be at least 18 years of age and present a valid driver's license to the tour guide before departure. Passengers must be 8 years of age or older. Each ATV accommodates two average-sized adults and holds a total weight of 440 lbs. or 200 kg. Riding an ATV can be risky. It is a physical activity that involves balance and coordination, including perceptual skills that rely on good vision. The tour is not available for wheelchair guests, pregnant women, guests with back or neck problems or other physical limitations. Participants must use common sense and follow the guide's instructions at all times. The tour operator reserves the right to deny participation to anyone deemed not fit to operate an ATV. A waiver must be signed. Provided protective helmets must be worn throughout the tour.

BOB-024 SCENIC HELICOPTER FLIGHT OVER BORA BORA

Duration: 1.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$499.00



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Fly over gorgeous Bora Bora in a helicopter that will provide a literal bird's-eye view of the lush volcanically formed landscape that James Michener, author of Tales of the South Pacific, described as "the most beautiful island in the world." The exact route of the flight will depend on the wind and weather conditions, but regardless of where you fly the sights will be absolutely spectacular in every direction. During the 20 minutes or so that you spend in the air, you will gaze out over turquoise lagoons, secluded beaches, dense forests and dramatically soaring peaks such as Mount Otemanu, one of two extinct volcanoes at the heart of Bora Bora. It rises more than 2,400 feet above sea level. Bora Bora means "first born" in the Tahitian language, a reference to the Tahitian story of the creation of the world. Few islands are quite so inspiring, romantic and steeped in legend as Bora Bora.

- its most gorgeous areas in a helicopter.
- Behold the island's turquoise lagoons, secluded beaches and dramatically soaring peaks.
- See firsthand why Bora Bora is considered one of world's most beautiful islands.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. • Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.



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BOB-005 SHARK & STINGRAY SNORKEL SAFARI

Duration: 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$179.00



Date: April 03, 2023 01:45 PM

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Watch a graceful stingray ballet and encounter exquisite undersea beauty on a shallow-water snorkeling safari in Bora Bora lagoon. You'll head out from the pier aboard a covered snorkeling boat for a cruise by two of the islets – known as motus – that create a magnificent ring around Bora Bora. Passing the ancient crater rim of Motu To'opua, then tiny Motu Tapu, you'll drop anchor on a shallow sandbank to witness an unforgettable performance by elegant, harmless stingrays gliding effortlessly around you in the water as your guide hand-feeds them. If you're willing, the guide will even help you get close enough to touch them. Later in this adventure, visit a pristine coral garden where, after some safety and diving instructions, you'll slip into the water for a snorkeling session in easy depths of about 4-5 feet. Plan on being dazzled as you gently survey this shimmering world where parrotfish and butterfly fish are among the brilliantly multicolored denizens most often encountered. And return to the pier enthralled by this close-up encounter with the natural splendor of Bora Bora's slice-of-paradise lagoon.

- Board a covered boat and head into Bora Bora lagoon for some thrilling underwater sightseeing.
- Cruise by the ancient crater rim of Motu To'opua and tiny neighboring Motu Tapu.
- Anchored in gin-clear shallows, watch in amazement as stingrays glide in balletic grace around you; even touch a few if you're game.
- Don mask and snorkel and slip into the water at Coral Gardens to explore the brilliant world below.
- Diving to just 4-5 feet below the surface, have a close encounter with Bora Boar's legendary marine life.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or lightweight clothing.
- Waterproof aqua shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Participants should be comfortable with wearing snorkeling equipment and swimming in deep water. This tour is recommended for guests in good physical condition. Although marine life sightings are frequent, they cannot be guaranteed. Masks and snorkels will be provided. Those participating in any water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility.

BOB-023 MOTU BEACH TRANSFER

Duration: 4.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$129.00



Date: April 03, 2023 01:45 PM

Date: April 04, 2023 08:45 AM

While away the hours on a private beach-rimmed island known as a motu, doing whatever interests you the most. Bora Bora is one of the world's most photogenic destinations, and it is especially spectacular from sea, as you can take in the entire island at once. The motu where you will disembark is privately owned, making the experience all the more special. During the hours spent here, you will be free to do as you please. You might stretch out on the powdery beach and bask in the sun, take a leisurely walk along the shoreline or do nothing more ambitious than read in the shade of a coconut palm. The water around the motu couldn't be more inviting or refreshing, so swimming is an excellent way to enjoy the island experience. You can count on the clarity of the water to be remarkable.

- Spend hours relaxing on a privately owned island known as a motu.
- Relax however you see fit at the uncrowded beach.
- Swim in the sea, which is revered for the clarity of the water.
- Wear a swimsuit under weather-appropriate clothing.
- Bring a towel and sunscreen.
- Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This is a transfer to and from the ship, not a guided tour. Guests must remain on the property and respect the homeowner's privacy. Although the area has been rented for our guests, the beach is not exclusive and swimming is not supervised. Guests must not disturb or step on coral formations or touch the marine life for environmental and safety reasons. Guests participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility and must know how to swim, be comfortable in the water and able to cope with occasional currents. The amount of walking and exertion during free time is at the guests' discretion. A limited number of sun chairs and tables will be available on a first-come first-served basis. Shade is limited. Juice and water are included. At a set time, the boat will return to pick you up and take you back to the cruise ship.



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BOB-002 "LE TRUCK" ISLAND TOUR

Duration: 2.50 Hrs **Tour Price: \$99.00**



Date: April 03, 2023 02:00 PM

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Explore the island paradise of Bora Bora during this scenic orientation tour via Le Truck, a casual, open-air vehicle resembling a windowless bus. Let your guide share with you the daily life of the people of Bora Bora. Depart the pier aboard a Le Truck for a tour around this island paradise. Drive through the district of Fa'anui, and along the way, you will pass by small villages and fields that offer a glimpse into the everyday life of the people of Bora Bora. Witness how the popular pareo is made, learn about tupa crabs, taste locally grown fruits and see relics left behind by the U.S. military during WWII. You will also have an opportunity to buy some local crafts. From a lookout point, you will see Mount Otemanu, Bora Bora's highest peak, which stands as a silent sentinel over the Pearl of the Pacific. Driving by the East Coast you'll pass some of the famous resorts before reaching Matira point, with the prettiest sand beach of the main island. A stop will be made here to take in splendid vistas and photo opportunities before driving back to Vaitape.

- Settle in for a scenic drive around paradise in an open-air vehicle resembling a windowless bus.
- Travel a route that includes rural villages, WWII military relics, and a Mount Otemanu lookout point.
- Learn about daily life in Bora Bora – including how wraparound pareo sarongs are made, how locally grown fruits taste, and what the local artisans craft.
- See some of Bora Bora's legendary waterfront resorts and stop at Matira Point, its prettiest beach.
- Wear light-weight clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, bottle of water from the ship, insect repellent, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

Walking on this tour is mainly at guests' discretion during the stops. Le Truck is a casual, open-air vehicle resembling a windowless bus. Road conditions in some areas of the island make for a bumpy ride. There is no wheelchair storage available on Le Truck, so wheelchairs and walkers would be held on the pier. While every effort is made to follow the published tour timing, durations are approximate and dependent on group interest and traffic/road conditions. The Matira Beach stop is dependent on parking availability. The order of sites viewed or visited may vary.

BOB-003 BORA BORA OFF-ROAD ADVENTURE

Duration: 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price: \$229.00**



Date: April 03, 2023 02:00 PM

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Experience Bora Bora's natural beauty in an exhilarating new way on an adventure that definitely takes the road less traveled. This is one of the world's most ravishing islands – but exploring its most pristine terrain sometimes requires leaving the paved roads in the rearview. Departing the pier by specially-equipped 4WD tour vehicle, your driver will be able to navigate off-road tracks that climb steep terrain, visit remote sights, and fully introduce you to the landscape and lifestyles of Bora Bora. Highlights of this island-wide ramble include scaling Pahonu Hill for expansive views of Bora Bora's natural harbor and Matira Beach, and an ascent to seaside hills to see WWII coastal defense cannons left behind by the U.S. military. Exploring the northern shore, you'll traverse the lush valley of Fa'anui, pass sacred stone marae temples where locals have worshipped for centuries, and view Fa'anui Bay from a plantation high up in the mountains – gazing down on waters reflecting every shade of azure, turquoise and indigo imaginable. And, since everyone should know how to rock a sarong, you'll stop in at a local pareo house where these classic hand-made island wraps are made and sold.

- Embrace the adventure of off-road sightseeing as you survey Bora Bora by 4WD vehicle.
- Drive through Vaitape and along Pofai Bay, ascending Pahonu Hill for thrilling harbor and beach views.
- Bump along coastal tracks to where bunkers and big guns from WWII remain marooned in time.
- Explore lush Fa'anui valley, see stone marae temples and gaze down at an azure bay from a mountain-side plantation.
- Learn how to make and wear a wraparound pareo sarong and see Bora Bora's most famous beach.
- Wear light-weight clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, bottle of water from the ship, insect repellent, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

Walking on this tour is mainly at guests' discretion during the stops. The tour involves rough off-road driving with steep ascents and descents. Pregnant women, guests with limited mobility or back/neck problems, and those who suffer from vertigo are discouraged from participating and the excursion is not available to wheelchair guests. Each vehicle carries a maximum of 8 passengers. Every attempt will be made to keep family members and friends together, but this will not always be possible. The stop at the Pareo House for sarong-making demonstration is not made over the weekends.



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BOB-011 REEF-RINGED LAGOON TOUR

Duration: 2.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$229.00



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Take in the beauty of Bora Bora and its gorgeous lagoon aboard an intimate deck boat, then snorkel in these gin-clear waters. This small-group boating adventure might be the perfect way to discover a world-famous, reef-ringed setting that deserves every accolade it's received. Few places on earth can rival this setting: The beaches are sugar-white, the water an absolutely brilliant blue, and the lush backdrop of the twin volcanic peaks at the center of the island, a veritable Shangri-La. Cruise past the tiny islet of Motu Tapu and look back from the distance on one of the most photographed islands in the entire South Pacific. Pause to enjoy a fresh dip or some snorkeling, with gear provided. Have a look around in the Coral Gardens, brimming with sea life including brightly colored tropical fish like yellow Moorish idols, clownfish and triggerfish. Keep an eye out for squadrons of graceful stingrays, often seen gliding through the area – even enjoy a thrilling up-close encounter with them. Back on board, travel on to a sandbank for a refreshment break, then cruise into the turquoise waters off Matira Beach, where huge manta rays are often seen doing some cruising of their own.

- Enjoy a sail through Bora Bora's reef-ringed lagoon aboard an intimate, partially covered deck boat.
- Catch breathtaking views back to the dramatic twin peaks that form the island's signature centerpiece.
- Snorkel awhile in calm, gin-clear lagoon waters brimming with colorful reef fish and stingrays gliding by in graceful formation.
- Pull into a sandbank for refreshments, then cruise the waters off lovely Matira Beach on the island's southern tip.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or lightweight clothing.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or aqua/reef shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

There is limited walking on this tour; however, guests must be able to enter and exit the boat with limited assistance, which requires negotiating a ladder from the water. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Participants should be in good physical condition, be strong swimmers comfortable in varying water depths, and able to cope with occasional currents. Guests should not touch or step on the coral reef or touch any underwater wildlife for safety and environmental reasons. Wildlife sightings, while likely, are not guaranteed. The wearing of expensive clothing and jewelry is discouraged. Cameras should be carried with care and appropriate protection. Those taking part in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility. The local operator may require guests to sign a waiver before participating in the tour.

BOB-010 AQUA SAFARI

Duration: 1.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$259.00



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Walk underwater in complete comfort on an adventurous Aqua Safari tour of Bora Bora's famous lagoon. It's a short transfer by boat from the cruise pier to the dive site, and your certified diving instructor will provide a safety briefing and diving instructions in preparation for your adventure. Your stroll on the sea floor happens just a few feet under the surface, where you're free to maneuver as you please in relaxed security, your head perfectly dry inside a roomy helmet connected to the boat by an air hose that allows you to breathe just as you would on land. You can even keep your glasses on if you wear them. In your ingenious Aquasafari gear, you can descend down to a depth of up to 10 feet and amble past amazing coral formations, surrounded by hundreds of colorful tropical fish. Best of all, it's all happening in a spectacular lagoon considered to be among the most beautiful in the world. It's a kick.

- Take an undersea stroll through Bora Bora's world-famous lagoon with the help of Aqua Safari gear.
- Receive your briefing from a dive instructor who will help you put on your roomy, special helmet.
- Without even getting your head wet, walk around on the ocean floor just under the surface, breathing normally through an air hose connected to your boat.
- Move among coral formations and schools of brilliant colored reef fish in complete comfort and security.
- Before leaving the dive site, enjoy some free time to swim or relax in this magnificent natural setting.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or lightweight clothing.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or aqua socks are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour's walking and other activities are mainly at guests' discretion, but participants should be in reasonably good physical condition. It will be necessary to negotiate a ladder to board the boat from the water. For safety and security reasons, only 8 persons at a time will be allowed underwater for the helmet dive portion of the tour. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests, pregnant women, or those with mobility concerns, heart conditions or asthma, and may not be suitable for those prone to claustrophobia. Masks and snorkels will be available if desired. Guests are cautioned not to touch or step on corals for both safety and environmental reasons. Those participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility and at the local operator's discretion; you may be asked to sign a waiver before participating in the tour. Underwater cameras and t-shirts are available on board the boat and a film/video of your experience may also be offered for purchase directly from the tour's operator.



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BOB-015 SAIL BORA BORA BY CATAMARAN

Duration: 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$189.00



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After departing from the pier, you will soon begin cruising the lagoon that surrounds Bora Bora, an island of almost mythical beauty. Settle in wherever you please, as the catamaran features trampolines for sunbathing, and shaded seating if you prefer a covered environment. Because the catamaran has a shallow draft, it can cruise into areas off limits to other vessels, presenting you with spectacular, up-close views of the lagoon's coves and Bora Bora's iconic overwater bungalows. You can expect the shoreline to be jungle-like with plenty of coconut palms swaying in the sea breezes. From this perspective, you will also enjoy an excellent view of Mount Otemanu, one of two extinct volcanoes rising from the center of the island. In time, you will stop to swim and snorkel (mask & snorkel provided) along a coral reef teeming with brightly colored tropical fish. Although the sights are ever changing, you can expect to see many of the most common species such as clown fish, yellow Moorish idols and emperor angelfish. If you spot a blue parrotfish nipping at the algae clinging to the reef, it's a male, as female parrotfish sport different colors. You might also spot graceful eagle rays, spinner and bottlenose dolphins, and perhaps a green turtle, a species ancient Polynesians held sacred.

- Cruise a famously gorgeous lagoon by catamaran, with both sunny and shaded seating.
- Catch fantastic views back at the main island and its signature Mount Otemanu centerpiece.
- Visit the shallowest waters for up-close views of Bora Bora's motus, coves and overwater bungalows.
- At a stop above a crystalline reef, consider donning onboard snorkeling gear for a reef visit.
- If you do take the plunge, expect to encounter a scene brimming with colorful fish and other marine life.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or lightweight clothing.
- Aqua/reef shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel and bottle of water from the ship, insect repellent and sun protection as needed.

This tour includes limited walking. It is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those prone to motion sickness or who have mobility concerns, as there are steps to navigate when entering and exiting the boat and there will be rocking motion. The boat may become wet, so care should be taken with storage of personal items. Expensive jewelry or clothing should not be worn. Cameras should be carried with care and appropriate protection. Those who participate in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility and must know how to swim, be comfortable in the water and able to cope with occasional currents. Guests are cautioned not to touch or step on the coral reef or touch any underwater animals for safety and environmental reasons. The depth of the water varies. Signing of a liability waiver may be required by operator prior to participating. While wildlife sightings are likely, they are not guaranteed.

BOB-013 SUN DOWN CRUISE

Duration: 2.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$139.00



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Watch the sun sink into a sea of blues and greens dotted with beach-rimmed islets as you cruise on an open-air boat around Bora Bora's legendary lagoon. Many consider this the most stunning island in Polynesia, if not the entire world – and it's at its peak of beauty at sunset when the sky reflects an ever-changing palette of colors and the water sparkles like a field of diamonds. Novelist James Michener struggled to describe Bora Bora, in the end admitting it was "so stunning, there are really no adequate words to describe it." The main island – with its alluring twin volcanic peaks climbing to lush green heights at its center – has served as the backdrop for countless movies, including 1962's *Mutiny on the Bounty* with Marlon Brando and Trevor Howard. While filmed in glorious Technicolor, it doesn't hold a candle to the real-life scenes you'll witness as you glide around this magnificent aquamarine lagoon and into the dusk. During your cruise, you'll enjoy a complimentary cocktail and light snack – and after about an hour on the water, return to the dock with an indelible image of paradise etched into your memory.

- Cruise through Bora Bora's fabled aquamarine lagoon and into a sunset scene like no other.
- Admire an island of almost mythical beauty – backdrop to novels, movies and many visitors' dreams.
- Cruise by beach-rimmed "motu" islets as you watch the sun descend in an explosion of color mirrored in impossibly clear waters.
- Enjoy the show from the covered deck of an open-air vessel, with a complimentary cocktail and light snacks served.
- Wear casual, weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes with non-slip soles are recommended.
- Bring along a hat and sunglasses if needed.

While it includes limited walking, this tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those who suffer from motion sickness or have mobility concerns. There are steps involved in entering and exiting the boat and there will be rocking motion.



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BOB-018 SUNSET DREAM BORA BORA

Duration: 1.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$249.00



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Watch the setting sun dip below the horizon from the comfort of a motor boat while cruising Bora Bora's spectacularly beautiful lagoon. The dark peak that you will see rising from the island's center is Mount Otemanu, the remnant of an extinct volcano. As the sun continues its descent, the peak will cast shadows that will dramatically change the volcano's appearance, making it all the more photogenic. As you slowly motor about the lagoon, you can't help but be mesmerized by the setting. When famed 18th-century explorer Captain James Cook first saw Bora Bora, he coined it the "Pearl of the Pacific." James Michener, the author of "Tales of the South Pacific," described Bora Bora as "the most beautiful island in the world." It remains stunning today, especially around dusk when the turquoise lagoon is most picturesque.

- Enjoy a dramatic sunset while cruising Bora Bora's lagoon in a motor boat.
- Marvel at the absolutely stunning scenery that includes an extinct volcano.
- See why Bora Bora has been described as "the most beautiful island in the world."
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

Although there is minimal walking on this tour, guests must be physically fit to negotiate a ladder to access the boat and vessel surroundings. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests.

BOB-017 BEST OF BORA BORA & LUNCH AT BLOODY MARY

Duration: 7.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$339.00



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Explore Bora Bora in a 4x4 vehicle and by boat, stopping along the way at scenic overlooks, a sarong factory and at the famed restaurant Bloody Mary's for lunch. The adventure will begin by driving up a winding road that overlooks Faanui Bay, one of the island's most spectacular settings. Besides enjoying the sweeping views of the bay, you will see several artillery cannons that were installed on Bora Bora during World War II. You will then visit a factory that makes pareos, the colorful sarongs that are so popular on Bora Bora. You will notice that the patterns often reflect the island's bright tropical vegetation. The sights and mode of transportation will then change dramatically as you board a boat and cruise Bora Bora's gorgeous lagoon. After anchoring near a sandbank, chances are, you will see stingrays gracing swimming by. For a closer look at the underwater wonders, you may snorkel.

- Drive up a winding road in a 4x4 vehicle and take in the dramatic views of Faanui Bay.
- Tour a factory where Bora Bora's colorful and iconic sarongs are made.
- Cruise the gorgeous lagoon surrounding Bora Bora and snorkel if you please.
- Enjoy a tropical lunch at Bloody Mary's, one of the island's most renowned restaurants.
- Wear a swimsuit under weather-appropriate clothing.
- Bring a towel and sunscreen.
- Wear reef shoes or aqua socks.

This tour is not available for wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns should evaluate their ability and stamina before joining the tour. It is not recommended for pregnant women, guests with back or neck problems or other physical limitations. The itinerary and order of stops will vary, as groups will be divided in two to ride in the 4x4 and boat. Guests participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility and must know how to swim, be comfortable in the water and able to cope with occasional currents. Wildlife sightings are likely but not guaranteed. Bring cash or a credit card if you wish to make purchases at Bloody Mary's.



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BOB-016 POLYNESIAN DAY WITH MOTU LUNCH

Duration: 6.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$339.00



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Spend an amazing day on Bora Bora's lagoon, experiencing its pristine waters and a Polynesian lunch on a private islet. Oh, and a reef snorkel, a guided stingray encounter in the shallows, a thrilling shark-viewing session and demonstrations of iconic island activities including dance, sarong wearing and 1,001 uses for coconuts. It's a full roster, yet a very relaxed pace prevails as you don snorkel & mask at the Coral Garden to discover the lagoon's dazzling underwater world of brilliantly colored fish and other marine life. Move on to the shallows, where armadas of gentle rays glide gracefully around – and your guide will even introduce you if you're game. At another spot on the reef, safely observe common black-tip sharks and perhaps get a glimpse of a rarer lemon shark. All that activity's bound to build up an appetite, which is handy since your adventure continues on a secluded motu where you'll savor a Polynesian lunch feast with fish, chicken, beef, coconut rice and bread, and various island fruit and veggies. What you do with the rest of your afternoon here is up to you – have a swim, bask on the beach or enjoy some of those engaging cultural presentations.

- Cruise into encounters with Bora Bora's natural beauty in all its forms on this multifaceted outing.
- Snorkel over the gin-clear reef known as Coral Garden, watch graceful rays glide in the sandy shallows, and observe local black-tip sharks in the wild.
- Disembark on a private motu islet where a full Polynesian lunch awaits, from soup to coconuts.
- After your feast, spend your free time on the island doing as you please.
- Enjoy showcases on Polynesian dance, pareo sarongs and more – or just lay back on the beach.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or lightweight clothing.
- Flat walking shoes or aqua/reef shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel and bottle of water from the ship, and sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

There is limited walking on this tour, primarily at guests' discretion during beach time. Guests should be able to enter and exit the boat – which requires negotiating a ladder from the water – with limited assistance. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Participants who wish to snorkel or swim from the boat should be in good physical condition, be strong swimmers able to cope with occasional currents, and be comfortable in varying depths of water. Guests should not touch or step on the reef or touch any underwater wildlife for safety and environmental reasons. The wearing of expensive clothing and jewelry is discouraged. Cameras should be carried with care and appropriate protection. Masks and snorkels are provided, but it is suggested that guests bring their own if available. Those taking part in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility. Signing of a liability waiver may be required by operator prior to participating. Tour sequence may vary. Wildlife sightings, while likely, are not guaranteed.

BOB-019 BORA BORA SUNSET SAIL

Duration: 2.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$239.00



Date: April 04, 2023 04:00 PM

Enjoy an absolutely spectacular, pyrotechnic sunset from the deck of a catamaran while cruising Bora Bora's crystal-clear lagoon. From this seaside perspective, you will enjoy a front-row seat to view Mount Otemanu, one of two extinct volcanoes at the heart of Bora Bora. It rises more than 2,400 feet above the sea level, and is considered one of the world's most photogenic peaks. Feel free to spend your time onboard doing whatever you please at your own pace. You might sit out on deck while enjoying a cool drink, strike up a conversation with the other guests, join the Polynesian dance lesson and ask the crew about the history of Bora Bora, which means "first born" in the Tahitian language. Still, it is the natural beauty of Bora Bora that attracts so many visitors, and cruising the lagoon at sunset offers one of the most picture-perfect views of the island.

- Cruise Bora Bora's crystal-clear lagoon at sunset, when the water is at its most beautiful.
- Enjoy the gorgeous tropical scenery that includes a majestic extinct volcano.
- Spend your time on board doing whatever you please.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing.
- Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

Although there is minimal walking on this tour, guests must be physically fit to negotiate a ladder to access the boat and vessel surroundings. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests.



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❖ RAIATEA, FRENCH POLYNESIA

RFP-002 SACRED ISLAND BY LE TRUCK

Duration: 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price: \$99.00**



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Tour Raiatea and visit its most famous sacred landmark as you travel in casual, alfresco style in a windowless bus. You'll board "Le Truck" at the pier and journey southward, taking in the sights of somewhat-urban Uturoa and the green coastline where the Fa'aroa River meets Raiatea's surrounding lagoon – all the while feeling the tropical breezes in your hair from your bench seat in "Le Truck." Your main destination today is Marae Taputapuātea, an open-air temple complex comprising seven ceremonial structures constructed of stone and coral. Not only is this one of French Polynesia's largest ancient temple sites, but it's the place where the early migrations throughout the South Pacific started. From here, indigenous outrigger crews braved great open ocean distances to establish new settlements in Hawaii, New Zealand and other far-flung locales many centuries ago. Not to put you on edge, but this particular sacred site is dedicated to Oro, the bloodthirsty god of war who demanded human sacrifices. But none recently.

- Cross lush terrain and visit Raiatea's most famous landmark on a mostly panoramic tour.
- Experience the fun, casual ride of "Le Truck," a windowless, open-air bus with bench-style seating.
- See Uturoa, the island's only real city, and magnificent views of the coastal lagoon and barrier reef.
- Tour the immensely significant temple complex of Marae Taputapuātea, a sacred site from which great migrations emanated in the early days of Polynesian expansion.
- Wear lightweight clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a bottle of water from the ship, insect repellent, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

There is minimal walking on this tour, mainly at the guests' discretion during the stops. Three large steps must be negotiated to board Le Truck, commentary during the driving portion of your tour will be limited due to lack of PA system, and road conditions may make for a bumpy ride in some areas of the island. As there is no room on Le Truck to store wheelchairs or walkers, the tour is not recommended for wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns.

RFP-005 TAHA'A BY LAND & SEA

Duration: 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price: \$229.00**



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Experience Raiatea's sister island Taha'a by cruising its glorious lagoon, exploring its unspoiled terrain by 4WD, and snorkeling its turquoise waters. While it shares a lagoon shaped like a figure eight with Raiatea, laid-back Taha'a is definitely the quiet sibling. There's little in the way of infrastructure or modernity here – just magnificent nature and charming French Polynesian traditions. You'll cruise from Raiatea pier through tranquil lagoon waters up to Taha'a, no doubt hearing the colorful legend of its creation while en route. Disembarking on dry land, you'll hop into 4WD vehicles for an exciting spin through beautiful valleys and mountains. Along the way, you'll capture amazing photos from a panoramic viewpoint, sample the local fruits, and even learn the tamure, that remarkably hip-swinging Tahitian dance. Taha'a is also known as the Vanilla Island, and during a visit to a local plantation you'll learn about the unusual orchid vines whose seed pods are what we know as "vanilla beans." You'll also travel to a black pearl farm and discover how these lustrous treasures are raised and harvested. Back on the boat, you'll cruise back out across turquoise waters to a motu islet for a delightful snorkel or swim.

- Set sail on a cruise through the curvy lagoon that connects Raiatea with its sister island, Taha'a.
- On arrival, shift gears to 4WD land touring and head out on a guided drive through Taha'a.
- Visit verdant mountain valleys, tour farms where vanilla and black pearls are grown, sample juicy tropical fruits and try your hips at Tahitian dancing.
- Cruise back through clear turquoise waters, stopping at a sandy white motu islet for a swim or snorkel.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or shorts.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or aquasocks are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately one hour of walking. Those wishing to snorkel or swim should be good swimmers and in good physical condition. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Snorkelers must be comfortable wearing the mask and snorkel provided and able to swim in deep water with occasional currents. Fins are not provided. Guests are cautioned not to touch or step on any coral for both safety and environmental reasons. Those participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility.



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RFP-006 SNORKELING SAFARI & PEARL FARM

Duration: 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price: \$199.00**



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Experience two of Tahiti's most sought-after natural treasures in one trip as you travel by boat to a black pearl farm, then snorkel the bustling reef. The crystal-clear waters of Raiatea's lagoon encircle the island in scenic beauty and are home to wonderful gems below the surface – some nestled inside a very particular type of oyster and others swimming freely among the corals. You'll be driven out to a waterside pontoon to board a boat and cruise out to the fringe reef at the lagoon's outer edge. There you'll visit a small pearl station built over the water, where your guide will unveil the secrets of Tahiti's most beloved black pearls. Watch the grafter perform a delicate 'operation' inside the shell and get an unforgettable inside look at how these uniquely valuable pearls are harvested. Having now admired gifts of the sea from above the surface, it will be time to slip into the water yourself to have a look around. Moving on to one of Raiatea's most attractive reefs, you'll don mask and snorkel for the opportunity to enter a wonderful living aquarium of colorful coral formations and myriad tropical fish. It's a beautiful world down below.

- Venture out into Raiatea lagoon by boat to experience a pair of its most precious treasures.
- Visit a black pearl farm and admire the mysterious beauty of the rare black-lip oysters who grow them.
- Snorkel the translucent turquoise waters of one of Raiatea's most vibrant reefs.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or shorts.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or aquasocks are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes limited walking, but guests must be able to enter and exit the boat with limited assistance. Those wishing to snorkel or swim should be good swimmers and in good physical condition. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. Snorkelers must be comfortable wearing the mask and snorkel provided and able to swim in deep water with occasional currents. Fins are not provided. Guests are cautioned not to touch or step on any coral for both safety and environmental reasons. Those participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility.

RFP-007 FA'AROA RIVER KAYAKING

Duration: 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price: \$149.00**



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Paddle through the same jungle river terrain traveled by the ancient Polynesians who set out from Raiatea on their voyages of discovery. During the scenic half-hour drive from the pier to the fjord-like coastal inlet at Fa'aroa Gorge, you may hear the fascinating story of the epic outrigger voyages that once emanated from this point to the most distant islands of the Polynesian Triangle. Once at the gorge, you'll receive your safety briefing and gear, board your two-person kayak, and embark up Polynesia's only navigable river with your seasoned guide in the lead. Heading upstream into the island's interior, you'll glide along between steep river walls brimming with wild hibiscus, bamboo groves, chestnut trees, and brilliantly colorful ginger flowers. It's a magical place – as far as the eye can see, nothing but luxuriant tropical rainforest, sheer cliff faces and the quiet sounds of wild nature, occasionally animated by the calls of exotic birds. They get to live in this paradise fulltime; you'll merely be a visitor for a couple of hours. A very fortunate visitor.

- Experience Raiatea's natural beauty at its most intimate and lush, exploring a rainforest river by kayak.
- Begin with a briefing at Raiatea's fjord-like Fa'aroa Gorge inlet, then head up the Fa'aroa River.
- Paddle the same route traveled by the ancients as they set out to reach islands as distant as Hawaii and New Zealand.
- Pass steep banks where wild hibiscus, gingers and bamboo groves flourish and strange birds call.
- Enjoy two hours on this watercourse, listening to both the silence and the echoes of history.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or shorts.
- Flat, comfortable shoes that can get wet are recommended.
- Bring a hat, insect repellent, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes limited walking but involves moderate-to-strenuous activity in the kayak. Guests must know how to swim and be in good physical condition. The tour is not recommended for wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns or back or neck issues. Participants must be at least 12 years of age and weigh less than 260 pounds. Guests under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian. You will be required to follow your guide and wear your lifejacket at all times. A small waterproof bag is available on board the kayak for storing small items. Kayaks are two-person and will be shared.



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RFP-008 TAHA'A CORAL GARDEN SNORKELING

Duration: 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$229.00



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Discover great beauty above and below the water on this Taha'a island lagoon tour with a drift snorkel through its vibrant reef. While it shares a gorgeous lagoon shaped like a figure eight with its sister island, Raiatea, laid-back Taha'a is definitely the underdeveloped sibling. You'll have a chance to savor this pristine character as you travel by covered motorboat for some 50 minutes along the island's sparsely populated western shoreline. Over one shoulder, lush green hills descend to the waterline, while over the other, the magnificent turquoise waters of the fringe reef seem lit from within. In time, you'll disembark on an uninhabited motu islet sitting just off the coast. A walk across to the far side of the motu brings you to where your drift snorkeling experience begins. With your guide in the lead, the gentle current will carry you and your fellow snorkelers through shallow lagoon waters, passing over a reef that abounds with colorful tropical fish and a rich garden of coral formations. Carried along by the drift, you'll eventually reach your repositioned boat where refreshments and some additional snorkeling time will be provided before the return cruise to Raiatea and the pier.

- Travel by motorboat through the curvy lagoon that connects Raiatea with its sister island, Taha'a.
- Take in the beautiful unspoiled scenery along the Taha'a shore as you cruise its azure lagoon.
- Step off at an islet along the barrier reef and gear up for a snorkel through its coral gardens.
- Marvel at the variety of underwater life and clarity of the turquoise water as you lazily drift along in the gentle current with your guide.
- Back on the boat, enjoy relaxed refreshments and a scenic return trip through the lagoon.
- Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up or shorts.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or aquasocks are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is recommended for experienced snorkelers who are in good physical condition. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests, pregnant women, or those with mobility concerns or back/neck issues. Travel in the boat can be bumpy and those prone to motion sickness should take appropriate precautions. Snorkelers must be comfortable wearing the mask and snorkel provided and able to swim in both shallow and deep water with ocean currents. Fins are not provided. Guests are cautioned not to touch or step on the coral reef for both safety and environmental reasons. Those participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility.

RFP-010 TAHAA CULTURAL EXPERIENCE

Duration: 6.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$179.00



Date: April 05, 2023 **08:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:00 AM**

Cruise by catamaran to Taha'a, discover how vanilla and black pearls are produced, enjoy an entertaining Tahitian buffet, and laze awhile on a gorgeous beach. It's a wonderfully scenic 25-minute cruise across brilliant turquoise lagoon waters to Raiatea's sister island of Taha'a. This delightfully underdeveloped island is best-known for its two most precious exports: fragrant vanilla and lustrous black pearls. Once on land, you'll start right out at a vanilla farm where you'll see the pods curing in the sun, stroll among rows of the vining orchids that produce them, and learn about their quirky pollination needs. A short drive away is Motu Pearl Village, where black pearls are grown in the warm, clear waters of the surrounding lagoon. After learning the fascinating story of how it all happens, you'll have time to shop for jewelry and other items adorned with these treasures. At midday, a traditional buffet lunch with live Polynesian entertainment is on the agenda, followed by a show featuring the wraparound pareo skirt synonymous with Tahitian dance. After all this excitement, a bit of relaxed time to sunbathe or swim along a tranquil beach will hit the spot perfectly.

- Cruise by motorized catamaran through the blue lagoon linking Raiatea with its sister island.
- Step off for a land-side Taha'a tour that includes visits to a farm where fragrant vanilla is produced and another where the crop is precious black pearls.
- Enjoy a traditional Polynesian buffet lunch with live band entertainment and a pareo sarong show.
- Hit a gorgeous island beach to sunbathe or slip into the water before the return cruise to Raiatea.
- Wear lightweight clothing, perhaps with a swimsuit underneath.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of easy walking and standing, with some natural surfaces involved. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina before participating.



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RFP-014 VANILLA FLAVOR & TAHAA MOTU PICNIC

Duration: 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$199.00



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Cruise to the island of Taha'a, explore an intoxicatingly fragrant vanilla plantation, and visit a tiny islet for a Polynesian picnic lunch and some beach time. It all begins with a cruise through brilliant blue lagoon waters shared by Raiatea and its sister island, Taha'a, source of 70% of the vanilla grown in French Polynesia. As soon as you disembark and begin walking, you'll likely catch a delicious scent in the air. Once at the vanilla farm, you'll see its source: oodles of vanilla beans curing in the sun. Stroll among rows of the vining orchids that produce these pods and learn about the tedious hand-pollination they require. Then browse the onsite boutique for vanilla-infused lotions, shampoos, sea salt and rum. Once you've had your fill of vanilla – assuming that's even possible – hop back on board and head for a gorgeous little motu islet along the reef line. Few places on Earth are this serene and ideal for beachcombing. Your picnic lunch will be served here, and for the remainder of your stay, you're free to do as you please. There's shade to laze under, sun to bathe in, and beautiful clear water for swimming or a bit of snorkeling.

- Enjoy a wonderfully scenic cruise through the blue lagoon linking Raiatea with its sister island.
- Step off on Taha'a to tour a plantation where more vanilla beans than you can possibly imagine are grown and cured.
- Learn about the unusual orchid plants that produce vanilla and shop for vanilla-infused everything made right there.
- Sail to a sandy little motu islet along the fringe reef for a Polynesian picnic lunch and beach break.
- Wear lightweight clothing, with a swimsuit underneath.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or reef shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour involves approximately 45 minutes of moderate walking and standing, plus any additional done at guests' discretion while on the motu. There will be natural terrain, uneven and sandy surfaces, and some steps to enter and exit the boat. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility difficulties. Guests who wish to snorkel should be in good physical condition, know how to swim and be comfortable wearing the provided mask and snorkel, being in deep water and coping with occasional currents. For your own safety and to help us preserve the environment, do not touch or step on the coral reef or touch any marine wildlife while snorkeling. As with all water tours, personal items may become wet, so special care should be taken with any electronics. There are no restroom facilities on the motu. Those who participate in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility.

RFP-017 RAIATEA EAST COAST HIGHLIGHTS

Duration: 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$139.00



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Settle in for an enlightening drive along Raiatea's eastern shore, stopping along the way at attractions of immense cultural and historical significance. The islanders have long cultivated pearls, and you will observe how they produce these lustrous natural gemstones at an aquatic farm within the warm waters of the surrounding lagoon. Ancient seafaring Polynesians passed through a break in the lagoon reef to reach Marae Taputapuātea, a sacred setting for political and ceremonial events. UNESCO deemed the setting worthy of a World Heritage site designation for being an exceptional testimony to a millennium of Polynesian history. It is one of the most important marae in the islands and was dedicated to Oro, the god of war, who was a significant figure in the area's ancient religion. Raiatea's climate is ideal for growing fruit, and you will sample a variety of exotic varieties for a glimpse into the local diet. The starch-heavy staple breadfruit or uru will likely be offered.

- Observe how pearls are cultivated in the turquoise lagoon that surrounds Raiatea.
- Visit a sacred World Heritage site where ancient Polynesians held religious ceremonies.
- Sample a variety of exotic fruits that flourish on the island.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. • Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour is primarily panoramic in nature with walking at the guest's discretion during stops. It is available to guests who utilize a collapsible wheelchair, can make their way on and off the coach and have a companion to assist them. Weather appropriate clothing; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.



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RFP-001 FAAROA RIVER & MOTU BY CANOE

Duration: 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$119.00



Date: April 05, 2023 09:00 AM, 01:00 PM

Travel by motorized outrigger canoe from Raiatea's lagoon up into the lush Fa'aroa River landscape, then enjoy a beach break on a coastal islet. You'll glide from the pier through the waters of Raiatea's deep blue surrounding waters, in time reaching the mouth of Polynesia's only navigable river. Heading upstream into the island's interior, pass riverbanks brimming with wild hibiscus, bamboo groves, chestnut trees, and brilliantly colorful ginger flowers. It's a magical place – as far as the eye can see, nothing but luxuriant tropical foliage, verdant mountains and waterfalls. Along the way, your guide will add to the atmosphere with fascinating stories of the famous ancient voyages that emanated from this river to all the islands of the Polynesian Triangle. Once back out in the coastal lagoon, your captain will pull in for a delightful stop at one of the motu islets along the barrier reef – where you can swim, relax and enjoy some refreshments before you leave the outrigger behind at the pier and return to your modern ship.

- Experience Raiatea's natural beauty traveling effortlessly at water-level in a motorized outrigger canoe.
- Glide along azure lagoon waters with the green coast on one side and the turquoise reef on the other.
- Turn inland at the mouth of the Fa'aroa River and cruise upstream into a world of tropical splendor.
- Admire wild hibiscus, gingers and bamboo groves and hear tales of the ancient Polynesians who sailed from here to faraway Hawaii and New Zealand.
- Stop in at a picturesque islet on the lagoon for a refreshing swim on the trip back to port.
- Wear swimsuit under a cover-up or shorts.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or aquasocks are recommended.
- Bring a hat, a towel from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility issues. Those participating in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility. Guests will exit the canoe at the beach using the canoe's side ladder and must walk a few yards in very shallow water to reach the beach.

RFP-015 OPOA & TAPUTAPUATEA

Duration: 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$149.00



Date: April 05, 2023 09:00 AM, 01:00 PM

Delve deeply into the ancient origins of the Polynesian culture at a sacred national monument in the village of Opoa. On the way, you will first pause at an aquatic farm to see how exquisite pearls are cultivated in the turquoise seas surrounding Raiatea. It makes a wonderful prelude to visiting Marae Taputapuata, a holy communal site on the coast where Polynesians held religious and social ceremonies long before missionaries arrived. As you peruse the stone-paved platforms and shrines, the guide will elaborate on the significance of this particular marae, which UNESCO declared an esteemed World Heritage site. In general, marae are places where ancient Polynesians believed that the living world intersected with the world of their ancestors and gods. Marae Taputapuata overlooks a sacred opening in the reef through which visitors by sea arrived. Following your enlightening visit to the marae, you will stop at a private home to observe how the owner grows vanilla plants.

- Observe how pearls are cultivated in the surrounding turquoise seas.
- Visit a sacred World Heritage site where ancient Polynesians held religious ceremonies.
- Stop by a local residence to see how the homeowner grows vanilla plants.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. • Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

This tour includes approximately 3 hours of walking. It is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina. When a venue is not open due to weekdays or Holiday a replacement may be used.

RFP-016 WAVERUNNER ADVENTURE

Duration: 2.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$379.00



Date: April 05, 2023 09:00 AM, 11:45 AM, 02:30 PM

Take the controls of a WaveRunner and zip through the gorgeous, crystal-clear lagoon off Raiatea for an exhilarating ride like no other. You won't have to waste much time getting to the beach because it's just a short walk of a few hundred yards from the port. Although you will more or less follow the guide, you will be free to cut through the sea at will. You can expect an adventurous, adrenaline-pumping ride from start to finish. In time, the guide will lead you into a shallow area in the protected lagoon that will be teeming with marine life. While there is no telling what you will observe while snorkeling, the most commonly spotted species include damselfish, mullet, Picasso triggerfish and graceful sea turtles. The visibility in the water is extraordinary, making it even easier to see the variety of sea life. You will then hop back on the WaveRunner for one, last thrilling ride back to the beach.

- Race through the lagoon surrounding Raiatea in a WaveRunner.
- Follow the guide into a shallow part of the lagoon where the water is crystal-clear.
- Observe the abundant, brightly colored marine life while snorkeling.
- Dress in weather-appropriate clothing. • Wear flat comfortable walking shoes.

Priced per vehicle - 2 seater jet skis. This tour is not available to guests who utilize a wheelchair. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina. Tour participants taking part in any water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility.



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RFP-012 CATAMARAN SAIL AWAY

Duration: 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$179.00



Date: April 05, 2023 **09:30 AM, 01:15 PM**

Board a sleek catamaran for a sail through the turquoise, enchanting waters of Raiatea lagoon, stopping at a coral reef for a swim or snorkel. Depart the pier and settle in wherever you please onboard this comfy cat that features trampolines for lounging under the sun and a covered salon if you prefer shade. The vessel's shallow draft also allows it to tuck into many areas off limits to other boats. That makes for spectacular up-close views of Raiatea's many seductive coves – ample justification for its name, which translates to “faraway heaven” in the indigenous language. The jungle-clad shoreline will feature plenty of coconut fronds swaying in the sea breezes and brave miki miki bushes whose extra-long roots help them colonize even the most saline locales. Depending on where your captain opts to sail based on weather and tides, you may also catch sight of Taha'a, a sister island that shares this same splendid lagoon. What you will definitely see, at another point during the voyage, is an underwater wonderland teeming with colorful tropical fish and corals – anchored along the fringe reef with an hour or so to swim or snorkel.

- Sail by catamaran through the lagoon that surrounds Raiatea with incomparable beauty.
- Nose in close to the most hidden little coves and lush, coconut-clad shorelines.
- Relax on board wherever you please, with sunny trampolines and a well-shaded salon available.
- Anchor for a time along the vibrant coral reef and slide into the turquoise water for some underwater sightseeing.
- Wear light, weather-appropriate clothing.
- Those planning to swim or sunbathe should wear a suit under cover-up and bring a towel from the ship.
- Flat, comfortable shoes or reef shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, insect repellent, a bottle of water from the ship, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes limited walking. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns since there are steps to navigate to enter and exit the boat. Those prone to seasickness should be forewarned that there will be motion by the boat. Those who participate in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility and must be comfortable swimming and able to cope with occasional currents. The water depth varies. Guests are cautioned not to touch or step on the coral reef or touch any underwater animals for safety and environmental reasons. A liability waiver may need to be signed by each participating guest. While wildlife sightings are likely, they are not guaranteed.



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What is Included?

Transportation:

Licensed and insured late-model coaches, mini-vans and/or automobiles, watercraft and other modes of transportation are utilized.

Meals and Refreshments:

Meals and/or refreshments are included only when indicated in the tour description.

Guides:

Licensed, English-speaking local guides accompany all tours.

Entrance Fees:

Tours include all required admission fees where applicable.

What Should I Wear?

When taking a shore excursion, comfortable walking shoes, loose comfortable clothing, sunglasses, a hat and sunscreen are suggested. You may consider bringing an umbrella, raincoat, sweater or jacket. And don't forget your camera!

Cancellations and Refunds:

- Tours operate rain or shine.
- Tours require minimum participation levels to operate so please sign up as early as possible. Tours may be cancelled if minimum participation levels are not met.
- In order to ensure quality guides and sufficient transportation, we must provide the tour operator with passenger counts at least 36 hours in advance.
- Unlimited Passport Collection and Your World Collection packages are fully refundable prior to embarkation of your cruise. Unlimited Passport Collection and Your World Collection packages that are cancelled after embarkation will incur a 100% cancellation fee.
- A la carte tours are fully refundable until 36 hours in advance of the tour. A la carte tours cancelled less than 36 hours in advance of the tour will incur a 100% cancellation fee.
- In the event of a port cancellation, guests who have purchased a Your World Collection or Unlimited Passport Collection will receive a pro-rata refund for that port based on the price paid. Guests who have purchased an a la carte excursion for a port that is cancelled will receive a full refund.
- No refunds or credits will be given for individual Your World Collection tours not taken, unless the tours are cancelled by Oceania Cruises.

Prices, Itineraries and General Information:

- All pre-reserved shore excursions will receive priority confirmation over those booked onboard.
- The discount of up to 25% off a la carte excursion prices that is offered with the Your World Collection is subject to a minimum number of excursions that must be purchased. This minimum is based on the number of port days on your cruise.
- Shore excursion prices are subject to change to meet unexpected cost increases or currency fluctuations. Once excursions have been purchased, pricing is guaranteed and not subject to change.
- The information contained in this document was current at the time of printing; however, changes may occur before your scheduled departure. Please consult the Destination Services Desk onboard for information and current pricing.
- During local or national holidays, access to certain facilities (such as museums or archaeological sites) maybe limited or denied. In such instances, adjustments in excursions itinerary will be made to minimize inconvenience to guests.
- Some tours have limited availability. Please reserve tours early to avoid disappointment.
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Please note:

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Tour departure times are subject to change so please reference your actual tour ticket for the correct departure time.

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