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Papeete, French Polynesia

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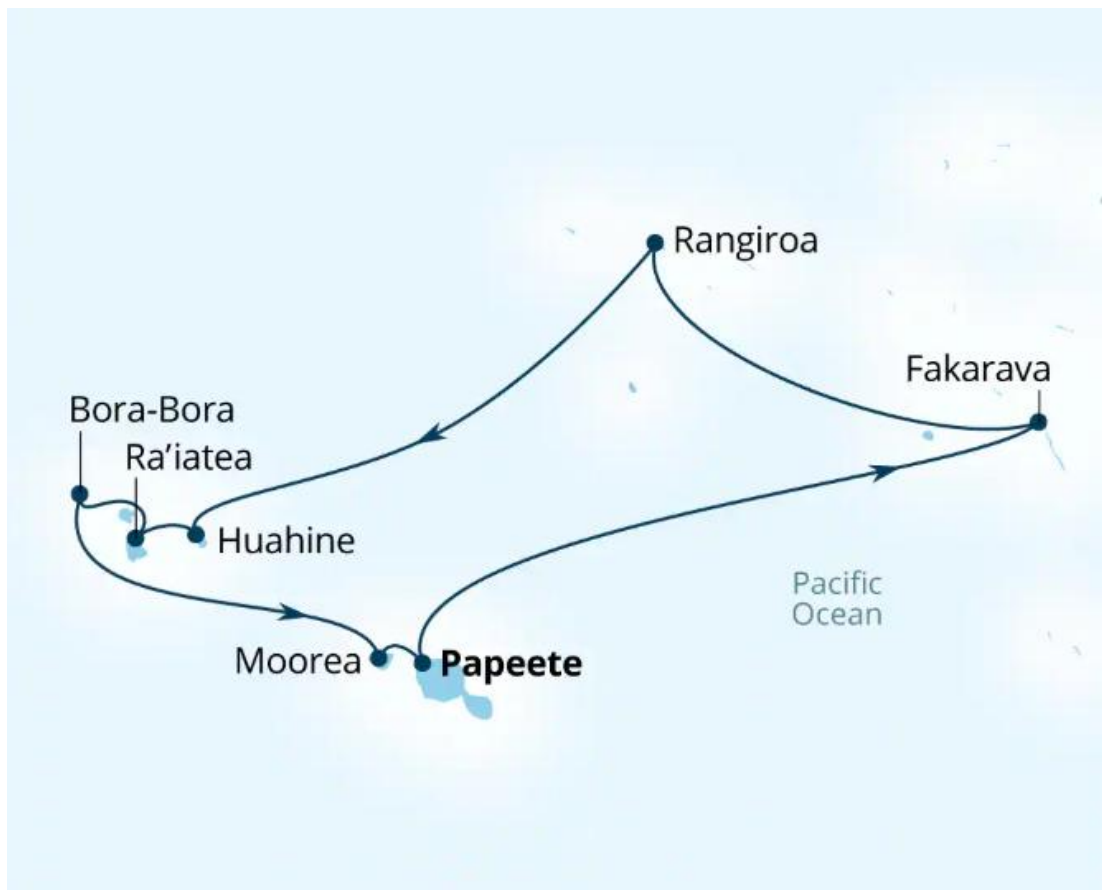
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- Papeete • Fakarava • Rangiroa • Huahine • Ra'iatea • Bora-Bora
- Moorea • Papeeta



**ITINERARY:****Day 0 &1 Papeete, French Polynesia****Departs 08:00 pm**

Papeete, on the island of Tahiti, is the capital of French Polynesia and is the largest island in this chain. With a population of over 136,000 inhabitants, French is the main language used in the city, followed by Tahitian. A bustling, lively city with colorful market, parks, shops and cafes, you can buy fresh fish, sarongs, vanilla beans or pearls among other delights. A waterfront promenade with music and food, and a multicultural population add to the city's allure. Papeete, meaning "water basket" was once the place where Tahitians came to collect fresh water. Polynesian culture, its art, and the history of the island that includes French nuclear weapons testing and the mutiny on the HMS Bounty, can be explored in various museums and cultural centers. With the capital situated on the coast, this means most of the island's inhabitants are also residing near the shore. The interior of Tahiti is mountainous and rugged with cascading waterfalls, caves and lush foliage.

Day 2 At Sea**Arrives 12:00 pm | Departs 11:59 am****Day 3 Fakarava, Tuamotu, French Polynesia****Arrives 08:00 am | Departs 06:00 pm****TENDER REQUIRED; WHEELCHAIR ACCESS AT CAPTAIN'S DISCRETION**

The 77 Tuamotus, (the name means "Distant Islands" in Polynesian) comprise the largest chain of coral atolls on earth. They sprawl across the vast blue South Pacific Ocean encompassing an area the size of Western Europe. Atolls are literally the skeletal remains of coral reefs, forming rings of crushed coral sand surrounding a shallow central lagoon. The natural flora and fauna of the Oceanic realm is adapted to this environment, and Fakarava's large lagoon is designated by UNESCO as a Biosphere Reserve. The people of Fakarava farm coconuts for copra on shore and pearls in the lagoons. They also host the travelers who flock here to bask on the beaches and snorkel or dive in the luxuriant coral gardens along the shore. At the long spit of Les Sables Roses, the pink blush of the sand reveals its coral origin. The sleepy towns of Rotoava and Tetamanu offer scant attractions for visitors, except for their distinctive rock lighthouses shaped like stepped pyramids. Tetamanu does boast a 19th Century church built of coral rock by missionaries, and an adjoining cemetery with coral rock headstones. Aside from snorkeling or beach-basking, some visitors enjoy a visit to a lagoon pearl farm, to see how the large, flat bivalves are coaxed into creating the treasured gems formed by the lustrous nacre inside their shells.

Day 4 Avatoru, Rangiroa, French Polynesia**Arrives 08:00 am | Departs 06:00 pm****TENDER REQUIRED; WHEELCHAIR ACCESS AT CAPTAIN'S DISCRETION**

One of the largest coral atolls on earth with a total circumference of 200 km, Rangiroa is a part of the island group called the Tuamotus. Its central lagoon is so large that it actually has its own horizon. Pearl cultivation is practiced here, yielding the prized black pearls, and surprisingly, it also supports a winemaking endeavor for the commercial market in Tahiti. The vines are planted on the small motus right alongside coconut palms.



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Day 5 Maroe Bay, Huahine Iti, French Polynesia**Arrives 08:00 am | Departs 06:00 pm****TENDER REQUIRED; WHEELCHAIR ACCESS AT CAPTAIN'S DISCRETION**

Huahine weaves its magic from the very moment you set foot on its shores. This picturesque island, with its lush forests, untamed landscapes, and charming villages, remains one of French Polynesia's best-kept secrets. It's a place where you can immerse yourself in the local way of life. Encircled by a pristine, crystal-clear lagoon, Huahine consists of two islands, each adorned with magnificent bays and pristine white-sand beaches that enhance the overall experience. Unfazed by the modern world, Huahine preserves the slower, more tranquil pace of old Polynesia. Its eight quaint villages are welcoming havens where the friendly residents greet visitors with genuine kindness. Huahine's magic is but one thread in the stunning fabric of the enchanting tapestry of French Polynesia.

Day 6 Raiatea, Society Islands, French Polynesia**Arrives 08:00 am | Departs 06:00 pm**

The second-largest of the Society Islands is practically twinned with its neighbor Taha'a. Actually they are connected by a reef in the same lagoon and may have been one island in the past. The main town, Uturoa is where most of the population lives. It's lively, although no competition for Tahiti. Called the Sacred Island, Raiatea's name means "bright sky," and it was probably the first human community in the islands. The ancient sacred site of Taputapuatea is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and may have been the place from which Polynesian migrations to Hawaii, the Cook Islands, New Zealand and the rest of the South Pacific started. Although less touristed than Tahiti, caring for visitors has grown in importance. Agriculture is mainly given over to coconuts, pineapples and vanilla. Vanilla orchids are hand-pollinated, since Raiatea has no insect pollinators for vanilla blossoms. South Seas pearls are farmed in the lagoon in various colors. A hike up Mt. Tapioi rewards with stunning views of the lagoon and sea, and tall Bora Bora on the far horizon. Another favorite hike leads to the island's three waterfalls. The tallest peak, Mt. Temehani, is the place to look for the unique, five-petaled Tiare Apetahi flowers that grow nowhere else. The lagoon is dotted with tiny motus, which are mostly coral sand beach, and are popular for castaway swimming and snorkeling adventures.

Day 7 & 8 Bora Bora, French Polynesia**Arrives 08:00 am | Departs 06:00 pm**

Bora Bora, has long been noted for its stunning beauty. A tiny island, less than 20 miles in circumference, Bora Bora is dominated by the castle-like Mount Otemanu and Mount Pahia, two volcanic peaks with lush tropical slopes. A protective coral reef encloses Bora Bora, and the lagoon is dotted with colorful motus, or islets. Perfect white-sand beaches give way to brilliant turquoise and sapphire-colored waters, and locals in the small village of Viatape sell colorful fabrics, sculptures carved from native wood and precious black pearls.

Day 9 Bahia d Opunoha, Moorea, French Polynesia**Arrives 08:00 am | Departs 05:00 pm****TENDER REQUIRED; WHEELCHAIR ACCESS AT CAPTAIN'S DISCRETION**

Tall, green Moorea packs every daydream of a South Pacific Bali Hai into its deep-cut azure bays, candy-blue lagoons and steep, lushly forested volcanic peaks. Live the dream.



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Day 9 & 10 Papeete, French Polynesia**Arrives 09:00 pm**

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