



Paul Gauguin
CRUISES

2027 - 2028

FRENCH POLYNESIA • COOK ISLANDS
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Connected Lands



Born and raised in Moorea, Hereiti Maihi is a familiar face to guests aboard the m/s *Paul Gauguin*. As a *Gauguine*, she accompanied travellers for many years in their discovery of Polynesian culture. Now as Cruise Director, she sets the tone for the 2027 & 2028 season.

“I was born on an island surrounded by vastness. From a very young age, I understood that the ocean does not separate us: it brings us together and carries the *mana* of our *Tupuna*, the legacy of our ancestors. This invisible thread connects us to our roots, illuminates our path and transforms each journey into a living bond that carries the heart away... and makes you want to return to Polynesia.

“Each archipelago has its own charm, its own landscapes, its own dialects and its own dances, yet Polynesians manage to come together around a shared culture, a shared respect for nature, a shared history and a shared pride [*like Hutia Reupena, featured on the cover, who is deeply involved in the cultural and religious life of her island, Bora Bora, and her district, Anau – editor's note*]. I find that very beautiful.

“What guests remember most about the Marquesas Islands are the sheer cliffs plunging into the ocean, as well as their raw authenticity, partly explained by their remoteness. In the Tuamotu Islands, there are white sand beaches as far as the eye can see. Stopovers in Tahiti and Bora Bora are, for many, a dream come true. But the island closest to my heart is Moorea. There are turquoise lagoons where you can swim among sharks and rays. And yet, in some places, you might think you were in Brittany: everything is green and cows graze in the meadows!

“The culture of these islands can be felt even on board the ship: the *Gauguins* and *Gauguines* share the spiritual force we call *mana*. This constant immersion greatly intensifies the experience. There is an exceptional sense of warmth on board. The moments we share are magical. We create real bonds, and the end of the voyage is often filled with emotion.”

Hereiti MAIHI

Cruise Director aboard the m/s *Paul Gauguin*

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Your destinations in 2027 & 2028

Emerald lagoons, tropical forests, ancestral heritage...
Your rendezvous with *Le Paul Gauguin* in the South Pacific
and Southeast Asia is an invitation to feel the thrill of adventure
and the satisfaction of unforgettable experiences.





Highlights



UNESCO sites



Diving



Private motu (islet)



Tiki



Arts and crafts



Meeting local communities

5 reasons to sail aboard the m/s *Paul Gauguin*

1 Polynesian experts

Her silhouette is recognised throughout the region. Designed to navigate the shallow waters of the South Pacific, the m/s *Paul Gauguin* has been helping guests explore every corner of it for more than 25 years.

With visits to isolated islands, explorations of precious lagoons, genuine encounters with the local communities, snorkelling and diving as close as possible to amazing seabeds: *Paul Gauguin* has put down permanent roots in an idyllic setting.

2 Unprecedented routes

The Society Islands, Tuamotu, Marquesas and Cook Islands, as well as Tonga and Fiji, Bali, Vanuatu and Papua New Guinea... Lasting from 7 to 20 nights, our trips offer both a first discovery and a real immersion in these enchanting islands and archipelagos. At each stopover, the excursions and activities on offer, both on land and at sea, are organised directly with local, family-run organisations. Itineraries to be completed with pre- and post-cruise programs to achieve the perfect balance between exploration, immersion and relaxation. For assistance, please contact our concierge team at concierge.aus@ponant.com.

3 A ship with the personal touch

The m/s *Paul Gauguin* has 165 staterooms and suites, each offering its own view of the incredible surroundings. To make sure you enjoy your trip with complete peace of mind, the ship has two crew members per three guests. The service provided by our Polynesian hosts, the *Gauguins* and *Gauguines*, is professional and friendly and an integral part of the ship's warm, intimate atmosphere.

4 An extensive package

Meals and snacks, a wide selection of drinks, room service, butler service for certain suites and staterooms, water sports equipment (masks and snorkels, stand-up paddleboards), entertainment and exclusive access to a private islet in French Polynesia are included in the price of your voyage. Be surprised each day by our gourmet international cuisine, inspired by local products and flavours.

5 A pioneering commitment

Exchange, cooperation, mutual aid: we are committed to developing more sustainable tourism. Our excursion programs are developed directly with local and family-run businesses, and we provide medical assistance to communities on the most isolated islands.

As a member of the PONANT EXPLORATIONS GROUP, PAUL GAUGUIN Cruises participates in the PONANT Blue Horizon and PONANT Science programs, which aim, among other things, to reduce its environmental footprint and contribute to scientific research.

An extensive package

Appreciate absolute immersion in moments of relaxation and discovery, thanks to all the services included and reserved for you on board.

- Full board from arrival to departure
- Catering at all hours of the day: tea and sweet treats, aperitifs, appetisers
- A selection of drinks in restaurants, bars and minibars
- 24-hour room service
- Butler service in some suites and staterooms
- Free and unlimited Wi-Fi service on board
- Parties, shows and other activities
- The support of the *Gauguines* and *Gauguins* Polynesian hosts for all itineraries in Polynesia
- Enriching lectures delivered by experts on Polynesia
- Access to the fitness centre and steam room
- From the marina access point, various non-motorised watersports activities, such as kayaking and paddleboarding
- Free use of masks and snorkels
- Access to *motu* Mahana for all itineraries in Polynesia
- Shuttle service to Huahine
- All port and security fees

Butler service is available for the following suites: Owner's Suites, Grand Suites, A Veranda Suites and B Veranda Staterooms. Please note that the Wi-Fi connection may be slow and possibly interrupted depending on the geographical area or in circumstances beyond our control. Access to the steam room must be booked in advance and can be limited or unavailable due to health restrictions. Scuba diving and excursions are charged extra.

Children and teens in the spotlight



In partnership with *Te mana o te moana*, a South Pacific marine education and conservation foundation, the Moana Explorer Program invites children and teens, ages 7 to 15, to discover and value the natural wonders of this breathtaking part of the world through hands-on, interactive learning. Every day of the voyage, there is a combination of excursions, science activities, crafts and other adventures. Depending on the itinerary, children might learn about underwater life, create natural jewellery, conduct water experiments, go on a treasure hunt, enjoy water games in the on-board pool, or design their own Polynesian tattoo. Best of all, there is no fee* for this special family program! It's all part of PAUL GAUGUIN Cruises' extraordinary all-inclusive value.



*Please note: the Moana Explorer Program is available on a selection of sailings, and must be reserved at the time of booking. *Certain itineraries may offer additional activities for a small fee. These will need to be requested onboard. The program is offered in English and French.*

COMMITMENTS



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PAUL GAUGUIN Cruises embodies a vision of travel grounded in long-term thinking, serenity and a desire to create meaning, guiding sustainable commitments built on trust and respect for people and territories.

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Wassim Daoud,
Director of CSR and Sustainability, PONANT EXPLORATIONS GROUP

Caring for today and tomorrow

With the m/s *Paul Gauguin*, PONANT EXPLORATIONS GROUP continues its commitment to offering a more responsible approach to tourism, based on supporting local communities, co-creating immersive journeys and preserving natural resources.

Nurturing relationships

Since 2022, a healthcare access program has supported isolated communities in French Polynesia, where medical provision remains limited. With the agreement of the local health authorities, the ship provides **additional support** without replacing existing structures. Its regular visits create a **lasting point of reference**. One doctor, one or two nurses, consultations ashore or on board, an onboard clinic (analyses, x-rays, electrocardiograms) and referral, where necessary, to appropriate facilities. This initiative goes beyond care, fostering a **relationship of trust** with local populations.

Science with purpose

Since 2024, the m/s *Paul Gauguin* has welcomed researchers on board. The regular sailings in Polynesia enable **long-term observations** and **results that are accessible** to the international scientific community. The selected projects include studies on seagrass beds and research into plastic pollution, the latter having already been recognised by a publication. As the second ship in the fleet to accommodate scientific sensors on board (*Le Commandant Charcot* being the first), the m/s *Paul Gauguin* becomes a **place of exchange** between researchers and guests, transforming the journey into an enlightened exploration experience.

A lasting local presence

Considered by Polynesians to be **the region's ship**, the m/s *Paul Gauguin* enjoys strong local attachment with a significant proportion of the crew being Polynesian. The ship's regular presence in the islands creates a valuable link between remote archipelagos, encourages balanced support among them and contributes to preserving cultural and environmental equilibrium. By working with more than **a hundred small local partners**, PAUL GAUGUIN Cruises offers guests a more authentic and responsible experience, while celebrating ancestral culture and know-how.

Life on board

The relaxed Polynesian atmosphere, friendliness and attentive service make every moment unique.



On board, the Polynesian hosts and ambassadors, the *Gauguines* and *Gauguins*, are with you every day. Songs, cultural exchanges, dance classes... Enjoy a truly immersive experience of this rich culture in their company.



Renovated in 2025, the redesigned pool deck areas are ideal for long moments of relaxation and contemplation where the turquoise waters blend into the surrounding panoramas.



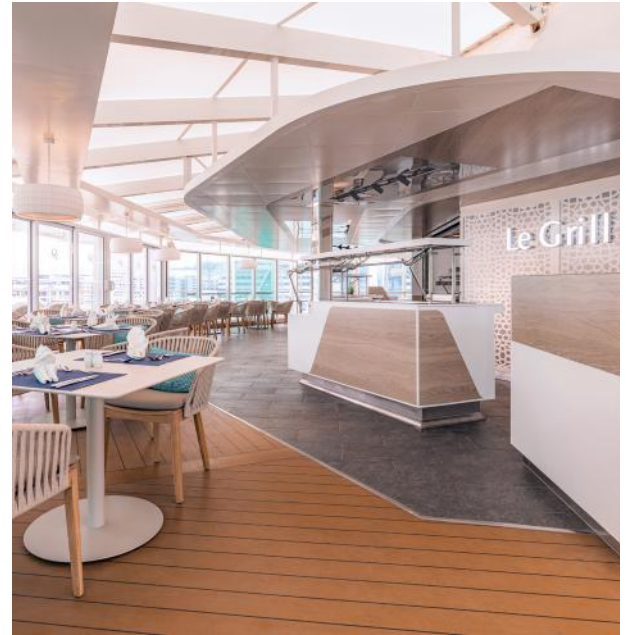
La Palette is the ideal place to enjoy quiet moments or sparkling evenings. People like to linger on its open terrace, for some live music or a spin around the dance floor.



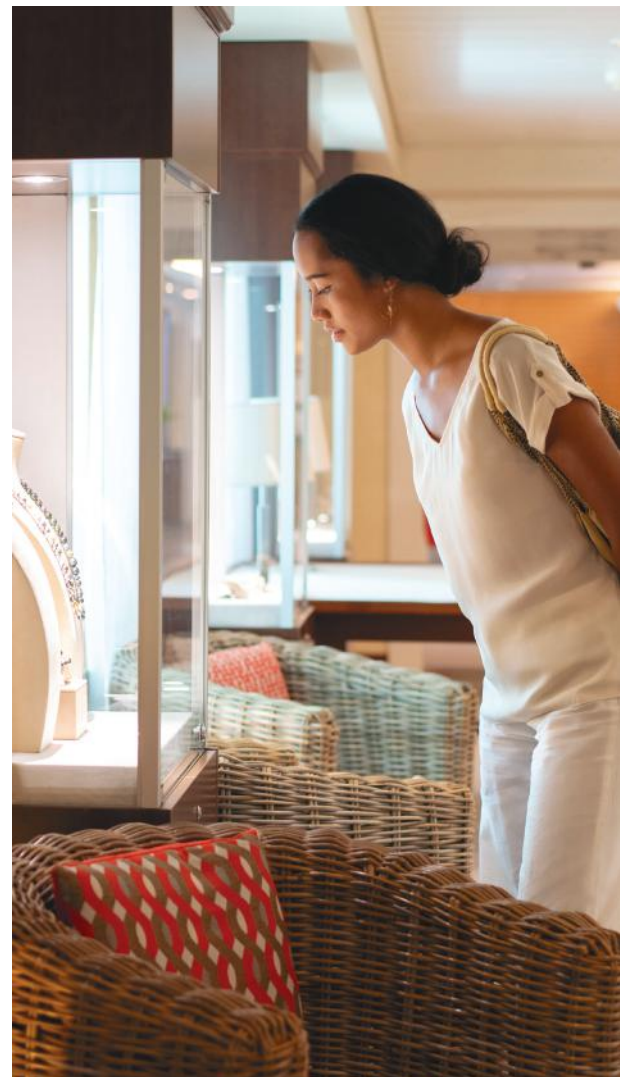
On-board lectures, **local dance troupes**, piano concerts and dance evenings are organised each day to provide entertainment on board that complements the pleasure of discoveries made ashore.



The Algotharm spa offers a wide choice of massage and treatments based on marine cosmetics. For its part, the fitness room offers the full range of machines and weight training equipment needed to stay in shape.



The pool deck's restaurant, **Le Grill**, now features a shady walkway.



The boutique presents a selection of items to treat yourself or others, including local handicrafts, clothing and jewellery crafted with Tahitian pearls.



PONANT Benefits

No Single Supplement

If you are travelling solo, take advantage of our **No Single Supplement** offer ⁽¹⁾ applied on selected departures and staterooms. Enjoy the comfort of a double stateroom at no extra cost! Simply scan the QR code below to see our departures:



Consecutive voyages

Keep the adventure going by combining several back to back voyages and enjoy exclusive savings on a selection of itineraries, with **up to 20% off** every departure ⁽²⁾!

Refer your friends and family

As a referrer, you will receive a **AU\$800 discount⁽³⁾ per stateroom** on your next voyage (as soon as your referral is booked). **Your referee also benefits from a AU\$800 reduction⁽³⁾ on their first voyage.** As the number of referrals is not limited, you can accumulate your discounts.

Join the PONANT Yacht Club

Save 5%* when you complete your second voyage and become a PONANT Yacht Club member! As a member, you'll unlock a world of exclusive benefits from **onboard credit** and **complimentary laundry service**, to **future booking discounts** and **exclusive experiences both on board and ashore**. For more information about the PONANT Yacht Club, please scan the QR code:



Offers indicated are subject to change without notice. (1) Double stateroom supplement for single use offered on a limited number of staterooms and according to stateroom category.

Offer valid on selected voyages only. Find all the relevant voyages on our website.

*(2) All sailings must be booked under the same booking reference and on the same ship, with the second sailing departing the day immediately following the first. Discount applicable on the port-to-port cruise fare only, excludes port taxes, not applicable to ocean voyages, and subject to availability at the time of booking. Cannot be combined with travel agent rates or any other promotional offers. (3) The referrer must have already sailed on a PONANT ship. The person being referred cannot have previously sailed on a PONANT ship. * Conditions apply. Visit au.ponant.com for all terms and conditions.*

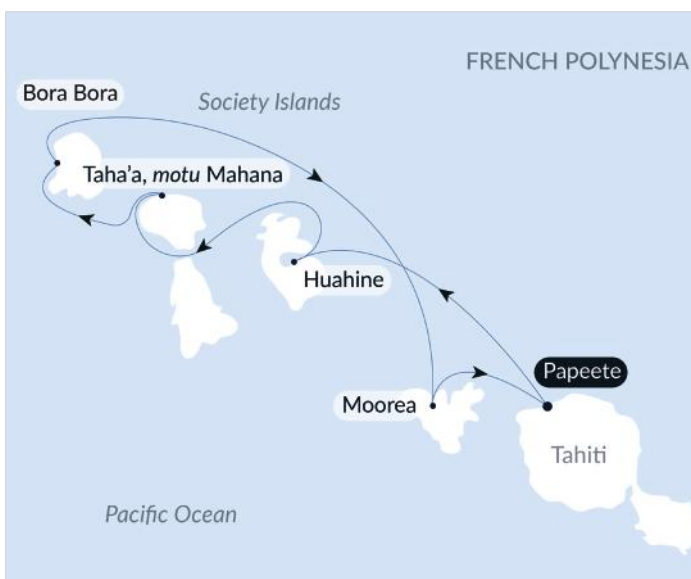
TAHITI & THE SOCIETY ISLANDS

This journey is a perfect introduction to the charms of the Society Islands, and an invitation to serenity.

Time stretches slowly, while scents enchant you.

The iconic turquoise hues of the water and the realm of colourful fish captivate your gaze.

Time to relax and marvel...



PAPEETE • PAPEETE

8 days/7 nights | From AU\$9,360 ⁽¹⁾

19th and 26th June, 14th and 21st August, 18th September,
16th and 30th October, 27th November and 11th December 2027

29th January, 26th February, 4th March, 8th April, 6th May,
24th June, 1st July, 19th August, 9th September, 28th October
and 2nd December 2028

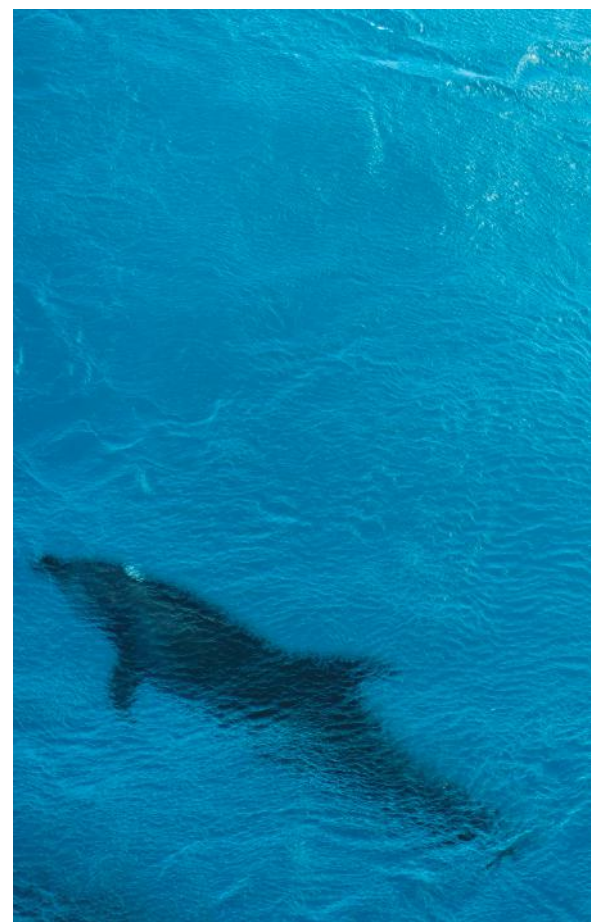
NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT ⁽²⁾

The signature experience

Two days in Moorea, Tahiti's 'sister' island, immersing yourself in ancestral traditions and lush landscapes: Mount Rōtui, Cook's Bay and Ōpūnohu Bay.

The essentials

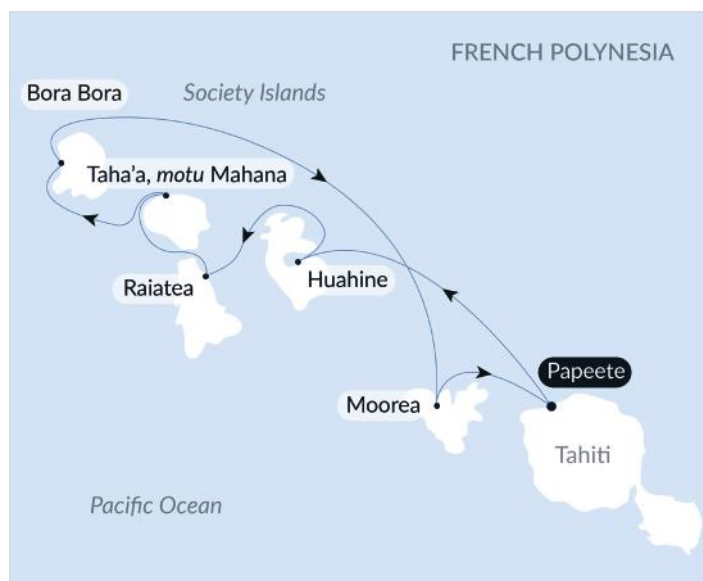
- Iconic Bora Bora and unspoilt Huahine: treasures of the Society Islands, combining Polynesian customs, volcanic landscapes and lagoons.
- An unforgettable day at *motu Mahana*, our private paradise. With your feet in the sand, a sumptuous barbecue awaits you.
- Diving opportunities (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).





PEARLS OF THE SOCIETY ISLANDS

This itinerary allows you to enjoy a full day in Raiatea (replacing one of the two days in Moorea on the *Tahiti & the Society Islands* itinerary). Nicknamed the 'Cradle of the Gods', it is home to the first Polynesian place of worship: the *marae* of Taputapuātea.



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8 days/7 nights | From AU\$6,710 ⁽¹⁾

22nd May, 17th July, 11th September, 23rd October
and 4th December 2027

5th February, 1st April, 27th May, 22nd July, 16th September,
4th November and 9th December 2028

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT ⁽²⁾

EXCURSIONS • TAHITI & THE SOCIETY ISLANDS



Bora Bora, Society Islands

Sharks & stingrays encounter

This nautical safari unveils a dazzling underwater world. You will travel by boat to the edge of the ancient crater of *motu* Toopa, then off the coast of *motu* Tapu to a coral garden, alive with colourful polyps and giant clams. During a guided snorkelling experience, you will swim among clownfish, butterflyfish, surgeonfish and parrotfish, as well as graceful stingrays gliding through the crystal-clear, shallow waters of this lagoon in the Leeward Islands.

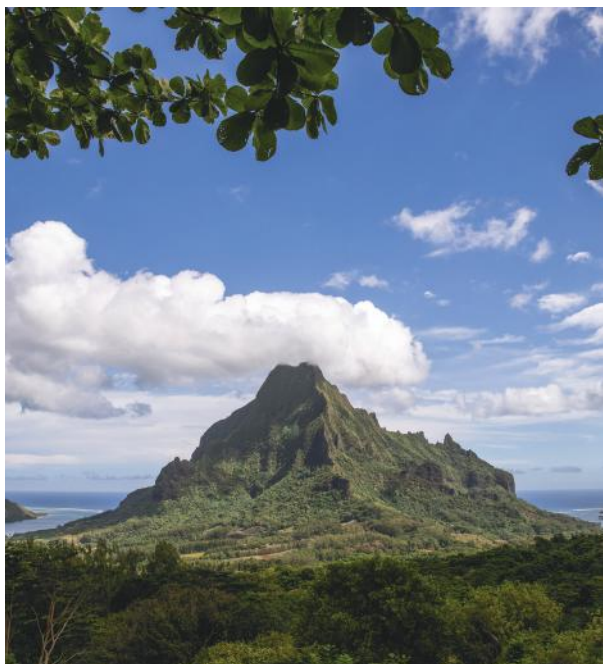
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Moorea, Society Islands

Whale watching with Manahau by boat

Each year, between late summer and mid-autumn, humpback whales journey more than 6,000 kilometres from Antarctica to the warm waters of the South Pacific to rest, breed and give birth. Whether from the boat or during a respectful snorkelling excursion, witnessing these majestic creatures — often alongside dolphins, turtles, leopard rays, stingrays and blacktip reef sharks — is an unforgettable experience.

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Moorea, Society Islands

Guided ATV tour

Undertaking the ascent of the steep hillside of Moorea in a four-wheel drive vehicle seems to make time stand still, with the jagged peaks as your focal point. You will marvel at the spectacular Cook and Ōpūnohu bays and Mount Rōtūi; cross rivers and pineapple plantations in the hollow of a valley; take a break in a *marae*, an ancient temple in the middle of the countryside where you can reflect on the centres of Polynesian spiritual life; and revitalise yourself in the middle of the most abundant of gardens.

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Huahine, Society Islands

Huahine safari expedition

You will set off to explore the heights of the ‘Secret Island’, first by four-wheel drive, passing through Faie and its sacred eels, symbols of prosperity. By outrigger canoe, you will then reach the island’s only pearl farm, devoted to two delicate crafts, namely pearl cultivation and blue-green enamel pottery inspired by the lagoon. The former residence of Tahitian royalty houses another treasure with the largest concentration of ancient temples, the *marae*, notably in Maeva, on the shores of the Fauna Nui salt lake, the last stop on your tour.

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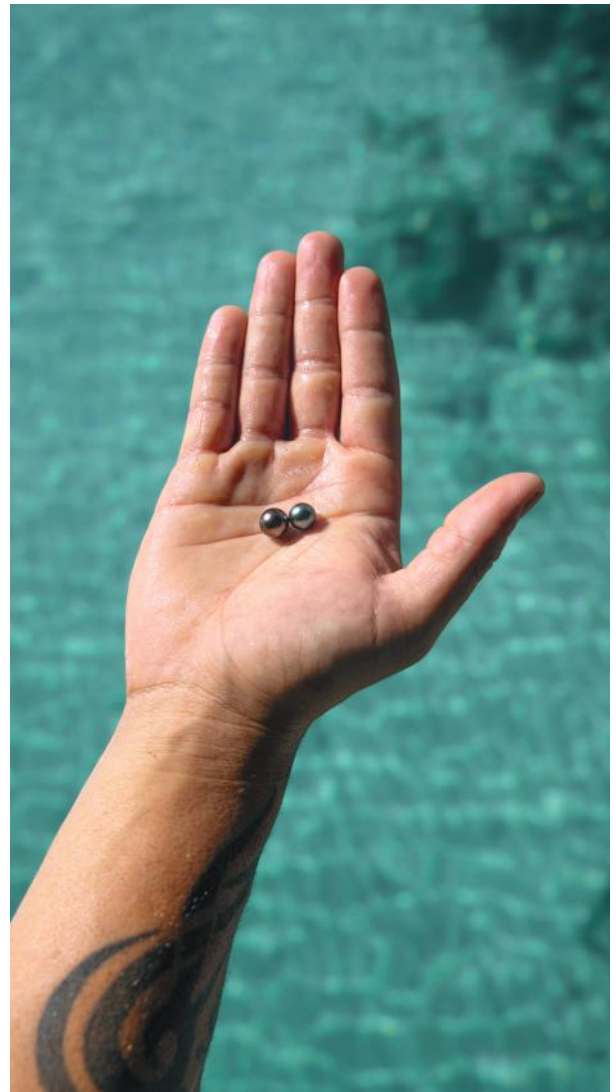


Huahine, Society Islands

Lagoon cruise and snorkelling

The Polynesian spirit whispers in the breeze and in the rhythm of the waves. You will sense it instinctively aboard a motorised outrigger canoe gliding towards an inlet framed by coral reefs. There, you will snorkel and admire a profusion of brilliantly coloured fish set against the luminous blue of the lagoon. Before returning, you will have the chance to savour coconuts, fresh fruits and nectars, which tell the story of the island's culture in their own way.

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Raiatea, Society Islands

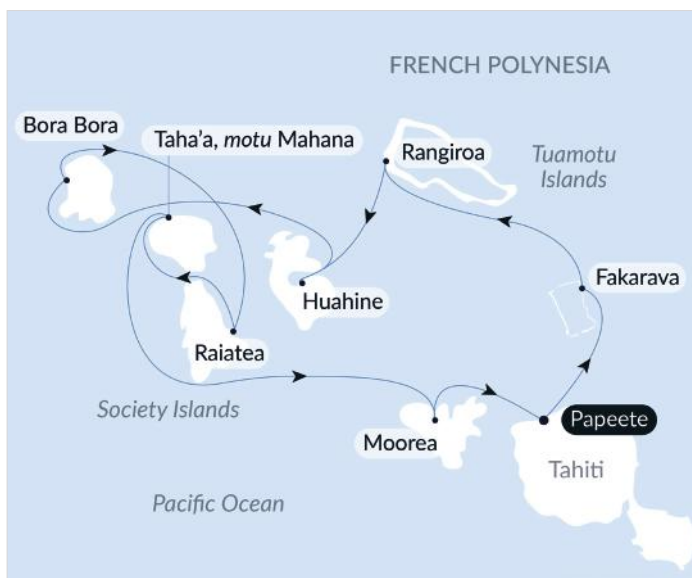
Anapa pearl farm and snorkelling

The most sacred of the Society Islands is awash with treasures. From aboard a skiff, you first discover its lagoon, home to manta rays and dolphins, all the way to Anapa Farm, at the foot of Mount Temahani Rahi. The masterful work of the craftspeople aids the metamorphosis of the spats into black pearls of infinite shades, from ‘peacock feather’ to ‘Morello cherry’. Before savouring a fresh fruit juice and the view over Bora Bora, a dive in the clear waters of the reef takes you to the coral garden, home to pearl oysters and tropical fish.

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SOCIETY ISLANDS & THE TUAMOTUS

The Tuamotu archipelago, the oldest islands in Polynesia, is home to manta rays, lemon sharks, sea turtles and multicoloured fish, as well as pristine coral reefs. Jacques Cousteau labelled it one of the most beautiful underwater sites on the planet.



*The order of stopovers varies depending on the departure date.
For departures of 11 day/10 night trips, there is no stopover in Raiatea.*





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12 days/11 nights | From AU\$13,300 ⁽¹⁾

29th May, 24th July and 25th September 2027

11th March, 15th April, 3rd June, 29th July and 7th October 2028

11 days/10 nights | From AU\$12,090 ⁽¹⁾

28th April, 9th June, 4th August, 6th October, 17th November
and 29th December 2027

19th January, 22nd March, 26th April, 14th June, 9th August,
18th October, 22nd November and 27th December 2028

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT ⁽²⁾

The signature experience

Two or three days (*depending on departure dates*) in the Tuamotu Archipelago exploring the UNESCO-listed Fakarava Biosphere Reserve, the world's second-largest lagoon, and Rangiroa, the 'infinite lagoon' and largest atoll in French Polynesia.

The essentials

- Bora Bora, the iconic; Raiatea, the legendary; Huahine, the unspoilt; and Moorea, the 'sister' island, reveal themselves among the treasures of the Society Islands, with their ancestral traditions, volcanic landscapes and lagoons.
- An unforgettable day at *motu* Mahana, our private paradise. With your feet in the sand, a sumptuous barbecue awaits you.
- Diving opportunities (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).



Fakarava, Tuamotu Islands

Fakarava pinnacle snorkel

With 16 km² of land and 1,100 km² of lagoon, Fakarava fulfils every promise. On this atoll, all life revolves around the lagoon and its luxuriant seabeds, designated a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. For experienced swimmers, the site is spectacular with grey, tiger and hammerhead sharks, barracudas, triggerfish and celestial groupers, manta rays, eagle rays and stingrays, trumpetfish and damselfish all serving up a magical ballet as far as the Pufana pinnacle, covered in magnificent corals.

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Fakarava, Tuamotu Islands

Half-day at Teahatea beach

To reach the white sand beach of Teahatea, you will cross the sublime lagoon of Fakarava and the Garuae pass, the largest in Polynesia. It feels like a lagoon within a lagoon, where the *motu* and its coral reefs create natural pools along the edge of the main ring, with shades that shimmer from lapis blue to jade green. A heavenly setting, perfect for relaxing beneath the coconut palms, swimming and snorkelling. Refreshments and pastries add a delightful touch to this serene interlude.

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Rangiroa, Tuamotu Islands

Snorkelling in the Rangiroa Aquarium

Within the lagoon, near the Tiputa Pass, *motu* Nuhi-Nuhi opens onto one of the world's most remarkable underwater exploration sites. A true natural aquarium, it is accessible to all divers. Its name comes from the extraordinary density and diversity of marine life found here. Accompanied by a guide, you will snorkel among butterflyfish, angelfish and parrotfish, Napoleon wrasse, blue trevally and sea turtles sheltering within coral-lined cavities adorned with multicoloured sponges.

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Rangiroa, Tuamotu Islands

Discovering the Green Lagoon

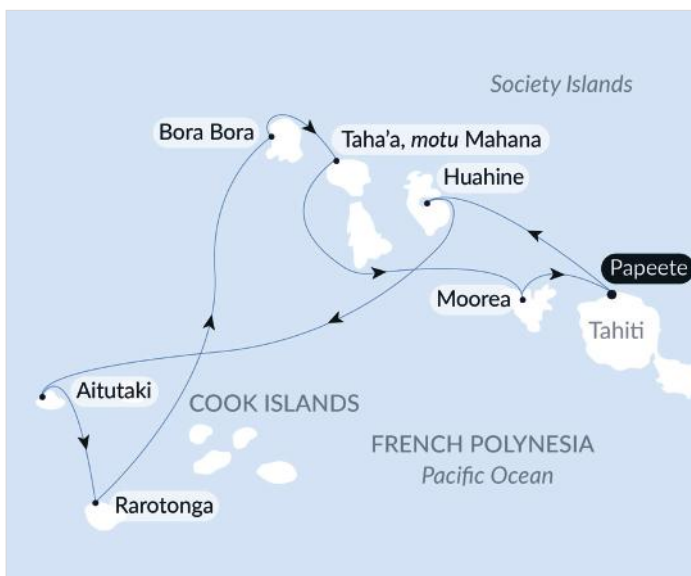
Digest the pristine beauty of the Green Lagoon, a secluded island paradise with emerald waters and white-sand shores. The breathtaking scenery provides an ideal setting for relaxing, swimming and bathing in a calm, sheltered location. A selection of refreshments awaits, including fresh coconuts and local fruit juices, as well as tropical fruits, coconut bread and grated coconut.

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COOK ISLANDS & SOCIETY ISLANDS

The unspoiled landscapes and peaceful way of life of the warm and secluded Cook Islands is simply charming. The reef-encircled Rarotonga offers spectacular scenery, while Aitutaki provides snorkelling enthusiasts with exceptionally rich marine life, including manta rays, emperor fish and lemon sharks.





PAPEETE • PAPEETE

12 days/11 nights | From AU\$12,480 ⁽¹⁾

2nd January, 6th November and 18th December 2027

8th January, 11th November and 16th December 2028

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT ⁽²⁾

The signature experience

Two days immersed in the Cook Islands:

- Aitutaki, one of the most beautiful islands in the South Pacific, renowned for its handcrafted colourful pareos and *tivaevae* patchwork quilts.
- Rarotonga, with its lush Takuvaine Valley and capital city, Avarua, offering the opportunity to discover the ancient sacred site of Arai-Te-Tonga.

The essentials

- Huahine, the unspoilt island, Bora Bora, the iconic island, and Moorea, the 'sister' island, reveal themselves among the treasures of the Society Islands, with their ancestral traditions, volcanic landscapes and lagoons.
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Aitutaki, Cook Islands

Circle island tour

On the volcanic lands of this semi-atoll, the villages of Vaipae-Tautu and Vaipeka embody an ancient, vibrant and joyful culture. The inhabitants, proclaimed descendants of the sea warrior Ru, are proud to share their traditions and way of life. After visiting the remains of a *marae* and plantations framed by lush vegetation, you will follow the coastline to the copra factory. Along the way, you may glimpse small white coral chapels, Aitutaki being the first island to adopt Christianity, in 1823.

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Aitutaki, Cook Islands

Lagoon cruise with beach break

The deep blue lagoon of Aitutaki, considered one of the most beautiful in the world, is enhanced by the presence of volcanic rock and the island's atoll-like geography. Head for the *motus*, the small islands that surround the area, to explore their wonders above and below the waterline, or simply enjoy time to relax. With an introduction to local flavours, a lunch of grilled fish and fresh fruit will round off your exploration.

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Rarotonga, Cook Islands

4x4 safari in Rarotonga

An invitation to really get off the beaten track, quite literally! Explore the natural beauty of Rarotonga in exhilarating fashion aboard an open-top off-road safari truck, taking in the valleys, villages and lagoons of the island's interior. Along the way, your guide will reveal the secrets of the exuberant landscapes and the endemic flora and fauna, as well as the customs and traditions of the inhabitants of the largest of the Cook Islands.

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Rarotonga, Cook Islands

Takitumu Conservation Area tour

Nature enthusiasts will enjoy a special experience in the heart of Rarotonga during a visit dedicated to the preservation of its natural heritage. On foot, you will explore a unique conservation area, a refuge for the endangered endemic *kakerori* bird. You will learn about the initiatives undertaken to protect it, as well as discover a tropical rainforest rich in medicinal plants used for generations. An authentic and meaningful immersion into the island.

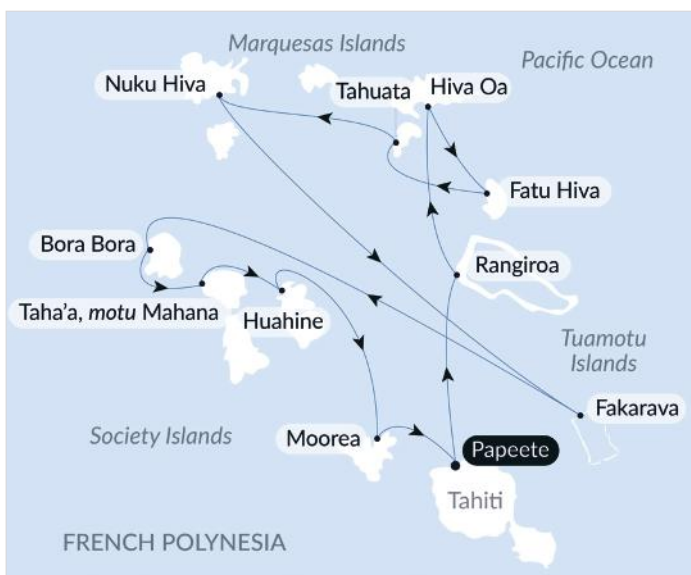
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MARQUESAS, THE TUAMOTUS & SOCIETY ISLANDS

The landscapes of the 'Land of Men' are captivating, with their sheer cliffs rising dramatically from the ocean and lush vegetation cloaking every contour.

Like their islands, the soul of the Marquesans is unique, shaped by ancestral traditions and renowned craftsmanship. As well as incomparable sculptors of wood, stone and bone, they also excel in the art of tattooing.



8th July and 26th August 2028 departures: the order of stopovers differs and the stopover in Tahuata is replaced by Ua Pou.





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15 days/14 nights | From AU\$16,230 ⁽¹⁾

8th May, 3rd July and 28th August 2027

12th February, 13th May, 8th July, 26th August
and 23rd September 2028

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT ⁽²⁾

The signature experience

Four days in the heart of the Marquesas Islands, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, discovering the majestic natural environment and local history and culture: the largest stone sculptures in the archipelago at Hiva Oa, the ancestral crafts of *tapa* and wood carving at Fatu Hiva and Tahuata, the *tikis* and 7,000 petroglyphs of Taiohae, at Nuku Hiva.

The essentials

- In the Tuamotu Islands, the Fakarava Biosphere Reserve, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the second-largest lagoon in the world, is home to exceptional flora and fauna.
- Huahine, the unspoilt island, Bora Bora, the iconic island, and Moorea, the 'sister' island, reveal themselves among the treasures of the Society Islands, with their ancestral traditions, volcanic landscapes and lagoons.
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EXCURSIONS • MARQUESAS, THE TUAMOTUS & SOCIETY ISLANDS



Taiohae, Nuku Hiva Island, Marquesas Islands Taipivai Valley excursion

Made famous by the writer and former mariner Herman Melville, who deserted his ship and hid there, the Taipivai Valley is one of the Marquesas' richest archaeological sites. Melville spent three weeks there observing the locals' way of life, an experience that inspired his first novel, *Typee* (1846). This adventure in local vehicles travels through farming villages and offers many contemplative pauses, so guests can note their own impressions and observations.

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Omoa, Fatu Hiva, Marquesas Islands Scenic drive to Hanavave

An idyllic setting where blues and greens blend together, where spectacular landscapes unfold along a panoramic road that winds between jagged ridges and verdant valleys, and villages untouched by time... By four-wheel drive, you will travel along the island's only road to Hanavave, one of the two villages on the wildest of the Marquesas Islands. After sampling its atmosphere during a stroll, your vehicle will continue along rugged tracks to the iconic Bay of the Virgins, famed for its striking rock formations.

\$\$\$ | 3 h 30

Hapatoni, Tahuata, Marquesas Islands

Hapatoni discovery

The discreet neighbour of Hiva Oa, Tahuata is as beautiful as it is spiritual. You will cross its volcanic topography in an all-terrain vehicle, accompanied by a professor of anthropology and archaeology, who will share their knowledge. Historical remains, breathtaking panoramas, sculpted cliffs, lush nature, traditional villages, a small museum and an ancient church are among the iconic places to be visited, from Hapatoni to Vaitahu, revealing their treasured heritage.

\$\$\$ | 3 h 30

Atuona, Hiva Oa, Marquesas Islands

Paul Gauguin Cultural Centre and Jacques Brel Cultural Space

Atuona is the cultural cradle of the archipelago and a source of inspiration. You will see this for yourself while wandering at your own pace in the Calvary Cemetery, overlooking the bay, where Paul Gauguin and Jacques Brel rest, two artists who fell under the spell of Hiva Oa. You will experience their influences again in two cultural places. The first is the painter's former home, immersing you in his fascinating and colourful world through canvases and quotes; the second space tells of the legendary singer's passion and his deep attachment to Polynesia.

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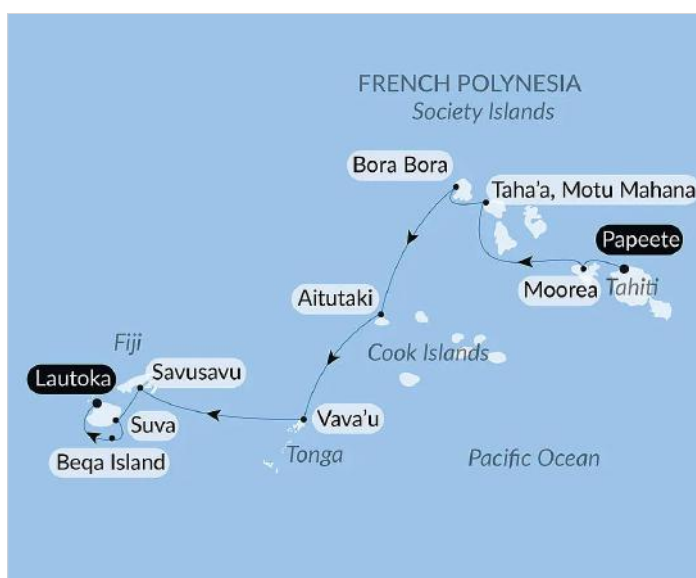


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FIJI, TONGA, COOK ISLANDS & SOCIETY ISLAND

Embark on a South Pacific voyage through the Society Islands, the Cook Islands, Tonga and Fiji, where turquoise lagoons, lush volcanic peaks, secluded atolls and pristine beaches reveal some of the region's most breathtaking hidden paradises.



PAPEETE • LAUTOKA

16 days/15 nights | From AU\$18,870 ⁽¹⁾

13th January and 15th April 2027*

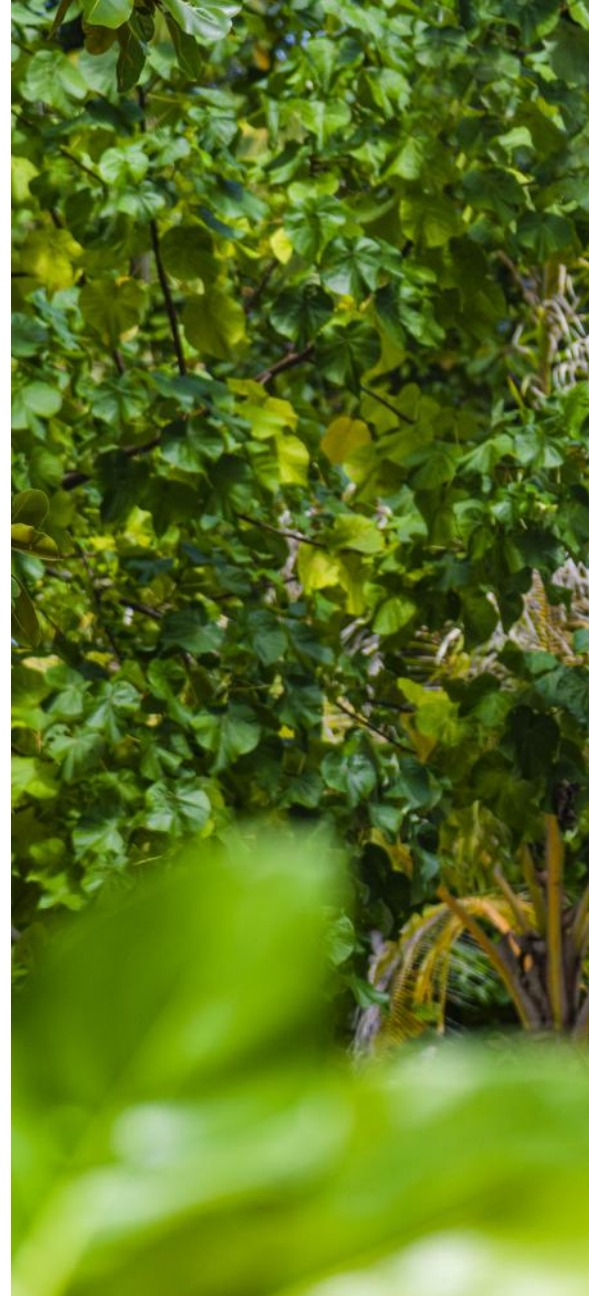
The signature experience

Experience South Pacific traditions through weaving pandanus in Tonga, kava ceremonies and fire-walking in Fiji, and pareo-making in Cook Islands, connecting deeply with local communities.

The essentials

- Explore vibrant coral reefs filled with sharks, dolphins, sea turtles, manta and eagle rays, ribbon eels and clownfish in a stunning underwater world.
- Set sail for the Kingdom of Tonga, an idyllic archipelago of around 30 picture-postcard islets.
- An unforgettable day at *motu* Mahana, our private paradise. With your feet in the sand, a sumptuous barbecue awaits you.
- Diving opportunities (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).

**14 days/13 nights itinerary in the reverse direction. The variation in the number of nights between these two itineraries is explained by the crossing of the International Date Line.*





FROM FIJI TO BALI

Journey across six countries, discovering unique natural and cultural treasures: myths and legends, emotional encounters, exotic traditions, sacred ceremonies, unique ecosystems and idyllic seabeds.



LAUTOKA • BENOA, BALI

21 days/20 nights | From AU\$17,940 ⁽¹⁾

28th January 2027

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT ⁽²⁾

The signature experience

A unique voyage to the heart of the most beautiful archipelagos in the South Pacific: Fiji, Vanuatu, the Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea, East Timor and Indonesia.

The essentials

- Experience the local culture with the “water music women” show on Espiritu Santo and discover Komodo National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Port Vila, the capital of Vanuatu, in the very heart of an enchanting, unspoilt nature.
- The Solomon Islands, an untouched destination in the South Pacific and a tropical Eden.
- Papua New Guinea, a fascinating land that is home to no fewer than 700 ethnic groups within a highly diverse ecosystem.
- Diving opportunities (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).

INDONESIA'S SACRED TEMPLES & NATURAL SANCTUARIES

Embrace Indonesia's vivid palette, from bright white beaches and deep blue coral seas to lush green tropical forests, and find moments of calm in sacred Buddhist and Hindu temples, revealing its rich Eastern spirituality.



SINGAPORE • DARWIN

14 days/13 nights | From AU\$14,680 ⁽¹⁾

16th March 2027

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT ⁽²⁾

The signature experience

A voyage discovering the natural and historic treasures of the Java and Timor seas, featuring monumental temples, idyllic beaches and lush nature.

The essentials

- UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Komodo National Park, home to the famous eponymous dragons & the Borobudur temple, one of the world's largest, from Semarang.
- Parai Beach, a wild, unspoilt and tropical Eden.
- Exploring the archaeological site of Trowulan, former capital city of Javanese Majapahit Kingdom, from Surabaya.
- Díli, the capital city of East Timor and a unique stopover, between lush tropical forest covering verdant hills, coral reef and unspoilt sand beaches.
- Diving opportunities (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).





AN ESCAPADE IN THE HEART OF MELANESIA

The archipelagos of Melanesia are as welcoming as they are idyllic, leaving you both speechless and contemplative as you fully immerse yourself in the here and now. An aquatic symphony resounds among magical waterfalls and crystal-clear coastlines.



DARWIN • LAUTOKA

18 days/17 nights | From AU\$16,330 ⁽¹⁾

29th March 2027

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT ⁽²⁾

The signature experience

Journey into the heart of the South Pacific's most beautiful archipelagos, where iconic landscapes unfold across Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, and Fiji, and encounters with local communities reveal their traditions, crafts, and customs.

The essentials

- A port of call in Port Vila, the capital of Vanuatu, in the very heart of a magical, unspoilt nature.
- The Solomon Islands, an untouched destination in the South Pacific and a real tropical Eden.
- From Espiritu Santo, don't miss the unique performance of the 'water music women'.
- Overnight in Honiara, to take your time enjoying its beautiful landscapes, among waterfalls and verdant hills.
- Diving opportunities (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).





The ship



Length: 156 metres

Width: 22 metres

Draft: 5.15 metres

Number of staterooms and suites: 165

Crew members: 209

Propulsion: diesel electric

Year of delivery: 1998; renovated in 2021, 2023 and 2025

Take a 360° tour
of the m/s
Paul Gauguin

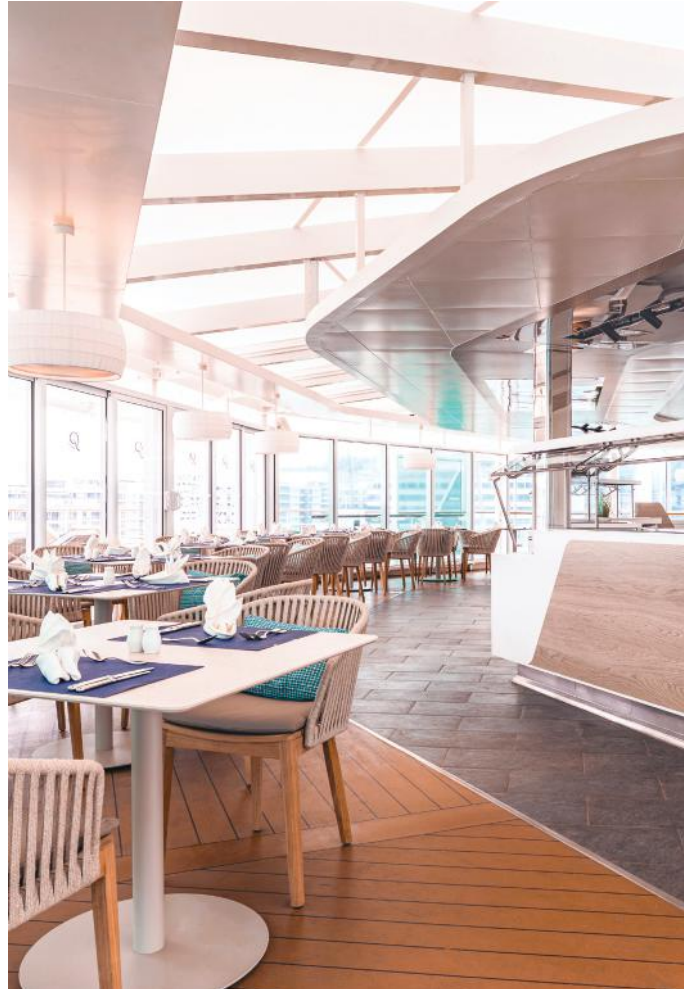




The m/s *Paul Gauguin*

Renovated in 2025, the 165 suites and staterooms of the m/s *Paul Gauguin* all benefit from exterior views.

The use of fine materials such as premium wood and *tiki* design elements pays homage to Polynesian culture and combines elegantly with bright colours. Guests return again and again for the ship's inimitable style and easy-going ambience.



Amenities

- Butler service for certain suites and staterooms
- Queen-size, king-size bed or two single beds; some staterooms also have a sofa bed
- Marble bathroom with bathtub (except 7 staterooms with shower only)
- Direct satellite telephone line
- Free unlimited Wi-Fi internet access*

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Decks

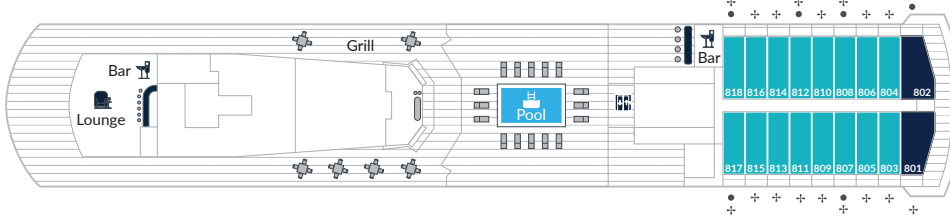
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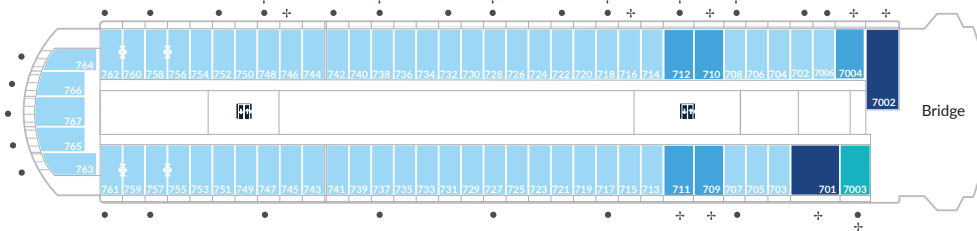
- Denotes stateroom with two twin beds that convert to a large double bed.
- + Denotes stateroom with triple occupancy.
- ♿ Staterooms 415 and 416 are wheelchair accessible.

Notes: the convertible daybeds in triple occupancy staterooms offer sleeping space measuring 75x200 cm (Porthole, Window and Balcony Staterooms) or 130x180 cm (other Veranda Staterooms and Suites).
Connecting staterooms on deck 7: 762-760, 758-756, 761-759, 757-755.

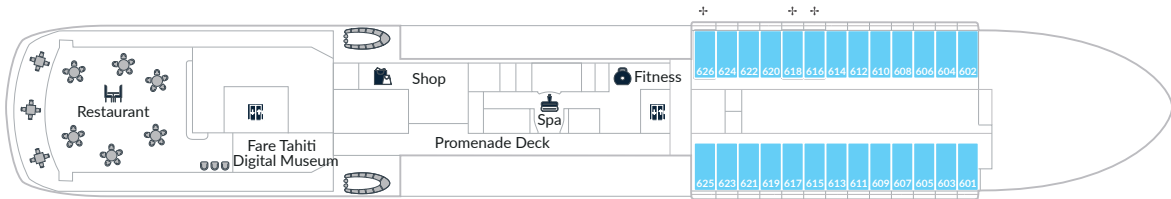
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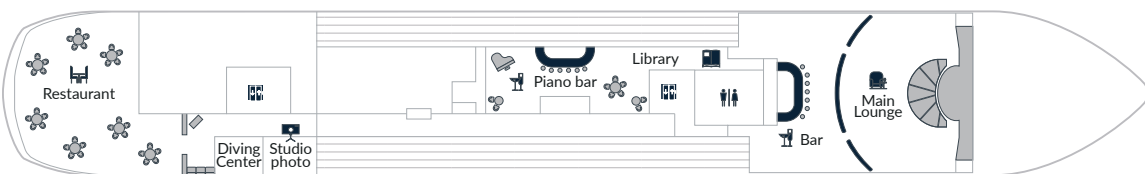
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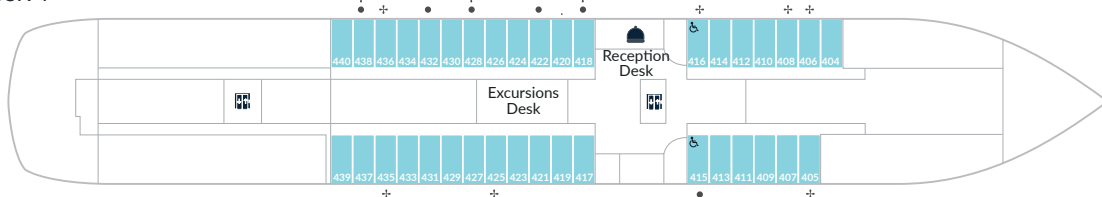
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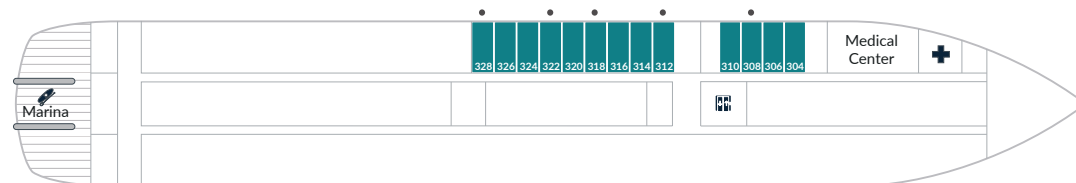
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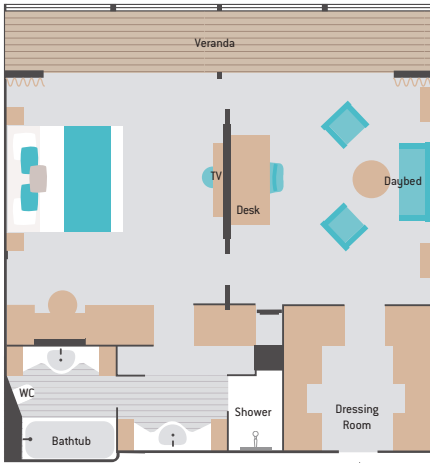


- Owner's Suite - Deck 7 (2)
 - Grand Suite - Deck 8 (2)
 - Veranda Suite - Deck 7 (5)
 - Veranda Stateroom - Deck 8 (16) Deck 7 (1)
 - Veranda Stateroom Deck 7 (1)
 - Upper Deck Balcony Stateroom Deck 7 (63)
 - Lower Deck Balcony Stateroom Deck 6 (26)
 - Window Stateroom Deck 4 (37)
 - Porthole Stateroom Deck 3 (13)
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Staterooms

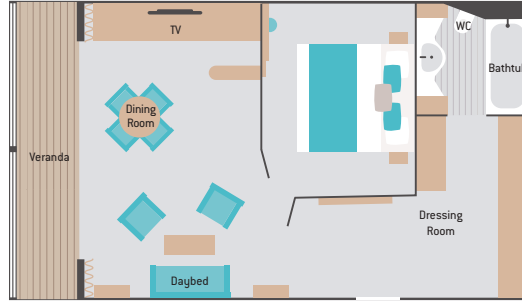
Owner's Suite 701

(42 sq.m/457 sq.ft + 18 sq.m/193 sq.ft veranda)
The bathroom boasts a separate shower and a dressing area.



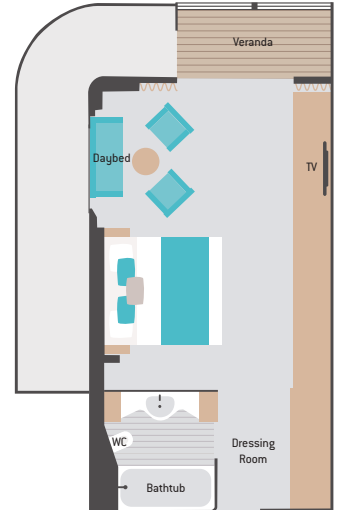
Owner's Suite 7002

(49 sq.m/531 sq.ft + 7 sq.m/75 sq.ft veranda)
The bathroom boasts a bathtub and a dressing area.



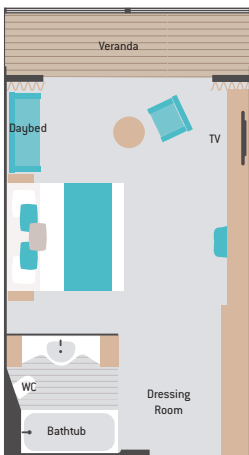
Grand Suite

(30 sq.m/332 sq.ft + 18 sq.m/197 sq.ft veranda)
Two suites available: the Paul Gauguin Suite (801) and the Flora Tristan Suite (802).



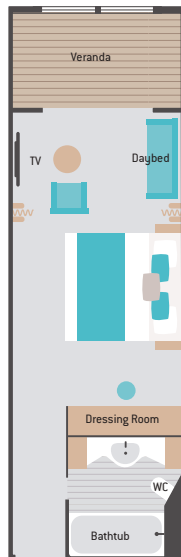
Veranda Suite

(28 sq.m/300 sq.ft
+ 5 sq.m/58 sq.ft veranda)



Veranda Stateroom

(23 sq.m/247 sq.ft + 5 sq.m/56 sq.ft veranda)
Stateroom 7003 has a shower cubicle.



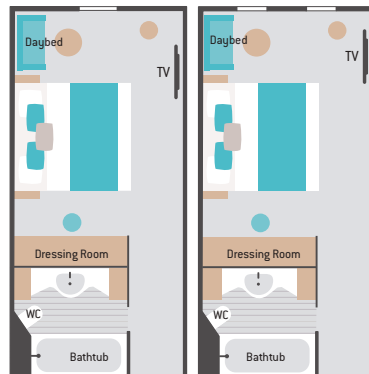
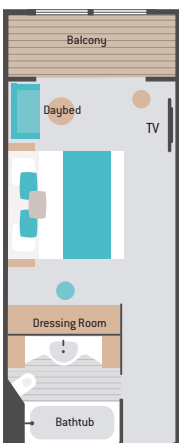
Upper Deck Balcony Stateroom

(20 sq.m/215 sq.ft + 3 sq.m/37 sq.ft balcony)
Staterooms 763, 764, 765, 766 and 767 vary in size and feature shower stall with no tub.



Lower Deck Balcony Stateroom

(20 sq.m/215 sq.ft
+ 3 sq.m/37 sq.ft balcony)



Window Stateroom

Porthole Stateroom

(19 sq.m/200 sq.ft)

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The information below is current but subject to change at any time without advance notice from government authorities. Please consult your respective government agencies for visa and health information.

Passport valid for at least 6 months beyond the completion of your trip. Passport must contain at least two completely clear, blank, unused visa pages for each visa required, not including any amendment pages. Visa pages with stains or ink from other pages in the passport are not usable. Guests who deviate from the scheduled embarkation or disembarkation port should research the foreign entry requirements for the port country. Due to government regulations, regrettably, PONANT will have to deny

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A copy of the visas and travel authorisations that you will apply for from the relevant authorities, or vaccination certificates for destinations where they are compulsory, must be sent to PONANT EXPLORATIONS no later than **45 days before departure**. We also ask you to print out these documents and keep them in your passport throughout your trip.

Important information

To guarantee your entry into one or several countries, you must ensure that you comply with the formalities and health requirements specific to each destination. **In just a few clicks on our online search engine, find all the formalities you must complete prior to your departure** (visas, entry authorisations for each country, vaccinations, etc.): <https://au.ponant.com/formalities>.

The international situation can change rapidly, so be sure to check this information regularly prior to your departure. However, please note that we always recommend our guests contact the relevant national immigration and customs and border control authorities directly to find out what rules apply to their specific situation. PONANT EXPLORATIONS is not responsible for any decisions made by guests based on the information provided by the online search engine.

Visas: before departure, you are advised to check that your visa's validity period matches the duration and dates of the stay requested, or you may encounter some unpleasant consequences if there is any non-compliance with the authorised duration of stay.

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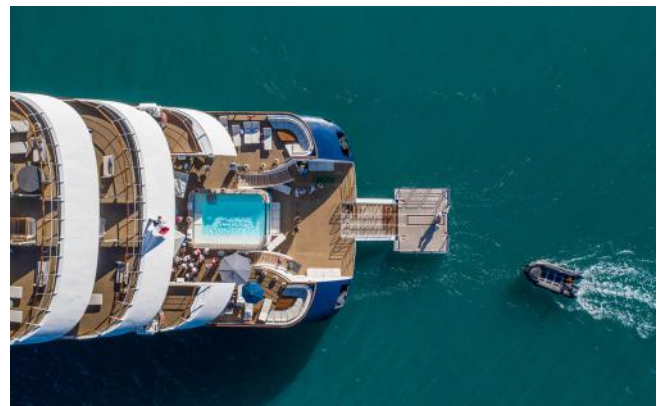
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