

Culture Discovery Cruise Itinerary

DAY 1 - DENARAU

Welcome aboard with a complimentary fruit punch and welcome salusalu (lei) as we set sail for our Fiji Island adventure. This afternoon we will cruise along the coast of Viti Levu past the 2nd largest Fiji port of Lautoka and Ba, an economic centre. Tonight enjoy our special Welcome Dinner and crew entertainment.

DAY 2 - KIOA ISLAND

Kioa Islands are freehold islands populated by South Sea Islanders. In 2005 Fiji granted them full citizenship. Be met by these colourful people in their traditional way and see their vibrant cultural presentation. Snorkel their pristine reefs and dive among the coral gardens.

DAY 3 - RABI ISLAND

Rabi Island is the home of the Banabas people from Ocean Island in the Pacific. Meet the people and enjoy an introduction to the different culture and lifestyles of the Ellice and Banabas Islanders. Enjoy beach activities and perfect your Snorkelling at Albert Cove.

DAY 4 - KIA ISLAND AND GREAT SEA REEF 180TH MERIDIAN

Crossing the North-eastern top of Vanua Levu we cruise west to idyllic Druadrua Island and visit the local school. We then snorkel and dive the world's third longest barrier reef. The Great Sea Reef's prolific marine life include extensive varieties of corals and fish. Take to the glass bottom boat, snorkel or join the Dive Master for an unforgettable experience. Tonight discover the traditional Fijian culture, with a village sevusevu ceremony, meke and lovo feast at Kia Island.

DAY 5 - MALAU / LABASA, VANUA LEVU

Labasa is the largest town on Vanua Levu and lies on a delta formed by three rivers; the Wailevu, the Labasa and the Qawa. Sugar cane is the main industry in this agricultural town. Travel by local bus past the hard wood depot, sugar cane mill. Visit the Hindi Snake temple and see the growing rock up close. Experience the thriving market of spices, fish, poultry, goat and local products. Retreat to the local hotel and enjoy morning tea while being entertained by a Bollywood style dance troop (Indian).

DAY 6 - GALOA ISLAND, YAGAGA ISLAND

Before rounding the western coast of Vanua Levu we spend a day

enjoying the beach and marine beauty of Galoa and Nanuku Islands and the surrounding cays and reefs. Today is yours to do as much or as little as you like. Swim, snorkel, beachcomb or laze on the beach. Take a glass bottom boat tour or enjoy a cocktail by the pool. There will also be the opportunity to experience a local church service and the wonderful harmonies of a Fijian choir.

DAY 7 - NANUNU ISLAND

As we complete our circumnavigation, we bid farewell to Vanua Levu and make the journey across Bligh Water. This body of water is named after Captain Bligh of Mutiny in the Bounty fame. Our final destination is Nananu-i-ra off the north coast of Viti Levu for our customary swim, snorkel and beach activities. A hike to the lookout offers amazing views of the Bligh Water. This evening wear your sulu (sarong) and join all the celebrations of our Pacific Island Night Finale. Pre-dinner cocktails and appetisers are served in the lounge before our gala farewell dinner featuring the music and dance of the South Pacific.

DAY 8 - NADI

Enjoy breakfast before we return to Port Denarau Marina with farewell Isa Lei, disembarking 9.00am

Please note: for reasons of navigational safety, the captain and crew of the boat may decide to modify the cruise itinerary, which is beyond Orbital Travel's control.

