

Tahiti: Society Islands

10-night: Tahiti to Raiatea





Tahiti to Moorea

12 miles – 2 hours. Sail on a following breeze to Vaiare bay on Moorea..

Day 1

Fly into Papeete International airport on Tahiti and take a ten-minute taxi ride to the marina at Taiana on Tahiti.

Arrive at the marina for boarding at 12:00hrs.

Board the yacht and enjoy lunch on board followed by your first sail across to Moorea island. Moor overnight in Vaiare Bay off the largest white sand beach on Moorea.



Dinner: Enjoy your first taste of the tropics prepared by your ship's cook.





Moorea to Raiatea

100 miles – 12 hours. Open ocean passage on a beam reach.



Day 2

MOOREA: Motor around the headland to Opunohu Bay for a half-day, optional guided excursion to see Belvedere lookout, the pineapple road and an early Polynesian historical site. In the afternoon, hang-out at the Tiki bar ashore, snorkel with the sand rays or do some paddle boarding. After dinner follow the Polynesian stars on an overnight passage to Raiatea.



Dinner: Enjoy a fantastic French Polynesian meal served aboard.



Raiatea

7 miles – 1 hour. Motoring within the lagoon.

Day 3

RAIATEA: Arrive at dawn and enter the lagoon of Raiatea through the southeast barrier reef passage. Anchor in the shallow sand and enjoy a hardy breakfast before taking a guided snorkel tour in the inflatable with your skipper. There are also paddleboards and kayaks to explore the turquoise waters. After lunch, motor through the lagoon to an anchorage at the mouth of the Faaroa river, to explore this winding stream and the exotic flora and wildlife by dinghy. The evening anchorage is off a motu barrier reef island, thickly covered with coconut trees.



Dinner: Enjoy a tropical meal aboard.





Raiatea to Tahaa

17 miles – 2 hours. Motoring within the lagoon.



Day 4

RAIATEA and TAHAA: In the morning venture to Uturoa village, the main town of Raiatea. Explore and shop or hike up the Tapioi mountain for a great view. After lunch, navigate inside the Raiatea and Tahaa lagoon to Motu Tautau, a sandy island paradise on the western side of Tahaa. A shore expedition to a sandy motu island is highlighted by a drift snorkel on the incoming tide, carrying snorkellers over a kaleidoscope of colorful living corals and anemones loaded with clownfish. This amazing ride ends in the shallow sandy waters of the motu where divers find themselves surrounded by dozens of curious, yellow butterfly fish. Spend the rest of the day, swimming, kayaking, paddle boarding, beachcombing or just relaxing.



Dinner: Another tasty Tahitian meal served aboard..



Tahaa to Bora Bora

28 miles – 4.5 hours. Motor out Tahaa lagoon then sail on a nice broad reach.

Day 5

BORA BORA: Sail on open Pacific ocean and watch as Bora Bora's magnificent piton rises out of the horizon. Arrive for an amazing tropical lunch at anchor, inside the barrier reef at the small motu island of Tapu. After lunch, one of the many highlights of the trip is to swim in the azure waters with black tip reef sharks and sand rays, both of which are used to human visitors and are harmless. The rays love to interact and come right up to be held and hand fed with small pieces of fish. A stop can be made to explore Bora Bora's main town Vaitape. Later in the day cruise by some of the lavish over the water bungalows.



Dinner: Dine aboard with spectacular views of the sea, rain forest and Bora Bora's two volcanic peaks.





Bora Bora

8 miles – 1.2 hours. Motor inside the lagoon.



Day 6

BORA BORA: Start early on a pre-breakfast snorkel with the graceful manta rays who feed before sunrise. After breakfast snorkel through a coral garden and feed bread to a profusion of colourful fish. Later sail to a private motu island for an optional Tahitian BBQ lunch excursion on shore. Spend the afternoon sunbathing, beachcombing, paddle boarding and gazing at the captivating Bora Bora topography. .

Dinner: This is a great opportunity to eat ashore at world-renowned Bloody Mary's restaurant, which features the largest display of fresh local fish and imported steaks in the world! It is a divine experience and casual attire along with flip flops can be worn -as the floor is sand!





Bora Bora to Raiatea

30 miles - 4 hours. Motor out of the lagoon and sail on a close reach back to Raiatea.

Raiatea to Tahaa

7 miles - 1 hour. Motor inside the lagoon to Tahaa.

Day 7

RAIATEA: Raise the sails inside the Bora Bora lagoon and watch as the hulls slice their way through the water towards Raiatea. Enjoy another exotic lunch upon arrival, then take the optional excursion to a pearl farm and see how the local pearl farmers produce these exquisite gems. The evening anchorage is just off Uturoa and cocktail hour is spent watching another spectacular South Pacific sunset.



Dinner: Enjoy a tropical seafood or meat dinner cooked aboard or find a fun restaurant ashore.

Day 8

RAIATEA and TAHAA: After breakfast the yacht docks at Uturoa port of Raiatea, to allow time for shopping in the small village and hiking up Tapioi Mountain for a great view. An optional guided excursion of Raiatea allows a visit to a rain forest vanilla plantation, the archeological site of Taputapuata and waterfalls. The evening anchorage is motu island of Ceran on the eastern side of Tahaa. There is time for a swim, kayak or paddle board ride to shore to explore this coconut plantation island.



Dinner: Another delicious dish of the tropics served by the skipper and crew.





Tahaa to Huahine

34 miles – 5 hours. Beautiful broad reach to Huahine.



Day 9

Huahine: After a heavenly breakfast, exit Tahaa's eastern reef passage and head to the more remote island of Huahine. Upon arrival enjoy a nice lunch in Bourayne Bay and spend the afternoon at Ana Iiti beach kayaking, snorkeling or just soaking up the sun. In the afternoon, take a short sail down the lagoon and anchor for the night just off a thatched roof hotel, where you can enjoy an optional excursion to a Polynesian Luau meal and 'Ori Tahiti' dancing.



Dinner: As part of the excursion package, enjoy a wonderful Polynesian meal at the hotel.



Huahine to Raiatea

35 miles – 5 hours. Return sail to Raiatea on a close reach.

Day 10

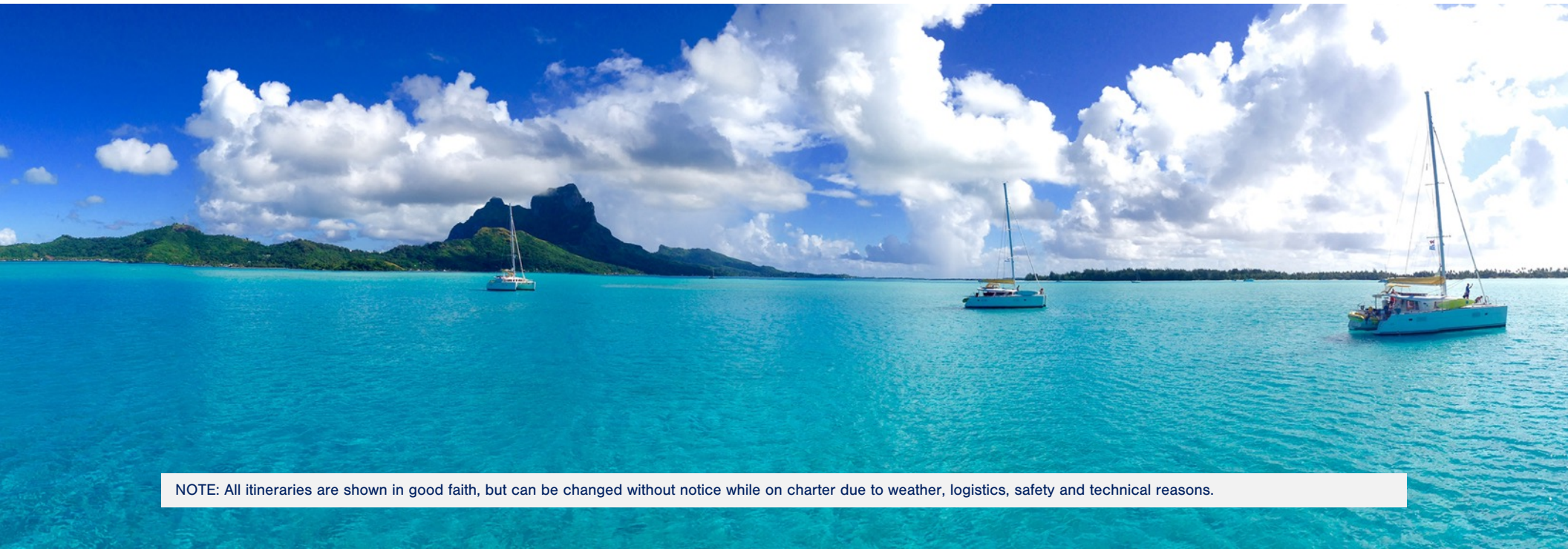
RAIATEA: After breakfast enjoy the short navigation to Fare Village, to explore this quaint harbour town. An optional excursion is a guided tour of Huahine archeological sites, tidal fish traps, vanilla plantations and the sacred eels. After lunch enjoy a 4 hour sail back to Raiatea for a sunset arrival at a sacred motu islet.



Dinner: Enjoy a last delicious Polynesian meal aboard with your new friends and crew.

Day 11

DISSEMBARK: Raiatea at 08:00hrs



NOTE: All itineraries are shown in good faith, but can be changed without notice while on charter due to weather, logistics, safety and technical reasons.