

Tahiti: Society Islands

10-night: Raiatea to Tahiti





Raiatea to Tahaa

11 miles – 2 hours. Motor then sail on a reach inside the lagoon.

Day 1

Fly into Raiatea airport and take a ten-minute taxi ride to the marina at Uturoa on Raiatea.

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

Board the yacht and enjoy lunch on board followed by a short passage inside the lagoon of Raiatea and Tahaa to a wonderful anchorage near Tautau island. A shore expedition to a sandy motu island on the barrier reef is highlighted by a drift snorkel on the incoming tide over a kaleidoscope of colorful living corals and anemones loaded with clownfish. This amazing ride ends in the shallow sandy waters of the motu surrounded by dozens of curious, yellow butterflyfish.



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





Tahaa to Bora Bora

22 miles - 4 hours. Motor out of the lagoon then sail on a nice broad reach.



Day 2

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 3

BORA BORA: Start early with 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 4

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.

Day 5

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 Taputapuatea and waterfalls. The evening anchorage is motu Ceran off Tahaa, a deserted island along the barrier reef. There is time for a swim, kayak or paddle board ride to shore to explore this coconut plantation island.



Dinner: Enjoy another tasty tropical themed meal aboard.



Tahaa to Huahine

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

Day 6

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 Iti 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

34 miles - 5 hours. Return sail to Raiatea on a close reach.

Raiatea to Moorea

135 miles – 16 hours. A 4-hour morning reach to Raiatea then an 12 hour overnight open ocean passage to Moorea.



Day 7

HUAHINE: After breakfast enjoy a short navigation to Fare Village to explore this quaint harbour town. An optional excursion on a guided morning 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 another delicious meal aboard prepared by the crew.

Day 8

RAIATEA and MOOREA: Following breakfast, motor within the lagoon to an anchorage at the mouth of the Faaroa river for an optional excursion on a dinghy expedition up the river to explore this winding stream and the exotic flora and wildlife. After dinner and another stunning red sunset, depart on an extraordinary starry overnight passage to Moorea.



Dinner: Enjoy another tasty tropical themed meal aboard prepared by your skipper and crew.



Moorea

2 miles – 1/2 hour. Motoring within the lagoon.

Day 9

MOOREA: Watch a peaceful sunrise arriving in the Moorea lagoon and moor at beautiful Papetoai Village. After a hearty breakfast spend the morning on sea kayaks, beachcombing or lounging at the tiki bar on the beach. After lunch the yacht ventures into Opunohu Bay for an optional excursion and afternoon hike up the Opunohu Valley.



Dinner: Enjoy another delectable meal aboard served up by your crew and hosts.





Moorea to Tahiti

25 miles – 4 hours. Motoring in the lagoon then a tack to Tahiti across to Taina marina.

Day 10

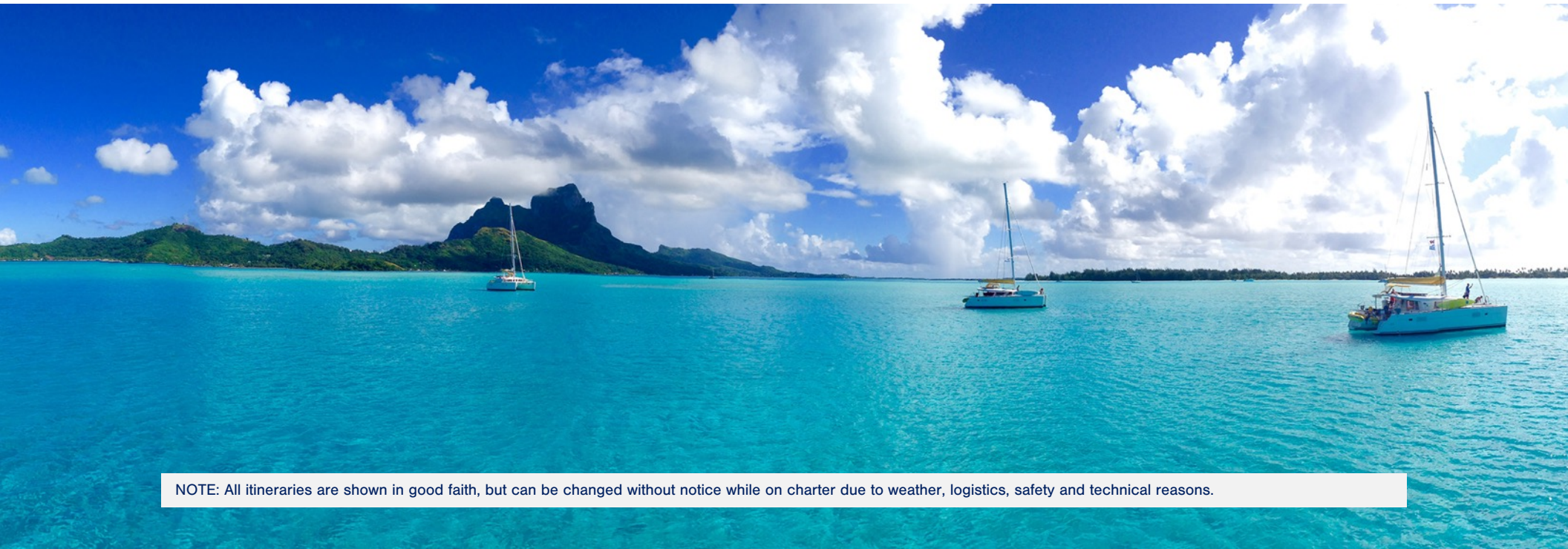
MOOREA and TAHITI: Motor around the headland to Cook's Bay for an optional guided half-day excursion to see Belvedere lookout, the pineapple road and an early Polynesian historical site. Navigate to Vaiare Bay for lunch, before a last sail across to the big island of Tahiti and an evening at Taina marina.



Dinner: Enjoy a last delicious meal aboard or head to the marina pub.

Day 11

DISEMBARK: Tahiti 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.