



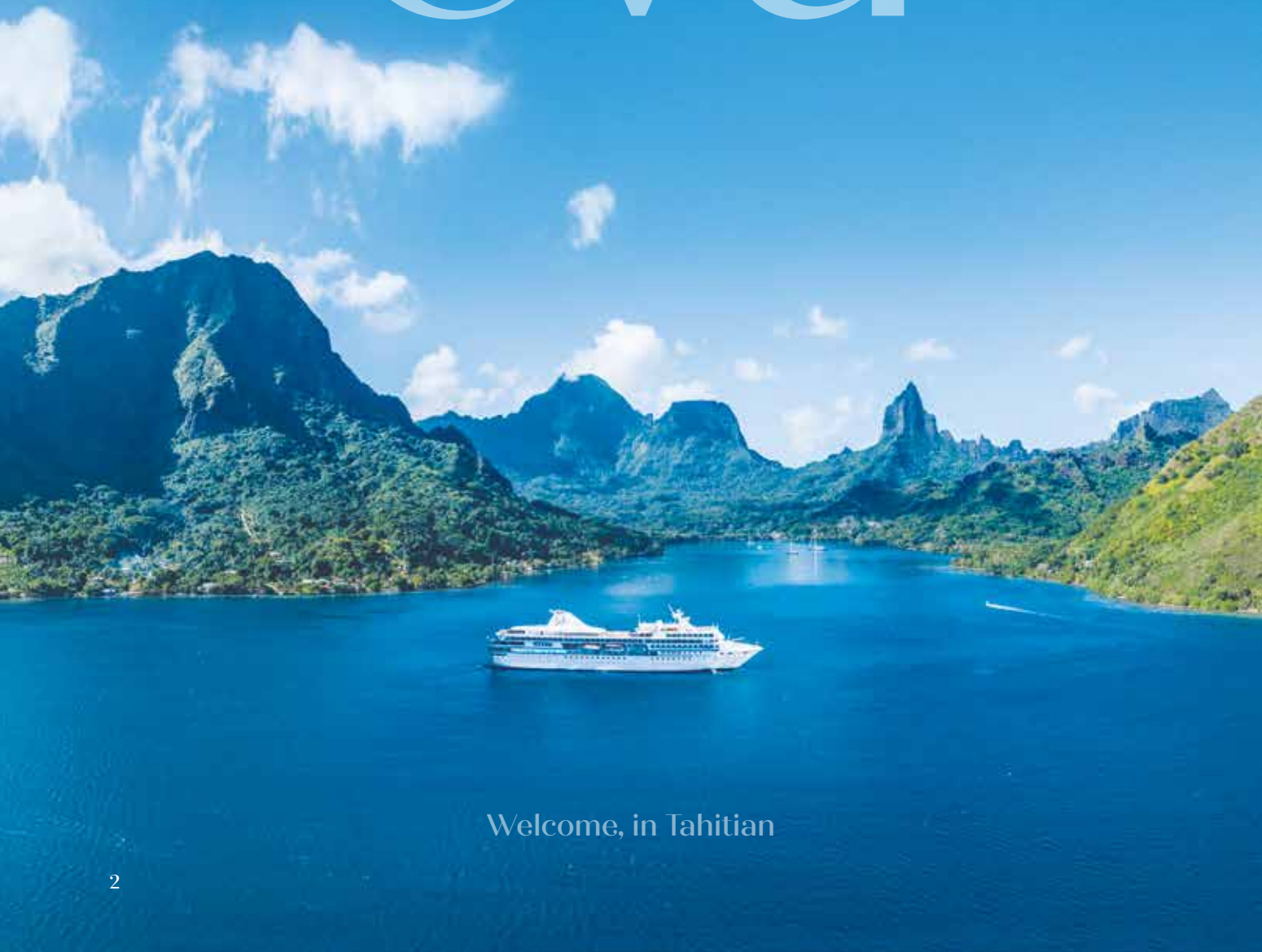
Paul Gauguin
CRUISES

The Pacific islands

FRENCH POLYNESIA • COOK ISLANDS
FIJI • TONGA • INDONESIA • MELANESIA

2025

Ma eva



Welcome, in Tahitian

la oaoa noa



As *Le Paul Gauguin* has just celebrated its 25th anniversary, a gentle breeze is blowing. This anniversary marks the advent of a ship that is emblematic of a destination: the South Pacific. It has explored every little corner of these turquoise waters, from the most iconic islands to well-hidden coves. From a heavenly *motu* to a wild archipelago, it takes guests to experience the *mana*, that positive vibration and sacred force of the Polynesians.

Aboard the ship, it can be felt more intensely through the presence of the *Gauguines* and *Gauguins*, the local Polynesian hosts who heighten the relaxed, friendly and welcoming atmosphere. Singing and dancing to the sound of guitars and ukuleles, making garlands of flowers, talking about their language and culture: they are the joyful, enchanting soul of *Le Paul Gauguin*, the link with the scenery that lights up an outdoor breakfast here, a moment of relaxation by the pool there. *la oaoa noa* – just be happy – the expression that comes up time and again among Polynesians as a real philosophy of life, will then take on its full meaning.

After a little refreshment, the ship's communal areas, with their mix of vibrant decor, beautiful woods and traditional works of art, are more than ever in tune with the views outside and a genuine invitation to travel.

What's more, we're offering you two completely new itineraries for 2025. Building on its expertise in the South Seas, *Le Paul Gauguin* will explore new horizons amid the Indonesian archipelago, between Singapore, Bali, the Komodo National Park and Darwin, Australia. From there, the epic journey continues, this time into the heart of Melanesia, reaching the Fiji Islands via Papua New Guinea. Enchanting nature, amazing underwater worlds, traditional ceremonies, spiritual stopovers... A new way to explore the South Pacific is opening up to you.

Hervé Gastinel
CEO of PONANT

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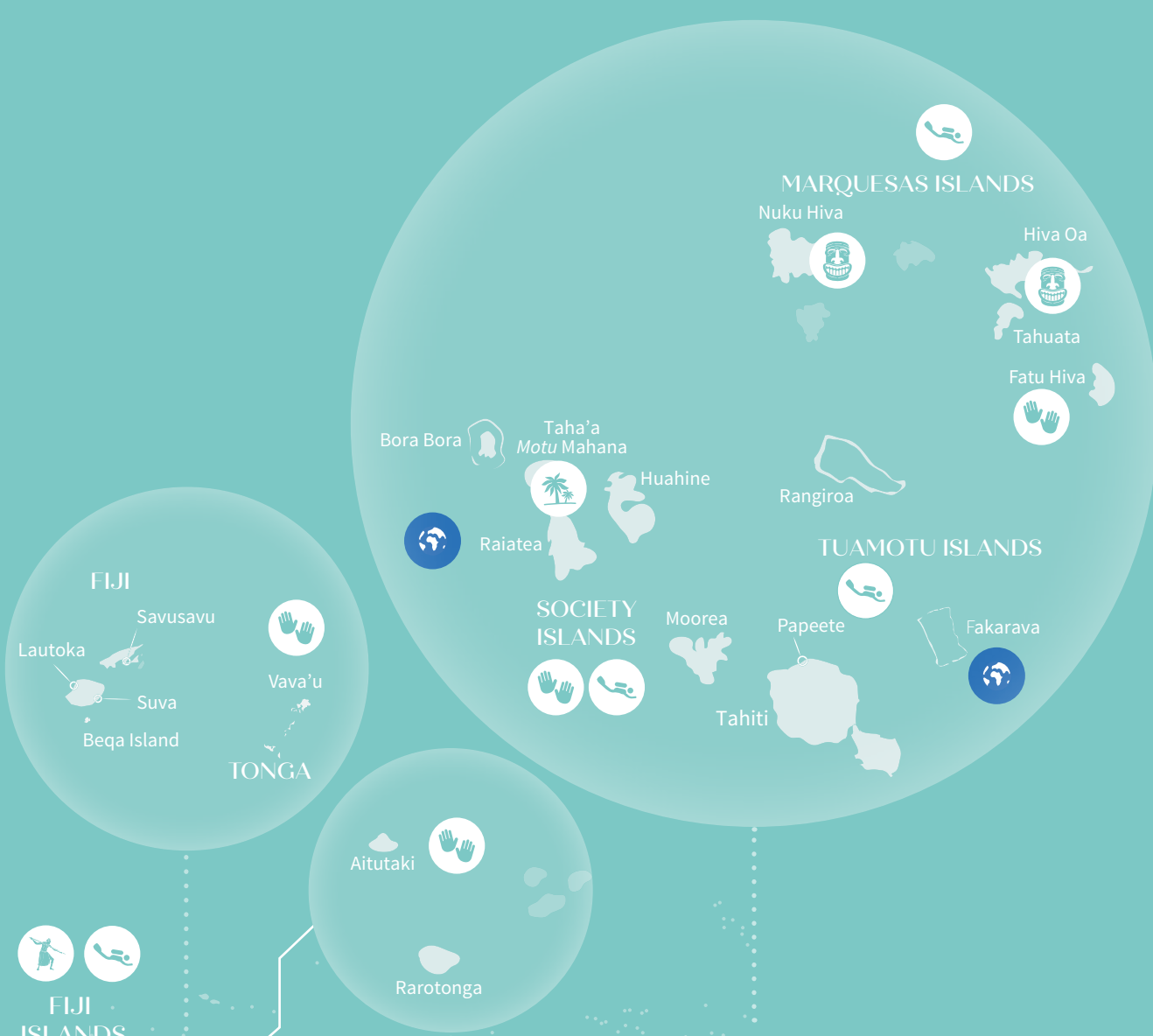




Your destinations in 2025

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.





FIJI

Lautoka, Savusavu, Suva, Beqa Island, Vava'u

TONGA

Aitutaki, Rarotonga

MARQUESAS ISLANDS

Nuku Hiva, Hiva Oa, Tahuata, Fatu Hiva

Bora Bora, Taha'a, Motu Mahana, Huahine, Rangiroa

SOCIETY ISLANDS

Raiatea, Moorea, Papeete, Fakarava, Tahiti

TUAMOTU ISLANDS

COOK ISLANDS

Pacific Ocean

FRENCH POLYNESIA

~~~~~ Highlights ~~~~~

- UNESCO sites
- Diving
- Private motu (islet)
- Tiki
- Arts and crafts
- Meeting the local peoples

# The spirit of *Paul Gauguin* CRUISES

Embark on a true immersion in the South Pacific and a perfect initiation into the rich traditions of Polynesia. In a relaxed and international atmosphere, different from that of the company's other ships, *Le Paul Gauguin* infuses its guests with the Polynesian spirit on voyages where relaxation and changes of scenery are the order of the day.









# 5 reasons to sail aboard *Le Paul Gauguin*

## 1 An expert of Polynesia

One hundred and thirty years ago, the painter Paul Gauguin settled in Tahiti in search of a "sky without winter". For 25 years already, the ship named in his honour and designed to navigate the shallow waters of the South Pacific has taken guests on a discovery of this far away part of the world where time seems to stand still. Wild islands cut by tormented reliefs, deep valleys, lush jungles, precious lagoons and secluded coves... Each moment on board *Le Paul Gauguin* promises a unique way of exploring the region.

## 2 Unprecedented routes

All *Le Paul Gauguin* itineraries have been designed to offer you an authentic experience of Polynesia, the islands of the South Pacific and Southeast Asia. Tahiti, Moorea, Bora Bora, the Tuamotus, the Marquesas, the Cook Islands, Fiji and Tonga, but also Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea, Bali... Lasting from 7 to 20 nights, our trips offer you both an introduction to these enchanting archipelagos and time to get to know their cultures and traditions. The many excursions and activities offered on each stopover ensure you don't miss out on anything in these unique environments.

## 3 A ship with the personal touch

*Le 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 2 crew members per 3 guests, one of the best ratios in the cruise industry. The service is therefore very attentive and contributes to the warm on-board atmosphere, intensified in the South Pacific archipelagos by our joyous *Gauguines* and *Gauguins* Polynesian hosts.

## 4 A pioneering commitment

Exchange, cooperation, mutual aid – this is the spirit underpinning PAUL GAUGUIN Cruises' commitment to French Polynesia. In 2023, we joined forces with the Polynesian government to provide medical care in the most remote, isolated islands. The medical teams on board *Le Paul Gauguin* will now be able to count on the support of Tahitian doctors, who will travel to the islands free of charge on our ship. During ports of call, local residents will also be able to get free consultations with the ship's onboard doctors, and benefit from access to some of the ship's medical equipment, such as X-ray and ultrasound machines. This commitment is a way of providing even more support to these communities that have been welcoming and hosting our ship for 25 years.

## 5 An all-inclusive experience

Taking advantage of an all-inclusive offer on board means you can relax completely and enjoy your holiday to the full. Meals and snacks, a wide selection of drinks, room service, butler service for certain suites and staterooms, nautical equipment (masks and snorkels, stand-up paddleboards), entertainment and exclusive access to a private islet in French Polynesia are thus included in the price of your cruise.





Services, life on board, activities... the PAUL GAUGUIN Cruises experience is regularly rewarded.

~ 2023 ~

**'Best Small-Ship Cruise Line'**

awarded during the *Leisure Lifestyle Awards*  
by *Global Traveler* magazine

**'Best Luxury Cruises in Tahiti'**

awarded during the *Luxury Lifestyle Awards*

**'Best Small Cruise Ship'**

awarded during the *Travel Weekly Magellan Awards* –  
second prize awarded to PONANT ships

~ 2022 ~

**'Best Small Ships Cruise Line'**

awarded by *World Luxury Travel Awards*

Second in the **'Best Small Ships'** category,  
awarded by the 800,000 voters of the *Condé Nast  
Traveler Reader's Choice Awards* – first prize awarded  
to PONANT ships

~ 2021 ~

**'Best Small-Ship Cruise Line'**

awarded for the sixth consecutive year  
by *Global Traveler* magazine

**'World's Best Cruises'**

awarded during the *Gold List Awards*  
by *Condé Nast Traveler* magazine

See the complete list of our awards on [en.ponant.com](http://en.ponant.com).



**WATCH**  
Experience a waking  
dream in French Polynesia  
on board *Le Paul Gauguin*.

# Life on board

On board, the relaxed, international atmosphere, friendliness and attentive service make every moment of your cruise memorable.



From the moment you arrive in Polynesia, the **Gaugines** and **Gaugins**, our local hosts, will be with you every day. There are songs, cultural exchanges, pareo knotting and wreath weaving workshops, Polynesian dance classes and more. You will be able to enjoy an authentic immersion in this rich culture through these interactions.

Blending in with the surrounding scenery, the **pool** is ideal for long periods of relaxation and contemplation.



Located on the pool deck, close to the **Grill restaurant, La Palette** is the ideal place to relax or to enjoy a lively evening. Guests like to linger on its open terrace to listen and dance to the artists who take turns to perform there.

The **Algothem spa** offers a wide choice of massages and treatments, based on marine cosmetics. The **fitness room** offers the full range of machines and weight training equipment to help you to stay in shape.



The **shop** features a collection of gift items, clothing, and jewellery made with Tahitian pearls.



Near the restaurant **L'Étoile**, the piano bar provides a lounge atmosphere. This is the perfect opportunity to relax before or after your meal.



There is **entertainment** every day, including local artists invited on board, jazz bands, piano concerts and dance evenings. The pleasure of the discoveries made on land continues with engaging lectures given by the experts who accompany you during your trip.

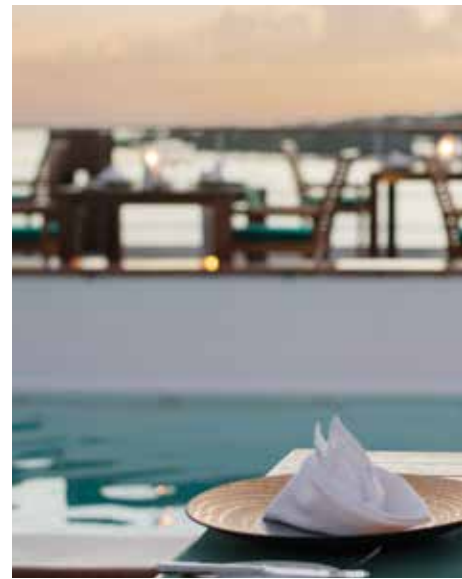


# A complete package

The Polynesian art of living, the relaxed atmosphere, gourmet dining: allow yourself to be carried between 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
- Exclusive and tailor-made services for the Owner's Suites through the support of our team of Concierge professionals
- 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
- Conferences delivered by experts of the area
- Access to the fitness centre and steam room
- From the marina access point, various non-motorised nautical leisure activities, such as kayaking and paddleboarding
- The free rental 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 7-15, 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. Program offered in English and French.*



# Your advantages



## Family and friends

From the fifth person in the same booking, **the whole party benefits from a 5% discount on the same port/port cruise** (excluding port taxes). <sup>(1)</sup>

Children and teenagers up to the age of 17 sharing a stateroom with two adults are also free. <sup>(2)</sup>



## Honeymoon and wedding anniversary

For all cruises made within 12 months of the celebration of your marriage or civil union, <sup>(3)</sup> benefit from a **5% discount on your cruise** <sup>(4)</sup> as well as surprises on board.

A traditional Polynesian blessing can be organised.

For every multiple of five years of marriage or civil union, we offer you **€200 discount per stateroom**. <sup>(5)</sup>



## Consecutive cruises

Extend the pleasure of travelling and **save 10%** on any consecutive cruise taken. <sup>(6)</sup>







## Refer your friends and family

As a referrer, you will receive a **€500 discount per stateroom** on your next cruise (as soon as your referral is booked). Your referral benefits from a **€500 reduction<sup>(7)</sup> on their first cruise**. As the number of referrals is not limited, you can accumulate your discounts.



## PONANT Yacht Club

Join the PONANT Yacht Club when you book your second cruise. You will benefit from special attention and exclusive as well as privileged services.



*Offers indicated are subject to change without notice. (1) Offer valid from the fifth paying person onwards on a same booking with a single, unique payer. Offer cannot be combined with other referral, honeymoon or wedding anniversary offers. (2) Children under the age of 18 sharing a stateroom with 2 adults (2 adults + 1 child) are welcome free of charge on board our ships, subject to stateroom capacity and the child's age. However, mandatory port and airport taxes must still be paid. A child sharing a stateroom with a single adult (1 adult + 1 child) is considered to be a paying adult (adult fare). (3) Offer valid upon presentation of proof and is applicable once per anniversary year. (4) 5% reduction applies to the port-to-port cruise fare only, exclusive of port taxes and security charges. Offer cannot be combined with any other discounts or reductions. (5) Offer valid upon presentation of proof and can only be combined with PONANT Yacht Club loyalty status advantages. (6) Discount applicable on the port-to-port cruise fare only and excludes port taxes. Not applicable on ocean voyages. Ocean voyages are not included in the calculation of the cruise position. (7) Offer cannot be combined with the welcome offer applied upon the booking of a first cruise.*

# The Polynesian way of life

Your feet in the sand and your head in the sky...  
Every moment on board or during your stopover is designed  
to offer you a holiday with a change of scenery,  
between absolute rest, delight and *joie de vivre*.

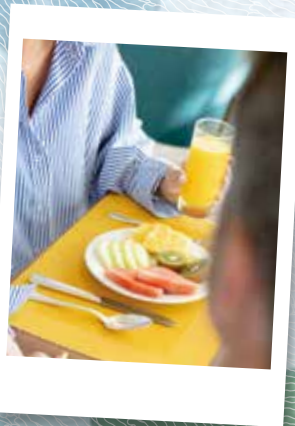


# A day on board *Le Paul Gauguin*

Enjoy every moment of your voyage on board *Le Paul Gauguin* and during stopovers, enhanced by Polynesian gentleness. The day unfolds effortlessly in this modestly sized setting overlooking the Pacific Ocean. Surrounded by idyllic landscapes, the ship's cosy living spaces become increasingly yours as intimate and convivial days go by.

## 9am

Savour the bliss of breakfast on board, in an authentic setting open to the striking blue ocean. Feel yourself get carried away as you relax into every moment of a gentle start to a new day.



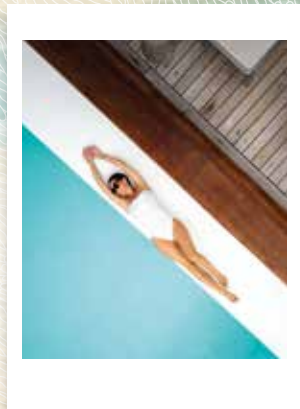
## 10am

Imminent departure from the marina to discover blacktip sharks aboard a glass-bottom boat and to swim with stingrays. An incredible experience with a guaranteed adrenaline rush!



## 1pm

Lunch of a fresh fish ceviche or a delicious grill on the terrace in a relaxed atmosphere before enjoying a period of rejuvenating around the pool.



## 3pm



Soak up the Polynesian soul on board, meet *the Gauguines* and *Gauguins* and share their culture; discover the small Fare Tahiti museum; enjoy a stopover on the island of Fakarava that boasts lagoon and ocean, to capture its magic and to feed off the intoxicating scents, smiles and colours.

## 4pm

Enjoy a relaxing break in the late afternoon and choose a personalised spa treatment. Plunge yourself into a sensory bubble on an inner journey.



## 6pm



From deck 9, admire the entrance to Rangiroa atoll accompanied by the song and dance of our Polynesian hosts. A spellbinding and deeply moving experience as the sun disappears below the horizon.

## 8pm

Dinner promises to be delicious... Subdued lighting and the chef's generous, gourmet cuisine... The hushed, warm atmosphere of the evening is an enchantment in itself.



## 10pm

Continue the evening and sample the flavours of a spicy cocktail to the sound of *bossanova*... Whether it's live music at the piano or the sound of the barman's rhythmic cocktail shaking, your heart beats in tune with the party until the end of the night.





## ‘Take our guests to the heart of our traditions’

The *Gauguines* and *Gauguins* accompany guests on board to help them learn about Polynesian culture. These local hosts, also our guests, are ambassadors for the islands where they grew up and the ocean that nurtured and protected them, and they are the soul of *Le Paul Gauguin*. Hinanui Ina and Mihimana tell us about themselves.

### The sounds of your first names already take us on a journey... What do they mean?

**Hinanui Ina:** I'm originally from Tahiti. In Polynesian beliefs, Hina is the name of the Moon goddess. And *nui* means ‘great’. So Hinanui, ‘the great Hina’.

**Mihimana:** I'm also Tahitian and my name means ‘the power of thought’.

### Who are the *Gauguines* and the *Gauguins*?

**Hinanui Ina:** We are dancers, musicians and singers. As well as welcoming guests, our ‘mission’ is to take them to the heart of Polynesia, our culture and traditions – of which we have a great knowledge, much more than the mere ‘postcard’. With us, both on board and on land, they learn the basics of Tahitian dance and a few rudiments of our language. They learn the secrets of weaving to make wreaths, baskets and hats. Guests are also very curious about our tattoos and their meanings.

### Which facet of Polynesian culture do you think most fascinates the guests?

**Hinanui Ina:** What most fascinates those who come to see us is our way of life, I think. Our simplicity, our kindness.

**Mihimana:** We never forget that, for some guests, this may be the trip of a lifetime. So it's our duty to make this a moment they will never forget. ‘Receiving’ is part of our education. ‘Being Tahitian’ means being friendly, smiling and always ready to help others. Wherever they go, in whatever country, Tahitians greet others, even if they receive no response. Living on a small island where everyone knows everyone else fosters solidarity and a sense of community.

### ‘Being Tahitian’ also means living in harmony with the ocean...

**Mihimana:** Some families perpetuate this deep bond across the generations by tattooing on their bodies the marine animal that symbolises them, protects them and tells their story: a shark, a dolphin, a turtle... It is also said that when a Polynesian dies, their soul returns to the ocean. When someone dies, we take to the sea in pirogues or on surfboards. We sing and throw a wreath of flowers into the sea in tribute to the deceased. These are very strong traditions here.

### What is the nicest thing anyone has said to you at the end of a trip?

**Hinanui Ina:** “*We'll be back.*” And the guests return. At the end of each cruise, we usually sing a Polynesian song. It's not unusual to see a few tears fall. It's always a very emotional moment, both for the guests and for us.



At the top: Hinanui Ina and Mihimana give life to their *mana* on a beach at Bora Bora.  
Above and opposite: Hinanui Ina and Mihimana.



**WATCH**  
Dive into Polynesia  
with Hinanui Ina and  
Mihimana.







## Tatau, the body speaks

The traditional Polynesian tattoo, the *tatau*, has been practised for thousands of years, from the Marquesas Islands to Samoa, from New Zealand to the Society Archipelago, but it could have disappeared. This unique know-how was banished by European settlers at the end of the 18th century, but is now enjoying a true renaissance. Is it just a fad? No, it is the triumph of an enduring culture.

### Identity card

"*Ta-tau, ta-tau, ta-tau*"... This mysterious rhythmic pattern was first heard by explorer James Cook during his expedition to the South Pacific seas. It is the melody of the Polynesian tattoo artist. The sound of his tools knocking together, a wooden handle with a small comb attached – made of bone, shark teeth or tortoise shell. The tattoo artist taps it with a mallet to prick the skin. First, the teeth of the comb are dipped in an ink made from candlenut charcoal, diluted in oil or water. In 1769, James Cook – and very soon, the whole of Europe – encountered these curious bluish patterns covering the arms, torsos, legs and backs of Polynesian locals.

But Marquesans, Samoans, Tongans, Hawaiians, Tahitians and Māori have been using their bodies as a canvas to 'engrave' their history, genealogy and the important events in their lives for close to 3,000 years. The *tatau* was a rite of passage, intended to mark an identity, the passage of time, a social rank, or a personality. These designs effectively replace writing in ancient Polynesian societies, which are rich in oral traditions.

### Everyone has a story

Over the centuries, each archipelago has developed its own art of tattooing. From a mountainous island to an atoll dotted with palm trees, the styles and the symbols differ. Everyone tells their own story around their preferred totems. So there are as many designs as there are people with tattoos! While Marquesan *tikis*, representations of Polynesian demigods, symbolise protection and power, the fish is a mark of prosperity, the turtle of good health and family ties, and the shark's teeth of strength and security. The birds and waves represent travel and spirituality.

Where it is placed is also important. On the shoulder is a sign of strength and bravery, on the torso expresses generosity and sincerity, and on the head symbolises wisdom. Although customs are changing, women's tattoos are still traditionally confined to discreet, delicate adornments on the hands, feet or lips. A little ring of tiare flowers around an ankle is a testimony to grace, beauty and sensuality.

### Renaissance of an art form, and respect for a culture

Deemed 'barbaric' by the European missionaries of the Age of Enlightenment, the traditional practice of tattooing was outlawed. But it proved its resilience and almost 150 years later, the art of *tatau* returned to its former glory. Although today's techniques have been largely modernised, some tattooists continue to perpetuate the skills of their ancestors and, through them, the history and culture of Polynesia. The revival of the *tatau* is much more than a trend, it is part of a formidable assertion of identity in the heart of the South Pacific and beyond.

# A day in paradise

A strip of white sand stretching above the coral reef, a translucent sea, deckchairs in the shade of palm trees, a Polynesian barbecue and cocktails served as you sit with your feet in the water: welcome to the *motu* Mahana, PONANT's private islet specially reserved for you for an idyllic day.



During each of the ship's itineraries in French Polynesia, we offer you a day out of time, for an authentic escape, off the island of Taha'a.

This island interlude is an opportunity to experience authentic periods of relaxation in a heavenly setting.



At lunchtime, grilled meats prepared on the spot and coconut water directly from the fruit will satisfy the most demanding palates.



The *Gauguines* and the *Gauguins* contribute to the gaiety of this exceptional day by animating it with traditional songs and dances.



In addition to the pleasure of relaxing on the deckchairs in the shade of the palm trees, you can enjoy snorkelling, kayaking or paddleboarding in the pristine waters.

# The itineraries





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# Tahiti & the Society Islands

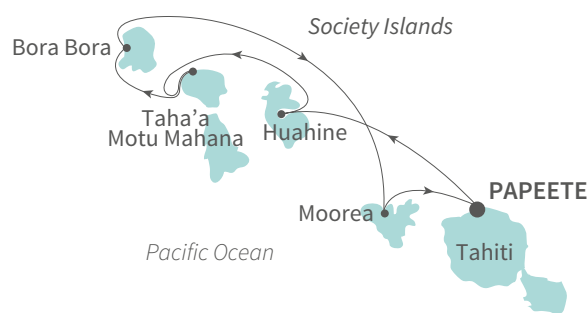


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## Papeete • Papeete

8 days/7 nights | From €2,790 <sup>(2)</sup>

14th June, 26th July, 23rd August, 20th September  
and 8th November 2025



This perfect introduction to the charms of the Society Islands is a trip focused totally on well-being. Time slows down as soon as you arrive in Tahiti, as if encouraged to breathe deeply and slowly. Enchanting fragrances abound. Your eyes will be drawn to the superbly turquoise water, a sanctuary for multitudes of colourful fish. Time to relax and marvel...

## Highlights

- **Live the exceptional:** a voyage of initiation into the wonders of the natural treasures and ancient traditions of the Society Islands.
- Slow down and let stress float away on secluded Huahine: explore the village on foot; wander through lush rainforests; float in crystal-clear lagoons.
- Experience a memorable day on *motu* Mahana, our own private slice of paradise: treat yourself to sand between your toes and a sumptuous barbecue lunch.
- Enjoy an overnight in exquisite Bora Bora and explore its dramatic mountain peaks, romantic lagoon and impossibly turquoise waters.
- Two days on Moorea exploring all the riches its ancient heritage and spectacular scenery have to offer, from the hillside pineapple plantations to the Belvedere lookout, from where you can admire the bays of Cook, Ōpūnohu and Rôtui.
- Discover Polynesia's customs and traditional way of life.
- Landscapes: lagoons, idyllic beaches, deserted coves, tropical forests and mountain peaks.
- Possibility of diving (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).





Opposite: motu Mahana, private islet for cruise guests in Taha'a.

# Pearls of the Society Islands

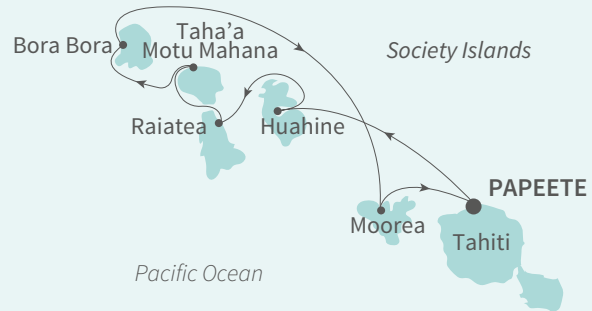


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## Papeete • Papeete

8 days/7 nights | From €3,730 <sup>(2)</sup>

5th July, 2nd and 30th August, 18th October and 20th December 2025



On this itinerary, you get to enjoy a full day on Raiatea (which replaces one of the two days on Moorea on the **Tahiti & the Society Islands** itinerary). According to legend, the island is the cradle of the gods because it is home to the earliest traces of local human habitation as well as the oldest place of worship in Polynesia – namely the Taputapuātea *marae*, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This platform was once a highly important political, ceremonial and funerary centre. The island also has a wonderful range of nature and wildlife to reveal to curious guests who come to explore.



Peak of Raiatea.

20th December 2025 departure:  
experience a magical Christmas surrounded by sparkling lagoons and beaches of warm sand.

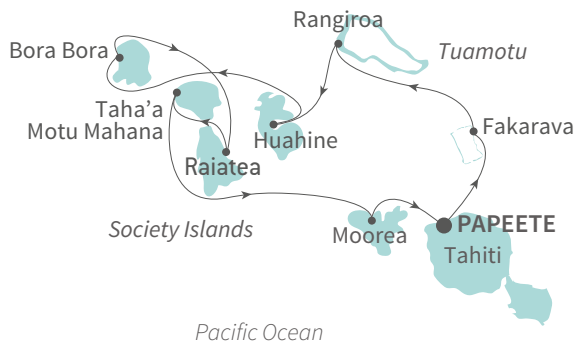
# Society Islands & the Tuamotus



## Papeete • Papeete

11 days/10 nights | From €4,810 <sup>(2)</sup>

14th May, 4th June, 8th October and 26th November 2025



Wondrous moments are assured in the seabed of the Tuamotus, the oldest islands in Polynesia, from the lagoon of Rangiroa, classed as one of the most beautiful underwater sites on the planet by Captain Cousteau, to the warm waters of the UNESCO biosphere reserve of Fakarava. Slip into fins, mask and snorkel to swim in these natural aquariums where multicoloured fish, rays and harmless sharks dance among the reefs, and where you can feel at one with the ocean.







Opposite: aerial view of Rangiroa.  
Below: black pearl farm in Rangiroa.



## Highlights

- **Live the exceptional:** two days on the Tuamotu Archipelago, with its atolls teeming with life, its rare species of birds and plants, and its black pearl farms.
- UNESCO World Heritage Site: Fakarava, a biosphere reserve and the world's second-largest lagoon, home to unique flora and fauna, grey sharks and untouched coral reefs.
- The legendary island of Raiatea, combining ancestral wonders and enchanting nature.
- Enjoy an overnight in exquisite Bora Bora and explore its dramatic mountain peaks, romantic lagoon and impossibly turquoise waters.
- Discover the 'infinite lagoon' on Rangiroa, the biggest atoll in French Polynesia, which is famous for its 'wall of sharks'.
- Experience a memorable day on *motu* Mahana, our own private slice of paradise: treat yourself to sand between your toes and a sumptuous barbecue lunch.
- Discover Polynesia's culture and traditions.
- Fauna: manta rays, spotted eagle rays, common eagle rays, lemon sharks, blacktip reef sharks, sea turtles and multicoloured fish.
- Possibility of diving (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).

# Cook Islands & Society Islands

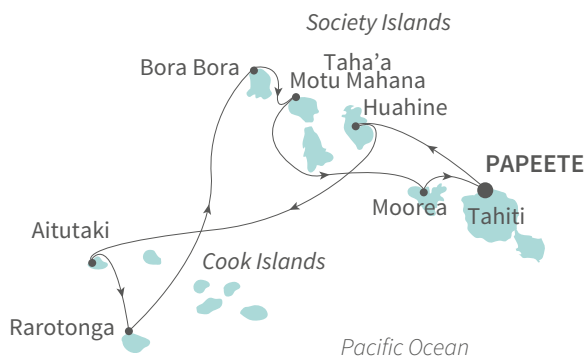


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## Papeete • Papeete

12 days/11 nights | From €5,060 <sup>(2)</sup>

24th May, 27th September, 15th November and 27th December 2025



Warm and personal... A trip to the Cook Islands means an exploration of prodigious landscapes and the philosophy of a sweet life. The largest of them, Rarotonga, lies surrounded by a coral reef on which the waves of the South Pacific break. The profile of the jagged mountains stands out against the intense blue of the sky on this perfectly circular island. Snorkelling enthusiasts should take note that there is a world of underwater treasures to explore at Aitutaki, which is a haven of peace and simplicity.

27th December 2025 departure:  
celebrate New Year's Eve in exceptional surroundings.





Opposite: lagoon on the island of Aitutaki in the Cook Islands.  
Below: tropical fish in the waters of Rarotonga.



## Highlights

- **Live the exceptional:** two days exploring the Cook Islands, with a port of call at Aitutaki, which is considered one of Polynesia's most beautiful islands and is famous for its hand-made *tivaevae*, a kind of quilt, and colourful pareos, which are produced on the island.
- Discover Rarotonga, its luxuriant Takuvaine Valley and its capital, Avarua, with the possibility of visiting the sacred and ancient site of Arai-Te-Tonga.
- Enjoy an overnight in exquisite Bora Bora and explore its dramatic mountain peaks, romantic lagoon and impossibly turquoise waters.
- Experience a memorable day on *motu* Mahana, our own private slice of paradise: treat yourself to sand between your toes and a sumptuous barbecue lunch.
- Explore Moorea, the 'magic island' that has inspired many artists with its eight valleys, 900-metre Mount Rōtui, beautiful bays and perfect lagoon.
- Fauna: lemon sharks, blacktip reef sharks, spotted eagle rays, manta rays, superb coral, sea turtles, giant green morays, emperor angelfish, Napoleon fish, butterflyfish...
- Possibility of diving (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).

# Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands

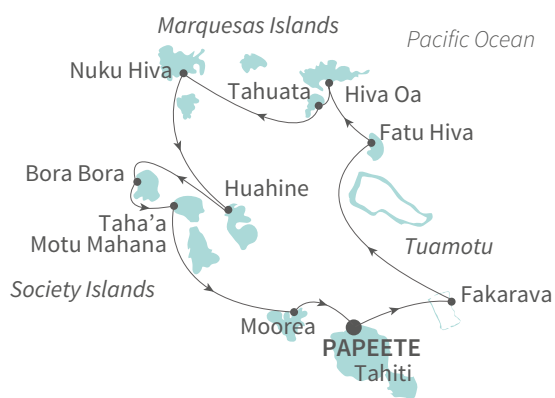


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## Papeete • Papeete

15 days/14 nights | From €6,450 <sup>(2)</sup>

21st June, 12th July, 9th August, 6th September, 25th October  
and 6th December 2025



Their wild beauty encompasses the charm of the Marquesas, sung about by Jacques Brel and inspiring Paul Gauguin's art. The landmarks change dramatically in the 'Land of Men', rising steeply from the depths of the ocean, with the reliefs abrupt and the vegetation abundant. Like their islands, the soul of the Marquesans is unique, infused with an ancestral spirit. The islanders, famous throughout Polynesia for the delicate intricacy of their craftsmanship, sculpt objects out of wood, stone and bone, and are renowned for their prowess in the art of tattooing.





Opposite: steep coastline on the island of Fatu Hiva in the Marquesas Islands.  
Below: young Marquesan women.



## Highlights

- **Live the exceptional:** explore three of French Polynesia's archipelagos on the same voyage, including four days in the wild, unspoiled Marquesas Islands.
- UNESCO World Heritage Site: the biosphere reserve of Fakarava, the world's second-largest lagoon, home to unique flora and fauna, grey sharks and untouched coral reefs.
- History and culture are in the forefront on the island of Hiva Oa, home to the largest stone sculptures in the Marquesas, which are said to be linked to the famous *tiki* of Easter Island.
- Discover Polynesian culture: ancient crafts in Fatu Hiva, sculpted works in Tahuata, sculpted stone *tiki* and 7,000 petroglyphs in Taiohae (Nuku Hiva).
- The stops in secluded Huahine and superb Moorea, in the Society Islands.
- Experience a memorable day on *motu* Mahana, our own private slice of paradise: treat yourself to sand between your toes and a sumptuous barbecue lunch.
- Landscapes: towering peaks, imposing cliffs, plantations, forests, turquoise lagoons, unspoilt beaches, deserted coves, underwater caves, and more.
- Possibility of diving (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).

# Fiji, Tonga, Cook Islands & Society Islands

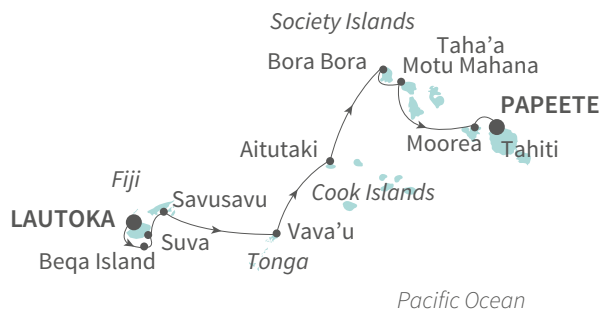


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## Papeete • Lautoka

16 days/15 nights | From €6,450 <sup>(2)</sup>

4th January and 1st May\* 2025



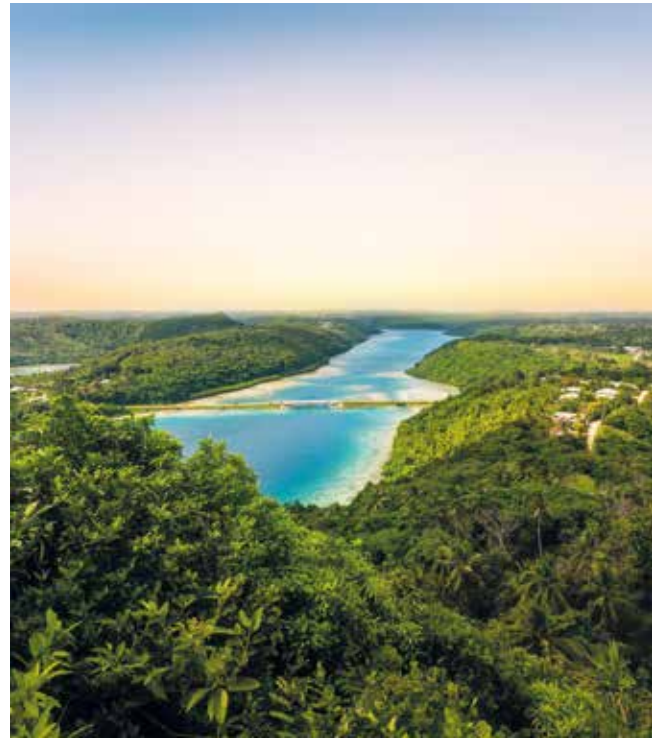
Set sail for some of Oceania's most iconic islands and enjoy a completely immersive and relaxing experience of four South Seas archipelagos. Braiding pandanus leaves in the Tonga Islands, the possibility of attending ancestral fire-walking or *kava* ceremonies (*kava* is a drink made from pepper plants) in the Fiji Islands, or admiring the making of colourful pareos in the Cook Islands... Your experiences with the local communities promise to provide rich exchanges, enough to awaken your explorer's soul and live in your memory forever.

*\*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.*





Opposite: dancer in Savusavu, Fiji Islands.  
Below: island in the Vava'u archipelago, Tonga islands.



## Highlights

- **Live the exceptional:** a unique cruise to discover the lush and paradisiacal islands and atolls of Fiji, Tonga, Cook Islands and French Polynesia, while crossing the famous and imaginary International Date Line, which runs along the 180th meridian in the Pacific Ocean.
- Two separate Fijian ports showcase an intriguing juxtaposition: the refined capital city of Suva and the unspoiled beauty of Savusavu, called the 'Hidden Paradise of Fiji'.
- The possibility of discovering 'Swallow's Cave', inhabited by hundreds of swifts, during your stop at Vava'u, in the Tonga islands.
- Experience a memorable day on *motu* Mahana, our own private slice of paradise: treat yourself to sand between your toes and a sumptuous barbecue lunch.
- Landscapes: superb atolls, transparent waters, turquoise lagoons, white-sand beaches, sugar cane and pineapple plantations, rocky peaks and more.
- Fauna: coral reefs, silvertip sharks, dolphins, sea turtles, common eagle rays, manta rays, ribbon eels, clownfish and more.
- Possibility of diving (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).

# From Fiji to Bali



No single supplement <sup>(1)</sup>

## Lautoka • Benoa, Bali

21 days/20 nights | From €7,380 <sup>(2)</sup>  
19th January 2025



Dreaming of travelling to Southeast Asia from the idyllic archipelagos of Oceania? Every other year, *Le Paul Gauguin* delivers on a promise to take you on a waking dream with a multitude of experiences. This rare itinerary comes to you once again in 2025 with six countries along your route, bringing you their unique features and their natural and cultural treasures. Myths and legends, emotional encounters, exotic traditions, sacred ceremonies, unique ecosystems, idyllic seabeds, prehistoric creatures... A journey through space and time that will leave you transformed.







*Opposite: Komodo National Park.  
Below: Samarai island tribe, Papua New Guinea.*



## Highlights

- **Live the exceptional:** a unique voyage to the heart of the most beautiful archipelagos in the South Pacific, discovering six countries: Fiji, Vanuatu, the Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea, East Timor and Indonesia.
- A unique stopover in Port Vila, the capital of Vanuatu, in the very heart of an enchanting, unspoilt nature.
- The UNESCO-listed Komodo National Park, home to the famous monitor lizards.
- From Espiritu Santo, don't miss the unique performance of the 'water music women'.
- The Solomon Islands, a secret destination in the South Pacific and a tropical Eden.
- The stops in Papua New Guinea, a fascinating land that is home to no fewer than 700 ethnic groups within a highly diverse ecosystem.
- An overnight stay in Bali, to take your time discovering the island nicknamed the 'island of gods'.
- Possibility of diving (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).

New

# Indonesia's sacred temples and natural sanctuaries



No single supplement <sup>(1)</sup>

## Singapore • Darwin

15 days/14 nights | From €5,230 <sup>(2)</sup>

1st April 2025



Singapore, Java, Bali...  
The most evocative destinations in Southeast Asia open their doors to you for an unprecedented sensory experience, combining well-being and a gentle way of life. The palette of colours is intense and captivating, from the brilliant whites of the beaches to the deep blues of the coral seas and the soft greens of the tropical forests. Peaceful moments of contemplation await you in the Buddhist and Hindu temples, sealing your introduction to Eastern spirituality.





*Opposite: Pura Ulun Danu Bratan temple, Bali, Indonesia.  
Below: statue of the Hindu deity Ganesh, Bali, Indonesia.*



## Highlights

- **Live the exceptional:** an all-new cruise discovering the natural and historic treasures of the Java and Timor seas, featuring monumental temples, idyllic beaches and lush nature.
- 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.
- Overnights in Bali and Darwin, to take your time to soak up their picturesque atmosphere.
- Dili, the capital city of East Timor and a unique stopover, between lush tropical forest covering verdant hills, coral reef and unspoilt sand beaches.
- Possibility of diving (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).

New

# An escapade in the heart of Melanesia



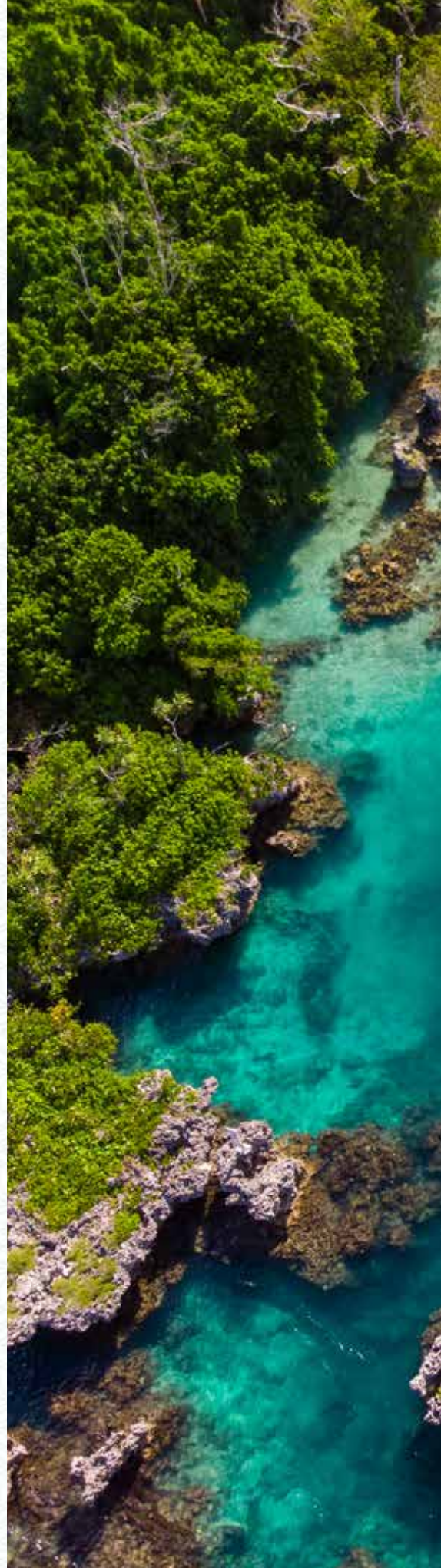
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## Darwin • Lautoka

17 days/16 nights | From €5,980 <sup>(2)</sup>  
15th April 2025



The archipelagos of Melanesia are as welcoming as they are idyllic. They will leave you both speechless and contemplative as you fully savour the here and now. An aquatic symphony resounds amongst magical waterfalls and along crystal-clear coastlines. Literally. In Vanuatu, this melody is known best of all by the 'water music women'. They make the rivers sing by stirring, striking and caressing the water with their arms. An art form unique in the world, it is handed down from mother to daughter, and you will have the opportunity to witness it on this brand-new itinerary.





*Opposite: the blue lagoon, Port Vila, Vanuatu.*

*Below: performance of the 'water music women' from Espiritu Santo.*



## Highlights

- **Live the exceptional:** a journey into the heart of the South Pacific's most beautiful archipelagos, discovering five countries: Australia, Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu and Fiji.
- A new port of call in Port Vila, the capital of Vanuatu, in the very heart of a magical, unspoilt nature.
- Encounters with the local people to learn about their traditions, crafts and customs.
- The Solomon Islands, secret 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.
- Possibility of diving (PADI Open Water Diver or equivalent).



# Complement your trip

To help you explore the islands you visit,  
we offer a wide range of excursions.  
And, to complete your trip, our pre- and post-cruise  
stays help extend the dream.



# Activities, excursions: our inspirational ideas



A secret trail, an uninterrupted view of the horizon, an inlet that's ripe for undersea exploration, smells that precede delicious flavours: we offer you a wide range of optional excursions at every stopover. Here's a varied selection.



## Bora Bora, Society Islands

### Relaxing time at the Lagoonarium

Lightweight outrigger canoes whizz along to the Lagoonarium in Bora Bora and its open-air parks. Sharks, rays, yellow jacks, turtles and parrotfish are just some of the inhabitants of these environments. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced snorkeller, you'll gradually move away from the beach and on to shallow waters. Local instructors will guide you to ensure a respectful and careful approach to these species, which are varied and harmless.

€€€ | 4 h

### Bora Bora off-road adventure

Lovers of wide-open spaces and off-road adventure should head for the hills of Bora Bora for a multi-stage excursion along the island's quietest road, in a four-wheel drive vehicle with a dedicated driver. The craggy terrain winds through the village of Vaitape in Pofai Bay as far as Pahonu Hill, where you will enjoy an uninterrupted view of Bora Bora's natural harbour. The lush Fa'anui Valley overlooks the spectacular bay of the same name: a favourite spot for photography lovers.

€€€€ | 3 h 30



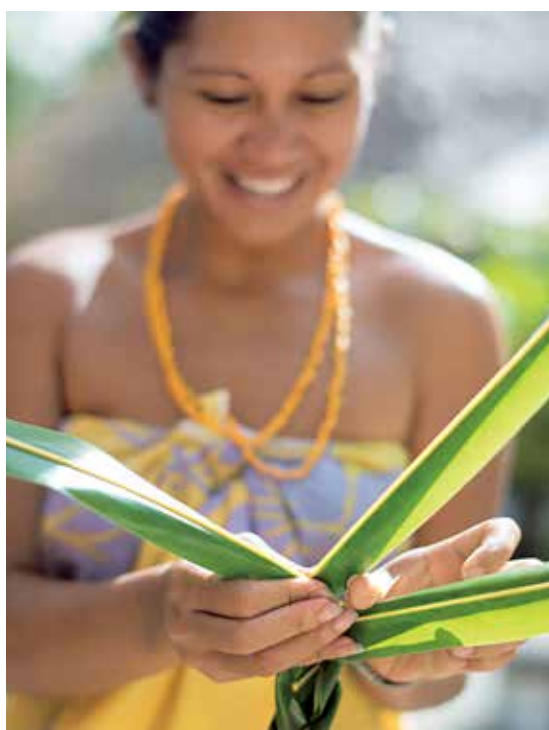


## Fakarava, Tuamotu Islands

### Half-day to Teahatea beach

Feel a sense of freedom from the breeze that blows across the atoll as you cross the Fakarava Biosphere Reserve, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. After traversing the Garuae channel, the largest in Polynesia, you come to Teahatea beach. The programme includes: swimming in the lagoon, relaxing, snorkelling, indulging in iced coconuts and other refreshments... A moment suspended in time, definitely to be relished.

€€€ | 3h30



## Huahine, Society Islands

### Motu picnic

Who better than one of our guests to tell you about this excursion? *"This all-day excursion was truly multi-faceted!"* she told us. *"We took our places in a pirogue to begin snorkelling among the fish. Then, we were welcomed on a private islet with punch and cold drinks to enjoy by the water, along with ceviche prepared during a cookery workshop. Our Polynesian host also wove palm leaf crowns for us and showed us how to open a coconut. It was a wonderful shared experience."*

€€€ | 6h

### Huahine Iti by e-bike

This e-bike experience will have you cycling 27 km around the small island of Huahine. Your guide has created a varied programme combining tours of the archaeological remains of the ancient sacred site *Marae Anini* and of a traditional sarong painting workshop, followed by relaxation and several stops to admire the spectacular views. These few hours offer a wonderful way to get into the rhythm of the island – that of the life of its inhabitants and the regular whisper of the waves rolling in the distance.

€€ | 3h45

## 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. Marvelling at the spectacular Cook and Ōpūnohu bays and Mount Rōtūi; crossing the rivers and pineapple plantations in the hollow of a valley; taking 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... Revitalise yourself in the middle of the most abundant of gardens.

€€€€ | 3h



## Rangiroa, Tuamotu Islands

### Black pearl farm

This excursion introduces visitors to the farming of pearls – a highly prized crop that is synonymous with Polynesia. Farming, selection, sorting and cleaning of the oysters, evolution of the pearl-production industry... Watch the grafter at work as he skilfully exercises his trade: you'll see these delicate pearls in a different light.

€ | 1 h 30



## 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 surrounding islands that delimit the area, to explore their wonders above and below the waterline, or simply savour the joys of relaxation. With an introduction to local flavours, a lunch of grilled fish and fresh fruit will round off your exploration.

€€€€ | 5h

## Omoa, Fatu Hiva Island, Marquesas Islands

### Omoa petroglyphs walk

The remains of the dwelling or *paepae* of an ancient chief, with a *tiki* carved into the Marquesas' famous *ke'etu* stone; the crest of a ridge carved with images of men, magical *tiki* and ancient pirogues; the petroglyph of 'paoa', one of the biggest in the archipelago, which looks like a huge tuna fish cut into the rock... From one surprise to the next, walking along the Omoa Valley trails, in the footsteps of past generations of Marquesans, encourages curiosity and reflection.

€ € | 3h



## Taha'a, Society islands

### Catamaran sail

With its flat base, the catamaran clears a way between the shallow waters in multiple shades of turquoise. Fill your lungs with the ocean breeze and contemplate the beauty of Taha'a: these are the words that best describe the real joy you will experience. On board, the Tahitian hosts will delight in sharing their culture, then, once you reach the coral garden, Taha'a's most famous snorkelling spot, the fast-moving craft will pause so you can enjoy a refreshing dip.

€ € € | 3h30





### Taha'a cultural tour

Known as 'the vanilla island', it's only natural that the discovery of Taha'a should begin through the prism of this black gold. Combined with a presentation, the plantation tour offers the perfect opportunity to get a better understanding of the challenges of this symbolic crop. A stop-off at the 'motu Pearl Village' is where the famous black pearl of Tahiti will reveal its secrets. History, legends and contemporary life on the island: no stone will be left unturned and curiosity is welcome!

€€ | 3h30

## Vava'u, Tonga Islands

### Ene'io Tongan feast

The island's inhabitants prepare a magnificent banquet in your honour. Awaiting you in Tailulu, the feast is composed of local desserts and specialities, international dishes and seasonal fruit (papaya, watermelon, pineapple, banana) and is accompanied by traditional songs and dances. The simple specialities offered include a selection of local products: roast suckling pig, chicken, fish, *lu pulu* – corned-beef cooked in coconut cream, with baby taro leaves – *kumara* (Tongan sweet potatoes)... An experience designed to awaken all your senses.

€€ | 4h



Price: € = less than € 50, €€ = from € 50 to 100, €€€ = from € 100 to 150, €€€€ = more than € 150.

Tours on board Le Paul Gauguin are sold in US dollars. The dollar/euro conversion is made according to the exchange rate above as of July 2023, and is likely to change. The final price of the excursion will be communicated to you in your travel book.



## Suva, Island of Viti Levu, Fiji Islands

### Colo-i-Suva trek tour and waterfall

The Colo-i-Suva nature reserve inspires serenity and curiosity in a spectacular setting, in the heart of a tropical forest with a meandering crystal-clear river. The air is pure, the temperatures cool and the plant and animal species varied. The melody of birdsong accompanies you as you walk along its path. Your efforts are rewarded with a refreshing dip in a waterfall.

€€ | 3h

## 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 off-road adventure in local vehicles ventures through farming villages and offers many contemplative pauses, so guests can note their own impressions and observations.

€€€ | 4h



## Your Southeast Asia excursions



Vanuatu, Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, East Timor, Solomon Islands, Australia... You will soon be able to book all your excursions to these destinations.

*For more information, contact your travel consultant, go to our website, or directly through your travel book.*



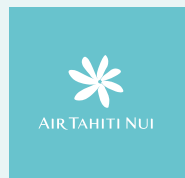
**WATCH**  
360° immersion: experience our excursions in Polynesia as if you were already there!

Full tour programme is available on our website [en.ponant.com](http://en.ponant.com) 12 months prior to your cruise departure. You can also pre-book your PONANT shore excursions up to 2 months before your cruise, and have them billed on board. Final programme will be sent with your cruise documents.



# Extend the dream

Combine the flights and the pre- and post-cruise stays that we offer and treat yourself to a complete trip, where you can explore the Society Islands or the Marquesas by land.



Air Tahiti Nui is a historic partner of PAUL GAUGUIN Cruises and offers you the best fares and a flight plan adapted to a Paris departure.

Voted 'Best Airline in the South Pacific' several times by readers of *Global Traveler* magazine and rewarded as a five-star airline in the official APEX (*Airline Passenger Experience Association*) ranking, Air Tahiti Nui guarantees you the service and comfort of an all-inclusive trip: luggage, meals, snacks, drinks and feel-good kit.





## Relaxing getaway in Papeete



Flight Paris/Papeete



**Before your cruise:  
1 night in a hotel in Tahiti**

The **four-star InterContinental Tahiti** hotel sits in an unspoilt setting on the edge of a lagoon, making it the ideal place to combine relaxation and discovery during your first moments in French Polynesia. You will also enjoy the spacious room at your disposal for the night.



Cruise aboard *Le Paul Gauguin*



Excursions included



**After your cruise:  
daytime use of hotel room in Tahiti**

Enjoy a day mixing culture with relaxation. On the programme: an excursion to the home of James Norman Hall, known for *The Bounty Trilogy*, a scenic tour, **lunch and an afternoon at the four-star InterContinental Tahiti**. The hotel has two saltwater swimming pools and offers you a refreshing break before your flight home.



Flight Papeete/Paris

InterContinental Tahiti 4\*



## Tranquil getaway in Moorea



Flight Paris/Papeete



**Before your cruise:**  
1 or 2 nights in a hotel in Tahiti\*



Cruise aboard *Le Paul Gauguin*



**After your cruise:**  
3 nights in a hotel in Moorea

The **five-star Sofitel Kia Ora Moorea Beach Resort** welcomes you in a tropical Eden at the edge of a crystal-clear lagoon. On the programme: **relaxation and attentive services**, with the opportunity to have your breakfast delivered by canoe (for the bungalows over the water), to enjoy Temae Beach, the longest on the island, and to explore the depths of this protected marine area.



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**Daytime use of hotel room in Tahiti\***



Flight Papeete/Paris

*\*The services offered in Tahiti are identical to those on the 'Relaxing getaway in Papeete' programme.*

Garden view or sea view? Offering bungalows in the middle of the natural environment or over the water, **the five-star Sofitel Kia Ora Moorea Beach Resort** welcomes you for three nights, after your cruise.







The five-star InterContinental Bora Bora Resort & Thalasso Spa

Hydrotherapy, soft energy, Algotherm facials, specialist in marine dermo-cosmetology, and body treatments using water drawn from the depths of the ocean... Spread over 4,000 m<sup>2</sup> in the middle of nature, Deep Ocean Spa offers **unalloyed relaxation experiences.**



## Exquisite getaway in Bora Bora



Flight Paris/Papeete



**Before your cruise:  
1 or 2 nights in a hotel in Tahiti\***



Cruise aboard *Le Paul Gauguin*



Flight Papeete/Bora Bora



**After your cruise:  
3 nights in a hotel in Bora Bora**

We're not making it up: the **five-star InterContinental Bora Bora Resort & Thalasso Spa** is located on *motu* Piti Aau, 'the islet of two hearts' – a perfect name for one of the most romantic and idyllic islands in the world. You can spend **three nights there after your cruise**, situated opposite the legendary Mount Otemanu.



Flight Bora Bora/Papeete



**Daytime use of hotel room in Tahiti\***



Flight Papeete/Paris

*\*The services offered in Tahiti are identical to those on the 'Relaxing getaway in Papeete' programme.*



Polynesian flavours, refined cuisine, restaurants in harmony with the lagoon: all you have to do is allow yourself to be carried away by the sheer pleasure of these **extraordinary gastronomic experiences.**

## A beautiful getaway to the Marquesas



Flight Paris/Papeete



**Before your cruise:  
1 night in a hotel in Tahiti\***



Flight Papeete/Hiva Oa  
(Marquesas Islands)\*\*



**3 nights in a hotel in Hiva Oa  
with excursions included**

A discreet establishment facing the Pacific Ocean, the **Hanakee Lodge** hotel in **Hiva Oa** offers an enchanting first glimpse of the Marquesas. The topography of the island, with roads winding through lush scenery, lends itself to exploration. **Enjoy the included excursions** to the village of Atuona, where Paul Gauguin is buried, and to archaeological sites such as Upeke, one of the largest ceremonial centres in French Polynesia, or Te Lipona with its *tiki* approaching 2.5 metres in height, to unlock the mysteries of **Hiva Oa**.



Flight Hiva Oa/Nuku Hiva



**3 nights in a hotel in Nuku Hiva with  
excursions included**

The **Nuku Hiva by Pearl Resorts**, a Relais & Châteaux hotel, offers an uninterrupted view of Taiohae Bay and a chance to switch off totally from the modern world, in harmony with nature. On the programme: **an excursion to Taiohae**, the island's main village, to the archaeological site of Koueva, a ride in an off-road vehicle over the island's hills, which offer extraordinary views over Taipivai Valley, or **a meeting with a local sculptor**.



Flight Nuku Hiva/Papeete



Cruise aboard *Le Paul Gauguin*



After disembarking,  
extend your trip with  
**one day in Papeete** (see page 55),  
**three nights in Moorea** (see page 56)  
or in **Bora Bora** (see page 57).

*\*The services offered in Tahiti are identical to those on the 'Relaxing getaway in Papeete' programme. \*\*The stays before the cruise to the Marquesas Islands are subject to a limited number of guests. For more details on each of the programmes offered, please contact our travel consultants.*

View of Atuona Bay from one  
of the 14 bungalows  
at **Hanakee Lodge** in Hiva Oa.



On a hillside, between the sea and the mountains,  
the **Nuku Hiva by Pearl Resorts**.



Te Lipona archaeological sites with its *tiki*  
approaching 2.5 metres in height.



## Relaxing getaways



### in Fiji and Bali

Treat yourself to a moment of tranquillity before and after your cruise by taking in the charms of the Fiji Islands and the incomparable Bali.

### in Singapore and Darwin

Soak up the unique atmosphere of Singapore before your cruise, then discover the cultural charms of Darwin once the cruise has ended.

### in Darwin and Lautoka

Before your cruise, take in the relaxed atmosphere of Darwin and, after your cruise, explore the delightful town of Lautoka, nicknamed 'Sugar Town'.

*These programmes will soon be available to book. For more information, contact your travel consultant or go to our website: [en.ponant.com](http://en.ponant.com).*

## Rates

Choose your flights and stays before and after the cruise to extend your trip to French Polynesia as you please. All transfers between hotels, airports and ports are included.

**Your return flights Paris/Papeete**  
from €1,730 <sup>(3)</sup>

#### Pre-cruise programmes

Your 1-night stay in Tahiti  
from €400 <sup>(4)</sup>

Your 2-night stay in Tahiti  
from €930 <sup>(4)</sup>

Your 7-night stay in the Marquesas Islands  
from €4,010 <sup>(4)</sup>

#### Post-cruise programmes

Daytime use of your hotel room in Tahiti  
from €350 <sup>(4)</sup>

Your 3-night stay in Moorea  
from €1,400 <sup>(4)</sup>

Your 3-night stay in Bora Bora  
from €3,230 <sup>(4)</sup>

*Pre-cruise stays of one or two nights in Tahiti are determined by the months of departure. The two-night programme is available from January to April and from November to December. From April to November, only a one-night stay in a hotel is possible before the cruise.*

# Your ship



Length: 156 m  
Width: 22 m  
Draft: 5.15 m  
Average cruising speed: 18 knots  
Number of staterooms and suites: 165  
Crew members: 209  
Propulsion: diesel electric  
Year of delivery: 1998,  
renovated in 2021 and 2023





## Le Paul Gauguin

The 165 suites and staterooms of *Le Paul Gauguin* all benefit from exterior views and are tastefully furnished and decorated.

The use of fine materials such as premium wood and tiki design elements pays homage to Polynesian culture and combines elegantly with bright pop art colours. The atmosphere on board is suffused with its inimitable style, and permeates into the cruise guests. Result: the ambiance is relaxed and easy going!





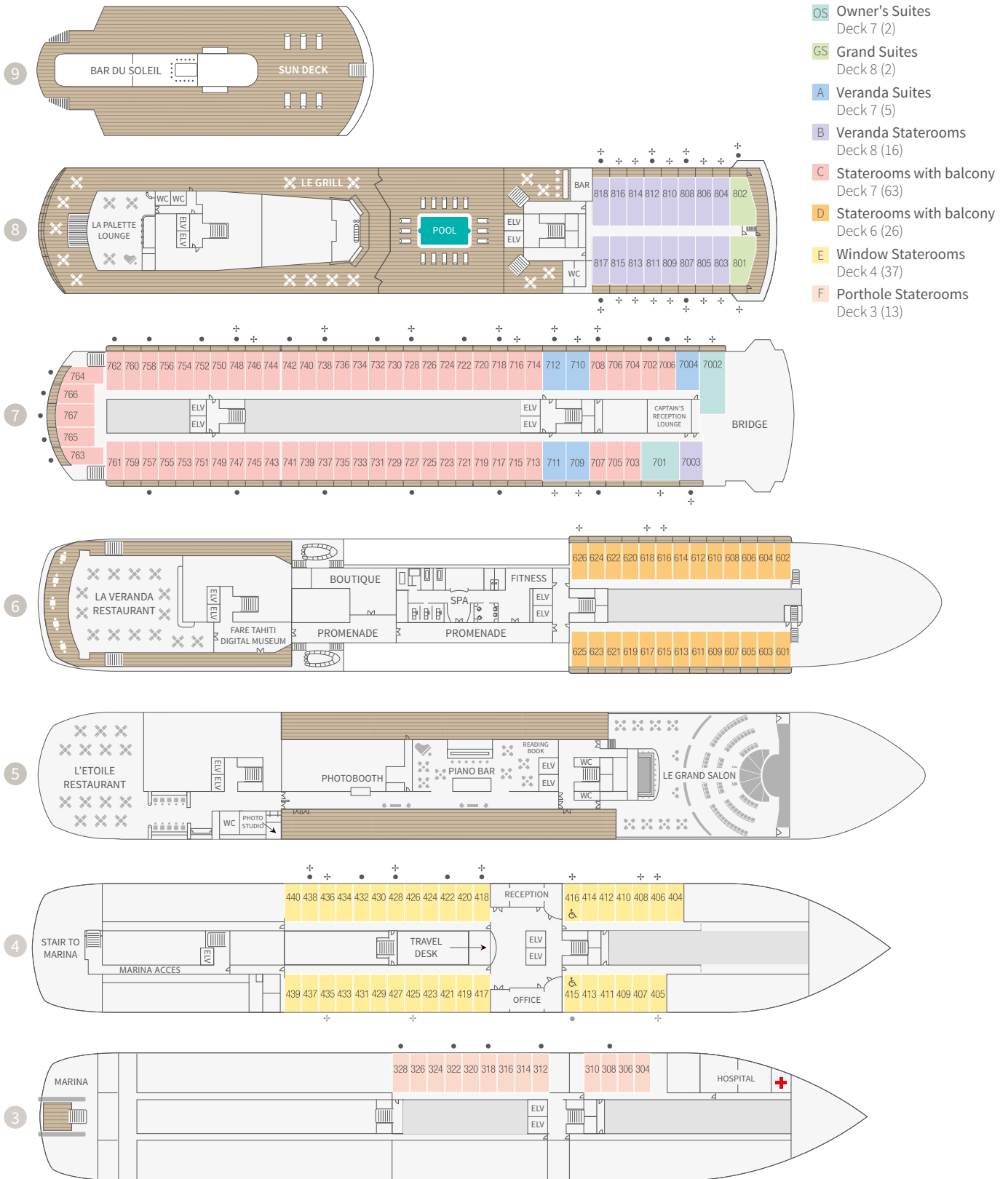
1. The Grill restaurant, on deck 8
2. The swimming pool area, for relaxing in the sunshine, also features a bar
3. The Algotherm Spa, for treatments and massages based on marine cosmetics
4. L'Étoile gastronomic restaurant
5. The terrace of La Palette lounge, on deck 8

6. Le Paul Gauguin
7. GS Grand Suite
8. The Owner's Suite 701
9. B Veranda stateroom

## Amenities

- Queen-size, king-size bed, or two single beds. Some staterooms also have a sofa bed.
- Minibar, telephone and safe
- 110 V/220 V electrical sockets
- Flat-screen TV and videos on demand
- Individual airconditioning
- Marble bathroom with bathtub (except seven staterooms with shower only)
- Algotherm toiletries and hairdryer
- 24-hour service
- Exclusive and tailor-made services for the Owner's Suites through the support of our team of Concierge professionals
- Butler service for the Owner's Suites, the GS Grand Suites, A and B Veranda Suites and Staterooms
- Free Wi-Fi access\*

*\*Depending on the navigation areas, the Wi-Fi may not be accessible for reasons beyond our control.*



- OS Owner's Suites  
Deck 7 (2)
- GS Grand Suites  
Deck 8 (2)
- A Veranda Suites  
Deck 7 (5)
- B Veranda Staterooms  
Deck 8 (16)
- C Staterooms with balcony  
Deck 7 (63)
- D Staterooms with balcony  
Deck 6 (26)
- E Window Staterooms  
Deck 4 (37)
- F Porthole Staterooms  
Deck 3 (13)

- 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.

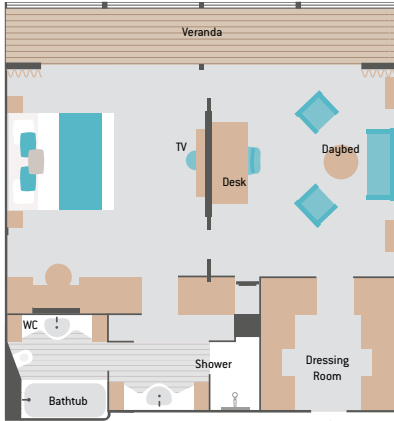
*The sofa beds are slightly smaller than the standard twin beds.  
Suites and staterooms range from 200 to 588 square feet.  
This measurement includes balconies and verandas in categories D and above.*



# Discover your stateroom

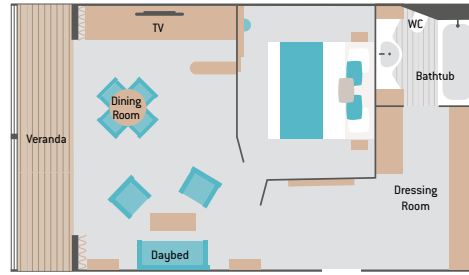
## OWNER'S SUITE 701

(42 sq.m/457 sq.ft + 7 sq.m/77 sq.ft veranda)  
The bathroom boasts a separate shower and a dressing area.



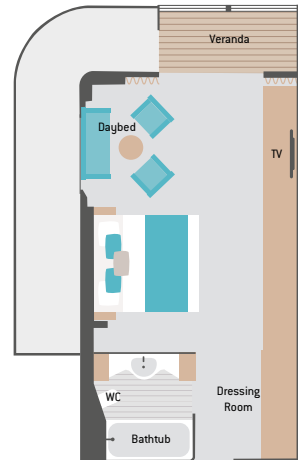
## OWNER'S SUITE 7002

(49 sq.m/531 sq.ft + 5 sq.m/57 sq.ft veranda)  
The bathroom boasts a bathtub and a dressing area.



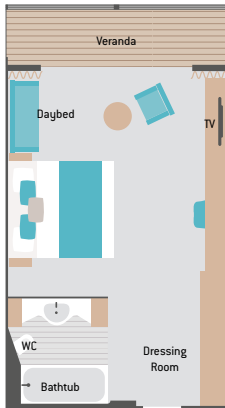
## GS GRAND SUITE

(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).



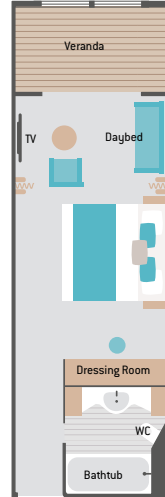
## A VERANDA SUITE

(28 sq.m/300 sq.ft + 5 sq.m/58 sq.ft veranda)  
Suites available: Tahiti Suite (709), Pont-Aven Suite (710), Atuona Suite (711), Arles Suite (712).



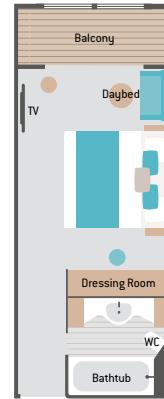
## B VERANDA STATEROOM

(24 sq.m/249 sq.ft + 5 sq.m/56 sq.ft veranda)  
Cabin 7003 has a shower cubicle and a double bed.



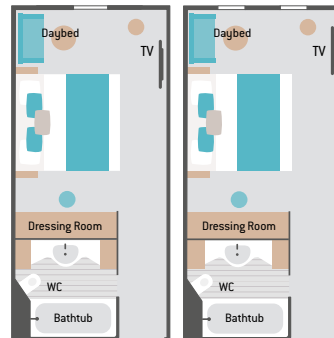
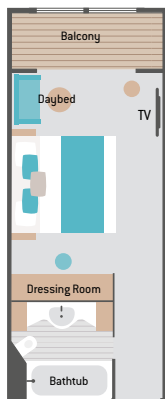
## C BALCONY STATEROOM

(19 sq.m/202 sq.ft + 3 sq.m/37 sq.ft balcony)  
Balcony Staterooms 708, 716, 718, 728, 738, 746 and 748 can accommodate a guest in a sofa bed.  
Stateroom 7006 features a very small bathroom with shower only. Staterooms 763, 764, 765, 766 and 767 vary in size and feature shower stall with no tub.



## D BALCONY STATEROOM

(19 sq.m/202 sq.ft + 3 sq.m/37 sq.ft balcony)  
The following Balcony Staterooms can accommodate a guest in a sofa bed: 616, 618 and 626.



## E WINDOW STATEROOM F PORTHOLE STATEROOM

(19 sq.m/200 sq.ft)  
The following Window Staterooms can accommodate a guest in a sofa bed: 406, 408, 416, 418, 425, 428, 435, 436 and 438.

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# Formalities

## For all cruises

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 six (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 boarding to any guest who fails to obtain the appropriate travel documentation for their trip.

## Specific formalities

Polynesia, South Pacific islands and Asia  
- *LE PAUL GAUGUIN*

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LAUTOKA • BENOA (BALI) cruise <sup>(1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6)</sup>

DARWIN • LAUTOKA cruise <sup>(1) (2) (3) (7)</sup>

SINGAPORE • DARWIN cruise <sup>(1) (2) (4) (6) (7)</sup>

**(1) USA:** if your flight passes through the United States, you must request an ESTA (travel authorisation) before your departure, online via <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta>. A copy of your ESTA must be sent to PONANT no later than 45 days before the date of departure. We also ask that you print it out and keep it in your passport throughout your trip.

**(2) Canada:** if your flight passes through Canada, you must obtain an electronic travel authorisation (eTA) prior to your departure so you can pass through Vancouver. Apply online at: <https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/visit-canada/eta/apply.html>

**(3) Fiji:** for the cruise from Papeete to Lautoka, entry formalities to Fiji will be carried out on board. For the cruises from Lautoka to Papeete and Lautoka to Bali, you will receive an 'Arrival in Fiji' letter in English with your travel documents to present on arrival at Nadi airport.

**(4) Indonesia:** on this particular cruises, the entry and/or exit port in Indonesia do not allow for visa-exemption. Your visa will be delivered and charged onboard (45 USD subject to change) and valid for 30 days.

**(5) Papua New Guinea:** visa delivered onboard free of charge.

**(6) East Timor:** visa delivered and charged onboard (30 USD subject to change).

**(7) Australia:** an Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) must be obtained before your arrival in Australia. For more information, please visit <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-finder/visit>. Carriers should be aware that there will not be any physical evidence in your passport. A copy of your ETA must be sent to PONANT at the latest 45 days prior to your cruise date. We also ask you to keep a copy of your ETA and keep it with your passport throughout the duration of your trip. Australian customs regulations are very strict, especially for the import of food items such as fresh food (even sealed), fruits, eggs, meat, plants, vegetables, seeds, grains. Fur and feathers are also forbidden. We highly recommend you consult this website for further details: <https://www.abf.gov.au/entering-and-leaving-australia/can-you-bring-it-in>. It is recommended that you contact your health professional for any specific medical advice relating to travel through these regions, including advice on malaria prevention and dengue fever.

## 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://en.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 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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