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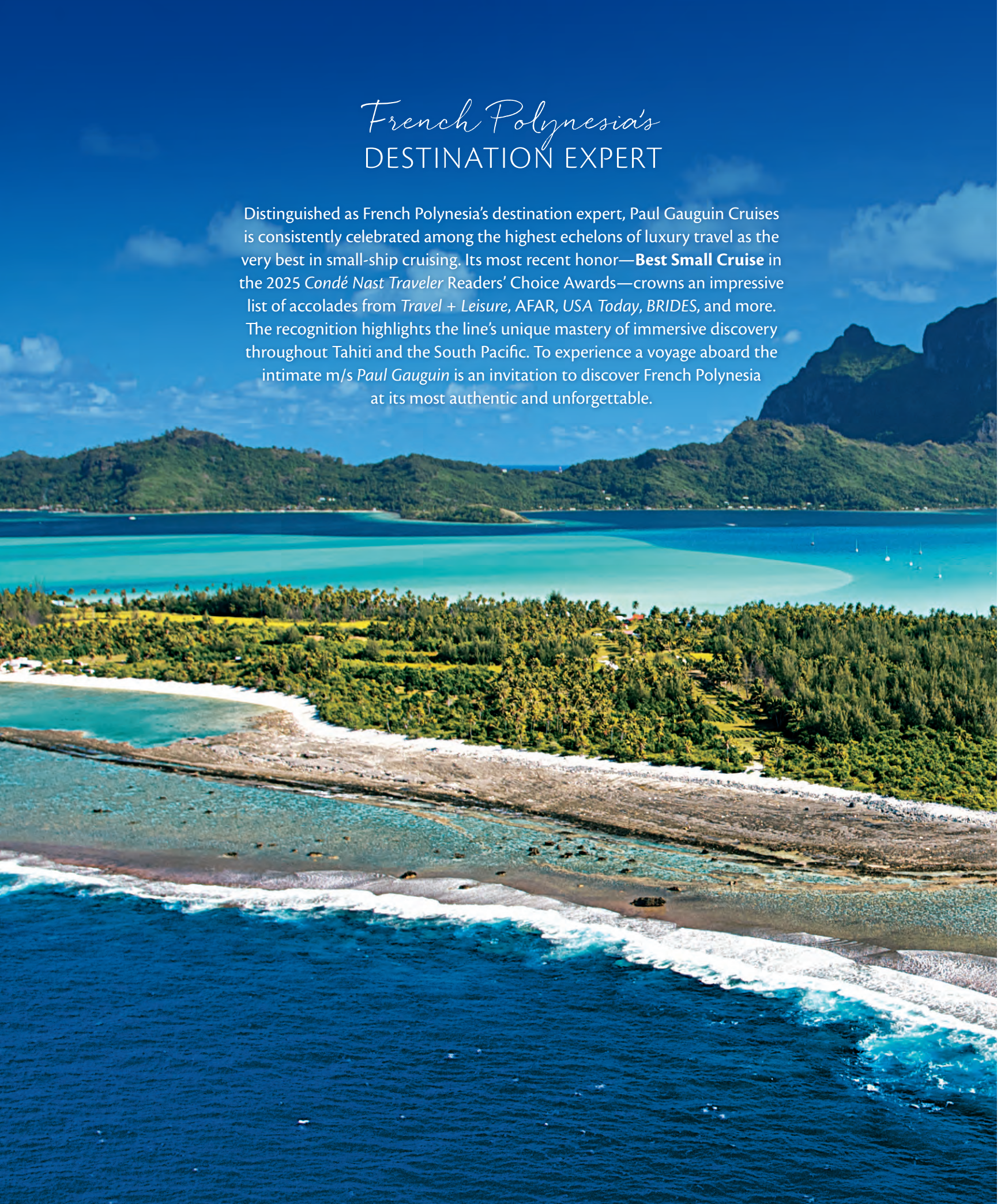
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Ia Orana! (Greetings!)

There are places in this world that never leave you. For me, French Polynesia is one of them. I've just returned from sailing aboard the m/s *Paul Gauguin* and every day revealed another reason these islands captured my heart.

Of course, I spent a lot of time enjoying the world-famous waters, snorkeling among the vibrant reefs that have moved the muses of writers and artists for centuries. But what struck me most beyond the natural beauty here was the intangible spirit of the islands—the *mana*. It's a life force you feel from ship to shore: in the warmth of the crew, the camaraderie of fellow travelers, and the grace of the Polynesian people who welcome *The Gauguin* to their shores as part of the family.

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But more importantly for you, it is why Paul Gauguin Cruises is recognized as French Polynesia's destination expert—the only luxury line to offer such depth of discovery and authentic connection to these beautiful islands.

We look forward to welcoming you on board soon.

Mauruuru roa (Thank you),

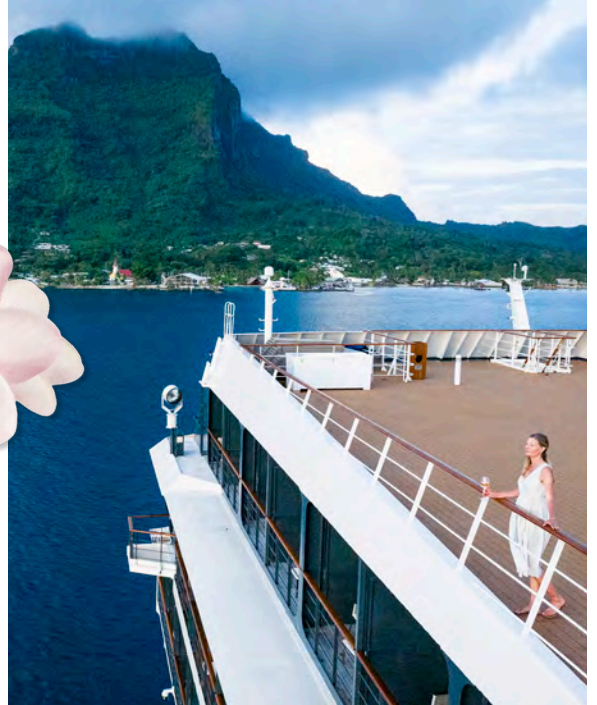


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THE M/S *PAUL GAUGUIN*:

Heartbeat of Tahiti

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While we all like to think we have unique travel dreams, there are some that most of us share. One is a desire to visit French Polynesia's Society Islands, which hold the promise of ukulele-playing, lei-clad, welcoming people. Tahiti and Bora Bora are iconic. The latter appears in the distance as we sail toward it aboard the m/s *Paul Gauguin*, our small, luxury, 330-guest cruise ship. Once inside Bora Bora's legendary atoll, we are delighted to find that we are the only ship in the harbor, and not for the first time.

“We’ve been on board for seven nights of our 10-night itinerary and experience two opposing sensations simultaneously: the first is feeling completely at home on this ship; the second is the wonder of experiencing things we’ve only viewed in photographs.”



Everything has been set up for us in a way that defines what a luxury small ship has to offer. Our stateroom is furnished with every amenity—queen bed, attractive furniture, and, best of all, a balcony that immerses us in the Polynesian air. It’s an elixir for our senses. The ship retains the feel of a luxury yacht because there is mahogany woodwork everywhere, the kind of craftsmanship not found these days. Evocative, historic photos of the islands line the hallways. Feeling like we are on a ship rather than sailing in what could be mistaken for a modern airport lounge, is important to us.

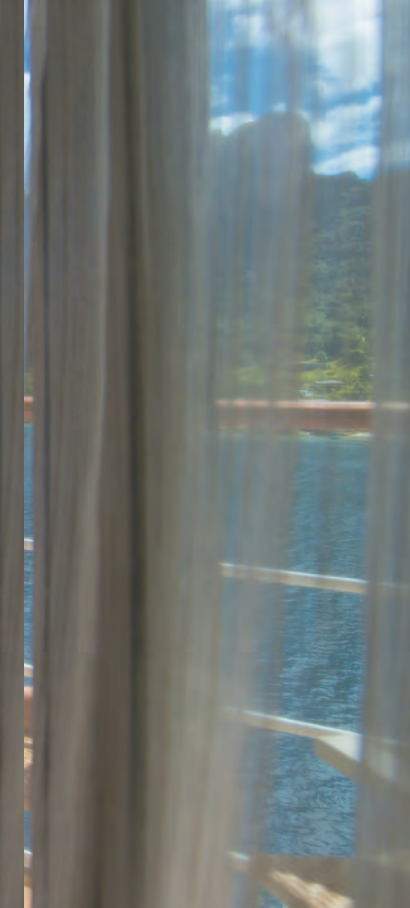
As opposed to other more formal cruises, the atmosphere is blissfully carefree and casual. This encompasses not only the dress code—flip flops are allowed everywhere except for two of the three dining

rooms at dinner—but the banter and comfort level the guests have with the crew. Many have worked for Paul Gauguin Cruises for more than a decade, and their genuinely friendly hospitality enhances the notion that French Polynesia is a relaxed, welcoming place. Especially helpful are the onboard excursion directors; all are Polynesian and have lived on the islands we visited. They readily provide inside info on what to see and do.

As we approach Bora Bora, the captain invites us to the bridge to help us understand the navigational challenges of this reef-ringed atoll. The brilliantly blue waters surrounding the islands are calm because each is protected by a treacherous ring of coral, usually with one or two small openings. Because *The Gauguin* is a purpose-built ship for just these waters, its shallow

Top 10 Reasons to Sail with Paul Gauguin Cruises

- 1. Small, intimate, and award-winning:** The 330-guest m/s *Paul Gauguin* is the highest-rated and longest continually sailing luxury cruise ship in the South Pacific.
- 2. Extraordinary value in luxury cruising:** All-inclusive fares allow for a relaxed and carefree ambience on board.
- 3. Exceptional service:** A crew-to-guest ratio of 1:1.5 is among the highest at sea and features a one-of-a-kind troupe of Tahitian hosts/entertainers who live aboard the ship year-round.
- 4. Exclusive retreats:** Revel in private utopias off the coasts of Bora Bora* and Tahaa.
- 5. Luxurious accommodations:** Spacious, oceanview staterooms include European linens and in-room refrigerator with beverages replenished daily. Nearly 70% of staterooms feature a private balcony.
- 6. Three fine-dining venues and 24-hour room service:** Savor expertly prepared cuisine presented by knowledgeable and attentive staff.
- 7. Watersports:** The onboard marina offers kayaks and paddleboards for your use in select ports and at destination beaches; complimentary snorkeling equipment for your use throughout your cruise; and optional PADI SCUBA diving programs.
- 8. Enrichment program:** Sailings are enhanced with presentations by local naturalists and/or other experts, and special guests join select voyages.
- 9. Longer port stays:** Experience island life to the fullest with longer stays in port and overnight calls on Bora Bora and Moorea on most itineraries.
- 10. Moana Explorer Program:** In partnership with the *Te mana o te moana* conservation foundation, kids ages 6 to 15 enjoy educational and fun explorations; complimentary on select summer and holiday sailings. Plus, kids up to 17 years of age sail free as the third guest in select staterooms.



Clockwise from upper left: balcony views daily; shopping at La Boutique; The Gauguin in Bora Bora; exceptional service; tropical drinks and premium spirits as you desire.

draft allows us to follow the local boats into and tuck ourselves into smaller anchorages unavailable to most cruise ships. Once there, we sleep in the shadow of the majestic, impenetrable, verdant mountains.

We weren't expecting to reap so much enjoyment during the languid days at sea, which regularly afford sunrises and sunsets that defy the imagination. We are lulled by the rhythms of the waves against the bow, the seabirds, and the changing patterns of light, all enjoyed under the bluest of skies.

Sea days are punctuated by seminars from naturalists, both marine and geologic, all held in a spacious theater. Additionally, there are eight cultural ambassadors—Les Gauguines and Les Gauguins—warm and welcoming islanders who live aboard to inform, entertain, and teach classes in the local language, crafts, and dance. These young people, full of infectious enthusiasm for their culture, bring the *mana* (spiritual essence, or life force) of Polynesia to life. Their culture feels intact. Women wear hair flowers—not just for a tourist photo-op. Flowing, floral-printed *pareos* are seen everywhere, and guests learn traditional dances. »»



**Subject to availability as conditions allow. When unable to call there, tender service to the pier and a free shuttle to Matira Beach—the island's award-winning public beach—will be offered. All information is subject to change without prior notice.*



With three restaurants, each a different vibe and menu, we decide nightly if we want to be more formal and dine at La Veranda and L'Etoile, or more casual at Le Grill with its delightful ocean breezes.

Since all food (everything from vegan to steak) and a nice selection of quality wines are inclusive, we find it hard to discipline ourselves. And, for those who get peckish mid-afternoon, there are sandwiches and such a variety of unique desserts that we take a few for after dinner.

A culinary high point is watching the chef discuss and then filet an enormous, just-caught, 100+ pound moon fish many of us would enjoy that night for dinner.

Our fellow travelers exhibit a welcoming camaraderie, and it only takes a few days to find those who will become dear friends. It happens in the nicest way. Because one of the daily joys of cruising in Tahiti is watching the dream-like sunrise, we start each morning on the upper deck with our La Palette cappuccinos. Another couple is always there. Once we start talking, we learn how compatible we are. A year later, we've seen them a few times in New York City (our hometown) and expect we will stay in touch. We also meet people who were fun to hang out with during our cruise even though we may never see them again.

Our favorite excursion is Bora Bora's Coral Garden, and not just because we love our knowledgeable, funny, and re-assuring guide.


During a single snorkel we see 20 eagle rays relaxing on the lagoon bottom, a manta ray with a 12-foot wingspan receiving her daily cleaning by wrasse fish, and the most remarkable sight of all, a "garden" with such diversely shaped, textured, sized, and colored assortment of coral that all of us on the swim agree—this is more than enough reason to have traveled thousands of miles.

Add to this the seemingly hundreds of fish species that inhabit the reef, and we are treated to one of nature's unforgettable sights. Our guide gives us a piece of banana, which the fish nibble in tiny pecks. Plus, the water is a perfect temperature; the transition of our bodies from air to water and eventually back out again is seamless. Fantastic!

Another memorable experience is standing waist deep in gin-clear waters while blacktip sharks and giant rays gently circle us. Sounds scary but it absolutely isn't. Magical is a better word. These extensive reefs help us understand that Polynesia is a full-spectrum experience... from cloud-shrouded mountain peaks, to valleys so verdant they seem prehistoric, and this underwater paradise.

Taha'a is home to *The Gauguin's* private islet—Motu Mahana—where we learn local games, swim, enjoy a barbeque, and watch the passing clouds change the color of the water. Spending hours on our own island, bathed by tropical breezes and sipping cocktails from coconuts is a true slice of paradise.





Clockwise from left: Breakfast al fresco at La Veranda; sunrise on the South Seas; complimentary kayaking in Bora Bora.

A final realization: We take for granted we will fall asleep off one island and wake up near another, something that can only happen on a cruise ship. We've traveled on our own nearly everywhere but, while touring a mainland, a car or train will get you where you want to be. It's not the same here in the South Pacific. Ferries and flights are sporadic. Several islands have inadequate accommodations. Some of the distances are great. By removing all the stresses of coordinating planes, ferries, and automobiles, we are free to luxuriate in our ship's many amenities and contemplate our surroundings. Now that's luxury in paradise.



EPILOGUE: We stayed on our own on Moorea for a few days after the cruise ended. We thought it would be great to be on one of the stunning places we had seen from the ship. Much to our surprise, that wasn't the case. Breezes in our waterfront cottage were blocked by the mountain behind us. On *The Gauguin*, it was always breezy. Plus, while the view from sea level was nice, it lacked the magic we had come to expect at sea. We learned that on land, you only see the ocean. From a ship, you see and feel both. 🌊

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Island Hopping

In French Polynesia & the South Pacific

To holiday in the South Pacific is to discover a mix of ancient civilizations, hidden *motus*, heady tropical scents, and open and friendly islanders. The 118 Polynesian islands and atolls (ring-shaped coral reefs) span a distance of over 3,000 miles and cover an area larger than the entire continent of Europe. Polynesia is the perfect place to relax, have an eco-adventure, or just open your mind, body, and soul to the beauty of the South Seas.

The Islands of Fiji

Fiji

BEACH SCENE:

Natadola Beach on Viti Levu

MOST APPRECIATED BY:

Romantics and Adventurists

ISLAND TYPE:

Mountain Peaks and
Legendary Beaches

BRING HOME:

Black Pearls, Sarongs, Masks

LOCAL COLOR:

Melanesian Culture and
a Relaxed Way of Life

The Kingdom of Tonga

Vava'u

Tonga

BEACH SCENE:

White Sands and Emerald Lagoons

MOST APPRECIATED BY:

Nature Enthusiasts, Yachties, Whale Watchers

ISLAND TYPE:

Raised Coral Limestone and Coral Atolls

BRING HOME:

Tapa Paintings and Handicrafts

LOCAL COLOR:

Known as "The Friendly Islands"

The Cook Islands

BEACH SCENE:

One Foot Island, a Small Islet in the
Lagoon, is Said to Offer the Best Views

MOST APPRECIATED BY:

Beach Bunnies, New Zealanders,
Sun Worshippers

ISLAND TYPE:

Mountain Peaks and
Coral Atolls

BRING HOME:

Colorful Handmade Quilts
Called Tivaevae

LOCAL COLOR:

Enjoy Drum Music and Learn
How to Rock a Grass Skirt

Cook Islands



Aitutaki



Rarotonga

Vanua Levu



Viti Levu



Beqa Island



Bora Bora



Matu Mahana

Taha'a



Raiatea

Society Islands

Huahine



Marquesas

BEACH SCENE:

Few and Far Between

MOST APPRECIATED BY:

Adventurers Seeking More Than Just A Beach Vacation, Gauguin Groupies

ISLAND TYPE:

Rugged Mountains and Fertile Valleys

BRING HOME:

Tikis and Woodcarvings

LOCAL COLOR:

The Locals at the Market on Tahuata are Open to Bartering



Nuku Hiva



Ua Pou



Hiva Oa



Tahuata



Fatu Hiva

Marquesas Islands

Society Islands

BEACH SCENE:

Nearly Everywhere You Go

MOST APPRECIATED BY:

Relaxed Vacationers, Water Fiends, Romance Seekers

ISLAND TYPE:

Mountain Peaks [Some Surrounded by Low-lying Coral Atolls]

BRING HOME:

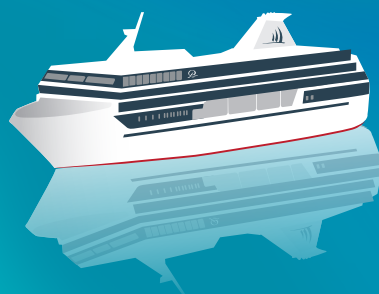
Vanilla from Taha'a

LOCAL COLOR:

The Tattoo Artists on Moorea are Famous for Their Craft



Moorea



Tahiti

Tuamotu Archipelago



Rangiroa



Fakarava

Tuamotus

BEACH SCENE:

Teahatea Beach, Near Passe Garuae

MOST APPRECIATED BY:

Eco-Travelers, Divers, Mermaids

ISLAND TYPE:

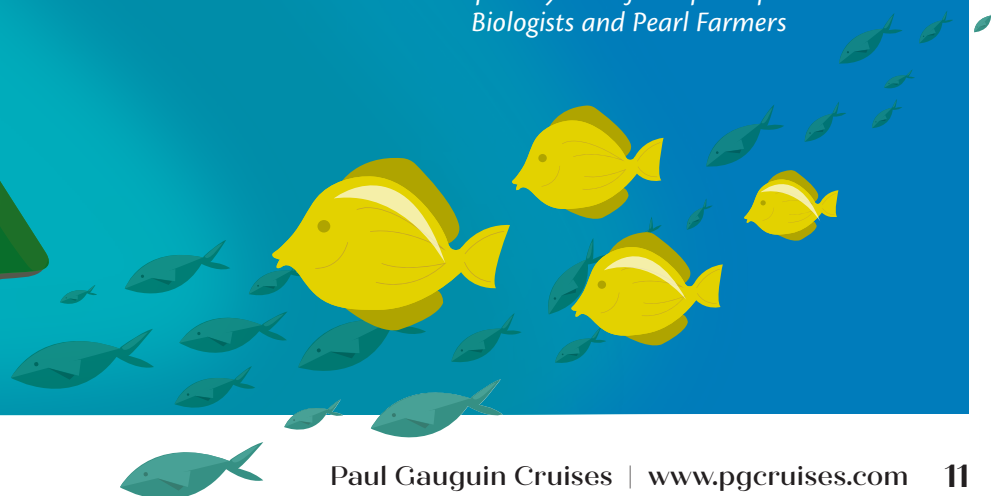
Low Island Atolls

CAPTURE:

A Photograph of the World's Most Beautiful Coral Reefs

LOCAL COLOR:

Keep an Eye Out for Hip Biosphere Biologists and Pearl Farmers



CULTURE CORNER: The Living Language of Tahiti

The Tahitian language, *Reo Tahiti*, is more than words—it is rhythm, song, and the living spirit of the islands. To speak it, even in greeting, is to carry a little of French Polynesia in your voice.

Language is one of the most profound ways to connect with a place. In Tahiti, words seem to flow with a natural cadence, each syllable carrying a sense of harmony with the islands themselves. Known as *Reo Tahiti*, the Tahitian language belongs to the vast Polynesian family that stretches across the Pacific, linking cultures from Hawai'i to New Zealand.

For centuries, Tahitians passed down stories, songs, and genealogy through oral tradition. The language is rich in vowels and fluid sounds, lending it a lyrical quality that feels inseparable from the

rhythms of daily island life. In some rural and outer-island communities, Tahitian continues to serve as a principal language helping preserve ancestral ties across generations.

French is the official language of French Polynesia, widely used in government, schools, and media. Tahitian, however, is a cornerstone of cultural identity and is taught in schools, sung in church choirs, and spoken with pride in families and communities. English, meanwhile, is common in tourism and hospitality, giving most islanders a trilingual fluency that reflects the Polynesian openness to the wider world.

To visitors, even a few simple Tahitian words open doors. A warm *la Orana* (hello) is not merely a greeting—it is an embrace of welcome. Saying *Maururu* (thank you) or *Manuia!* (cheers!) invites a smile and recognition that you are part of the rhythm here, not apart from it.

Tahitian words also carry cultural and spiritual depth. *Mana* describes the sacred energy believed to inhabit all living things. *Moana* means ocean, the eternal pathway connecting every island, while *Motu* refers to the sandy islets that ring turquoise lagoons.

For travelers, learning a few essential phrases adds delight to every encounter:

Hello... *la Orana* (yo-rah-nah)

See you later... *Nana* (nah-nah)

Welcome... *Maeva* (mah-yeh-vah)

Thank you... *Maururu* (mah-roo-roo)

Cheers... *Manuia* (mah-nwee-ah)

Beer... *Pia* (pee-ah)

Yes... *E* (ay)

No... *Aita* (eye-tah)

I love you... *Uua here vau ia oe*
(oo-ah hay-ray ee-ah oh-ay)

Which way to the bathroom?
E hea te vahi no te fare tahe?
(Eh hee-ah teh vah-hee no teh fah-reh tah-heh?)

How much does this cost?
E hia te moni?
(Eh hee-ah teh moh-nee?)

The meal is very good!
E rave rahi maita'i ia ia'ai 'ohipa
(Eh rah-veh rah-hee mee-tah-ee ee-ah ee-ah-ah-ee oh-hee-pah)

Each word is an invitation, each phrase a thread woven into the living tapestry of Polynesia. To speak Tahitian, even briefly, is to honor the voice of the islands themselves.



MEET THE *Local* CELEBRITIES

Find Les Gauguines and Les Gauguins, *The Gauguin's* own troupe of Polynesian hosts and hostesses, at every turn. An already perfect setting is made warmer and more authentic in the company of these incredible travel companions.

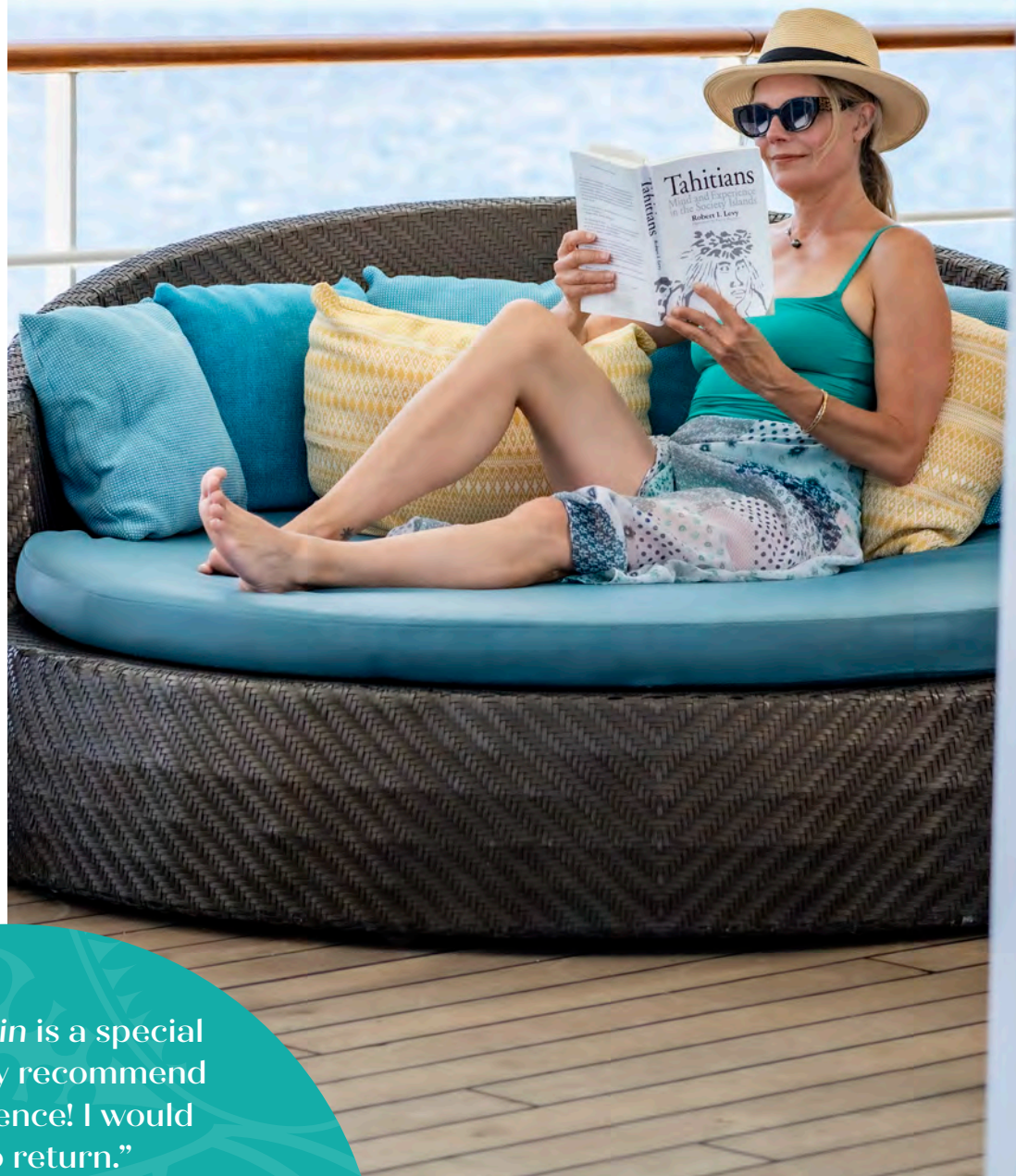


7 Nights

Dip your toes
into a world of
South Pacific
wonder



Tahiti & the Society Islands



"The Gauguin is a special ship. I highly recommend this experience! I would love to return."

~ Celeste Huffman Herbert, guest



TOP: Gin-clear and crystalline, Tahiti's enchanting turquoise waters are mesmerizing. BOTTOM: Explore waterfalls from Moorea to the Marquesas.



TOP: Cocktails and camaraderie on deck during the evening golden hour. BOTTOM: Paddle boarding, snorkeling, and swimming in Bora Bora's lagoon.



Tahiti & the Society Islands

The 118 islands and atolls of French Polynesia shimmer like a string of prized Tahitian pearls. Tahiti and the Society Islands have inspired generations of artists and writers seeking to capture their magical allure. Among countless others, Herman Melville, James A. Michener, Henri Matisse—and, of course, Paul Gauguin himself—were transfixed by these islands. You will be, too.

Visiting five destinations in seven nights, the m/s *Paul Gauguin* will bring you closer to Tahiti, Huahine, Taha'a, Bora Bora, and Moorea for an intimate experience not possible on larger ships. Each island will charm you in a different way. Onboard views astound the senses and set the pulse racing; each island beckons with Edenic beauty. This is the proverbial adventure of a lifetime.



TAHITI The islands of French Polynesia are a spectacular collection of volcanic atolls strewn across the tranquil Pacific Ocean, and the island of Tahiti is the largest of them all. Called the “Queen of the Pacific,” the royal moniker is appropriate, and you’ll see why. Majestic, stately, and steeped in history, the island is synonymous with paradise.

While you’re likely eager to board your new floating home-away-from-home, don’t cheat yourself from sampling the bounty that Tahiti offers on land, first. As *The Gauguin* waits in the harbor, the capital city of Papeete offers shopping, waterfront dining, entertainment, and swoon-inducing sunsets. If you run out of time to see all you want to see, don’t worry—you’ll return back to Papeete after your sea journey is complete.

HUAHINE How about breakfast in bed? You’ll need energy for the day, and really, being pampered right from the start sets a nice precedent for the discovery ahead.

In the brilliant morning light, a palette of blues and greens greets you as *The Gauguin* reaches her first port. The excitement is palpable as guests gather on deck to snap pictures, lost in absolute wonder.


Lush rainforests, dramatic landscapes, and idyllic lagoons welcome you to Huahine, one of French Polynesia’s best-kept secrets. Hidden temples embellished with rare orchids, romantic enclaves, and untouched hideaways await at every turn. One of the most secluded of the Society Islands, Huahine takes its name from the Tahitian word *vahine* (woman), perhaps because the island’s most prominent mountain ridge resembles the silhouette of a pregnant lady.

The pace here is relaxed. Tranquility floats in the air. Serenity surrounds you like an embrace. The splendor of the landscape playfully wrestles with the kaleidoscopic wonderland just beneath the surface of crystal waters. Let your own desires shape your day: Wander the village, take in the spectacular views, and lounge on the beach.

TAHA'A [MOTU MAHANA] Life is simple on this flower-shaped island, orchids and hibiscus grace the landscape and the air is sweet with vanilla. Most of the Tahitian vanilla prized by gourmets comes from Taha'a, so you'll want to stock up during your visit. With only a handful of guest houses and small hotels, this sleepy island is authentically Polynesian—

the vibe is so laid-back you'll marvel that you ever worried about things like deadlines, schedules, and meetings. Off-the-charts snorkeling and diving are a given. Pillowy mountains, fertile valleys, and sparkling beaches will vie for your exploration, whether it's visiting a vanilla plantation, hiking ancient trails, or exploring the lush jungle on a guided 4x4 trek.

Nestled within Taha'a's tranquil lagoon is Motu Mahana, *The Gauguin's* own private islet. No other cruise ship can access this intimate corner of paradise, and your exclusive day here will be one of serene relaxation. The experience is truly Tahitian. Les Gauguines welcome you with authentic Polynesian music, and then your time is your own. Leave your watch in your stateroom, because on **Motu Mahana** there are no schedules, no deadlines, and definitely no stress. Doze on a chaise lounge under a blue-sky canopy. Grab your favorite libation from the floating bar and find a perfect spot to enjoy. Join in a game of beach volleyball, take to the water on a kayak, or explore the underwater wonders with complimentary snorkel equipment. When you've worked up an appetite, a beach barbecue awaits. This is life in paradise.



An aerial photograph showing four people in shallow, clear turquoise water. They are surrounded by several large, dark stingrays. The water is so clear that the sandy bottom and the rays' tails are visible. The people are wearing swimwear and snorkel masks, suggesting a snorkeling or diving activity. The scene is bright and sunny, with light reflecting off the water's surface.

DAY	PORT
1	PAPEETE, TAHITI
2	HUAHINE
3	TAHA'A (MOTU MAHANA)
4/5	BORA BORA
6/7	MOOREA
7/8	PAPEETE, TAHITI

BORA BORA (OVERNIGHT)

On Bora Bora, you're inside the postcard looking out. With the castle-like centerpiece of Mount Otemanu soaring skyward, the "Romantic Island" offers a decadent display of endless azure skies, turquoise waters, and Technicolor wildlife on land, sea, and air. Tuck a hibiscus flower behind your ear and surrender to the fragrant breezes of one of the world's top honeymoon destinations.

After indulging in the enchantment of your own private isle on Motu Mahana, your visit to Bora Bora rewards with yet another exclusive beach experience. Bring a towel from the ship and find your own spot on these private shores to bask in the warmth of the South Pacific sunshine and swim in the crystal-clear waters. While you can easily spend a day simply wandering the beaches being mesmerized by the lagoon's legendary blue waters, more active pursuits beckon inland, either on a 4x4 excursion or a scenic journey by Le Truck, an authentic Polynesian mode of transport.

One of the most unforgettable experiences you'll find in the South Pacific is the opportunity to stand in shallow waters as playful (and harmless) stingrays swim

their ballet-like dance around you. The rays are accustomed to visitors and gently glide around as your guide feeds them. Keep your eyes open for possible sightings of lemon sharks, blacktip reef sharks, and schools of colorful fish. The story of your **Sharks & Stingrays Encounter** will inspire awe every time you tell it.

MOOREA (OVERNIGHT) It's okay to stare in wide-eyed amazement; Moorea is used to it. This island is everything you imagine a South Pacific island would be: majestic and mysterious, alluring and hypnotic. Waterfalls tumble from volcanic ridges as ferns dance in the spray. The lush landscape bursts with coffee, sugarcane, and pineapple. Warm waters beckon with open arms. If heaven exists on Earth, it must be here.

In this setting, you may need to express yourself with something other than words. Let your inner artist out to paint, sketch, doodle—even photograph Moorea's epic vistas or something on a smaller scale. There is endless beauty here to inspire you.

In addition to creative pursuits, Moorea is a wonderland for active travelers. How will you get your adrenaline pumping during your two days here? SCUBA

excursions, snorkeling adventures, paddleboarding, kayaking, and wave runners await – and many of these activities can be launched from the ship's watersports marina. You can also go off the beaten path on an **Aito Off-Road Safari** excursion. This four-hour adventure explores the volcanic crater from which Moorea was born via an off-road vehicle, with plenty of time included to stop for local treats like homemade jam, ice cream, and fresh fruit juice.

PAPEETE, TAHITI Your overnight stay in Papeete gives you the opportunity to sample the city's nightlife. Take the short walk to the park across from the harbor, Vai'ete Square, where more than 30 food trucks, called Les Roulottes, serve up fresh, inexpensive, and very good food—everything from Chinese to French to the local catch of the day. In Papeete, many stores are open in the evening, giving you a last chance to collect a special memento or treasured bauble... maybe even some Tahitian pearls.

All too soon, the sunrise comes and with it, the conclusion of your cruise experience. The best news is *The Gauguin* considers you family and eagerly awaits your return.

Tahiti & the Society Islands

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The Incredible Memories

[WE WEREN'T EVEN EXPECTING]

I assumed my children's favorite part of our seven-night stay on board the m/s *Paul Gauguin* would be the unlimited soda or the pool at the end of our hall. The actual highlights were far less predictable—my six-year-old performing the intimidating Polynesian warrior dance called the haka in front of a crowd, and a trivia win fueled by a week of learning about marine wildlife in the Moana Explorer Program (MEP).



by Naomi Tomky, Travel Writer

A partnership between Paul Gauguin Cruises and Tahiti-based marine education and conservation foundation Te mana o te moana, the MEP flips the script of a typical kids' club. While I studied the excursion brochure to maximize my time on each island, my girls had a full week planned: afternoons of beach games on Bora Bora and snorkeling on Huahine, an evening stargazing session, and movie night.

After their first day with the MEP, my daughters told me about the long-snouted trumpetfish and slithering shy eels they saw lurking in rainbows of coral. A few months back, I had tried and failed to teach them to snorkel over the course of a week; it took the MEP five minutes. Naturalists Mai and Doris taught my children both the things they wouldn't listen to me about (snorkeling) and the things they shouldn't listen to me about (marine life). The girls spent dinners spouting sea turtle facts and describing black-tipped sharks, information they put to use when we swam with those very animals later that week. Though they never wanted to miss a single session, the program's flexibility—and the ship's new connecting rooms—make for an ideal multi-generational trip, giving families both the time they need together and the space they need apart.

They enjoyed Tahiti's glassy blue water and soul-warming sunshine, but The Gauguin and its MEP gave my curious kids a connection below the surface. Interacting with Polynesian people, places, and creatures gave them the opportunity to ask experts and learn more about what intrigued them.

I started the trip worried that the girls' only takeaways would be sunburns and sugar highs, instead they came home laden with shell bracelets, heads full of plans to protect the ocean, and an insatiable desire to return to French Polynesia as soon as possible.

Playing games about marine pollution sounds like a metaphor for uselessness, but the program's naturalists expertly use the activities to encourage Moana Explorers ages six to 15 to not just fall in love with nature, but also to understand its fragility—and that we, as people, have the responsibility to do something about it.

They just happen to do that by entertaining kids in the natural playground of French Polynesia, leading them on underwater adventures through the majestic universe of brightly colored fish and graceful sea turtles.✦



Naomi Tomky brings a critically acclaimed voice to food and travel journalism, with bylines in *The New York Times*, *Food & Wine*, and *Travel + Leisure*. Guided by cultural curiosity and a sense of adventure, she explores the world through immersive, experience-driven storytelling.



Created 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 6-15, 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 naturalist-led island and/or beach excursions, science activities, crafts, games, and other adventures. Depending on the itinerary, these young explorers might learn about Polynesian life through playing board games, creating natural jewelry, conducting water experiments, going on a treasure hunt, enjoying water games in the onboard pool, doing some stargazing, designing their own Polynesian tattoo, and more.

Offered complimentary[†] on select voyages.

2027 Sailing Dates

More Tuamotus & Society Islands

10 NIGHTS

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Tahiti & the Society Islands

7 NIGHTS

June 19 & 26; August 14 & 21, 2027

Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands

14 NIGHTS

July 3; August 28, 2027

More Society Islands & Tahiti

7 NIGHTS

July 17, 2027

Society Islands & Tuamotus

11 NIGHTS

July 24, 2027

Cook Islands & Society Islands

11 NIGHTS

December 18, 2027



**MOANA
EXPLORER
PROGRAM**

With *Te mana o te moana*



For more information on our Moana Explorer Program including sample day-by-day schedules, please visit pgcruises.com/family.

The Moana Explorer Program is available on select summer and holiday sailings, and must be booked on board. Program offered in English and French.

^{*}Kids Sail Free as a third guest in the stateroom. Pricing for the third guest in the same stateroom is as follows: 17 years old and under, sail FREE, 18 years of age and older, 30% of adult fare. Triples are available in select staterooms and are capacity controlled.

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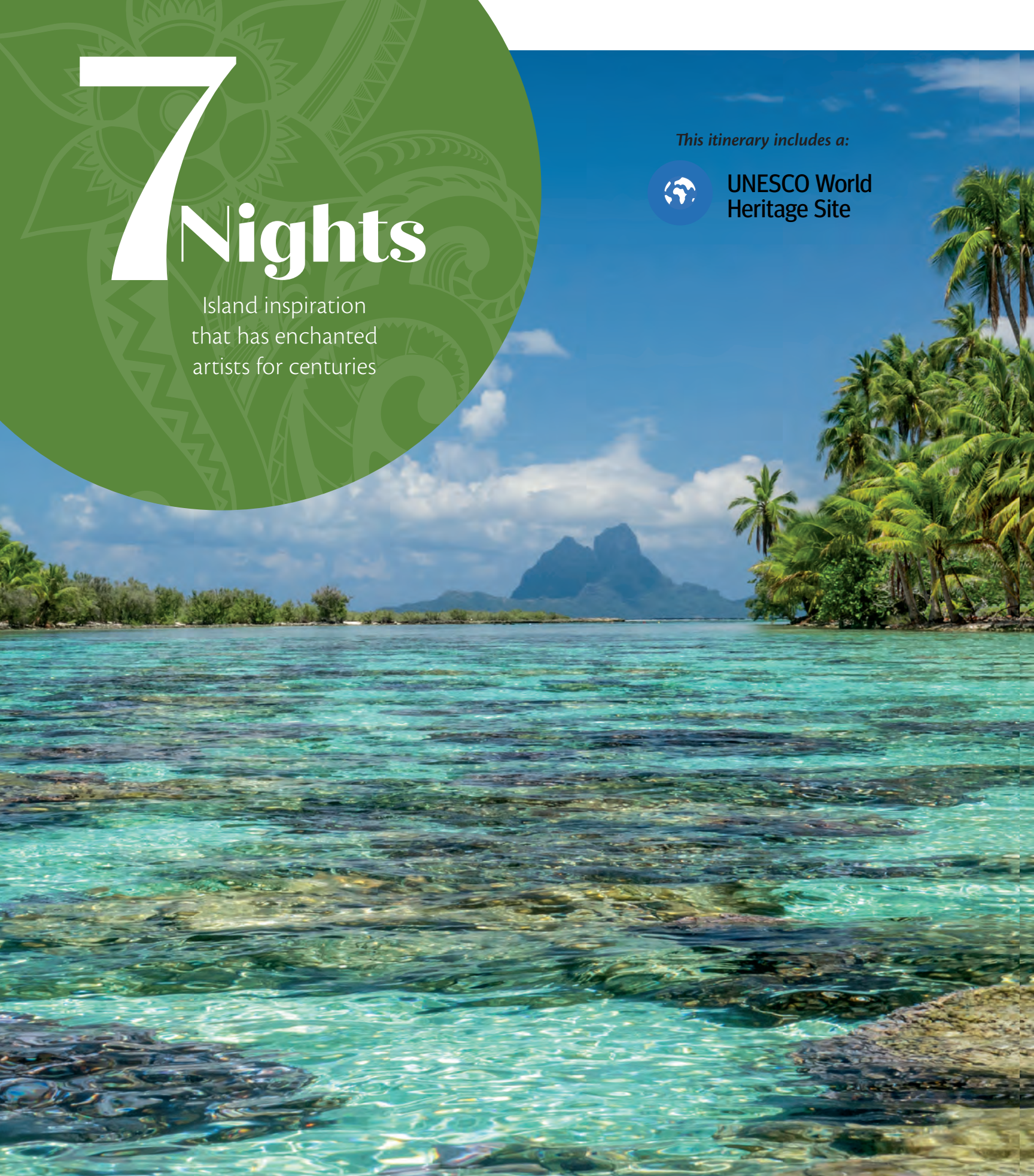
7 Nights

Island inspiration
that has enchanted
artists for centuries

This itinerary includes a:



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“Fantastic ship with
an outstanding crew -
awesome experience!”

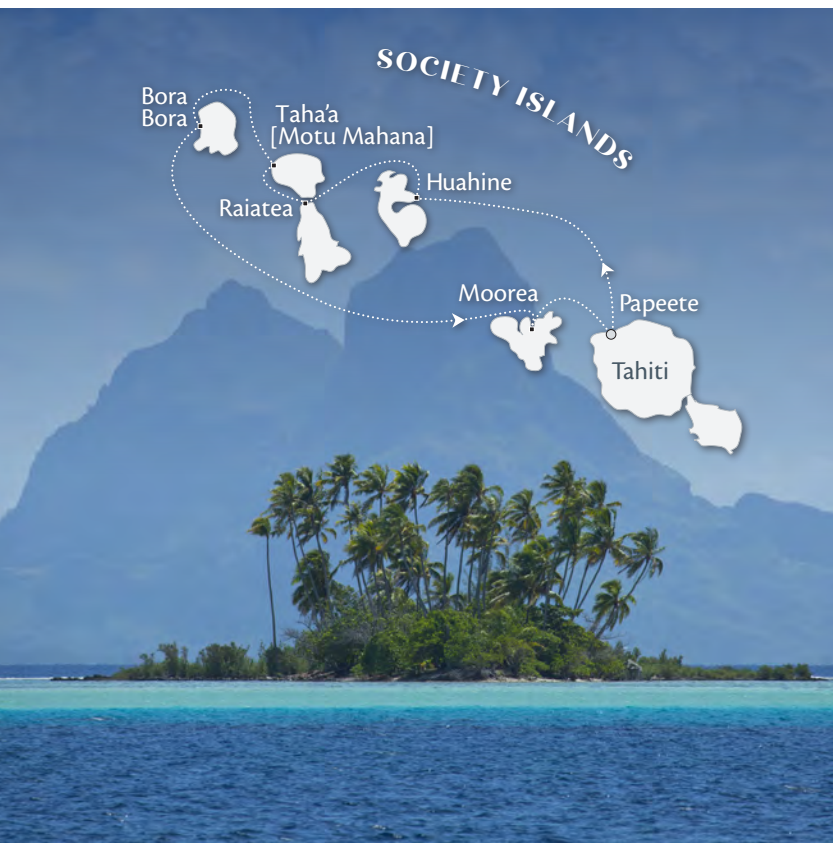
~ Steve LeBreck, guest



TOP: Revered as the sacred site of Polynesian voyagers, the UNESCO-listed Taputapuātea marae on Raiatea dates back more than 1,000 years. BOTTOM: Views from Taha'a.



TOP: Toasting arrival in Bora Bora. BOTTOM: An off-road adventure takes you to the top of Bora Bora's Mount Popoti for incredible views.



More Society Islands & Tahiti

With her enchanting splendor of verdant volcanic isles and iconic turquoise lagoons, Tahiti and her Islands, as French Polynesia is also known, has long been a muse for artists, authors, and playwrights. Matisse was greatly influenced by “the light and enchantments of the sky.” Michener declared Bora Bora the most beautiful island in the world and wrote his legendary *Tales of the South Pacific*, which Rodgers and Hammerstein then took to the bright lights of Broadway.

That same surreal and picture-perfect scenery is showcased on this itinerary delving into the unique treasures of Tahiti’s Society Islands. From Bora Bora, Moorea, and Taha’a to Huahine and a return to Raiatea, these destinations are sure to captivate you too, just as they did Melville, Stevenson, and Gauguin himself.

Set your heart aglow and immerse your senses with the jaw-dropping views painted in dreamlike colors. This is the adventure you will never forget.



TAHITI You’ll embark your cruise on French Polynesia’s largest island—Tahiti. Located halfway between Los Angeles and Sydney, Tahiti is comprised of two ancient volcanic cones: Tahiti Nui in the northwest and Tahiti Iti on the southeastern peninsula.

Your journey begins in the vibrant capital city of Papeete on Tahiti Nui where you can explore markets, museums, and galleries. And awaiting in the harbor: the m/s *Paul Gauguin*.

Following a warm welcome aboard, you’ll settle into your stateroom or suite to unpack, settle in, and familiarize yourself with your beautifully appointed home upon the sea for the next seven days.

Sleep well. You’ve got quite a day tomorrow.

HUAHINE Lush and untamed—indeed, a veritable Garden of Eden—Huahine is one of Tahiti’s best-kept secrets...but don’t worry, your crew aboard *The Gauguin* knows where all the treasures are hidden

and they’re eager to introduce you to this picturesque destination.

A morning arrival welcomes you with exquisite light gracing the translucent turquoise lagoons perfect for a snorkel or swim. Nestled within the dense landscape of tropical forest, vanilla orchards, and towering coconut palms are well-preserved archaeological sites and sacred temples entwined in jungle vines. The delicate scents of frangipani and *tiare* (Tahiti’s renowned gardenia flower) elevate the senses and tranquility lingers in the air. Huahine is truly Polynesian: the pace is a bit slower than that of her sister isles, but the magnificent beauty is equally as compelling.

The four-hour **Sacred Sites & Legendary Places** excursion showcases important historical relics, as well as some of the island’s most beautiful panoramas. Alternatively, you might choose to be whisked to Motu Murimahora for some incredible snorkeling followed by a

secluded beach picnic. You’ll have plenty of time to let your cares drift away on the caress of the island breeze on this **Motu Picnic** adventure.

RAIATEA Blanketed in a lush landscape dotted with waterfalls, fertile valleys, and the cloud-capped Mount Temehani, Raiatea is Polynesia’s most sacred island. It was from here that the earliest migrations set forth to settle in Hawaii, New Zealand, and beyond. The island boasts a rich Maohi history and is home to the UNESCO-listed Marae Taputapuātea archaeological site. There are verdant mountains ideal for hiking, and a stunning lagoon perfect for snorkeling, swimming, and soaking up the heavenly tranquility.

TAHAA [MOTU MAHANA]

You’ll know you’ve arrived by the intoxicating scent of Tahitian vanilla that lingers in the air; 80% of French Polynesian vanilla is grown on Taha’a. This tranquil island is not a mirage, but it seems like



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1	PAPEETE, TAHITI
2	HUAHINE
3	RAIATEA
4	TAHA'A (MOTU MAHANA)
5/6	BORA BORA
7	MOOREA
7/8	PAPEETE, TAHITI

one. Volcanic hillsides burst with banana, watermelon, and pineapple. Nature's beauty is matched by the opportunity for adventure. Come to dive, snorkel, sail, and explore. Visit a pearl farm to learn how Tahitian pearls are cultivated, and be sure to pick up some vanilla!

Motu Mahana. Just offshore of Taha'a lies Motu Mahana, *The Gauguin's* own private paradise, exclusive to her guests. A motu is a tiny island, and here on Mahana (literally, "Light of Sun or Day"), the day is yours to create. Snorkel reefs surrounded by Technicolor fish. Grab a kayak for a bit of exploring. Beachside, you may find a game of volleyball or learn how to tie a *pareo*, or saron, or open a coconut from your hosts, Les Gauguines and Les Gauguins. You might want to indulge in an overwater massage, and when the mood strikes, a sumptuous barbecue feast awaits—complete with cocktails from full and floating bars.

BORA BORA (OVERNIGHT)

It's like your first love, the one you never forget. This island—arguably the most celebrated of the Society Islands—is the one that will forever remain in your heart. It's just not possible to casually say, "Oh yeah, and then we went to Bora Bora." It inspires hyperbole, envy, and romance on an epic scale; it's easy to understand

why it is one of the world's fairy-tale honeymoon destinations.

Located just northwest of Tahiti, "The Pearl of the Pacific" is surrounded by motus and embraced by a coral reef—which means off-the-charts snorkeling. With the iconic Mount Otemanu in view, bask in the sun, kayak, or paddleboard from Paul Gauguin Cruises' exclusive beach. Whether you seek high adventure or supreme tranquility, the vibe here is friendly and relaxed. Smiles come easily and gentle breezes whisper, "Stay a while. And promise to come back." This really is heaven on Earth.

The **Bora Bora Off-Road Adventure** embraces the island's natural beauty in an exciting exploration of the road less traveled. Depart for an off-road journey to places accessible only via Land Rover, as your driver navigates the steep terrain and introduces you to the plants, trees, and cultures of Bora Bora. Other highlights include driving through the small town of Vaitape on the shore of Pofai Bay, ascending Pahonu Hill with its expansive views, seeing cannons from World War II, and traveling along Bora Bora's north shore for a visit to the lush valley of Fa'anui. The journey concludes with spectacular views and photo opportunities of Fa'anui Bay from a traditional plantation high up in the mountains.

MOOREA Of all the ports on your itinerary, Moorea will be the one you find most hypnotic. The orchestra of colors and textures—encompassing jagged volcanic ridges, lush green jungles, and aquamarine waters—reach a crescendo that's nothing short of symphonic.

Said to be the inspiration for the mythical *Bali Hai* in James A. Michener's *Tales of the South Pacific*, Moorea's landscape is dominated by eight mountain peaks rising from a shimmering lagoon. But in contrast to its breathtaking vistas, Moorea is laid-back and welcoming. On land and sea, adventures for all levels await: hiking, whale watching, snorkeling—even ATV riding for the truly adventurous.

PAPEETE, TAHITI Your evening arrival in Papeete gives you the opportunity to sample the city at night. Tahitian locals welcome you to explore the carefree spirit of their island. Stroll along the wide waterfront-boulevard to find a Parisian-style café, shop the markets for everything from pearls to *pareos*, and be sure to sample the fare at one of the city's famed *roulettes* (food trucks). Or, you might choose to savor your last night aboard *The Gauguin* before you disembark in the morning.



More Society Islands & Tahiti

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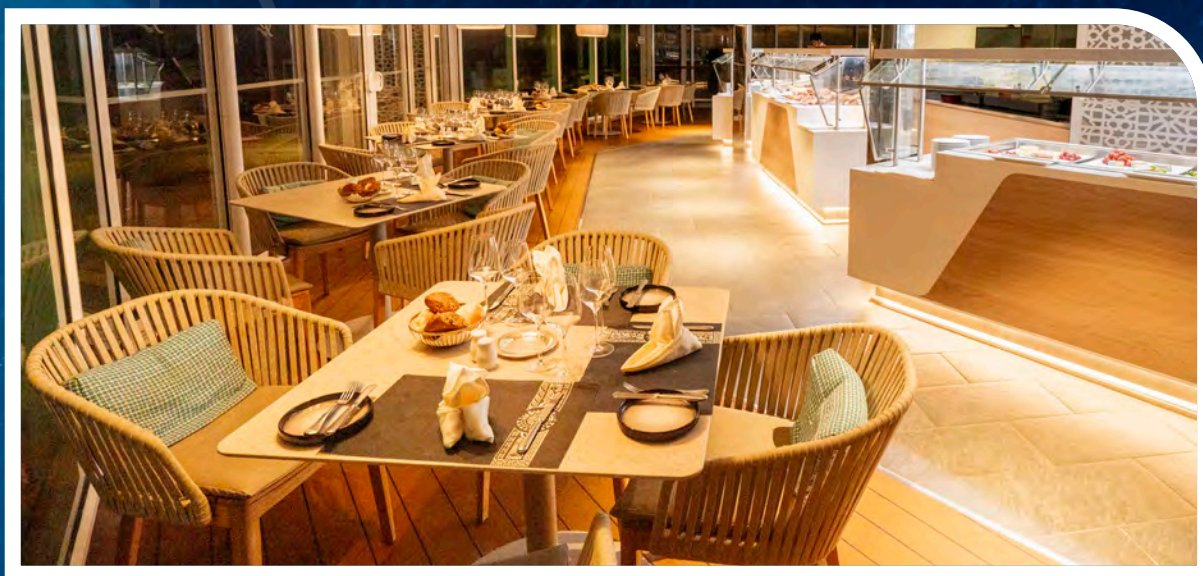
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AN INTIMATE PORTRAIT OF

The Gauguin

A PHOTO ESSAY OF ELEGANT SPACES

Gracefully reimagined, the m/s *Paul Gauguin* reveals revitalized spaces, enhanced comforts, and sustainable touches. Highlights include a contemporary redesign of Le Grill, a renewed pool deck with shaded cabanas, and new connecting staterooms—all infused with tropical chic and easy elegance.



TOP: An aerial view of the recently refurbished m/s Paul Gauguin and, below, the indoor/outdoor
BELOW: Le Grill restaurant features a contemporary new design opening onto the pool deck.



Clockwise from top: The Polynesian elegance of L'Etoile restaurant; pre-dinner drinks at the Piano Bar; breakfast at La Veranda is served with breathtaking views.





From top: The warm and inviting Reception Area (Front Desk, Concierge) sets the tone for the understated tropical elegance; the Grand Salon has comfortable theater seating. Opposite: La Veranda is crowned with artisan woodwork typical of the islands.









The reimagined pool deck features new cabana-like shading with ample white chaise loungers.



Algotherm DERMO OCEAN SPA

Pampered Bliss

Treat yourself to a little “me time” on Deck Six at the award-winning spa and level up the divine indulgence of days at sea. With treatments inspired by secrets of the sea, the spa’s unrivaled approach to holistic beauty and rejuvenation combines the art of skilled touch with the qualities of expert marine biotechnologies.

Offerings are uniquely tailored to individual needs with an extensive array of services from massage therapies, body wraps, and reflexology to facials, exfoliation, beauty treatments, hair styling, and nail care.

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La Boutique

This shipboard boutique offers an enticing mix of island treasures and travel essentials. You can explore fine Tahitian jewelry, including luminous black pearls from Hinerava, along with designer fashions, perfumes, and Polynesian art. Thoughtful souvenirs such as Tahitian vanilla and locally inspired keepsakes are complemented by convenient duty-free shopping for sunscreen, swimwear, and beach attire—everything to enhance your journey through paradise.

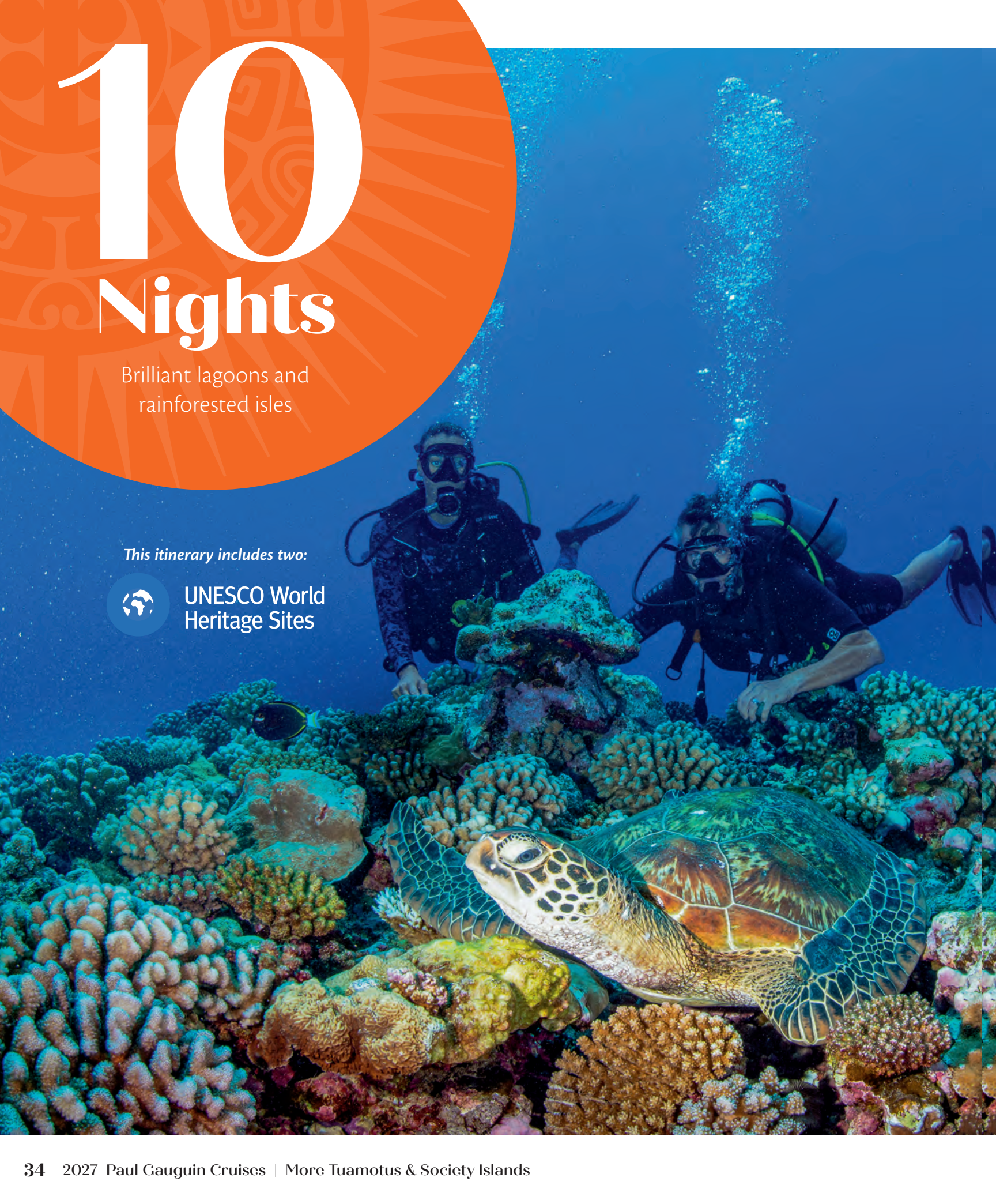
10 Nights

Brilliant lagoons and
rainforested isles

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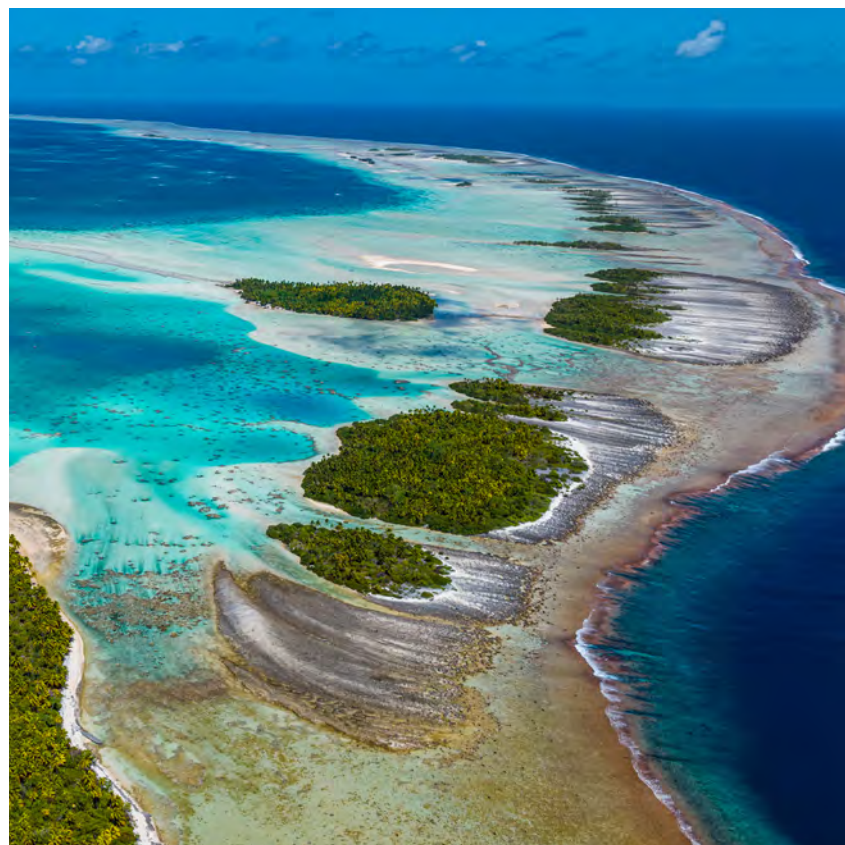


“Such an
amazing experience...
the people, music,
and *mana*.”

~ Elke Liewald, guest



TOP: Les Gauguines share local crafting techniques throughout each voyage. BOTTOM: Snorkeling off the shores of a private beach in Bora Bora.



TOP: Shallow turquoise seas and lush atolls along the edge of Rangiroa's luminous lagoon. BOTTOM: The Cathédrale de la Paix (Church of Our Lady of Peace) in Rotoava, Fakarava.



More Tuamotus & Society Islands

Wouldn't it be great if there was a voyage that combined the über-romantic delights of Bora Bora and the Society Islands with the coral-reef euphoria of the Tuamotu Atolls? And maybe toss in a sacred island, a garden island, and a blissful beach day at Motu Mahana, Paul Gauguin Cruises' exclusive retreat nestled in Taha'a lagoon?

Good news: that's an exact description of this 10-night itinerary. Key among the highlights is an overnight in Fakarava, home to a submarine ecosystem so unique it's designated a UNESCO-listed Biosphere Reserve. Add to that an overnight bathed in the legendary allure of Bora Bora, relaxed days to explore Moorea's emerald mountains, ancient Raiatea and lush Huahine, and the incomparable subsurface beauty of Rangiroa's world-famous natural "aquarium"—and you've got a journey rich in beauty, exploration, adventure, and luxury. On the ship, on the land, and beneath the waves.



TAHITI Boarding *The Gauguin* before her sunset departure from Papeete, enjoy a classically warm Tahitian welcome from staff and crew—and your first glimpses of the epic beauty that so defines the Society Islands. You'll likely be snapping photos excitedly already, but no camera—or even Photoshop filter—can quite capture it. You must see it with your own eyes to believe it. As you will be doing repeatedly in the string of days to come.

AT SEA As you glide toward the Tuamotus, an urgent call comes in. It's *The Gauguin's* mahogany-framed saltwater pool, requesting your presence for a delightful swim, lounging with newfound friends, a bit of food, perhaps a cocktail.

Sea days are perfect for that sort of thing. And for visits to the Algotharm Spa. And for expanding your skills with Les Gauguines and Les Gauguins, your onboard hosts ever at the ready to provide lessons in Tahitian dance, *pareo*-tying, and traditional crafts. There's also no bigger wow than the one you get from a deckside sunset at sea.

FAKARAVA (OVERNIGHT) An afternoon arrival here brings you to one of UNESCO's seven Biosphere Reserves for the preservation of rare species. Luring divers from all over the world, Fakarava's sprawling lagoon and reef provide a home and underwater nursery for precious marine fauna found nowhere else. Whether you opt for a 90-minute **Fakarava Pinnacle Snorkel** excursion or a full-day **Tour of South Pass & Tetamanu**, you'll experience some of Mother Nature's finest subsurface handiwork.

Of course, as with the rest of the South Pacific, adventure ashore here proves just as tempting. Perhaps a relaxed e-bike spin through a verdant coconut grove situated on the coast? The pyramidal Topaka lighthouse along the route is among the oldest in Polynesia, and the handsome coral church on Fakarava's southern tip has weathered the test of time and tropics since the 1870s.

With two days to explore this "Island of Dreams," you'll soon understand how it earned its name.

RANGIROA Picture a crystal-blue lagoon so vast the entire island of Tahiti could fit within it, encircled by 240 palmy sand islets and parked above one of the planet's most vibrant coral reef systems. If Rangiroa wasn't already on your bucket list, you'll soon be correcting the omission.

Experience the drift-snorkel of your dreams on a **Snorkeling Rangiroa's Aquarium** excursion, as a fluorescent menagerie of undersea life awaits your visit to their coral gardens on Motu Nui Nui, one of Rangiroa's most famous spots. Located at the entrance of the Tiputa Pass, here you'll swim among rays and dolphins and fish of every size, shape, and color.

Bask Crusoe-style on a pink-sand beach or cavort in a Reef Island swim hole. Visit a Blue Lagoon in a blue lagoon. Spot Tuamotu sandpipers at a seabird sanctuary. Catch wild dolphins leaping at Tiputa Point, or watch parrot fish, black-tip sharks, and huge Napoleon wrasse swim by beneath your dry feet on a **Glass-bottom Boat Tour** over Tiputa Channel.



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1	PAPEETE, TAHITI
2/3	AT SEA / FAKARAVA
4	RANGIROA
5	HUAHINE
6/7	BORA BORA
8	RAIATEA
9	TAHAA [MOTU MAHANA]
10	MOOREA
10/11	PAPEETE, TAHITI

More into landlubbing? Wander picturesque Avatoru village or venture a bit farther down the road to the vineyard responsible for French Polynesia's only wine label, Vin de Tahiti.

HUAHINE A fresh day brings the promise of lush discoveries here on "The Garden Island." Everywhere your eye lands is deep, verdant green—or a thousand shades of shimmering blue. Life is quiet here; the jungle holds its secrets close, hinting at their richness with the sounds and scents of paradise. Huahine was once the playground of Tahitian royalty; today it's yours. The island's historical allure is the stuff of legends, with *maraes* (temples), monuments, and archaeological relics dating back to the birth of the Polynesian culture. *The Gauguin's* anthropologist-led **Sacred Sites & Legendary Places** excursion visits Maeva, where many of these are concentrated, as well as a working vanilla plantation and a village where you'll meet—and feed—the famous blue-eyed eels of Faie.

BORA BORA (**OVERNIGHT**) The name alone triggers runaway romantic notions. But oh, what passion the reality of two days in Bora Bora will inspire. It's no wonder this jewel-like island with its slice-of-heaven lagoon is such a go-to for weddings, honeymoons, vow renewals—and spontaneous declarations of love. Your days here can be casual, barefoot, unhurried. Especially at The Gauguin's exclusive beach retreat where time and cares evaporate in the Polynesian breeze. Snorkel, sunbathe, paddleboard, or simply float about in water so turquoise

it appears on no color chart on Earth. Quench your hunger and thirst with cool drinks from a floating bar and a barbeque lunch served as al fresco as they come. Bring active adventure into the equation with excursions like a **Sharks & Stingray Encounter**, or a **Bora Bora Off-Road Adventure** that ascends the steep hills to jaw-dropping overlooks. Maybe even take to the lagoon for an adrenaline-fueled **Circle Island by Waverunner**. No matter how splendid you've imagined this South Seas paradise to be, it's all that and more.

RAIATEA Polynesia's most mythic island is a contender for most scenic, too, with its landscape dotted with ginger plants and waterfalls and its skyline defined by misty Mount Temehani. It was from these turquoise shores that the ancient Maohi launched their double-hulled sailing canoes to settle in Hawaii, New Zealand, and beyond. Perhaps you'll launch your own craft today, and kayak the Faaroa River. Or enjoy a drift-snorkel in Raiatea's crystalline lagoon, shared with neighboring Taha'a. You might explore Raiatea's top viewpoints by open-air safari truck, or visit the UNESCO-listed Marae Taputapuatea archaeological complex and sense the 1,000-year-old spirit of this isle whose name translates to "faraway heaven."

TAHA'A [MOTU MAHANA]

Foremost on today's agenda: vanquish any troubles, deadlines, or responsibilities with a Motu Mahana beach day. Paul Gauguin Cruises' private Polynesian islet offers sun, swaying palms, thatched huts, amiable chatter, and plenty of ukulele. Stroll the soft

sand motu barefoot. Queue up your entrant in a spirited sandcrab race or toss up your serve in a boisterous beach volleyball game. Elsewhere on Taha'a, alternate adventures await. Quaint villages perfect for browsing. Island lanes perfect for cycling. Ancient hiking trails and 4x4 treks into mountain jungle. And everywhere, the intoxicating scent of paradise.

MOOREA Heart-shaped Moorea seems designed for celebrating love. Its eight craggy volcanic peaks tower over twin lagoons. Waterfalls and fern carpets cascade down the hillsides while coffee, sugarcane, and pineapples ripen in the valleys. Sparkling waist-deep water blankets the shorelines. And spinner dolphins leap acrobatically among the waves. Don't bother trying to resist this allure; it's not possible. Instead, surrender to the myriad possibilities: Ascend to the isle's ancient crater on an **Aito Off-Road Safari**. Experience a subsurface stroll along the lagoon floor with reef fish and rays for company on an **Aquablue Underwater Walk**. Explore by e-bike, waverunner, small plane, catamaran, mountain trail, or ATV. When it's time to sail onward, hug yourself and those around you. It's the Moorean way.

PAPEETE, TAHITI

(**OVERNIGHT**) Alas, like all life's finest journeys, your m/s *Paul Gauguin* voyage must end. Enriched, relaxed, and with a very fond *adieu* to the many staff and new friends you've gotten to know, you'll disembark this morning. But perhaps only for a while. Tahiti and her sister islands cast a spell not easily broken.



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French Polynesia on A Silver Platter

“My dream holiday on the m/s Paul Gauguin was my 100th cruise as a travel writer—and the excellent food, drink, and service were some of the key reasons why it was the best I’ve ever taken.”

Sunset dining at Le Grill.



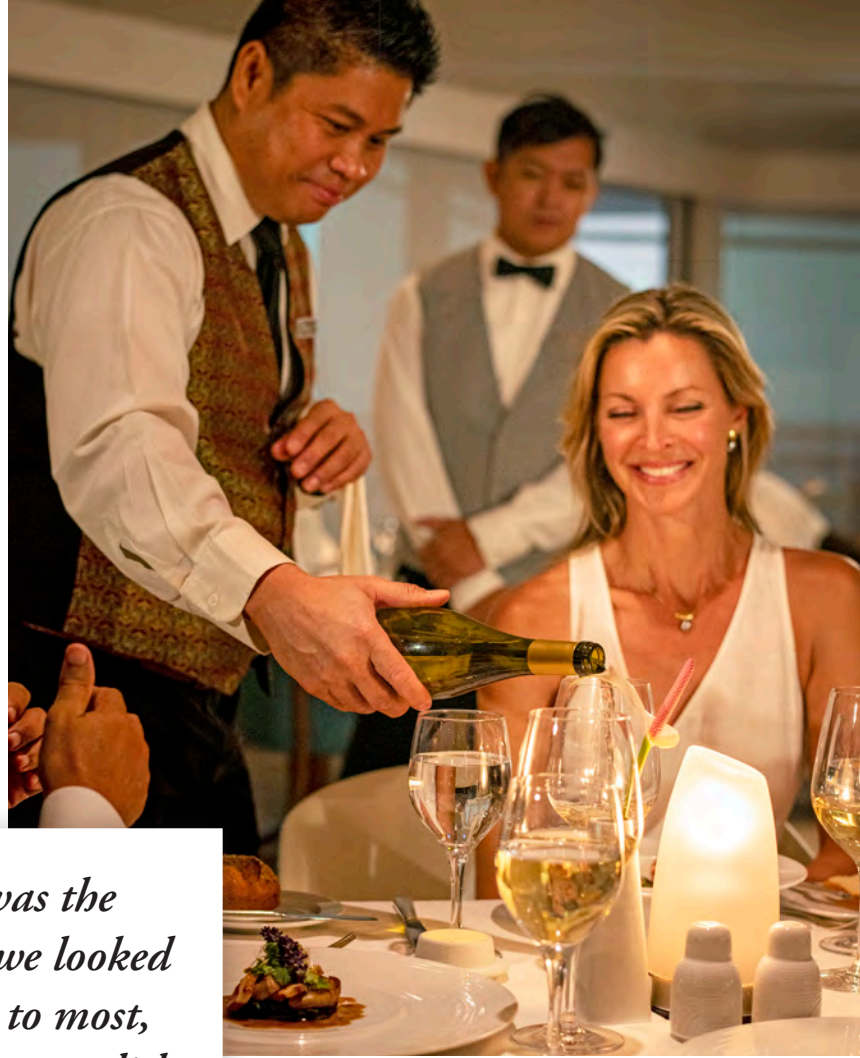
by Dave Monk, Travel Writer

Alongside the spectacular scenery, fascinating excursions, and unforgettable experiences, it was a joy every time we reboarded the ship to head to one of the three restaurants to enjoy the French-inspired Tahitian fare.

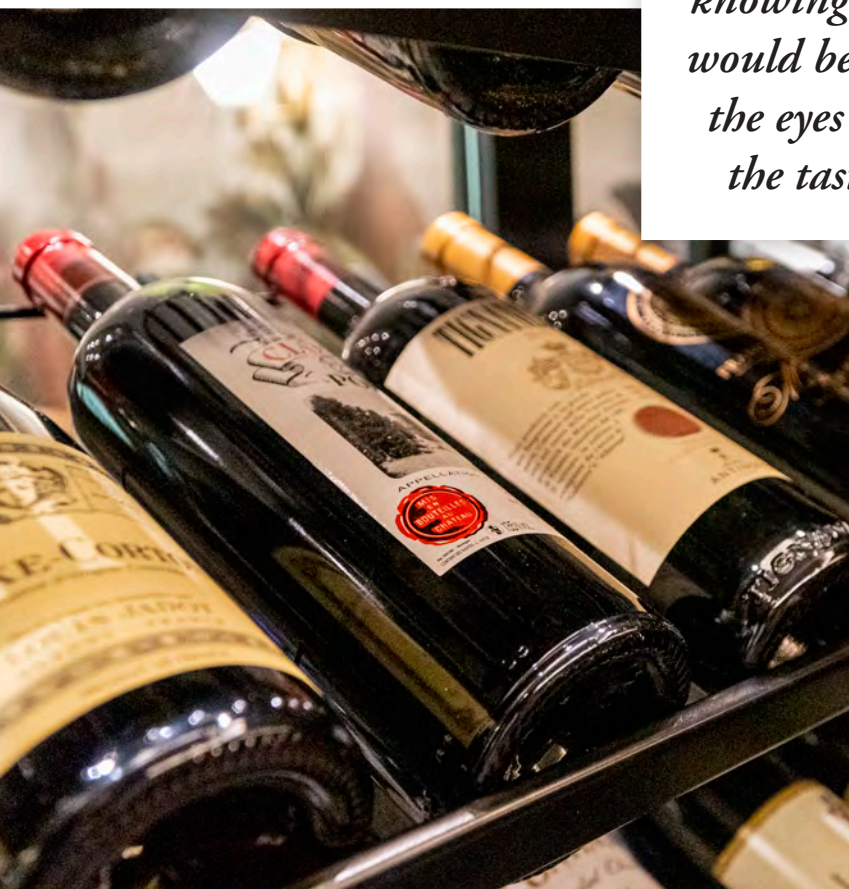
Our balcony stateroom was on the same deck as the reservation-only La Veranda at the stern. One deck directly below it was the dining room L'Etoile, with its daily changing menu. Just two decks above us was the sun deck and third restaurant, Le Grill, which spills out onto the pool area from under its covers on mild evenings.

The gourmet cuisine in all three restaurants was extraordinarily good—and a bonus that all the food and drink (even Champagne) was included in the fare, though you can choose to pay from the Connoisseur Wine List if you wish to sip the likes of Veuve Clicquot, Dom Perignon, and Louis Roederer Cristal.

My wife Mandy and I enjoy meeting new friends but were pleased that we were able to have a table for two every night.»»



“...it was the evenings we looked forward to most, knowing every dish would be a feast for the eyes as well as the taste buds.”



Clockwise from top left: Seafood, fresh and bountiful; wine service at La Veranda; exquisitely delicious desserts; extensive wine selection.

Each day began with breakfast on the open deck, with smiling waiters carrying our dishes to the table. During time on board we might enjoy canapés in our stateroom or even the 24-hour room service, biding the time till lunch or *ti no avatea* (afternoon tea) served in La Veranda.

But it was the evenings we looked forward to most, knowing every dish would be a feast for the eyes as well as the taste buds.

There's a theatricality about good food—one day a giant moonfish was carved with expert precision on the pool deck, ready to be served in the evening at L'Etoile and Le Grill. For the colorful Polynesian night, lobster tail and grilled wahoo were on the menu.

As for the drinking venues, our favorite was the Piano Bar, though on fine days the Pool Bar beckoned on the open deck. The cozy La Palette lounge served a late riser's breakfast and afternoon tea, as well as evening cocktails.

One morning we took a tender boat to the line's private islet—Motu Mahana—for a beachside Polynesian barbecue of sizzling skewers, steaks, burgers, hot dogs, and chicken as well as salads and fruit.

Looking back on my memorable voyage, I realize I was expecting the beautiful islands and dazzling seas. What surprised and delighted me was the sheer quality of the food on board.

Since I cruised on Paul Gauguin Cruises, the ship has been refurbished, including a contemporary redesign of the Le Grill. Guess I'll just have to go back again, sometime...✦



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Three Restaurants. *Infinite Flavors.*



L'Etoile

The ship's signature venue is open for a **la carte dinner with open seating**. This sophisticated, yet relaxed, main dining room offers an ever-changing menu of international and Polynesian dishes paired with complimentary wines.

Highlights: *Local yellow fin tuna; papaya and ginger soup; tiramisu.*

La Veranda

This upscale French restaurant with floor-to-ceiling glass walls is renowned for its **reservations-only dinner service** but also offers **breakfasts** and light **lunches**, both with **open seating**.

Highlights: *A degustation menu with seared foie gras, escargots, warm tomato pie, grilled tenderloin of beef, pumpkin puree and vegetables, finished with a chocolate soufflé with Tahitian vanilla ice cream.*

Le Grill

A relaxed, open-air venue under the stars, Le Grill serves fresh, **open seating buffet breakfasts**, salads and grilled favorites for **lunch**, both with open seating. Polynesian specialties for **reservations-only dinner**.

Highlights: *Kalua pork quesadillas, cucumber and daikon, Caesar salad and wonton soup. Main courses of grilled local fresh fish, Polynesian lemon chicken, marinated grilled veal sirloin, and mixed vegetable tempura.*

11 Nights

Turquoise seas
and enchanting
coral gardens

This itinerary includes two:



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Society Islands & Tuamotus

“Best way to see French
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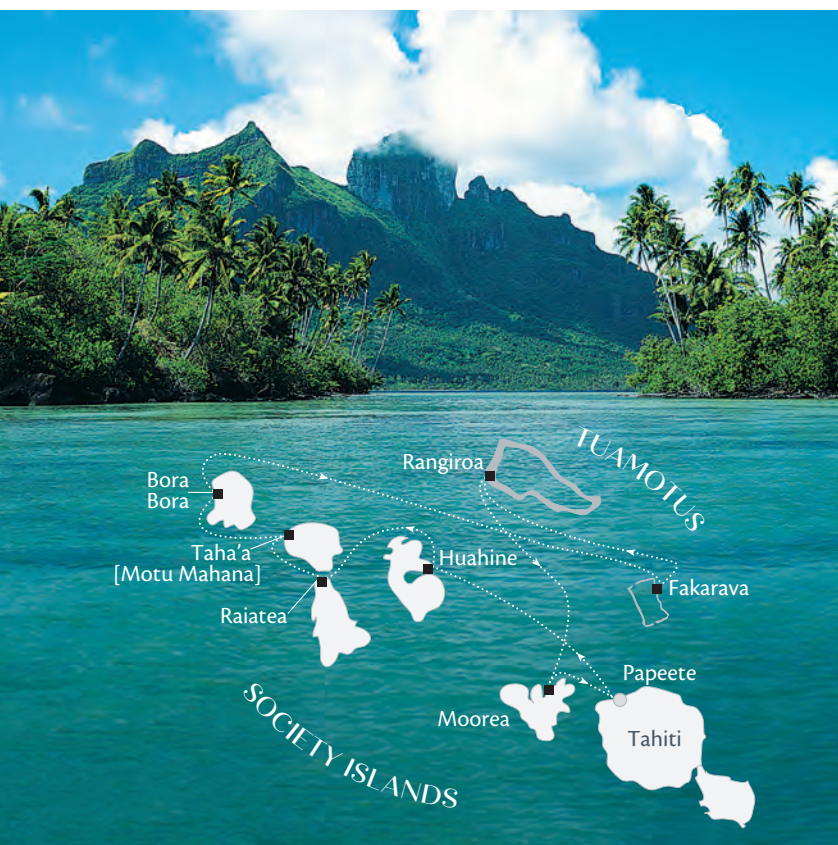
~ Rebecca Laker, guest



TOP: A cruising classic: shuffleboard on deck.
 BOTTOM: Visions of Tahiti; nearly every voyage begins and ends in Papeete on the island of Tahiti.



TOP: A cruise in Bora Bora's famed lagoon is a tempting invitation to swim in turquoise seas. BOTTOM: Radiant Tahitian pearls are the cherished treasure of French Polynesia.



Society Islands & Tuamotus

Your assignment: Surround yourself with beauty and luxury for 11 nights on ship, on land, and underwater. Answer the call of the Society Islands and the Tuamotu Archipelago for unlimited discovery, exploration, and adventure. This voyage offers multiple days on some of French Polynesia's most desirable islands—and the opportunity to experience each destination to the fullest, at your own pace or enhanced by a wealth of à la carte excursions.

Beyond Bora Bora's famed lagoon and legendary beauty, or Moorea's stunning mountain peaks and palm-fringed beaches—both enjoyed on overnight stays (with a double overnight in Bora Bora)—this voyage entices with undersea adventures in the Tuamotus, including coveted diving and snorkeling in Rangiroa and rare discovery within Fakarava's renowned UNESCO-listed Biosphere Reserve. Explore Huahine's lush garden beauty and enjoy a day on our own private islet, Motu Mahana.



TAHITI Welcome aboard the m/s *Paul Gauguin*! You are on the cusp of an extraordinary journey that will take you to dreamy places that have long lingered in your mind's eye.

You've seen photos of Tahiti and wondered what kind of filters or Photoshop magic have made the colors so intense. Your first task is to suspend disbelief. You're here. What you're seeing is real, and this is just the beginning.

HUAHINE Daybreak brings you to "The Garden Island" for a morning of exploration. Where will your curiosity lead you in this veritable Garden of Eden? Temptations (the good kind) abound. Once the playground for Tahitian royalty, you find yourself in the very cradle of Tahitian culture. Temples, monuments, and archaeological relics dating as far back as 700B.C. have waited thousands of years for your arrival.

Everywhere your eye lands is lovely and a deep, verdant green. Life is quiet here; the jungle greets you with sights, sounds, and scents you will only experience in the

South Pacific. In the distance, the islands of Raiatea, Taha'a, and Bora Bora welcome you to the neighborhood.

An array of island excursions is yours to consider. From diving and snorkeling, a motu picnic or a lagoon cruise, the choice is yours. Explore the island in an off-road 4x4 on the guided **Huahine Safari Expedition** to visit the village Faie and its famed blue-eyed eels. Then board an outrigger canoe to reach Huahine Pearl Farm & Pottery in the middle of the lagoon. Learn secrets of the black pearl and consider taking some of their famous blue pottery home with you. Back on the island, enjoy a drive along Lake Fauna Nui.

BORA BORA (OVERNIGHT)

Spread out in a lavish opulence of colors and textures is one of the world's most famous destinations for romance: Bora Bora. It's easy to understand why this island is the site of so many weddings, honeymoons, vow renewals, and spontaneous declarations of love. The unparalleled beauty of this setting has inspired passion for thousands of years.

Have your camera ready; with its lush mountains, white sand beaches, and dreamy lagoons, Bora Bora just begs to have its picture taken. You can't miss the island's most iconic image: Mount Otemanu. One of a pair of extinct volcanoes, this mighty monolith soars 2,400 feet above the aquamarine lagoon. For a truly epic adventure, arrange a guided hike or 4x4 trek to its lofty peak. The views cannot be adequately communicated with words.

The drama of Bora Bora's landscape is in sharp contrast to life on this island: casual, barefoot, unhurried, easygoing. Play on land or on water, or experience the underwater domain, where fish of every size and color play in the cathedral of the coral reef.

RANGIROA If you were a mermaid, you'd probably choose to live in Rangiroa's natural "aquarium." Not only is the scenery extraordinary, but the schools (of fish) are first-rate.

"The Island of the Immense Sky," as this secluded atoll is known, boasts a crystal lagoon so vast that the entire island of



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8	FAKARAVA
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11/12	PAPEETE, TAHITI

Tahiti could fit within it, making Rangiroa a bucket-list destination for divers and snorkelers. The undersea discoveries here are exceptional with some of the most colorful and abundant marine life found anywhere on Earth. The submerged landscape borders on the hedonistic, home to fish of every shape, size, and color cavorting against a filigreed coral backdrop. You may even spy wild dolphins, playfully enjoying life as dolphins like to do.

French Polynesia's largest atoll invites you to find your perfect beach. If tranquil waters fringed by white velvet sand come to mind, you're covered. Or you might choose to wander the picturesque village of Avatoru, or venture just a stone's throw farther along to discover Dominique Auroy Winery which produces French Polynesia's only wine label, Vin de Tahiti.

The Gauguin offers two snorkeling excursions on Rangiroa. Drift snorkeling gently carries you with the current where the Pacific Ocean meets Rangiroa's lagoon. The view below the surface is said to be the island's best. **Snorkeling Rangiroa's Aquarium** brings you to another of the island's sweet spots, where you'll hand-feed the fish in their prismatic aquatic kingdom.

For slower-paced discovery, consider a **Glass-Bottom Boat** excursion that gently floats over the huge coral heads inside the Tiputa Channel. Here you'll be treated to colorful views of parrot, butterfly, and surgeon fish through the boat's large windows.

FAKARAVA This treasured enclave is home to flora and fauna not seen anywhere else on the globe. Designated

a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, you will see Mother Nature's handiwork firsthand on land and beneath the water. The Tuamotus' second-largest lagoon is one of the world's most prized (yet still relatively undiscovered) diving and snorkeling locations.

Like the rest of the South Pacific, the vibe on Fakarava is relaxed and stress-free. Unplug from your worries and spend your day wandering through the main village of Rotoava. What you're seeing is real, and this is just the beginning. Feel the warm sand between your toes on extraordinarily beautiful beaches. Or go beneath the glass-like surface of the lagoon for an *entrée* into another world.

Whether you spend your day exploring below the surface of the water or above, you've found paradise. As your cares melt away with the breeze, imprint this beautiful day in the bank of memories you reach for when one day someone asks you when you were happiest.

AT SEA Please report to the Pool Deck. *The Gauguin's* heated saltwater pool is calling. The sensation of being in the water while traveling on the water should not be missed. Take a dip. Grab a chaise. Order up a little food and your favorite cocktail. Chat up your fellow travelers—one meets the most interesting people while at sea.

The day is a blank canvas before you. Tomorrow, Taha'a.

TAHAA [MOTU MAHANA] Forget your troubles, deadlines, and responsibilities on this gentle little islet that will steal your heart and tingle your

senses. Taha'a's sweet, vanilla-scented air will stay with you like your first kiss, while the island's beauty will be forever imprinted in your mind.

If you made it your quest on this voyage to find your perfect beach, you may discover it here at **Motu Mahana**, Paul Gauguin Cruises' own private slice of paradise. Bring your complimentary snorkel gear from the ship, feast on a barbecue lunch, and while away the afternoon doing whatever your vacationing heart desires.

MOOREA (OVERNIGHT) It seems like you could walk for miles in Moorea's waist-deep lagoon. The soft sand beneath your feet, the kiss of the sun on your shoulders. Like the finest uncut crystal, the warm water has such clarity it's almost as if it isn't there. Take a spin in a glass-bottomed boat, snorkel, swim, or just float for the sensation of zero-gravity levitation. Looking landward, this magical lagoon is met by a carpet of verdant jungle which surrenders to the fractured shell of a once-mighty volcano. Everywhere you look is exceedingly beautiful. Surely in such an exquisite setting, many great loves have been born.

PAPEETE, TAHITI Can it possibly be coming to an end? Already? Enriched and relaxed, your gracious home at sea has returned you to where you began what seems like only moments ago.

And so it is that the conclusion of your epic voyage has arrived. With a fond farewell, we bid *adieu* until your return to the *m/s Paul Gauguin* when you'll be greeted like old friends, as if you'd never been away.

Society Islands & Tuamotus

Roundtrip Papeete, Tahiti • 11 nights

from \$6,720 per guest

Includes 30% Early Bonus Savings*

SAILING DATES:

May 29**; **Jul 24†**; Sep 25, 2027



THE EXPLORERS CLUB

May 29, 2027** voyage is in alliance with The Explorers Club, a legendary society dedicated to scientific exploration and discovery. Photographer Jad Davenport, member and Speaker from The Explorers Club, will give talks and share tales from the field.



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†Moana Explorer Program for kids operates on this sailing.

EXPERIENCE

Aquatic Wonder

A DIVER'S
PARADISE &
A SNORKLER'S
DELIGHT



Eons

in the making, Mother

Nature worked relentlessly to create a realm of aquatic wonder in the middle of the South Pacific: creating volcanic hotspots that spewed molten lava; moving the Earth's crust so seamounts could rise; sending in troops of coral larvae to attach on submerged rocks. The ensuing millennia brought erosion, massive waves, and cyclones that battered the high islands and reefs, depositing debris in shallow lagoons. Motus rose. Volcanoes sank. And the 118 islands and atolls of French Polynesia were born.



With sparkling blue lagoons, crystal-clear waters, and magnificent coral reefs, Tahiti and Her Islands, as French Polynesia is also known, is perfect for all manner of water play. The waters here average a steady 82°F/28°C year-round, making for a tempting invitation to jump in. And when traveling aboard the m/s *Paul Gauguin*—purpose built with a shallow draft to navigate these lagoons—you can enjoy complimentary water sports including kayaking and

paddleboarding directly from the ship's own marina. Or you might embark on any number of exciting optional excursions from outrigger canoeing and catamaran sailing to zipping around on wave runners or enjoying a leisurely glass-bottom boat ride.

The most amazing discoveries, however, tend to await below the water line. Here is a world brimming with vibrant coral gardens and pelagic life—think everything from Napoleon wrasse, butterfly fish, angelfish, octopus, and eels to sharks, rays, turtles, and more. It's perfect for snorkeling and SCUBA dive excursions for novice and experienced guests alike.

Some say that the best diving (and of course, snorkeling!) in French Polynesia is in the low-lying Tuamotu Archipelago. Fakarava is home to a **UNESCO-listed Marine Biosphere Reserve** rife with underwater canyons, coral heads, and a high concentration of whitetip sharks, turtles, and more. The reefs and passes here are legendary among divers for

their shark walls and large schools of fish from Napoleons and surgeon fish to butterflies and angels.

Also in the Tuamotus is Rangiroa, French Polynesia's largest atoll (second largest in the world!) which is also revered as the world's largest 'natural' aquarium.

Bora Bora's famous lagoon is surrounded by one of the world's most pristine reefs boasting cauliflower, elkhorn, and finger corals. The shallow sheltered waters are perfect for snorkeling and novice divers. Bora Bora is also famous for diving with manta rays and sharks (there are at least 16 shark species found here!). Meanwhile, Moorea's lagoon, a dissected shield volcano with a caldera surrounded by peaks, affords incredible underwater discoveries with opportunities to swim near dolphins and rays in the wild.

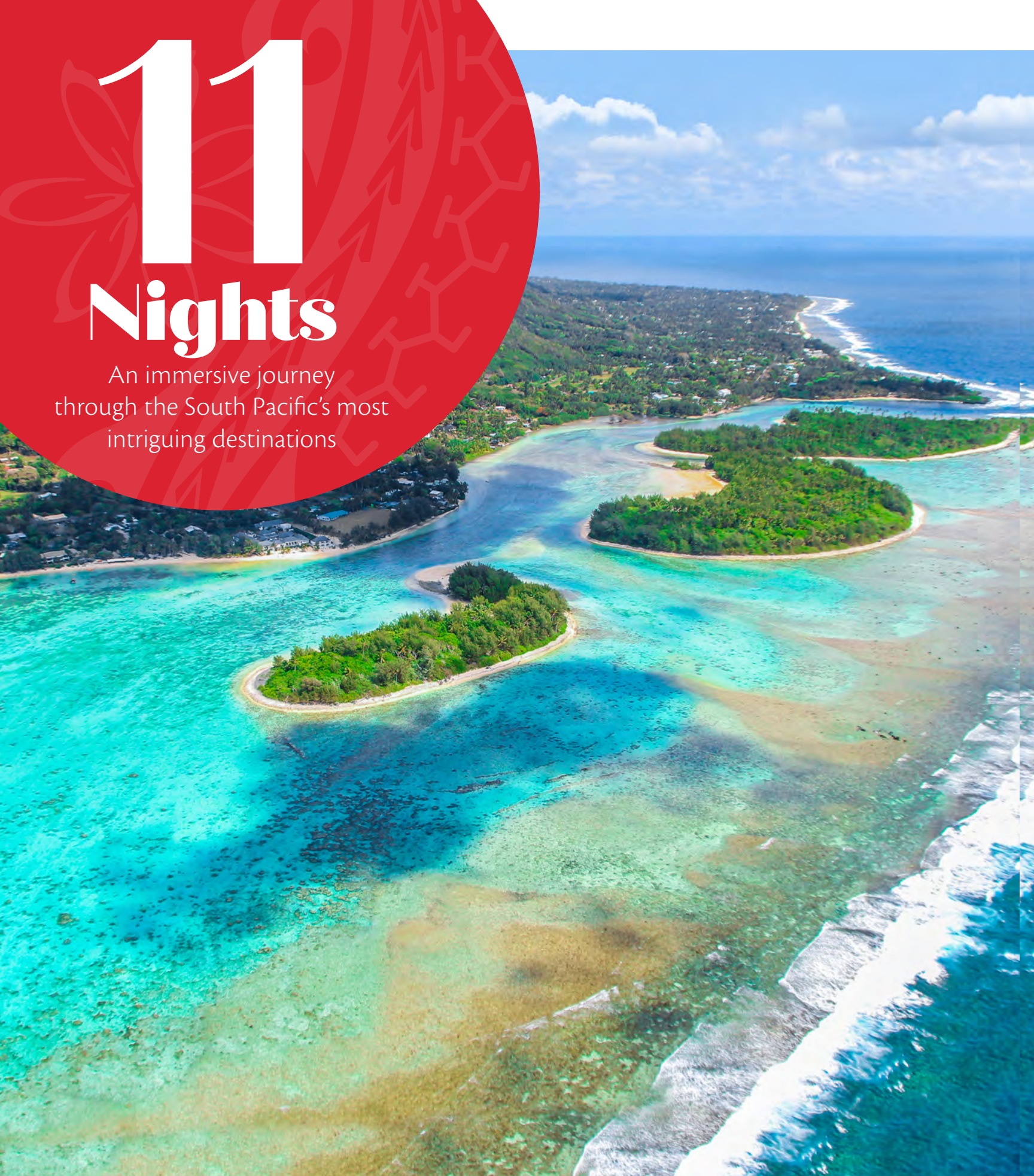
Covered in a thick jungle, Huahine is quiet and under the radar compared to some of her French Polynesian sister isles. The island offers excellent snorkeling among coral gardens in its lagoon. Finally, *The Gauguin's* own private islet, Motu Mahana, offers great drift snorkeling over an incredible coral garden brimming with butterfly fish, lion fish, brightly colored wrasse, clownfish, and great giant clams.

Treat yourself to magical underwater discoveries with French Polynesia's destination expert. ✦



11 Nights

An immersive journey
through the South Pacific's most
intriguing destinations





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food, wine, service,
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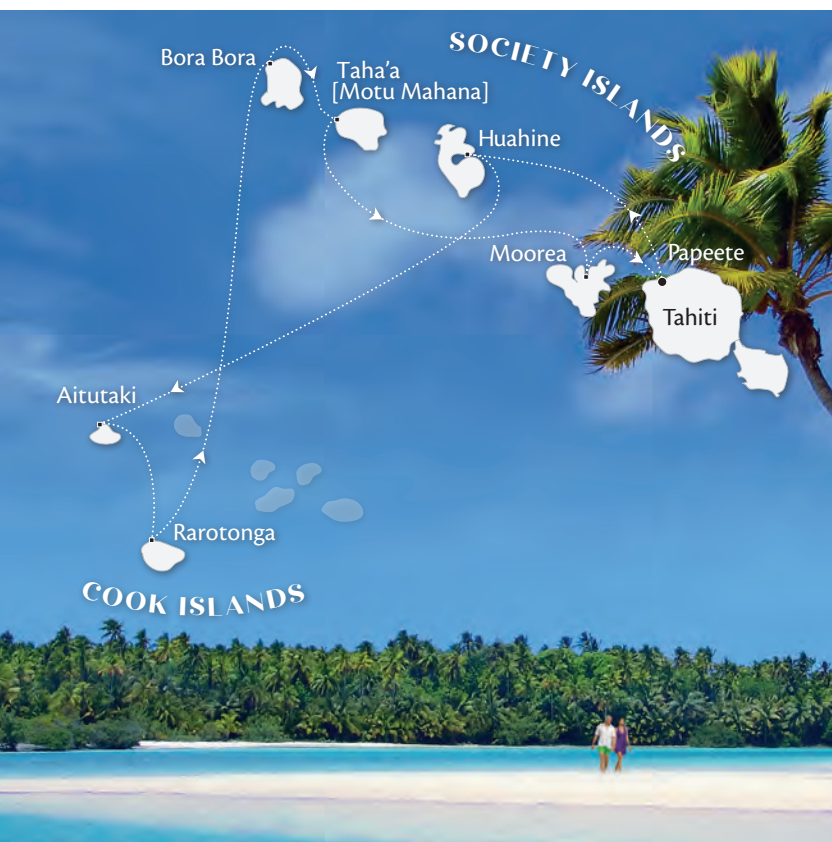
~ Brett Harwood, guest



TOP: Snorkeling adventures bring you face-to-fin with a kaleidoscope of colorful fish. BOTTOM: Be among the world's few to visit One Foot Island from Aitutaki.



TOP: Local entertainment on board during a call in Huahine. BOTTOM: Dubbed the "Pineapple Island," Moorea is famed for its cultivation of the sweet fruit.



Cook Islands & Society Islands

This 11-night odyssey whisks you away for the definitive South Pacific experience—and oh, the tales you'll tell upon your return! Adventures above and below the sea. Pristine beaches with silken white sands. Ancient legends. Soaring mountains. And plenty of relaxation, discovery, and romance.

Your journey begins in Tahiti, and the beauty escalates from there as you explore French Polynesia's most captivating isles: Bora Bora, Taha'a, Huahine, and Moorea in the Society Islands, followed by Aitutaki and Rarotonga—called "Paradise" by the first European explorers—in the Cook Islands.

During this voyage, you'll see more colors than you thought possible. (Surely French Polynesia has come up with some entirely new ones the rest of the world isn't even aware of yet.) In addition to these islands, you'll enjoy a day on your very own islet, Motu Mahana, the exclusive domain of guests of the m/s *Paul Gauguin*.



TAHITI They call her the "Queen of the Pacific," and Tahiti is indeed regal. Beyond the natural opulence that greets your senses, Tahiti offers something intangible... some say it's a sense of serenity and wellbeing. However you choose to describe it, it has lured many for thousands of years.

For this once-in-a-lifetime adventure, consider arriving a day early and/or extending your stay after the cruise. You'll want more time in this fabled land.

HUAHINE Midway between Tahiti and Bora Bora lies the sleepy isle of Huahine. Seen from the air, the Garden Island is actually two—Huahine Nui and Huahine Iti—connected by a man-made bridge and cradled by a coral reef. Not as developed or populous as its neighbors, Huahine is like a wish list for everything you'd want in a romantic fantasy destination: swaying palm trees, fragrant flowers, aquamarine waters, and beaches with sand as soft as talc.

If cultural pursuits are calling your name, Huahine doesn't disappoint. It's home to Maeva, one of Polynesia's best-preserved marae, or ancient Polynesian temples.

AT SEA Along with everything else you'll pack, be sure to remember to bring your appetite. Aboard *The Gauguin*, each

craving will be spectacularly sated. Every day Le Grill serves Afternoon Tea in high style—with finger sandwiches, fresh fruit, pastries, and petit fours. Breakfast or lunch *al fresco* beneath the vast azure sky is an exceedingly fine way to sample fare inspired by the islands you'll visit. And for a truly elegant meal, get spiffed up for a multi-course dinner at L'Etoile.

AITUTAKI It is believed that this island was settled around 900 A.D. by the legendary Polynesian explorer Ru. Today, its inhabitants keep their history alive through song, dance, legends, and crafts, in particular *tivaevae*—intricate, handmade patchwork quilts unique to the Cook Islands, featuring designs inspired by nature.

The island's coral reefs enclose a vast lagoon, which many believe rivals the usually beyond-compare Bora Bora lagoon. Several hundred species of fish make this their home, so underwater activities are a must. This island's quiet roads are ideally suited for exploration. For a panoramic experience, Aitutaki's highest point, Maunga Pu, is an easy hike with a huge payoff: 360-degree views of island and lagoon. For a real bucket-list experience, take the **Lagoon Cruise with Beach Break** and discover waters celebrated for their endless shades of turquoise. Shaped by volcanic peaks and coral reefs, the lagoon is dotted

with remote motus fringed with palms—perfect for snorkeling the coral gardens alive with tropical fish. You'll savor a barbecue lunch on One Foot Island—where the iconic passport stamp becomes a lasting keepsake of paradise.

RAROTONGA From the deck of *The Gauguin*, the primal beat of drums may be the first thing you hear. Next, your astounded eyes will take in the massive cathedral-like shell of an ancient volcano rising majestically against a sapphire sky. The largest of the 15 fabled Cook Islands, Rarotonga is embraced by a sparkling lagoon, sugar-white sands, and the friendly wave of palm trees. The unmistakable island sound of ukuleles floats in the air, and genuine smiles welcome you ashore.

Be warned: On Rarotonga, hurrying is strictly forbidden. The law of the island is to relax, immerse yourself in music, culture, and of course, unmatched beauty. This is the true island experience.

AT SEA It is highly probable that the extraordinary sights, sounds, and tastes that you experience on this voyage will awaken your creativity. Such beauty needs to be expressed. On deck, as the otherworldly South Pacific landscape floats by, you may be tempted to throw your arms open wide and burst into song.

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11/12	PAPEETE, TAHITI



If you're looking for a less vocal display of delight, you might consider sketching or painting—Les Gauguines and Les Gauguins are at the ready to share their passion for Polynesian arts and crafts. Make a basket out of coconut palm leaves, learn the ancient art of *tapa* (barkcloth), make your own jewelry with natural materials found on the islands, craft a bookmark out of indigenous *pandanus* leaves, and more. You'll return home with a one-of-a-kind memento of this extraordinary voyage.

BORA BORA (OVERNIGHT)

Famous. Exquisite. Adored. Breathtakingly beautiful. The supermodel of the South Pacific, you've seen countless photos and magazine covers of Bora Bora. Your pulse will race as you approach one of the most storied islands in the world—and you will find that photographs can't even begin to do her justice.

Your best course of action is to simply surrender to the considerable charms of this island. With so many things to do and see, you will easily fill your two days here. First, there's the water. Dazzling, warm, and inviting, Bora Bora's lagoon offers a cinematic below-the-surface experience for diving and snorkeling. Above: sailing, kayaking, jet boating, waverunner tours—the list goes on and on. And if you must dry off, there are guided hikes, 4x4 excursions, and ancient temples to explore.

The **Bora Bora Off-Road Adventure** excursion embraces this iconic island's natural beauty in an exciting exploration along roads less traveled. Highlights include

visiting the small town of Vaitape, seeing cannons from WWII, and traveling along Bora Bora's north shore for a visit to the lush valley of Fa'anui. The journey concludes with spectacular views and photo opportunities of Fa'anui Bay.

It may surprise you that an island so vibrant by day is, by contrast, very quiet after sundown. Brace yourself for a ravishing sunset. It's hard to imagine a setting more conducive to romance.

TAHA'A [MOTU MAHANA]

You'll know it's near by the intoxicating scent of Tahitian vanilla lingering in the air (80% of French Polynesian vanilla is grown here). The tranquil island of Taha'a is not a mirage, but it sure seems like one. Volcanic hillsides burst with banana, watermelon, and pineapple. Nature's bounty is matched by the opportunity for adventure. Accessible only by boat, you'll see the mythical island of Bora Bora from the northwest coast; and a stone's throw across the lagoon, the tiny island of Raiatea gives a friendly wave.

Just offshore of Taha'a lies **Motu Mahana**. A *motu* is a tiny island, and Mahana is *The Gauguin's* own private slice of paradise, exclusive to her guests. Beneath swaying palm trees, the day is yours to create. Snorkel surrounded by Technicolor fish. Grab a kayak for a bit of exploring. Ashore, you might join a game of volleyball or watch your hosts, Les Gauguines and Les Gauguins, demonstrate how to open a coconut or tie a *pareo*. Indulge in an overwater massage. And when the mood strikes, a sumptuous

barbecue feast awaits, complete with cocktails from the floating bar.

MOOREA (OVERNIGHT) There are no two ways about it—French Polynesia is home to some of the most stunning locales on Earth. What you will discover is that while Moorea has a beauty uniquely its own, it shares the same attributes as other islands: Crystal-clear blue lagoon? Check. Stunning landscape? Check. Off-the-charts snorkeling and diving, ample opportunities for adventure on land or sea? Check, check, check.

Immerse yourself in this natural wonderland on the **Dolphin Watching Expedition**. This combination eco-tour and research journey led by world-renowned dolphin and whale expert, marine biologist Dr. Michael Poole, focuses on the wild, free-ranging dolphins within Moorea's reef. Accompanying Poole's fascinating commentary about their remarkable life and society at sea, you'll see schools of acrobatic spinner dolphins playing against Moorea's dramatic beauty. Time permitting, you may be able to experience the dolphin's view of the island with a swim or snorkel directly from the ship.

PAPEETE, TAHITI And so it is time to return to where you began: Papeete. Although it has been less than two weeks since you first set sail, this journey has created a lifetime's worth of experiences and memories. Enjoy one last night on board your floating home before disembarking in the morning.

Cook Islands & Society Islands

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Jan 2; **Nov 6****; Dec 18, 2027



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Dreamy Paradise

Paul Gauguin Cruises offers not one, but **two private beach retreats**

A PRIVATE BEACH ON A SECLUDED MOTU

BORA BORA

The Gauguin's private beach off Bora Bora is your hidden sanctuary. With soaring Mount Otemanu in the distance, it is an iconic, breathtaking scene. Revel in the soft white sands lined with towering palms and relish the heavenly seclusion as the gentle sound of waves caresses the shore. Bring your snorkel gear from the ship and take a swim in the gin-clear waters to explore vibrant coral reefs. Or skate the surface on a paddleboard spotting the gentle rays as they pass by. This is your time to lose yourself in Bora Bora's tranquil beauty.

*Private beach in Bora Bora is subject to availability as conditions allow. When unable to call there, a free shuttle to Matira Beach, the island's award-winning public beach, will be offered.



A PRIVATE ISLET OFF THE COAST OF TAHA'A

MOTU MAHANA

Getting Ready to Say "I Do"?

Consider scheduling a private Polynesian blessing ceremony on Motu Mahana. Against this stunning backdrop, greet your better half wearing *heis* (crowns of flowers), and enjoy a ceremony under the sun.

This private islet, exclusive to Paul Gauguin Cruises, is nestled within the Taha'a lagoon. Guests often say this dreamy day in paradise is the highlight of their cruise. Here you can indulge in an authentic Polynesian barbecue and sip an ice-cold drink from a fresh coconut, then take a dip in the shimmering waters at the floating swim-up bar. Join fellow guests for a spirited game of beach volleyball, do a little kayaking, or immerse yourself in local culture with Les Gauguines who guide you in traditional dancing and the art of tying a *pareo*. Of course, there's nothing quite like relaxing beneath the gentle sway of coconut palms, taking in the enchanting views.

CULTURE CORNER: UNESCO World Heritage Wonders

**From sacred stone temples to pristine marine sanctuaries,
French Polynesia's UNESCO World Heritage sites reveal
a legacy that is both timeless and alive.**

Across the globe, UNESCO World Heritage sites are chosen for their universal value—places where nature, culture, and human history intersect in extraordinary ways. To stand among them is to be recognized as part of humanity's collective story. For French Polynesia, the three sites that are scattered like jewels across the fabled waters here affirm the islands' unique role as both guardians of the ocean and keepers of an ancient seafaring culture.



Fakarava: A Living Sea

Inscribed 1977

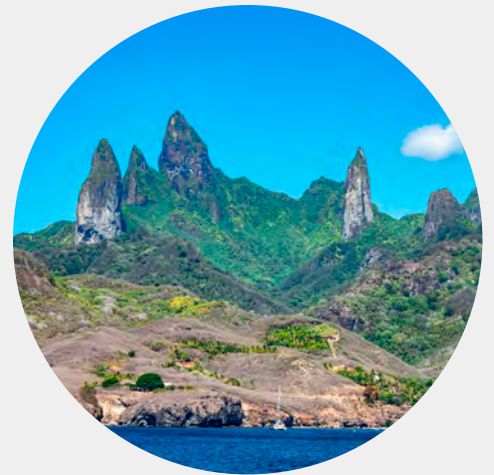
In the Tuamotu Archipelago, the atoll of Fakarava shimmers with life. Designated a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, it is a sanctuary where reef sharks glide through coral gardens and parrotfish flash neon colors in crystalline waters. Here, nature writes in light and movement, and every dive or snorkel uncovers a new revelation. But Fakarava is more than a diver's dream. It is a testament to harmony between people and sea. Villagers farm pearls and cultivate coconuts while safeguarding a marine ecosystem so pure it has become a global touchstone for conservation.



Taputapuatea: The Sacred Heart of Polynesia

Inscribed 2017

On Raiatea lies Taputapuatea, the great *marae* (sacred ground) complex recognized as the most significant cultural site in Polynesia. For a thousand years, it was the beating heart of the Polynesian Triangle, a ceremonial and political center where chiefs, warriors, and navigators gathered. Beneath open skies, priests called upon the gods and voyagers sought blessings before departing on star-guided journeys that would shape the Pacific world. Walking the stone courtyards today, visitors can still feel the *mana*—the spiritual power—that once bound distant islands in shared ancestry and belief.



The Marquesas: A Wild Frontier

Inscribed 2024

Most recently, the remote Marquesas Islands were inscribed on UNESCO's list in 2024, sealing their place as one of Earth's last great wildernesses. Rising like fortress walls from the ocean, these islands conceal ancient stone tikis in forested valleys and echo with chants of a civilization that flourished a millennium ago. Their cliffs host colonies of seabirds undisturbed for centuries, while their surrounding waters welcome dolphins and migrating whales. Few places remain so untouched, so defiantly authentic. To step ashore in the Marquesas is to glimpse the Pacific as it once was—and still endures.



**UNESCO World
Heritage Sites**

**Fakarava, Taputapuatea, and the Marquesas stand as shining examples of what makes
French Polynesia extraordinary. They are not just points on a map. They are a living heritage —
reminders of the beauty and spirit these islands share with the world.**

The Extraordinary Value of Paul Gauguin Cruises

If you've never been, but are considering a trip to French Polynesia (*and you should be considering a visit to the South Seas!*) you may be wondering about the best way to see this incredible part of the world. Do you choose one or two islands and book a hotel? Or do you opt for a small ship that offers up a vibrant array of Tahiti and her illustrious islands?



The Gauguin
1:1.5 Crew-to-Guest Ratio— 330 Guests
[7 Nights]

The island nature of this part of the world really lends to exploring by small ship. Here is a comparison to contemplate when doing your research:



Land Packages
Properties Vary
[7 Nights]

5	Number of Islands Visited	2
Bora Bora, Moorea, Tahiti, Taha'a & Huahine		Bora Bora & Tahiti
None	Inter-Island Airfare	\$350+
All meals Included! + 24-hour room service	Food	Daily Breakfast Included \$1,000+ for lunch and dinner
Included! Non-alcoholic beverages, beer, and select wine & spirits	Beverages	Not Included
Included! Lectures and live entertainment daily, plus special guests on select voyages	Entertainment	Not Included
Included! Complimentary snorkeling equipment, kayaking, and paddleboarding	Watersports	Some Included
Motu Mahana & Bora Bora	Private Beaches	N/A
From: \$2,990	Total Price PER PERSON*	From: \$5,950

It's concluded: The extraordinary experience and value lies in the all-inclusive, luxury small ship m/s *Paul Gauguin*!

*Sailing December 4 and 11, 2027; prices as of October 2025

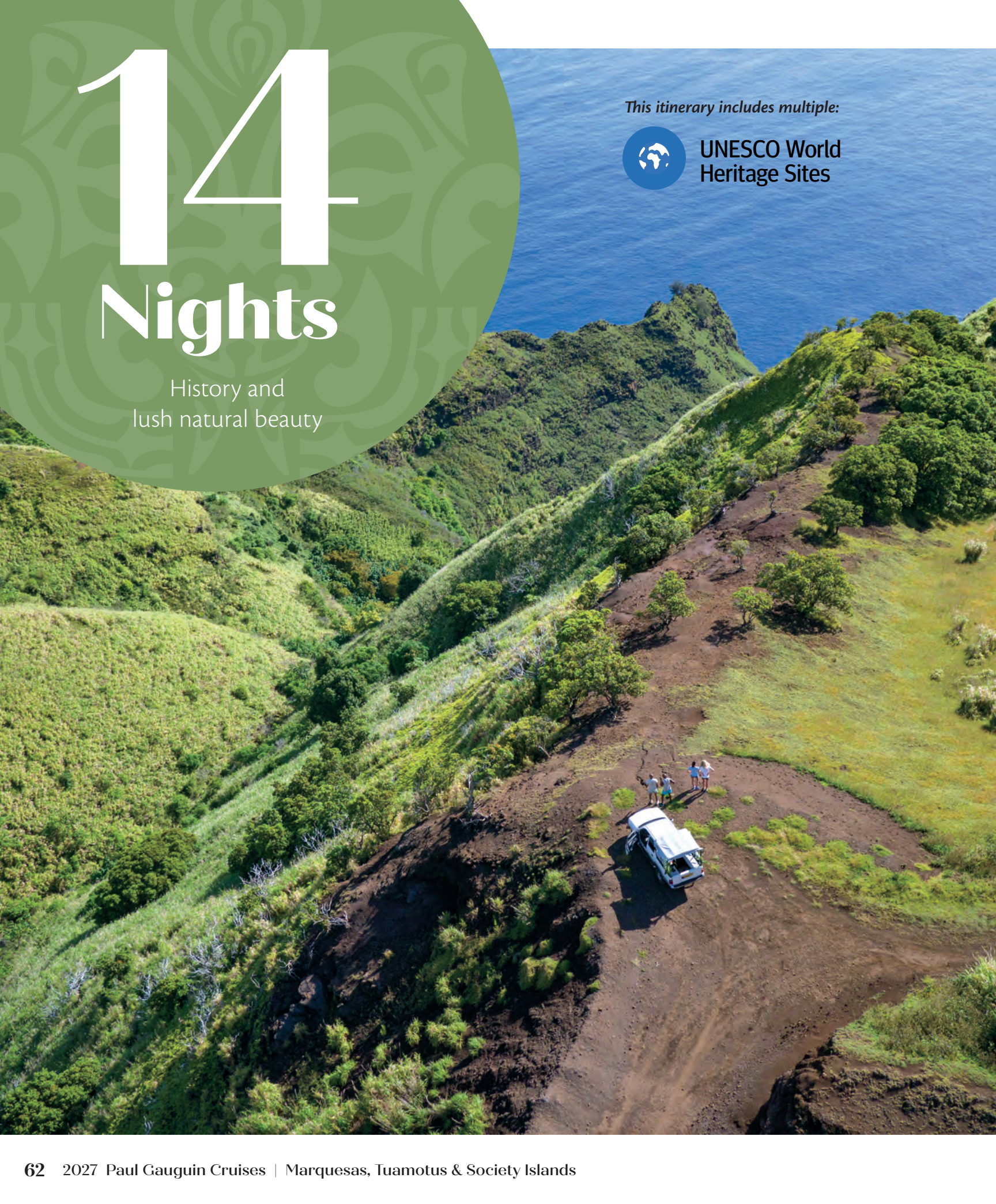
14 Nights

History and
lush natural beauty

This itinerary includes multiple:



**UNESCO World
Heritage Sites**



Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands

“Loved the little towns
and the people were
wonderful!”

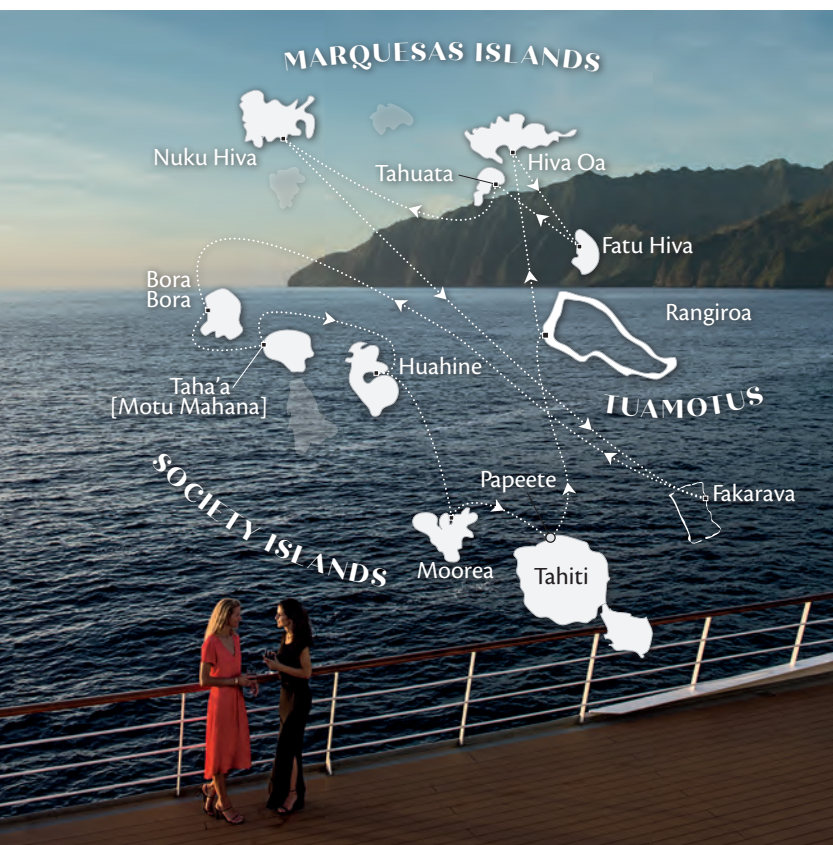
~ Dede Kay, guest



TOP: Ancient stone tikis stand guard over Hiva Oa's sacred valleys.
 BOTTOM: Jutting up from the sea, Fatu Hiva is a lush haven in the Marquesas.



TOP: Made of stone, Notre Dame Cathedral anchors Nuku Hiva's spiritual heart. BOTTOM: Throughout the islands, coconuts are opened with timeless skill.



Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands

It's not enough to call this a vacation, for it's so much more than that. Part bucket-list adventure, part transformational experience, these 14 unforgettable nights aboard the m/s *Paul Gauguin* explore some of the most majestic islands in all of the storied South Pacific.

This journey is an exercise in juxtaposition: The relaxed luxury of shipboard life contrasts beautifully with the wilds of the Marquesas Islands. The picture-perfect Society Islands beg for photos to be taken and postcards to be sent back home, while the Tuamotu Archipelago gives you the perfect reason to unplug and immerse yourself in all Mother Nature has to offer.

Two weeks is the perfect amount of time to decide: which island will be your favorite?



TAHITI There's a buzzy energy to Tahiti's capital city of Papeete that is unmistakably Polynesian. Vibrant, friendly, and unpretentious, the city is the flip side of the island's majestic peaks, lush jungles, tumbling waterfalls, and stellar blue lagoon. Before you sail, you might want to take in some of the history, culture, island lore, and art found in the many museums and galleries throughout the city.

AT SEA There's something very special about the first day at sea on board *The Gauguin*. This is Page 1, with many unwritten chapters ahead. Will your story be a romance? A fantasy? An adventure? Perhaps all of these... and more.

Do a little exploring and get to know this beautiful vessel, your home upon the sea for the next two weeks. Take some time to relax and let the South Pacific trade winds carry your cares and concerns away.

FAKARAVA It's called the "Island of Dreams," and you'll be dreaming of Fakarava long after your visit. The second largest of the Tuamotu atolls (second only to Rangiroa), Fakarava's rectangular reef is home to a rich ecosystem, one of seven in a designated UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. Above and below the water, it's as if Mother Nature put on her best dress for you to admire and exclaim, "My, aren't you fetching!"

Fakarava lures divers from all over the world, inviting them to take a peek below the surface in search of barracudas, manta and eagle rays, hammerhead sharks, dolphins, and turtles—

all playing amidst the dramatic coral landscape. On land, let the sea breeze guide you to the southern end of the lagoon, where you'll find a church made entirely of coral, built by missionaries in 1874.

AT SEA There is something innately glamorous about lounging on the deck of a ship as the horizon drifts past. Whether in a deck-side chaise with a tropical libation in hand and a novel at the ready, or relaxing poolside simply soaking up the sun, *The Gauguin* is designed for your idle and indulgent pleasure. Consider a visit to the fitness center, capped with a rejuvenating interlude at the spa.

Your onboard hosts, Les Gauguines and Les Gauguins, are happy to lead Tahitian dance lessons, hands-on crafting projects, and an array of activities for all ages and interests.

As the Golden Hour approaches, prepare for a spectacular Polynesian sunset enjoyed on deck. The colors really do defy description.

FATU HIVA The Marquesas: Wild. Dramatic. Bold. Here, the Pacific Ocean pounds against jagged cliffs—sharply sculpted mountains reaching so high that a fine mist of clouds often comes down to meet them. In contrast to the aquamarine waters and lagoons of the Society Islands, the water here is a deep indigo; no coral reef barriers, but a world of wonder still.

The southernmost island in the Marquesas, Fatu Hiva may also be the most beautiful. This

isolated paradise really is "off the radar." No airstrip, only one road, and just 500 residents. Explorer and archaeologist Thor Heyerdahl immortalized Fatu Hiva in a book of the same name published in 1974, detailing his one-and-a-half-year quest to escape civilization in the 1930s. Little has changed since then.

HIVA OA With its deep valleys, rugged peaks, and dense velvet rain forests, Hiva Oa's jungles hold many secrets, including ancient, massive stone tiki carvings and petroglyphs whose true meanings have never been definitively explained. If you enjoy exploring, this is the place. Experienced guides are eager to lead you to some truly mysterious hidden treasures.

The city of Atuona is a favorite of the yacht set, with just enough of an islandy-cosmopolitan vibe to make things interesting. It's easy to understand how artist Paul Gauguin and Belgian-born songwriter Jacques Brel came to call this island home. (They're still here; you can visit both at the Calvaire Cemetery.)

The island's rich history plays out on an unforgettable guided off-road **Atuona to Taaoa** expedition leading you to beautifully preserved dwellings, ceremonial sites, and sacred archaeological ruins. You'll see enormous tiki, sacrificial altar stones, and thousand-year-old relics, among the most significant in the Marquesas.

TAHUATA The smallest of the Marquesas' inhabited islands with only 600 residents, you'll immediately feel welcome by the locals here,



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1	PAPEETE, TAHITI
2	FAKARAVA
3	AT SEA
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5	HIVA OA
6	TAHUATA
7	NUKU HIVA
8	AT SEA
9	RANGIROA
10	AT SEA
10/11	BORA BORA
12	HUAHINE
13	TAHAA (MOTU MAHANA)
14	MOOREA
14/15	PAPEETE, TAHITI

and quite possibly by the pod of dolphins who regularly ply the waters.

Arrival is at the quaint village of Hapatoni, where an open-air market presents a wealth of locally made handicrafts (and no self-respecting South Seas traveler returns home without a woodcarving!).

A guided all-terrain **Hapatoni Discovery** tour explores the island's wilderness, villages, and history, including scenic lookouts and brilliant vistas of regal mountain peaks

NUKU HIVA The largest of the Marquesas Islands, Nuku Hiva's beauty is untamed. Rugged cliffs nose-dive into the ocean. A carpet of green jungle creeps from the water's edge, reaching upward. Shadows dance on the shoreline and knife-like peaks disappear behind a scrim of clouds. Optional tours will lead you to massive banyan trees, hidden valleys, and stunning bay views... and for the truly lucky, you may even sneak a peek of the island's wild horses.

An immersive off-road **Visit of Taipivai Valley** excursion leads to one of the richest archaeological sites in the Marquesas Islands. Dotted with tikis and sacred statuary, the valley is made famous by the writings of American novelist Herman Melville who deserted his ship and lived for weeks among the indigenous natives; Melville's *Typee: A Peep at Polynesian Life* was published in 1846, six years before he wrote *Moby-Dick*.

AT SEA This voyage is all about exploration, and there are opportunities for discovery tailored to every interest and inclination. Le Grand Salon plays host to myriad talks, presentations, and screenings—don't miss watching *The Bounty* on the big screen to see Hollywood's version of the infamous mutiny. You can choose to enhance your kitchen prowess with cooking

demonstrations by the ship's executive chef or enjoy games of chess, trivia, and bridge.

With two leisurely days at sea, you'll have plenty of time to relax, soak up the sun, and marvel at the ocean's beauty.

HUAHINE Huahine is the best-kept secret in the Society Islands. Often referred to as the Garden of Eden, it's hard to envision a more idyllic setting, seemingly untouched by the outside world.

The people of Huahine are known for their incredible warmth and welcome. Eight tiny villages spread over two islands encourage wandering. In Fare, you'll find local handicrafts and intimate eateries showcasing the true flavors of French Polynesia. You can also arrange underwater activities and guided tours of the island's many ancient temples and iconic sites.

BORA BORA Like a priceless painting come to life, this island is one of the world's top honeymoon destinations, and for good reason. The landscape alone will have you searching for adequate adjectives: soaring volcanic peaks, impossibly green jungles, flowers in an explosion of vibrant colors. And then there's the lagoon. Can you capture that exact shade of turquoise in words? You may find it cannot be done, but you'll keep trying.

TAHA'A [MOTU MAHANA] Resembling a flower-shaped emerald in a glittering silver setting, the "Vanilla Island" will greet you as you awaken on board. Once you've realized you're not in the middle of a very beautiful dream, enjoy breakfast and disembark for a remarkable day of exploration.

Tahitian vanilla is as coveted as Tahitian pearls. the **Exploration of Taha'a** excursion allows you to explore both a small family-owned vanilla

plantation and a black pearl farm, where you will see how pearls are grown and harvested. You'll also do some off-road exploring, traversing the island's highest mountain and meandering coastline.

Throughout the day, the ship's tender service whisks guests to and from **Motu Mahana**, *The Gauguin's* own private island, accessible only to her guests. Swim, snorkel to your heart's content, or relax beneath gently swaying palm trees. Be sure you stay hydrated with refreshments from the floating bar, and complete your visit with a grand beachside barbecue showcasing the bounty of French Polynesia.

MOOREA Anyone who has ever seen Rogers & Hammerstein's *South Pacific* will probably have the song Bali Hai in their head while ashore on Moorea. Said to be the inspiration for the James A. Michener novel on which the musical is based, Moorea is a favorite destination for many. As undeniably beautiful as each island is, Moorea has a little extra *je ne sais quoi*. "The Magical Island" beckons, hypnotizes, entrances. You will have the day to explore at your leisure, with adventures both on land and sea. What suits you? Quaint villages, pineapple plantations, golf, hiking trails for all levels of physical fitness and energy? Or is it snorkeling, diving, sailing, and lagoon excursions aplenty.

PAPEETE, TAHITI Following a memorable day on Moorea, it's time to wend your way back to your point of origin in Papeete. For one last magical evening on deck, raise a glass with the friends you've made here.

Armed with matchless memories, it's time to return to the "real world." When you feel the caress of a warm breeze or the kiss of the sun on your shoulders, think of the islands, and of your friends on board. *The Gauguin* will patiently await your return.

Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands

Roundtrip Papeete, Tahiti • 14 nights

from \$8,760 per guest

Includes 25% Early Bonus Savings*

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May 8; **July 3†**; **Aug 28†**, 2027

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*Standard LAX-PPT air package to include a Friday red-eye flight (or Tuesday for 10-night sailings), PRE and POST dayroom at the InterContinental Tahiti Resort & Spa or similar, transfers, and Saturday return flight (or Wednesday for 11-night sailings). All programs are subject to change and availability. Call for full details.

Enhance Your Journey

Air Travel and Resort Stays

A trip to French Polynesia is a once-in-a-lifetime experience, and we invite you to make the most of it with an array of optional packages designed to elevate your travels before and after your voyage. Our program* with Tahiti's leading airline includes **roundtrip air travel** between Los Angeles and Papeete on **Air Tahiti Nui**, **pre- and post-cruise dayroom(s)** at the The InterContinental Tahiti Resort & Spa, **island tours** on arrival and departure day, and **all transfers** between ship, airport, and hotel. We've also curated a collection of pre- and post-cruise programs at premier resorts throughout Tahiti and the South Pacific so that you can linger in paradise a little longer.

PRE- & POST-CRUISE PROGRAMS

A sampling of favorites from the Society Islands

BORA BORA

The Westin Bora Bora Resort & Spa

4 days/3 nights

[Overwater Villa Lagoon View]

- Tahiti/Bora Bora flights
- Breakfasts and dinners at resort
- The Westin Bora Bora Resort & Spa dayroom (*on day of onward flight*)
- All transfers

MOOREA

Hilton Moorea Lagoon Resort & Spa

4 days/3 nights

[Luxury Bungalow Garden View]

- Roundtrip ferry service between Papeete and Moorea
- Breakfasts and dinners at resort
- Hilton Moorea Lagoon Resort & Spa or similar accommodation for dayroom (*on day of onward flight*)
- All transfers

TAHITI

The InterContinental Tahiti Resort & Spa

2 days/1 night

[Classic Ocean View]

- Breakfast and lunch at resort
- All transfers



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14 Nights

Experience four distinct
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Fiji, Tonga, Cook & Society Islands

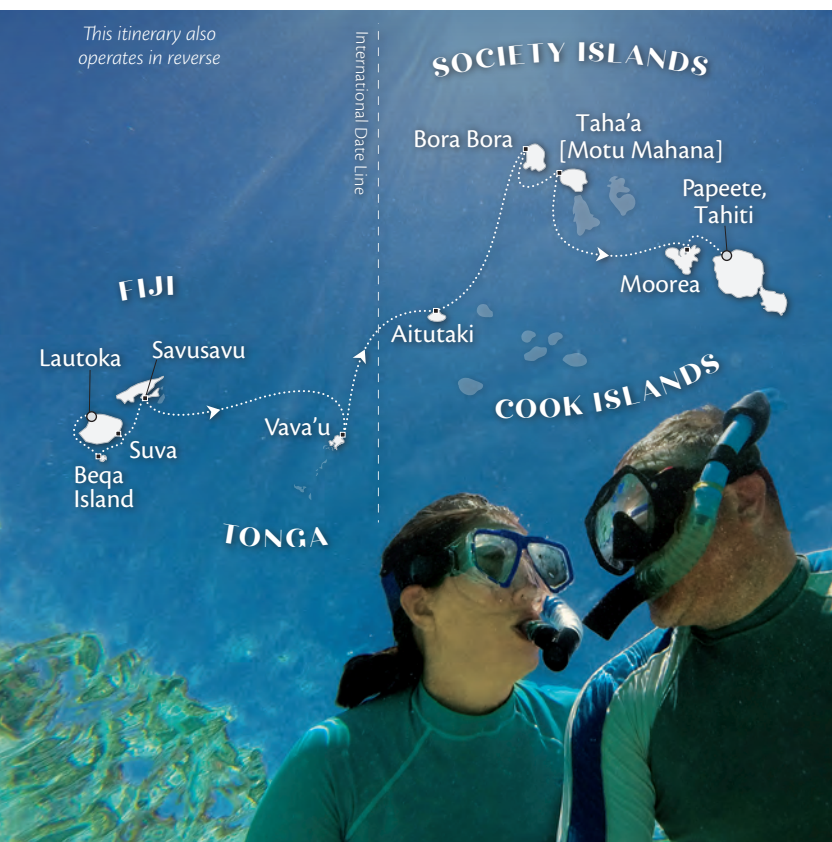
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about your time on
The Gauguin
exceptional...!”

~ Adam Stanfield, guest



TOP: Fiji's traditional dances celebrate spirit, rhythm, and heritage. BOTTOM: Underwater wonders await on snorkeling adventures from Tahiti to Fiji.

TOP: Sea turtles glide gracefully through Moorea's crystalline lagoons. BOTTOM: Sharing tales of the day's adventures at La Veranda.



Fiji, Tonga, Cook & Society Islands

(This itinerary also operates in reverse.)

Follow in the wake of the most celebrated South Pacific explorers and experience the same magic that has enthralled wanderers for thousands of years. Prepare to discover the region's most storied, beautiful, and culturally vibrant islands over the course of 14 unhurried nights (remember, this itinerary crosses the International Dateline—a bucket-list experience for many—meaning that you'll either gain or lose a day depending on the direction of your itinerary).

Your own voyage of discovery includes the Society Islands, in the very waters that the m/s *Paul Gauguin* calls home, as well as the stunning Cook Islands, an unspoiled paradise recognized by *Lonely Planet* as a Top Country in its 2022 Best in Travel. Visits to the Kingdom of Tonga, aka "The Friendly Isles," and the islands of Fiji, whose website currently reads "Open for Happiness," take you deep into South Pacific destinations revered for both their beauty and welcoming spirit.



TAHITI Considered one of the world's most exotic locations, Tahiti boasts a beauty that is nothing short of exquisite. The m/s *Paul Gauguin* docks in the harbor of Tahiti's capital city Papeete, where markets, museums, and galleries await your exploration.

MOOREA One of the stars of the Society Island archipelago, heart-shaped Moorea is often described as the most beautiful place on Earth with a beauty uniquely her own. Eight soaring peaks crown this island of volcanic origin, cloaking her in a verdant blanket of lush rainforest. She embraces two gorgeous bays—Opunohu Bay on the west and Cook's Bay on the east. Yet it is her captivating lagoon in every shade of blue that rivals that of her dazzling, better-known sister Bora Bora.

So while Moorea certainly does have a certain *je ne se quois* that's a little difficult to explain, the best advice is to surrender completely to whatever this magical island has in store for you.

Dolphins are known as some of the happiest of the animal kingdom—and they're pretty smart too. So it stands to reason that they appreciate the beauty of Moorea as much as we do. Join the **Dolphin Watching Expedition**, a

combination eco-tour and research expedition led by world-renowned dolphin and whale expert, marine biologist Dr. Michael Poole, where you'll likely see schools of acrobatic spinner dolphins playing against Moorea's dramatic beauty. Following your tour and time permitting, you may have an opportunity to go swimming or snorkeling before returning to the ship.

TAHAA [MOTU MAHANA]

Enclosed in a lagoon shared with Raiatea and accessible only by boat, Taha'a is an ideal destination for a truly relaxing escape. It's also home to **Motu Mahana**, Paul Gauguin Cruises' private islet, accessible only to guests. You will be welcomed ashore with traditional Polynesian music performed by Les Gauguines. You're then invited to take advantage of the floating bar, a bountiful beachside barbecue, and ample opportunities for watersports and relaxation.

BORA BORA There she is, the crown jewel of the South Pacific. Rising majestically from her famed lagoon, itself a lavish display of never-ending turquoise, sapphire, and indigo waters. It's true: Bora Bora is renowned the world over for her inviting—and intoxicating—romantic beauty. The setting has inspired passion for thousands of years. Resistance is futile.

Have your camera ready. Bora Bora just begs to have her picture taken, with lush peaks, white-sand beaches, and romantic lagoons. You can't miss the island's most iconic image: Mount Otemanu. Once a pair of extinct volcanoes, this mighty monolith soars 2,400 feet above the aquamarine lagoon. For a truly epic adventure, arrange a guided hike or 4x4 trek to the lofty peak, or opt for a simple and leisurely day at Paul Gauguin Cruises' private beach.

AT SEA With a day left to your own devices on board *The Gauguin*, there is no time like the present to make this all about you. Start the day with breakfast in your stateroom and spend the morning reviewing the multitude of photos you've taken so far. Then, how about a nice workout at the fitness center followed by a visit to the spa for some serious rejuvenation? A fresh lunch *al fresco* at La Veranda, followed by a nap, and before you know it, it's time to slip into your evening finery for a sumptuous dinner at L'Etoile.

AITUTAKI An aerial view of the second most-visited island in the Cooks looks a lot like a precious piece of turquoise agate floating atop a sapphire sea. The approach by ship is equally as mesmerizing as the multi-hued colors of the lagoon come into view. Rich in both natural beauty and



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8/9	AT SEA
10	VAVA'U, TONGA
11	AT SEA
12	SAVUSAVA, FIJI
13	SUVA, FIJI
14	BEQA ISLAND, FIJI
15	LAUTOKA, FIJI

history, it is believed that Aitutaki was settled around 900 A.D. by the legendary Polynesian explorer Ru. Today, its inhabitants keep their history alive through song, dance, legends, and crafts.

The island's coral reefs enclose a vast lagoon—which many believe rivals the usually beyond-compare Bora Bora (and Moorea, *le sigh...* such is life in the South Pacific!). Several hundred species of fish make these waters their home, so underwater activities are a must.

A great way to “dive in” and explore the lagoon is on a guided **Snorkeling Tour** to Motu Maina. Here the pretty reefs reward with colorful damselfish, butterflyfish, Picasso triggers, and lots of giant clams.

AT SEA (2 DAYS) Days at sea are a welcome oasis of relaxation and rejuvenation. Your voyage is hosted by *The Gauguin's* own troupe of Gauguines, local Tahitians who bring the spirit of Polynesia to life. Enjoy a retelling of ancestral legends through dance; delight in traditional songs; learn local handicrafts during hands-on demonstrations; and fall in love with the warmth of a beautiful culture.

VAVA'U Tiny-but-mighty Tonga is Polynesia's only remaining monarchy and takes great pride in being the only island nation in the Pacific not to have been colonized by a foreign power. The kingdom is comprised of some 170 islands divided into three main groups; of these, the northern group of Vava'u is considered the loveliest. A favorite haven for yachts, a call here invites discovery of Vava'u's culture and food, hiking Mount Talau, and snorkeling in its crystalline lagoon.

These Islands are a wonderland of wildlife. Beneath the gentle waves, spinner dolphins, giant clams, manta rays, sea turtles, and more than 100 species of tropical fish cavort through coral landscapes.

For a truly special experience, the **Swallow Cave and Island Getaway** takes you by boat to Kapa Island to explore a remarkable cave that is not, as its name might suggest, inhabited by swallows. Rather, hundreds of swiftlets flit about in the dim light and nest in the darkness of the cave's upper reaches. The experience concludes with a visit to Falevai Mui Houma Beach.

AT SEA During your leisurely day at sea, learn more about the culture of the islands you're visiting with onboard lectures, presentations, and demonstrations. The traditional Polynesian dress for women, the *pareo* (or sarong), originated in Tahiti and the Cook Islands. Often brilliantly emblazoned with hibiscus flowers, indigenous designs, or traditional tapa patterns, today, *pareos* are sported by both men and women, and there are many ways to tie and wear them. Learn how from Les Gauguines.

SAVUSAVU Like a smile that can't be suppressed, the island of Vanua Levu in northern Fiji presents itself with blushing splendor, and Savusavu is your welcome entry. Charming, unassuming, and unspoiled, the second largest of Fiji's 300 islands extends a warm hello with lush green hills surrounded by coral reefs. Some call it the “Hidden Paradise of Fiji,” and you will likely agree.

Described by Jean-Michel Cousteau as the “Soft Coral Capital of the World,” Fiji offers some of the world's finest snorkeling and dive sites among the reefs, caves, and grottos with diverse marine life including sharks, turtles, tuna, and fish of all shapes, colors, and sizes. For discovery of the island itself, the **Nakawaqa Waterfall & Rainforest** excursion leads you to a hidden spot of remarkable beauty.

SUVA Suva is perched on a hilly peninsula between two harbors on the island of Viti Levu. Every view is a stunning combination of blues

and greens, volcanic cliffs, and velvet jungles. Fiji's capital city is a fascinating mix of modern and colonial architecture, rich in Fijian culture with museums, galleries, and marketplaces to explore. Fiji's highest peak, Mount Tomanivi, is an exquisite landmark from every vantage point. The shell of this ancient volcano is an unforgettable climb for experienced hikers.

BEQA ISLAND It seems that everyone you meet in Fiji is wearing a smile. And when you behold the tiny island of Beqa (pronounced “BENG-uh”), it's easy to understand why. The startlingly turquoise lagoon is cradled in the crater of an extinct volcano. Waterfalls tumble, golden sands sparkle, and gentle breezes whisper the secrets of this paradise rich in tradition and heritage, where the ancient ritual of Fijian firewalking began.

Beqa may be small—less than six square miles in all—but the hospitality here is as big as the South Pacific. There are no paved roads and only a sprinkling of friendly villages. From the lush forests, trees heavy with coconut and papaya wave a friendly hello. Pristine beaches frame one of the world's largest barrier reefs, a paradise for divers, snorkelers, and fishing enthusiasts.

LAUTOKA Located on Viti Levu, Lautoka is known as “Sugar City” for the golden-green sugarcane that surrounds it on three sides. The palm-lined main street invites strolling and shopping, while the lagoon is perfect for swimming, snorkeling, and diving. And the beaches? Flawless, with super-fine white sand and swaying coconut palms.

One of the island's highlights is the Garden of the Sleeping Giant, which includes manicured lawns, lily ponds, fountains, and more than 2,000 truly rare Asian and Cattleya orchid hybrids, once the private collection of actor Raymond Burr. A fitting end to your idyllic voyage!

Fiji, Tonga, Cook & Society Islands

Lautoka, Fiji to Papeete, Tahiti (or reverse) • 14 nights

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Shore Excursions

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Curated shore excursions reveal the true spirit of French Polynesia and beyond, led by those who know these islands best. From the coral-ringed lagoons of the Society Islands to the low-lying atolls of the Tuamotus and the dramatic peaks of the Marquesas, French Polynesia stirs the imagination with its rare, raw beauty. These are bucket-list landscapes—vivid reefs alive with marine life, rainforest-clad valleys steeped in legend, and secluded *motus* whispering of timeless tranquility.



A World of Choices, A Lifetime of Memories

To help you navigate the breadth of experiences, excursions are thoughtfully grouped by theme—from active pursuits on land and water to once-in-a-lifetime encounters and cultural immersion on shore. Each option invites you to embrace the islands in the way that resonates with you most.

To pique your adventurous spirit, below are highlights of some of the experiences on offer. Note that shore excursions can be reserved within 60 days of sailing date and confirmed once on board.



HIKING & ADVENTURE

Scenic Flight Lesson

[MOOREA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Take the controls of a light aircraft with an instructor, soaring over Moorea's bays and the atoll of Tetiaroa for a thrilling perspective of reef and lagoon.

Omoa Petroglyphs Walk

[FATU HIVA, MARQUESAS]

Trek into lush jungle valleys to view ancient tikis, petroglyphs, and ceremonial sites amid the jagged peaks of the Marquesas.

ATV Adventure

[BORA BORA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Ride modern ATVs from coast to jungle ridgelines, pausing at WWII sites and panoramic lookouts for sweeping views of Mount Otemanu and the outer reef.

Huahine Exploration by 4WD & Boat

[HUAHINE, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Circle Huahine by 4WD and outrigger: blue-eyed eels, Maeva's *marae* and fish traps, a pearl farm visit, then a gentle snorkel off *Motu Te Tiare*.

WATERSPORT ACTIVITY

Aqua Safari

Underwater Walk

[BORA BORA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Descend a ladder to the sandy seabed with a clear helmet; stroll among coral and clouds of reef fish as guides keep you close to the action—glasses stay on, hair stays dry.

Waverunner Adventure

[MOOREA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Skim across Moorea's cobalt bays on a guided waverunner, pausing at a *motu* to wade among graceful rays in crystalline water.

Snorkel & Lagoonarium

[BORA BORA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Glide by outrigger canoe to a *motu* with an enclosed lagoon, where sharks, rays, and turtles share the shallows; relax with fruit on a white-sand beach.

Southern Pass Discovery

[FAKARAVA, TUAMOTUS]

Snorkel Tetamanu's vibrant reefs, swim by pink sandbanks, and savor a *Paumotu* barbecue in this UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. »»





Relaxing Time at the Lagoonarium

[BORA BORA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Boat to a *motu* lagoonarium for easy swimming in calm enclosures, gentle encounters with rays and turtles, and hands-on cultural demos on the beach.

Half Day to Teahatea Beach

[FAKARAVA, TUAMOTUS]

Cross the Garuae Pass to a white-sand arc; swim and snorkel translucent shallows, sip fresh coconuts, and savor unhurried island time.

Discover the Green Lagoon

[RANGIROA, TUAMOTUS]

Unwind on a serene, sheltered lagoon with emerald water and soft sand; swim, sun, and sample coconuts, local juices, and tropical fruit tastings.

CULTURE & HERITAGE

Sacred Sites & Legendary Places

[HUAHINE, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Ride “Le Truck” to Huahine’s revered archaeological sites, sacred marae, and ancient fish traps—stories brought to life by expert guides.

Hapatoni Discovery

[TAHUATA, MARQUESAS]

Travel by 4x4 between villages, step into a stone church and small museum, and take in lofty lookouts that frame the wild Marquesan coast.

Taipivai Valley

[NUKU HIVA, MARQUESAS]

Explore a valley immortalized by Herman Melville, where archaeology and island lore blend with breathtaking mountain vistas.

Moorea by Catajets

[MOOREA,
SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Pilot a two-seat catajet along Moorea’s bays, pause to snorkel over coral gardens, then wade a sandbar to meet curious stingrays.

Discover Faaroa River by Kayak

[RAIATEA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Paddle from Faaroa’s fjord-like inlet into Polynesia’s only navigable river, gliding beneath lush slopes alive with birdsong.

Coral Garden Drift

[TAHA’A, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Let the current carry you through a living reef, where tropical fish dart among coral in a natural underwater channel.

Sharks & Stingrays Encounter

[BORA BORA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Snorkel shallow coral gardens and meet Bora Bora’s rays and reef sharks in a graceful ballet of movement and color.

Aquarium Snorkel

[RANGIROA, TUAMOTUS]

Discover Rangiroa’s “natural aquarium,” a haven of tropical fish and coral, guided by local experts in turquoise waters.

Raiatea Highlights Tour

[RAIATEA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Venture inland to waterfalls and forests, then visit *Taputapuātea*, the UNESCO-listed *marae* that was once the center of Polynesian culture.

Pearl Farm & Snorkel

[TAHA'A, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Learn the secrets of Tahitian black pearl cultivation, then snorkel off a *motu* before returning to Motu Mahana for Paul Gauguin Cruise's beach barbecue.

Exploration of Taha'a

[TAHA'A, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Venture off-road to viewpoints, a family vanilla plot, and a boutique pearl farm—an intimate portrait of “Vanilla Island” life and lore.

Circle Island Tour

[AITUTAKI, COOK ISLANDS]

Loop past villages and plantations to *marae* sites and lagoon vistas; meet locals and learn the legends of this volcanic atoll ringed by *motus*.

SIGHTSEEING

Sunset Catamaran Sail

[BORA BORA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Skim Bora Bora's lagoon as late light gilds Mount Otemanu; linger on deck with a camera ready as the sun melts into the Pacific.

Glass-Bottom Boat

[RANGIROA, TUAMOTUS]

Gaze through glass panels at schools of butterflyfish, parrotfish, and black-tipped sharks gliding through coral gardens.

Island Tour by Le Truck

[BORA BORA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Circle Bora Bora's emerald shores by colorful truck, stopping at *marae*, WWII bunkers, and panoramas of Mount Otemanu.

Belvedere & Pineapple Valley by E-Bike

[MOOREA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Pedal with ease past pineapple fields to Cook's and Opunohu Bays, pausing for views from the Belvedere Lookout. »





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Shore Excursions

Discover Raiatea by 4x4

[RAIATEA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Ride an open-air safari truck to overlooks and coconut demos, then stand at *Taputapuatea Marae*—the storied heart of Polynesian voyaging.

Muri Lagoon Cruise

[RAROTONGA, COOK ISLANDS]

Glide a glass-bottom boat over Muri's clear shallows; feed tame fish, snorkel vibrant coral, and enjoy an easy tropical escape.

Lagoon Cruise & Polynesian Feast

[BORA BORA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Circle the lagoon by outrigger for coral-garden snorkels, stingray, and shark stops, then a Tahitian earth-oven feast set in the shallows of a private *motu*.

UNIQUE EXPERIENCES

Whale Expedition by Zodiac

[MOOREA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

From July to October, search for humpback whales and, if conditions allow, slip into the water for a rare encounter.

Teahatea Beach Retreat

[FAKARAVA, TUAMOTUS]

Cross the Garuae Pass to a pristine white-sand beach; swim, snorkel, and savor coconuts beneath swaying palms.

Aquabike Adventure

[BORA BORA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Ride an underwater scooter with a continuous air supply, gliding ten feet beneath the surface in Bora Bora's lagoon.

Motu Picnic

[HUAHINE, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Snorkel a tranquil coral spot, then decamp to a private *motu* for a casual island lunch with live music and unhurried beach time.

Anapa Pearl Farm & Snorkeling

[RAIATEA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Boat to a reef-top pearl station to witness a harvest, then slip into the lagoon to snorkel coral gardens beside rare pearl oysters.

Aqua Blue Underwater Walk

[MOOREA, SOCIETY ISLANDS]

Cruise to a calm lagoon site, don a helmet, and walk among butterflyfish and rays at 12 feet; guides handle gear so the wonder stays effortless.

Every excursion is more than an activity—it is an immersion into the living culture, natural wonders, and heartfelt traditions of Polynesia. With small groups, trusted local partners, and decades of destination expertise, Paul Gauguin Cruises ensures your time ashore is as enriching as your time on board. From lagoon to rainforest and *marae* to *motu*, each experience deepens your connection to these islands, creating memories as enduring as the sea itself.✦

Every year, you celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, and reunions...

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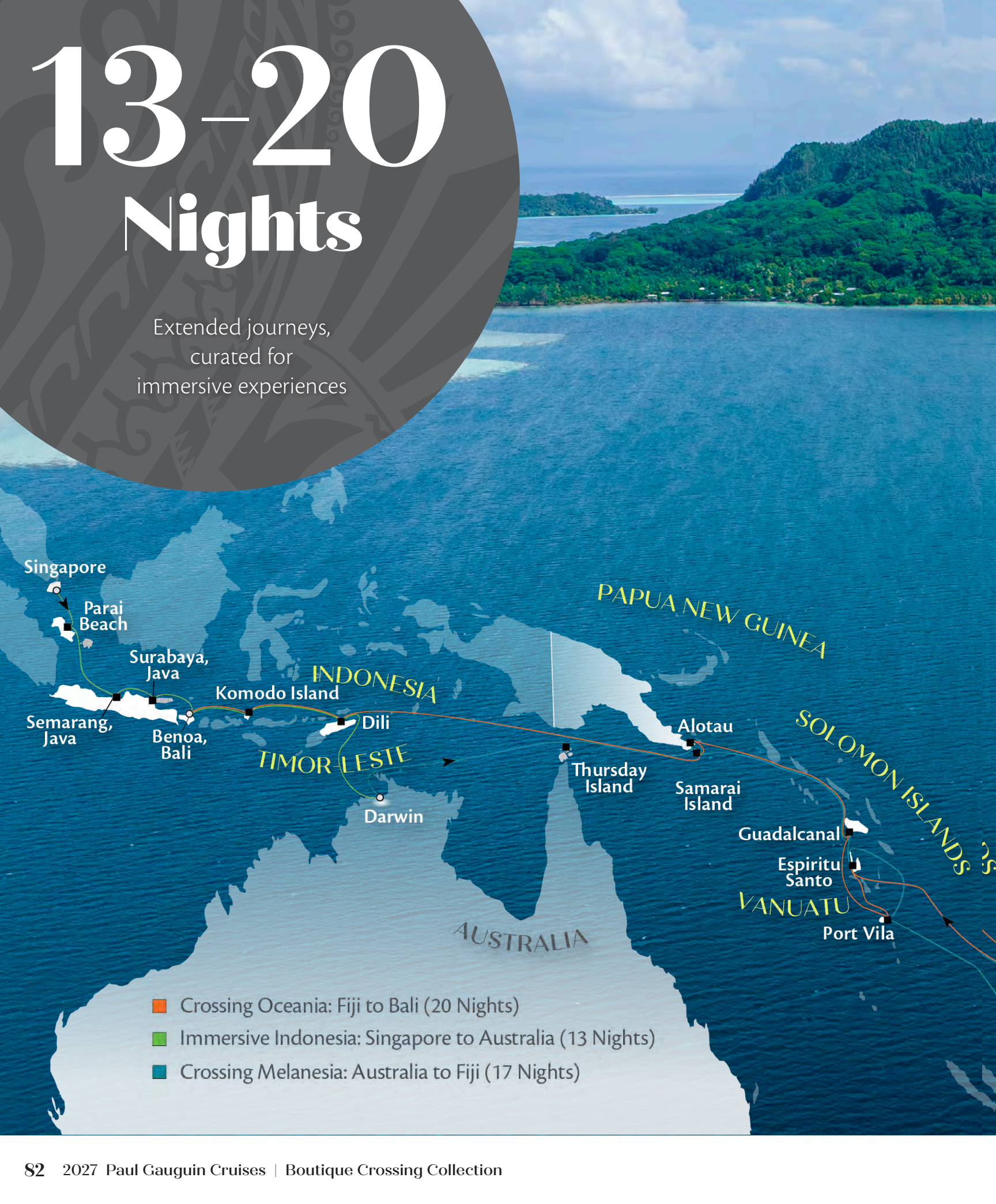
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[LAUTOKA, FIJI TO BENOA, BALI]

A blissful balance of sea days and tropical islands features a stop at Alotau, Papua New Guinea. You'll also call at Vanuatu, Guadalcanal, and Komodo National Park.

JAN 28, 2027
[20 NIGHTS]

from **\$10,180** per guest



Immersive Indonesia: Singapore to Australia

[SINGAPORE TO DARWIN, AUSTRALIA]

This exotic journey visits Parai Beach and explores Javanese treasures in Surabaya and Semarang. Bali enchants with its temples while Komodo National Park intrigues with the world's largest lizard.

MAR 16, 2027
[13 NIGHTS]

from **\$7,050** per guest



Crossing Melanesia: Australia to Fiji

[DARWIN, AUSTRALIA TO LAUTOKA, FIJI]

Discover the tribal culture of Papua New Guinea and the WWII history of Guadalcanal. The Solomon Islands invite snorkeling and diving, and Vanuatu's pristine beaches await just beyond.

MAR 29, 2027
[17 NIGHTS]

from **\$8,110** per guest



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Sailing Schedule

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Note that the Moana Explorer Program for kids ages 6-15 operates on the sailings in this color.


DATE	ITINERARY	NIGHTS
Jan 2	Cook Islands & Society Islands	11
Jan 13	Society Islands, Cook Islands, Tonga & Fiji	14
Jan 28	Crossing Oceania: Fiji to Bali	20
Mar 16	Immersive Indonesia: Singapore to Australia	13
Mar 29	Crossing Melanesia: Australia to Fiji	17
Apr 15	Fiji, Tonga, Cook Islands & Society Islands	14
Apr 28	More Tuamotus & Society Islands	10
May 8	Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands	14
May 22	More Society Islands & Tahiti	7
May 29	Society Islands & Tuamotus	11
Jun 9	More Tuamotus & Society Islands	10
Jun 19	Tahiti & the Society Islands	7
Jun 26	Tahiti & the Society Islands	7
Jul 3	Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands	14
Jul 17	More Society Islands & Tahiti	7
Jul 24	Society Islands & Tuamotus	11
Aug 4	More Tuamotus & Society Islands	10

DATE	ITINERARY	NIGHTS
Aug 14	Tahiti & the Society Islands	7
Aug 21	Tahiti & the Society Islands	7
Aug 28	Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands	14
Sep 11	More Society Islands & Tahiti	7
Sep 18	Tahiti & the Society Islands	7
Sep 25	Society Islands & Tuamotus	11
Oct 6	More Tuamotus & Society Islands	10
Oct 16	Tahiti & the Society Islands	7
Oct 23	More Society Islands & Tahiti	7
Oct 30	Tahiti & the Society Islands	7
Nov 6	Cook Islands & Society Islands	11
Nov 17	More Tuamotus & Society Islands	10
Nov 27	Tahiti & the Society Islands	7
Dec 4	More Society Islands & Tahiti	7
Dec 11	Tahiti & the Society Islands	7
Dec 18	Cook Islands & Society Islands	11
Dec 29	More Tuamotus & Society Islands	10



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Deckplans & Staterooms

Capacity..... 330 Guests
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Shipyard Chantiers de l'Atlantique
(Saint Nazaire, France)
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Draft 17.1'

Tonnage..... 19,200 Tons
Maximum Speed 18 Knots
Passenger Decks 7
Call Letters C6TH9
Propulsion System ... Diesel Electric

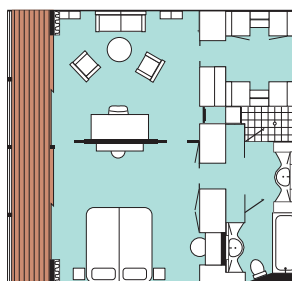
Room Amenities

AVAILABLE IN ALL CATEGORIES

Flat-screen TV, international channels, videos on demand | Stocked minibar | Individually-controlled air conditioning
Dressing table, hairdryer | Algotherm Dermo Ocean Spa bath amenities | Electronic safe | 24-hour room service | Wi-Fi

Category OS Owner's Suite | Deck 7 | Butler Service* | Private Veranda

OWNER'S SUITE OS 701



457 sq. ft. + 77 sq. ft. veranda

OWNER'S SUITE 701

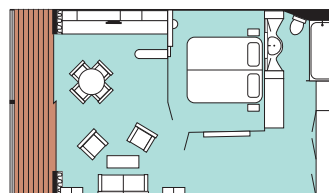
Bathroom with a bathtub and a separate shower, plus a dressing area

OWNER'S SUITE 7002

Bathroom with a bathtub and dressing area

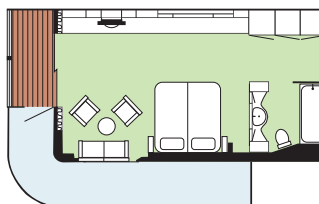
- Separate bedroom with one queen-size bed or two single beds
- Lounge with sofa bed, two armchairs and dining table for four
- Private transfers to and from the ship
- Priority embarkation
- Premium Champagne upon arrival
- Fruit basket upon arrival, replenished during cruise
- Fresh flowers upon arrival
- Two complimentary 50-minute spa treatments
- Invitation to a dinner with Captain or Hotel Director
- Daily canapés according to guest preferences

OWNER'S SUITE OS 7002



531 sq. ft. + 57 sq. ft. veranda

Category GS Grand Suite | Deck 8 | Butler Service* | Private Veranda

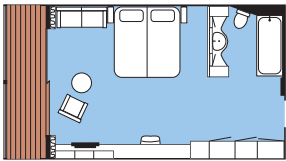


332 sq. ft. + 179 sq. ft. veranda

- One king-size bed, or two single beds
- Sitting area with two armchairs and loveseat sofa
- Bathroom with a bathtub and shower
- Private transfers from the ship to the airport
- Priority embarkation
- Premium Champagne upon arrival
- Fruit basket upon arrival, replenished during cruise
- Fresh flowers upon arrival
- Two complimentary 50-minute spa treatments
- Invitation to a dinner with Captain or Hotel Director
- Daily canapés according to guest preferences

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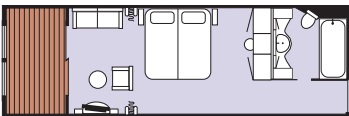
Category A Veranda Suite | Deck 7 | Butler Service* | Private Veranda



300 sq. ft.
+ 58 sq. ft. veranda

- One king- or queen-size bed, or two single beds
- Sitting area with armchair and loveseat sofa
- Floor-to-ceiling glass doors
- Bathroom with full-size tub and shower
- Priority embarkation
- Fruit basket upon arrival, replenished during cruise
- Fresh flowers upon arrival
- Daily canapés according to guest preferences

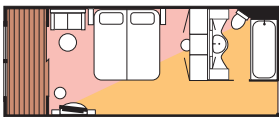
Category B Veranda Stateroom | Deck 8 | Butler Service* | Private Veranda



249 sq. ft. + 56 sq. ft. veranda

- One king- or queen-size bed, or two single beds
- Sitting area with armchair and loveseat sofa
- Panoramic sliding bay window
- Bathroom with bathtub or shower
- Priority embarkation
- Fruit basket upon arrival
- Daily canapés according to guest preferences

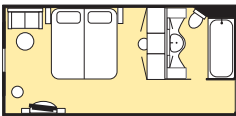
Category C & D Balcony Stateroom | Deck 7 | Deck 6 | Private Veranda



202 sq. ft.
+ 37 sq. ft. veranda

- One queen-size bed or two single beds
- Bathroom with full-size tub and shower

Category E Window Stateroom | Deck 4



200 sq. ft.

- One queen-size bed or two single beds
- Panoramic window
- Bathroom with a full-size tub and shower

Category F Porthole Stateroom | Deck 7

200 sq. ft.

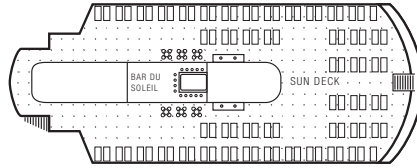
- One queen-size bed or two single beds
- Two portholes
- Bathroom with full-size tub and shower

Category F Porthole Staterooms floorplan are exactly the same as Category E except that they feature two portholes instead of a window.

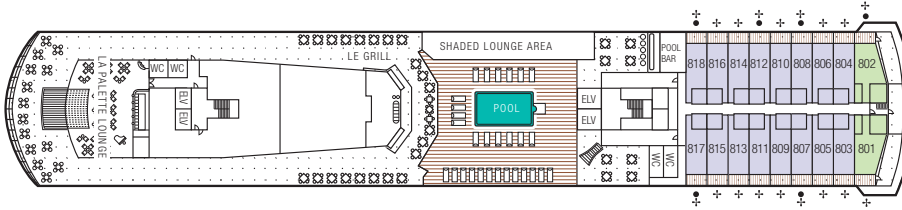


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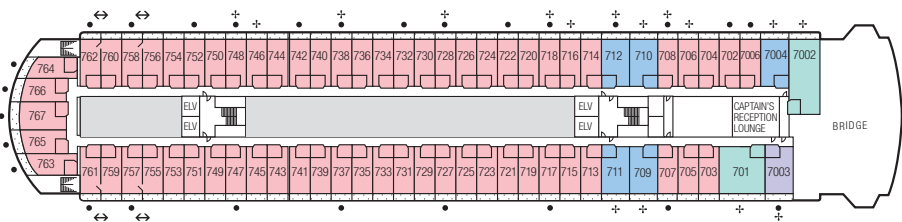
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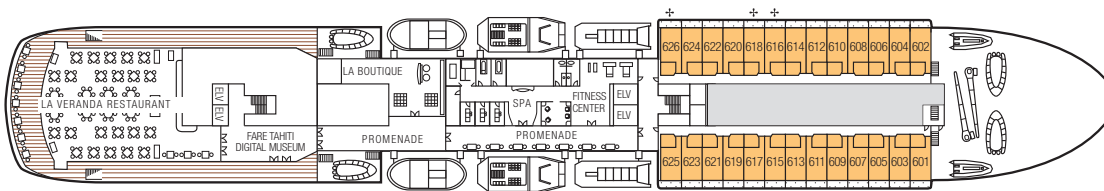
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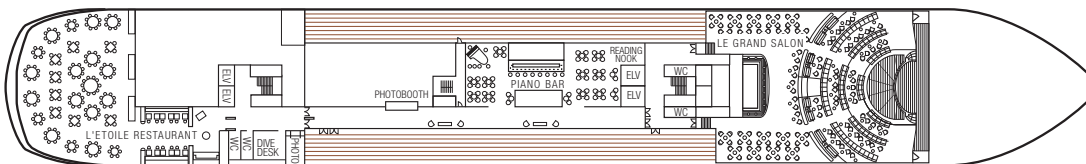
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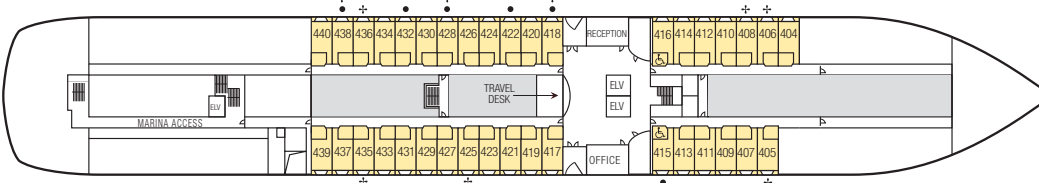
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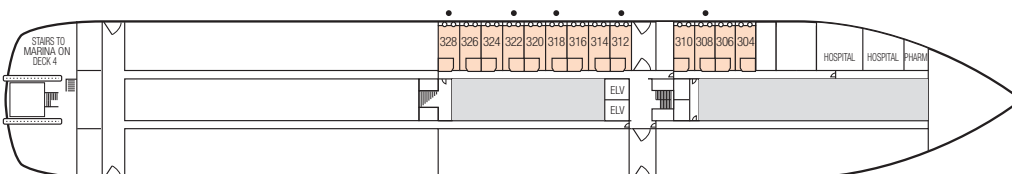
DECK FIVE



DECK FOUR



DECK THREE



- OS Owner's Suite
- GS Grand Suite
- A Veranda Suite
- B Veranda Stateroom
- C Balcony Stateroom
- D Balcony Stateroom
- E Window Stateroom
- F Porthole Stateroom

• Denotes stateroom with two twin beds that convert to a queen. Stateroom 801 offers a king-size bed.

+ Denotes stateroom with triple occupancy.

↔ Denotes connecting staterooms

Note: Loveseat beds are slightly smaller than a standard twin bed.

Staterooms 415 and 416 are wheelchair accessible.

Suites and staterooms range from 200 to 588 square feet. This measurement includes balconies and verandas in categories D and above.





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Paul Gauguin Cruises *We Care*



As French Polynesia's destination expert, Paul Gauguin Cruises has long been dedicated to providing guests with the most authentic and meaningful travel experiences within the communities, cultures, and natural wonders that make this destination so alluring. The line's lauded We Care initiatives aim to elevate people, support tradition and heritage, and raise awareness and affection for the delicate eco-systems unique to the Islands of Tahiti.

Caring for People

Paul Gauguin Cruises is committed to sustainable travel that enriches the guest experience as well as the lives of island communities. Its "*Taote* (doctor) *Gauguin*" healthcare partnership with the French Polynesian government provides essential medical assistance and supports local doctors, making a tangible impact on the wellbeing of local residents. The program recently received the 2024 Sustainability Initiative of the Year award from Seatrade, a premier international cruise industry organization.

Caring for Culture

Paul Gauguin Cruises strives to infuse the Polynesian spirit into every voyage, leading to deeper, more memorable connections for guests. Cultural experts share their knowledge on board through dynamic lectures, informative lectures, and entertaining local presentations. Unique among all cruise lines is the ship's troupe of cultural ambassadors, Les Gauguines and Les Gauguins, who welcome guests to experience the local way of life.

Caring for the Environment

Paul Gauguin Cruises shares French Polynesians' deep respect for the vast blue ocean and is committed to eco-friendly operations that guide activities both on and off the ship. In partnership with *Te mana o te moana*, a leading South Pacific marine conservation foundation, the company's complimentary Moana Explorer Program inspires its youngest guests, ages six to 15, to understand and care for the world around them through hands-one, interactive activities. *The Gauguin* also continues to support scientific research projects, as part of a wider initiative through its parent company, PONANT EXPLORATIONS GROUP. A team of seagrass experts from Australia, who were recently on board to study the potential of French Polynesia's seagrass habitats to capture CO₂ and mitigate climate change, have plans to return and continue their research in 2026.

For more information or to make a reservation, contact your Travel Advisor, call **800-848-6172**, or visit **pgcruises.com**



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