

Swain Destinations: Pearls of Polynesia

Day 1 USA to Papeete

Today you will begin your Swain Destinations customized itinerary. Please note, international air has not been included in this package price.

Once you clear customs and immigration, look for your name on the board. A representative will assist you to the vehicle that will then transfer you to your accommodation.

Papeete, the capital and commercial hub of French Polynesia, hosts the government offices, hospitals, banks, airline and travel agencies, boutiques and black pearl shops. The Central Market is a must, located a block behind the waterfront. You will see traditional Tahitian crafts, flowers, fruits, fish and other produce. The waterfront is attractive, with a tree lined promenade along a marina with an international yachting community.

Manava Suite Resort

Day 2 Papeete to Moorea

Please wait in the hotel lobby area for your transfer to Papeete airport for your flight to Moorea. Upon arrival you will be transferred to your accommodation.

Less than 10 minutes away from Tahiti by air or less than one hour by ferry are the deep, spectacular bays and white sand beaches of Moorea. The craggy volcanic peaks, reflected in the tranquil waters of Cook's Bay and Oponohu Bay, rise like a shark's jaw from the island's basaltic base. The lush mountain slopes are covered with rain forest or pineapple plantations, and white sand beaches border crystalline lagoons.

Manava Beach Resort & Spa Moorea

Meals: B

Day 3 At leisure, Moorea

Board your 10 minute flight to Moorea, an island of lush mountain slopes covered with rainforests, pineapple plantations, and white sand beaches bordering crystalline lagoons. Enjoy time at leisure to explore, go horseback riding, take a hike to a hidden waterfall, or simply relax.

Manava Beach Resort & Spa Moorea

Meals: B

Day 4 At leisure, Moorea

This day is at your leisure. Explore the surrounding area on your own or on one of our additional day excursions.

Manava Beach Resort & Spa Moorea

Meals: B

Day 5 Moorea to Bora Bora

Please wait in the hotel lobby area for your transfer to the airport for your flight to Bora Bora. Upon arrival you will be transferred to your accommodation by boat.

Bora Bora - Unquestionably the most mythical of the Pacific islands remains the island of all

dreams. So much has been written about Bora Bora, and yet it is hard to find the right words to describe the magic that emanates from this island.

Seen from the air, the view has been compared to that of "a tiny emerald in a setting of turquoise, encircled by a sheltering necklace of sparkling pearls". The airport, built by US forces in 1942, is located on a palm fringed motu about 20 minutes by boat from the main village of Vaitape. The view of the main island from the airport is truly breathtaking, and as you travel across the spectacular lagoon you will soon understand why it is the main area of attraction for most visitors.

Sofitel Bora Bora Marara Beach & Resort
Meals: B

Day 6 Lagoonarium and Shark Watching Tour

Travel around the island of Bora Bora by outrigger canoe, cruising the most beautiful lagoon in the world. A stop is made near the reef to wait for young sharks, which are attracted by the smell of fish thrown into the water. Equipped with snorkel gear, you may enjoy the underwater view of those sharks and the colorful corals around the site.

From here the tour continues to the natural lagoonarium. Each kind of tropical fish has their own park: Rays and sharks, turtles, giant mussels, lobsters and many varieties of multi-colored fish. Fresh local fruits and coconut drinks will be offered, and you have time to walk around this small island, before the return to your hotel.

Sofitel Bora Bora Marara Beach & Resort
Meals: B, L

Day 7 At leisure, Bora Bora

This day is at your leisure. Explore the surrounding area on your own or on one of our additional day excursions.

Sofitel Bora Bora Marara Beach & Resort
Meals: B

Day 8 Bora Bora to Tikehau

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Tikehau.

Considered to be one of the most beautiful atolls in Polynesia, the fragrance of the air is matched only by the abundance of life in the bright-blue water. In this pristine world, fish seem to outnumber people one-billion-to one. In fact the density of the fish in the lagoon is so high that Jacques Cousteau's research group declared that Tikehau's lagoon contained the highest concentration of fish in all of the Tuamotu atolls.

Tikehau Pearl Beach Resort
Meals: B

Day 9 At leisure, Tikehau

Your time here is at leisure to relax or explore the island – take a trip to a natural motu, visit the natural lagoon aquarium, take an excursion to the island of birds, visit the village of Tuherahwe, take a sunset cruise or visit a pearl farm.

Tikehau Pearl Beach Resort

Meals: B

Day 10 At leisure, Tikehau

This day is at your leisure. Explore the surrounding area on your own or on one of our additional day excursions.

Tikehau Pearl Beach Resort

Meals: B

Day 11 Tikehau to USA (Via Papeete)

Say goodbye to Tahitian paradise as you transfer by boat to the airport for your return journey to the USA.

Meals: B