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PORT AUTONOME
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Une belle histoire d'amour...

Pape, 1860

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nous rapprochant instantanément des milliers de lieux qui nous séparent....

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Welcome to Polynesia!

Editorial

A visit to Polynesia is guaranteed to be an unforgettable experience.

Travelling by boat, you will discover dramatic landscapes, tranquil lagoons and well-protected anchorages, just as the area's first legendary navigators did many generations ago. As you visit a variety of beautiful, unspoiled locations throughout the islands, you will often experience that rare feeling of serenity.



Polynesia, crossroads of the South Pacific

Since its first printing four years ago, this guide has been very successful in both its French and English versions. It is currently distributed in Europe, the USA, Panama, and since 2010, in many places where the GIE Tahiti Tourism Office is represented.

This year's edition is presented by the Port Autonome de Papeete, which encourages international sailors to visit French Polynesia and enjoy the many attractions of Tahiti and her islands.

This guide was made especially for yachtsmen, in order to welcome them and make their stay in French Polynesia easier. Hopefully, it will help you in dealing with bureaucratic 'red tape,' and will facilitate a problem-free arrival so that you can enjoy the natural riches of this vast territory, which extends over 5 million km² (nearly 2 million square miles) of the ocean's surface. Inside you'll find practical advice and technical information about customs and immigration formalities; sanitary issues; anchorages, availability of fresh water, gas, diesel and oil; how to make emergency calls and more, as well as a directory of marine suppliers for all your maintenance and repair needs.

Competitive infrastructure

Within this guide you will also become aware of the high quality of the various port services provided by the Port Autonome de Papeete, which are constantly evolving. Since 2010, the Port has also been in charge of infrastructure in Raiatea, in addition to Tahiti and Moorea. Each year, many exciting and culturally rich events are organized for yachtsmen: rallies, watersports activities and touristic attractions. The Port Autonome de Papeete dynamically joins and initiates the development of the yachting in French Polynesia.

We ask you to protect these unique surroundings and wish you pleasant sailing among our islands and archipelagoes in relation with our most important treasure: the Polynesian people.

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An international cruise port



International trade, traffic between islands, fishing, cruising, yachting: Papeete Port is at the heart of Polynesian life and nautical tourism.

It is now the symbol of shared access and cooperation between cruise ships and private yachts with fishing vessels, coasters and freighters.

Since year 2000, Papeete Port has invested more than 13.2 billion XPF – 110.6 million euros – in building new port infrastructure with the aim of improving conditions, not only for international and inter-island trade development, but also for the welcoming of cruise ships, visiting yachts and fishing vessels. These large-scale improvements were financed in part with the annual cash flow generated by the Port Autonome de Papeete. Its modern facilities are in constantly evolving and they contribute to the rapid economic development of French Polynesia.

The only commercial international port providing service all over Polynesia.

Thousand of tons of products are in transit every year on the different quays of Papeete. The container traffic represents an impressive quantity of more than 64,000 EVP (20-foot containers) in imports and exports. Merchant ships – cargo ships and “Ro-Ros” (roll-on, roll-off) – have three dedicated berths along a 450 m-long quay. Products are stored in a container

terminal with a carrying capacity greater than 90,000 m².

Cargo vessels that operate between the capital city, Papeete, and outlying Polynesian islands have seven berths at their disposal, with a total of 1,150 metres for schooners. Travelling through the islands, **these vessels operate in an area equivalent to the size of Europe!**

A lively and centrally located port of call.

Who says Tahiti is a marginal destination on the world cruise market?

Today, **the Port of Papeete is a thriving international cruise port**, big enough to welcome four cruise ships at the same time. Papeete's Port reflects an image of luxury for Polynesia. Both Tahitians and visitors have already seen many of these prestigious “superboats” parading before their eyes, including the Paul Gauguin,

the Tahitian Princess, the Starflyer, the Amsterdam, the Seven Seas Mariner, the Regal Princess, the Queen Elizabeth II, and the Queen Mary II.

Thanks to the construction of a new finger pier in the heart of Papeete, the Port of Papeete can now host the finest cruise ships from anywhere in the world.

Because of its downtown location, the **Papeete Yacht Quay gives yachtsmen easy and direct access to all stores and services of Tahiti's downtown commercial centre.** From Vaïete place, with its typical caravans – which are impossible to miss – to the many other places where you can experience the Polynesian culture in the capital city of Polynesia, you will never be bored in Tahiti!

Moreover, the Papeete Port has greatly improved its infrastructure recently to welcome more yachtsmen in comfort, on a special dock equipped with **security gates which is patrolled by security guards 24/7 during the high season for sailing.**

This privileged access gives yachtsmen the opportunity to be berthed in the heart of the city and enjoy its many attractions without security concerns.

Some figures

- 758.43 ha: is the total surface of land and maritime boundaries of the Port Autonome de Papeete.
- 5,800 m: is the total length of quays and docks.
- 1,614,294 t: is the total product weight that transited on the different quays of Papeete in 2009.
- 200 m: is the total length of the northern berth, where the cruise liner Queen Elizabeth II berthed in 2007 and 2008.
- XIX^e: At the end of this century, the first cruise liner quay was built in the Port of Papeete.

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An international cruise port

Specially designed infrastructure for yachtsmen

The Port Autonome de Papeete has been involved in a variety of efforts to benefit yachtsmen throughout the Society Islands. The Port's efforts extend to part of Papeete Harbour, to Teonetea in Papearii, and to Taina Marina in Punaauia. On Moorea, Tahiti's sister-island, the Port Autonome de Papeete is also in charge of Vaia Bay, including the Marina and the

Ferry Quay where ferries and fast shuttles offer frequent transportation to both foot passengers and light vehicles. With maritime jurisdiction over an area of more than 800,000 m², the Port of Papeete provides **services to a wide variety of vessels, including sailboats visiting from all over the world.**

How is the Port structured?

- With its 3 docks, the **Papeete Yacht Quay** is able to accommodate up to 45 sailboats. The Port maintains a security service which guards the quay 24 hours a day, 7 days a week during the high season, from April to September. Every berth on the yachtsmen's quay is equipped with modern facilities including water and electricity. Garbage collection is performed periodically. The new Paofai Gardens, inaugurated in 2010 and located only 100 metres from the Yacht Quay, is a pleasant park where yacht crews can enjoy a peaceful walk.
- The Port Autonome de Papeete has recently reopened its newly renovated **dry docks** which have a lifting capacity of 800 tons. A repair shipyard with a 300-ton Travelift operated by Technimarine is now also located in the Papeava area.
- The **Taina Marina**, located in Punaauia, is able to accommodate about 500 sailboats or motoryachts in individual berths or "Med-moored" along a quay. One quay is intended for superyachts. Marina facilities include a fuel dock, a laundry, a harbourmaster's office, restrooms, three restaurants, a technical workshop, a chandlery, wireless Internet service and many conveniently-located stores. A berthing area with 56 moorings has also been established in Punaauia's channel. These moorings are managed by the Taina Marina, allowing yachtsmen to enjoy the use of shore services.
- The **marina of Vaia in Moorea**, is able to accommodate 120 sailboats or motoryachts. It is mainly inhabited by the permanent residents, and can accommodate 5 to 10 boats passing through Moorea. The marina provides security service 24/7. On-site services include water, restrooms and showers, electricity, and garbage collection. Many shops are located nearby.

What projects are currently in progress?

Upcoming projects include: improving and planning on the Papeete **Yacht quay docks**, the construction of a '**House of Yachting**' near the Yachts Quay in 2011-2012, the continuation of additional ecological moorings in Punaauia's lagoon, the construction of a dry storage yard with room for 150 yachts in the Taina Marina in 2011.

Feasibility studies will begin soon on planned infrastructure for yachtsmen and further development of the **marina of Vaia in Moorea** (with 200 additional berths). Early in 2011, the Port Autonome de Papeete should also become the administrator of Raiatea's marinas in Uturoa and Apiti.

Continuous improvement of yachting activities

The Port Autonome de Papeete has become **increasingly more involved in supporting yachting activities** in French Polynesia.

Its role of welcoming visitors has made the Port the initiator and partner of many different promotional activities:

- The **Tahiti Moorea Sailing Rendez-vous** is a special event for yachtsmen organised by the Port of Papeete. During three days of activities, sailors will have an ideal opportunity to meet the local population and learn about their age-old customs. The event features a sailing rally from Tahiti to Moorea, combined with cultural festivities on Moorea's beach.
- It also participates in other welcoming ceremonies for trans-Pacific rallies such as the **Pacific Puddle Jump Rally**, the **ARC 2008 Rally**, the **BlueWater Rally**, etc.
- It is the co-organizer or partner of different tours and promotional operations in the sailing world's principal **boat shows**, and directly promotes Polynesia as a sailing destination at **yacht clubs and marinas all over the world.**

Activities (2009 figures)

International trading

The number of stopovers for long-haul boats slightly increased. The total tonnage of international products reached 922,000 tons in 2009.

Inter-island trading

The total traffic of inter-island products (boundary included) has decreased by -9.0% and reached 692,500 tons. The passenger traffic between Papeete slightly increased by +0.1% with 1,709,950 passengers.

International cruising

The number of cruise ships stopovers in the Port of Papeete fell (-8% with 34 stopovers), as well as the number of cruise ship passengers (-1.5% with 32,501). Inter-island cruising based in Papeete also declined by 13% in the number of stopovers with 93 calls. Inter-island cruising is currently available on board the Paul Gauguin. The cargo ship Aranui III is also very popular, and is an enjoyable means of cruising between Papeete and the Marquesas Islands (4,202 passengers in 2009).

Yachting

The number of foreign yachts' decreased by -9.28% on Papeete's Yachts quay with 694 calls.

Fishing

The number of foreign fishing boats dropped off by -42% with 51 calls while local fishing activity increased by +1.4% with 984 calls.



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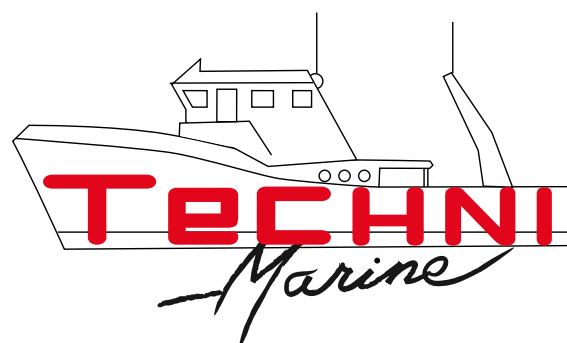
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Take the tiller with serenity



As the official emblem of Polynesia suggests, the ocean is the essential element in the origin of Polynesian life and culture.

Apart from transiting the passes in and out of the lagoons, and being mindful of depths in the shallows, there are no major navigational challenges in French Polynesian waters. The country's flag is composed of a double-hulled canoe, which symbolizes the history of the great Polynesian navigators, and five characters standing which represent the five archipelagoes: the Society, Tuamotu, Austral, Marquesas and Gambier islands. Located in the heart of the South Pacific, turning seaward, these 118 islands and atolls are spread out over 5 million km² of ocean surface and cover only 4,200 km² of land surface.

The climate

Defined as marine tropical, French Polynesia's climate doesn't vary much: temperatures range between 24°C and 30°C all year long and its high humidity (75%) is tempered by breezes. Thus Polynesia is affected by northeast and southeast trade winds which converge into the equatorial zone, creating two distinguished seasons: the dry season and the humid season. The dry season – also called “Austral winter” – takes place between April and October and brings an expected coolness (24°C and 28°C), July and August being the coolest months of the year. The humid season – also called “rainy season” – starts in November and ends in March. It brings higher humidity

as well as heavier and more frequent rains than during the dry season. Because of the distance between island groups, some significant differences exist between them. The temperatures in Austral islands can go down to 10°C during the dry season; in the Marquesas islands, the “Austral winter” lasts from August to December; there is almost no “rainy season” in the Tuamotu islands.

The wind

In Polynesia, the dominant winds blow most frequently from the east, but they tend toward the northeast from November to March with speeds of 5 to 15 knots. The trade winds generally blow from the east during the cooler and dryer time of year (April through October), with a tendency to blow from the southeast during this period. In July and August, the southeast trade winds, which the Tahitians call the *mara'amu* are sometimes steady and strong with speeds of 5 to 25 knots. Famous in French Polynesia, the *mara'amu* can blow for several days, forming rolling swells between 1.5 and 3 m high. This wind also brings colder temperatures (20°C at night). This wind can be affected by the contours of tall islands, and venturi effects may occur in the bays.

The swell

A long south, southeast swell, generally weak, can easily reach 2.5 to 3 m when

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- BLU: 2182 KHz et 8279 KHz
- VHF: 156,8 MHz, canal 16

Emergency numbers

Fire Brigade	18
Police	17
Smur (emergency - Tahiti)	15
Harbour control	42 12 12

List of useful phone numbers for each archipelago from pages 17 to 27.

tropical depressions blow across the south of the archipelagoes. When this swell meets wind from the east the sea becomes agitated and difficult to navigate. From November to January, there is a weak north swell.

The tidal range

Apart from the Society islands, in the Polynesian archipelagoes, there is a lunar tidal range of between 0.5 and 2 m. The tidal range creates an incoming and outgoing current that washes through the coral passes of the atolls. It can reach speeds of 6 knots or higher when there are big tidal ranges or when it combines with a heavy swell. Thus, it creates a tidal bore at the pass entries. It is recommended to sail through the passes when the water is slack. The Society islands, which comprise one of the major distinctions of French Polynesia, are situated on what is called an amphidromic point, where tides have no lunar influence, only solar influence, called a solar ocean tide (water level difference is 20 cm, or 8 inches, with high tides at noon and midnight, every day of the year).

Daily information

in French only

Météo France: Ph.: 36 70 08 (forecaster on live) - www.meteo.pf
SHOM :

tidal forecast up to 7 days – www.shom.fr – only available in french

Mahina Radio: weather reports (BMS)

- by **VHF**, after a call on Channel 16, move on channel 26 (Windward islands/South Marquesas) or 27 (Leeward islands/ North Marquesas) at 8:03 / 8:33 / 11:00 / 12:00 a.m. and 6:03 / 6:33 / 8:40 / 9:00 p.m.;
- by **BLU** on 8803 KHz at 8:45 / 11:00 / 12:00 a.m. and 2:30 / 4:30 / 8:00 p.m.; and on 2182 KHz and then 2620 KHz at 8:03 / 8:33 a.m. and 6:03 / 6:33 / 9:00 p.m.

RFO transmits weather reports on Frequency Modulation at 89 and 91,8 MHz, on AM at 738 MHz, at 5:55 / 6:57 / 7:57 / 10:30 a.m. and 5:55 p.m.

in English only

In the Leewards islands:

Frequent and complete weather reports in English: on demand, VHF 10 Sunsail ISLV, between 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

In the Windward islands:

Channel VHF 09 Taina Marina and VHF 06 Arue Marina

On the Internet

www.windguru.com • www.buoyweather.com • www.meteo.pf

Archipelagoes map

Memo Clearance (see p.11)

Entry clearance formalities have to be formally completed at the "Gendarmerie" offices in the first port of arrival:

- Provide a list* of all passengers and crew
- Passengers and crew's departure or arrival by aircraft, with details about the flights
- Detailed list of regulated or forbidden products**
- All passports with required valid visas

The arrival clearance formalities have to be completed in the Port Autonome de Papeete:

- Provide a list* of all passengers and crew
- Passengers and crew's departure or arrival by aircraft, with flight details
- Copy of the sailboat's registration number.
- Clean bill of health of sailboat captain when boats are more than 40 meters long
- Detailed list of regulated or forbidden products**
- All passports with required valid visas

Inter-island clearance formalities (between Tahiti and the other islands (except Moorea):

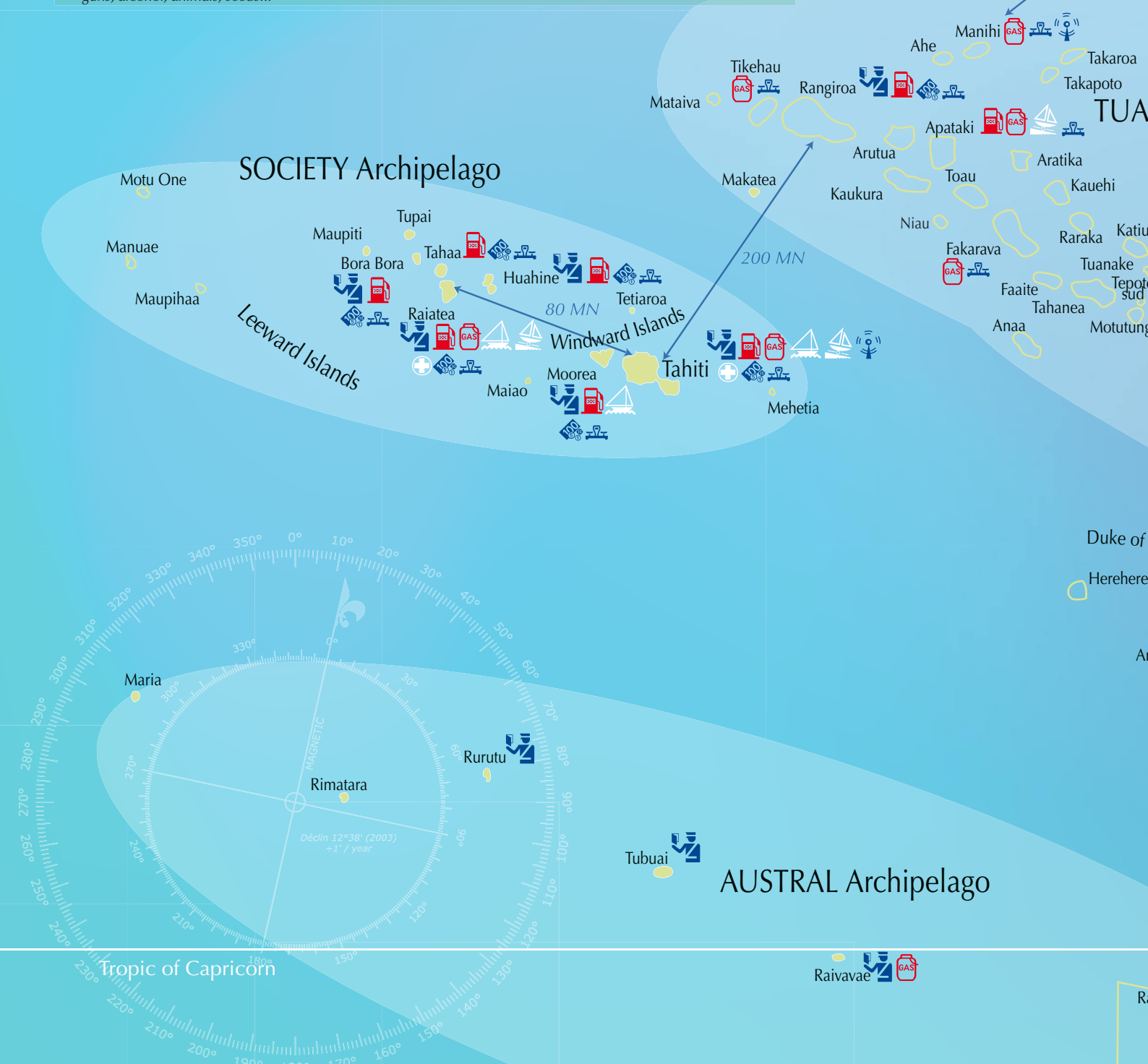
- Provide a list* of all passengers and crew
- Scheduled itinerary in French Polynesia

Exit clearance formalities at your departure from French Polynesia, mandatory to get tax free diesel fuel:

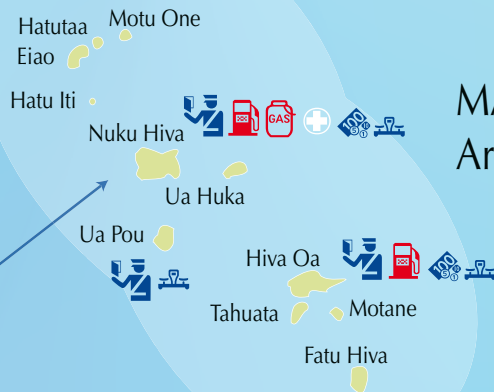
- Provide a list* of all passengers and crew
- Passengers and crew's departure or arrival by aircraft (with flight details)
- Detailed list of regulated or forbidden products
- All passports with required valid visas

* providing details about the names, profession, date and birthplace, nationality, passport number.

** guns, alcohol, animals, seeds...



MARQUESAS Archipelago



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Disappointment Islands

Tepoto nord

Napuka

Pukapuka

The more northely winds during the Southern hemisphere's summer are called "To'erau".

MOTU Archipelago



- Entry and exit Clearance
- Marinas
- Dockyard
- Station fuel
- Cans or barrel of fuel
- Hospital
- Bank
- Various services, trade
- Radio

Gloucester Islands

Anuanuraro

Anuanurunga

Nukutepipi

The more southerly winds during the Southern hemisphere's winter are called "Mara'amu".

Marotiri



GAMBIER Archipelago

Don't use for navigation.

Adapt your navigation between one archipelago and another

Even when navigation is relatively easy, you must be careful and watchful. When travelling between one archipelago and another, always keep a lookout, especially if you want to avoid an accident.

The Marquesas Islands

Level of navigation: easy.

Situated at the outer limit of equatorial waters, between latitudes 8° and 10° south, the Marquesas Islands don't suffer from tropical depressions, and cyclones are unknown there. The weather is nice most of the time, and the rainy season is not very intense. Winds are usually steady, but they may be impacted by the steep contours of these mountainous islands. The swell may be heavy, because the Marquesas are not protected by coral reefs. In every group of islands, navigators usually sail during the day.

The navigation is quite easy, the coastlines are clearly defined and step-to. Sea currents generally flow to the W-N-W (at less than 1 knot), yet are reinforced in the narrow passage (Bordelais channel Hiva Oa/Tahuata).

The islands are high, so the leeward coasts often suffer from light winds. The Marquesas Islands have numerous bays which provide good shelter from the wind but are often open to the dominant swells. (Beach landings can sometimes be a challenge!) Shallows are silty and secure.

The Marquesans live close to the sea. Boating infrastructure, such as quays and docks, are available in every inhabited island. Aids to navigation are rare: there are only port entry beacons into the bays where the access to the main villages is easy.



The Tuamotu

Level of navigation: caution.

Be careful when you are navigating between the atolls which are visible at less than 10 nm only: the current can be strong in the channels between the atolls. Of the 76 Tuamotu atolls, only some have passes where you can enter. On the others, when southeast wind gusts blow, or when there is a heavy swell, there can be up to 6 knots of outgoing current. In addition, a tidal bore can be generated outside and inside the passes. Generally speaking, it is better to sail into the pass when the water is slack. You will see lateral beacons in the passes of the main Tuamotu islands, and sometimes also in the channels providing access to a village. But most of the time, inside the lagoons, you will navigate carefully, with the sun behind you or during the midday sun. This way, you will have better visibility of the colors beneath the surface and the coral heads, so that you can more easily pick out the *po'ito*, pearl farms' buoys. In July and August, when strong east and southeast wind gusts blow inside some of the big atolls, the wind raises an interior swell. During these times it is recommended that you moor in the east. **As fresh water is very rare in these islands, we recommend that you stock up on water in the Marquesas Islands before leaving, and also collect rainwater if your boat is not equipped with a watermaker.**

The Society Islands

Level of navigation: easy.

This is the perfect place for yachting. There is no lunar tide, most passes are

large and navigation is easy at any time (excepted at the island of Maupiti). A lateral buoyage system is used in the passes and at fixed points. Moreover, the fringing coral reefs allow safe navigation because they protect you from the swells that lie outside the lagoons. **The buoyage system is important inside the lagoons: you will see green buoys along the lagoon side and red buoys along the land side. Only at entrance channels (passes) do buoys follow the European system, where red marks the port side and green marks the starboard side. Once inside any lagoon within the Leeward Islands, the red buoys indicate the maximum sea depths on the land side, and the green ones on reef side.**

In addition, you have to be careful when the sea is choppy in the channels between two islands. Beware of the shallows. In every group of islands, yachtsmen usually sail during the day between the islands across very short distances. It is recommended to leave before 9:00 a.m, in order to avoid bad visibility in the passes, and choose your mooring while there is still good light overhead.

Maupiti's channel is quite difficult to sail through when the south swell is more than 2 metres high. We recommend that you inquire about the pass conditions before leaving Bora Bora.

Special sailing instructions:

between PAPEETE et PUNAAUIA (Tahiti)
Every time you move your boat (entering the Port, leaving it or just changing your anchorage), you must ask permission from the **Harbour control station on VHF 12 or by telephoning 42 12 12 or 47 48 50**, because of the close proximity of the international Airport's runway.



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Respect & preservation

The unspoiled natural beauty here is unique, but the balance of nature is fragile. It is necessary to protect it.

An important regulation

In French Polynesia, there is an environmental regulation to protect the lagoons: the **Marine Space Management Plan (PGEM)**. This plan was developed in cooperation with the local population in order to determine operating rules that will allow both island residents and visitors to optimize their enjoyment of marine resources, and manage their use intelligently. Adherence to the rules is everybody's business.

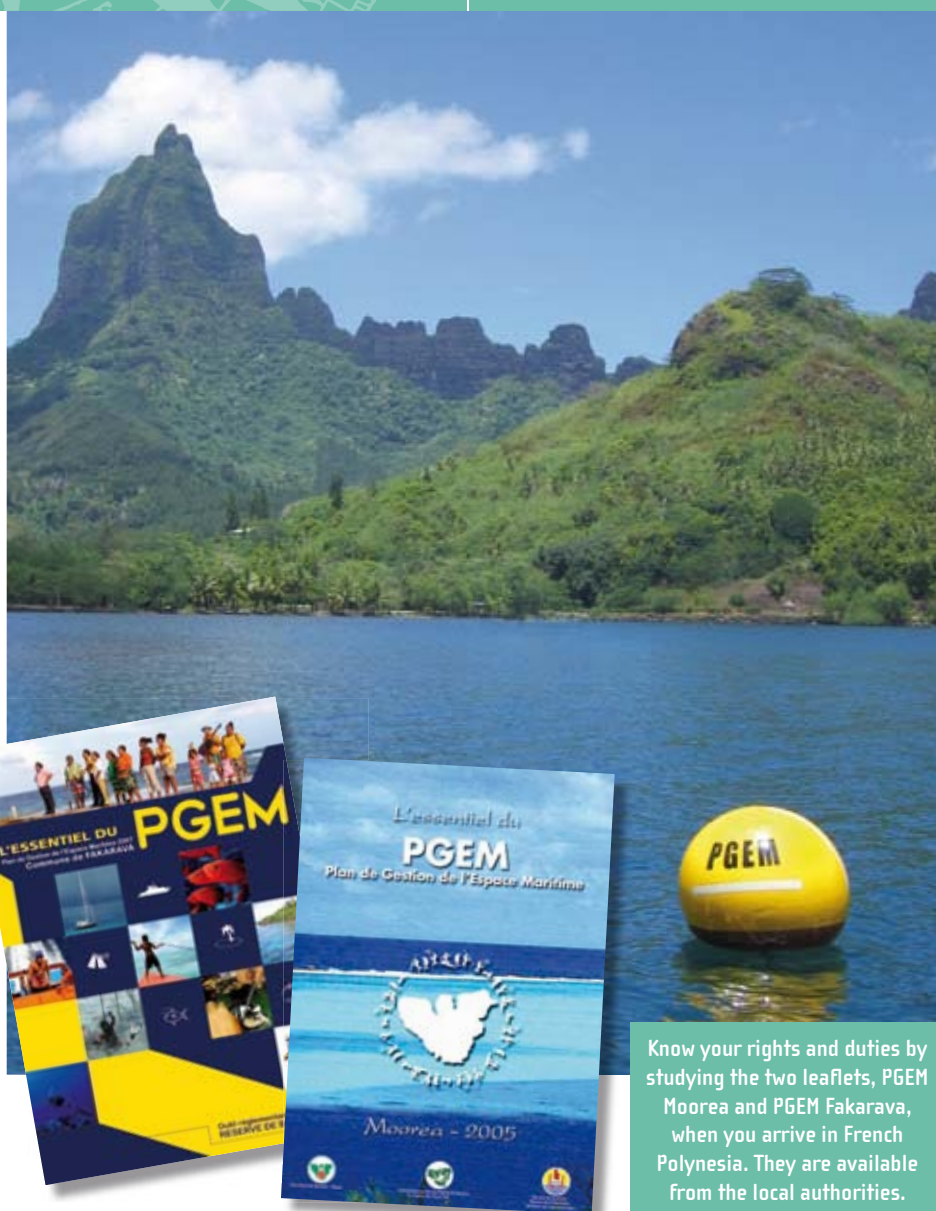
In Moorea, the PGEM manages the water from the littoral to the outside reef down to 70 metres. Here are a few examples of rules to follow:

- 5 knots must not be exceeded near the coast (70 metres) and in protected marine areas, and 20 knots everywhere else.
- **Moor on sandy bottoms and not on coral bottoms.** Anchor your boat according to regulation, forbidden areas being marked with yellow PGEM buoys to windward. Anchoring areas authorized for more than 48 hours are marked in dark green areas on the map.
- If you dive or snorkel, you can admire the fauna and flora but don't touch it!
- If you fish, respect the rules regarding the places you may fish, and the species you may fish for.

The seaside and lagoons are for everybody. Maritime areas are public domain, but on certain *motu* (small islands), signs stating **TABU** will tell you not to moor (*Tabu* means forbidden). These signs mean you are on private property and you are not welcome.

For each PGEM, ask at the Town Hall of the local authority corresponding to the place you are interested in (> pages 18 to 23).

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 and also:
 • www.ifrecor.pf
 • www.urbanisme.gov.pf
 • www.temanaotemoana.org
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Know your rights and duties by studying the two leaflets, PGEM Moorea and PGEM Fakarava, when you arrive in French Polynesia. They are available from the local authorities.

Focus on Fakarava's plan

The Fakarava islands are made up of 7 atolls (*Toau, Aratika, Raraka, Taiaro, Fakarava* and *Niau*) and have been settled since 2007.

Each atoll has its own PGEM designed to meet the objectives imposed by the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve guidelines. Mooring regulations are very strict: You must follow the guidelines when you will sail to neighboring islands.

Boat mooring regulations

Mooring

Mooring on coral, at less than 200 m from the shore, or near the fish parks is strictly forbidden. Ask the Town Hall of the local authority corresponding to the place you are interested in. You are allowed to anchor in the mooring zones only. These zones are indicated on the PGEM map of

each atoll by the sign: "ZM". This is the location where your anchor should lie, not the boat's location once it is moored.

Forbidden activities

Mooring in marked navigational channels or passes — even for a short while — is strictly forbidden, except in an emergency. Mooring on coral or at less than 200 m from the shore is strictly forbidden. Vessels that are not actively fishing in the fish parks must stay outside of these parks in order not to disturb this activity.

Obligations

Vessels with marine toilets must be equipped with a non-polluting system and must use biodegradable detergents as from January the first, 2008.

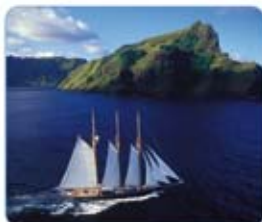
Trash, even biodegradable, must not be thrown into the water.

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Do not overlook your obligations

Normal temporary admission

Do you intend to temporarily base your boat in French Polynesian waters? Regulations have changed since 2009: it is now possible to import your boat duty free for up to 24 months (instead of 12), entering once or several times (shipyard immobilization is deducted).

For whom?

This legal framework targets boats registered under foreign flags, under the name of an individual or corporate body with normal residence outside of French Polynesia, and **with no money-making activity within the territory**. Or, if the boat is not registered, and it belongs to an individual or a corporate body whose address is out of the customs territory. At the end of the 2 years time, French or boat owners with foreign citizenship, who are applying for a residence permit in French Polynesia, would instantly need to clear their boat.

Clearance formalities

- As soon as you arrive in French Polynesia, you must come ashore and fill out a customs declaration and arrival declaration at the Maritime Office of Immigration (PAF) in Papeete or at the "Gendarmerie" offices in your first port of arrival.
- You must also send your arrival declaration to the Customs Central Board, or drop it off at the PAF.
- On demand, your authorized stay of 24 months may be suspended by the Customs Central Board in case of the boat owner or user's departure, with certified boat immobilization, or, if the owner deposits at the Customs service all the documents and documentary evidence that are necessary for the control of a boat grounded in Polynesian waters.

Even if you have French nationality, you will need to fill out forms. Here are some guidelines to help you with French Polynesia's administrative procedures...

These documents are returned to the boat's owner when he returns. For example, if your boat is uninhabited, with absolutely no one on board, it is possible to stop the 2-years-clock and make it start again only when you return to Polynesia to continue your voyage!

- Your stay in Polynesia is nearing an end?
- You must now fill out and drop off a **departure declaration** at the Maritime Office of Immigration in Papeete, or at the Gendarmerie office in the first port of arrival, or send it by mail to the Customs Central Board no later than ten days before your departure.

Spare parts and goods

Spare parts can be imported duty free as well as goods listed below. **Firearms are prohibited** but transit is authorized after declaration. A document is provided by Gendarmerie offices in the first port of arrival, to be returned to customs in Papeete by mail.

Final clearance is obtained in Papeete. It is not possible to buy duty free goods before departure, except fuel in Papeete.

Per person over 17 years of age:

- 200 cigarettes, 100 cigarillos, 50 cigars or 250 grams of tobacco,
- 2 L of wine, 2 L of spirit,
- personal effects.

Tax-free sales forms are available in most shops in Tahiti, if the value of the goods you are buying is higher than 5000 xpf, excluding duties and taxes. Most goods can be bought VAT-free except: consumable goods (food, beverage, tobacco, etc.); products subject to a particular control (weapons, un-mounted pearls, seeds, cars, mopeds, stamps, etc.); and products purchased for trading purpose (more than 10 units of the same item is considered as a purchase for trading purpose).

Warning: this regulation is of interest if your last port of call is Papeete. If not, the Regularization Process by retroactivity could be very long and complicated. You will have to show your items when the form is checked by the custom services.

Supply of tax free diesel fuel

As a yachtsman, **you can be supplied with tax-free diesel fuel** for your boat, provided that you comply with specific terms and conditions. Two possible options:

- if you don't name anyone to legally represent you in completing the administrative procedures to obtain diesel fuel in Papeete, you won't be able to get tax-free diesel until you arrive at the Port of Papeete to get *ad hoc* authorization from the PAF (authorization valid 6 months and renewable only from the Service des Douanes/Regional Customs Office).
- If you appoint someone to legally represent you, you can get your tax-free diesel fuel. But first you need to show the *ad hoc* authorization that the Port of Papeete gives to your representative.

Your duly mandated representative must deliver to the PAF agents, located at the Yachts bureau of Papeete, a master mandatory document, delivered and signed by the captain of the boat and the original customs entry declaration, completed and signed by the yachtsman.

To make these administrative procedures easier, a Yacht agent can handle this paperwork for you: he can also help to deal with the tax-free diesel fuel issue.

Service des Douanes /
Regional Customs Office:
Monday to Friday: 7am-5pm
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The Ports of entry

In the Marquesas Islands

Nuku Hiva (Taiohae), Ua Pou (Hakahau), Hiva Oa (Atuona)

In the Austral Islands

Tubuai (Mataura), Rurutu (Moera), Raivavae (Rairua)

In the Tuamotu / Gambier

Rangiroa (Tiputa), Mangareva (Rikitea)

In the Leeward Islands, Society archipelago

Raiatea (Uturoa), Huahine (Fare), Bora Bora (Vaitape)

In the Windard Islands, Society archipelago

Tahiti (Papeete), Moorea (Afareaitu)

Lights and flags

When you arrive in a port during daylight hours, you must exhibit the international **yellow "Q" flag or the signal D.I.F.**

At night, you must turn on the **day signal** or show a **red light above a white light**.

The maximum distance between the lights is 1m83 (6 feet).

You are arriving in a French Territory, so it is mandatory that you fly the French flag.

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A necessity to protect the ecosystem

The introduction of imported species may have negative and fatal consequences.

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Phytosanitary regulations

During a stopover, you may have collected plant seeds or fruit, thinking that you might plant them later. Now they are in your bag and you are about to move to the next port.

Be careful! **The importation of plant products, plants and seeds into French Polynesia is regulated or forbidden**, according to the deliberation 96-43 AT (February 29, 1996). According to the ministerial order 741CM (July 12, 1996), **the transport to the islands or between the islands of fruit, vegetables, flowers or any other plants and seeds is strictly regulated**.

No matter how attractive or harmless they might seem, the importation of **non-native species may put in jeopardy the phytosanitary protection of our islands**. This protection is of vital importance to protect the many endemic species that exist in French Polynesia. This is why boat arriving from a country infested with the Coconut Beetle (Central and South America, Fiji, Samoa, Tonga, Philippines...) are inspected at their arrival and treated if necessary, as specified in the deliberation 99-168 APF of the 30th of September, 1999.

To protect our islands against crop pests, **you must imperatively declare plant products and plants** to the staff of the

Service for Rural Development (SDR), or throw them overboard before your arrival in Polynesian waters.

Animal health regulations

Without your knowledge, your favorite pet can carry serious diseases and parasites that may infect human beings. It is even more likely to happen if you have visited Central America, South America or even the United States in the last 6 months. For security reasons, **removing your animals from your boat is forbidden**.

Your dog, your cat and any other animal sailing with you must be confined on board unless you obtain permit to take the animal ashore from veterinarians of the Service for Rural Development, according to the article n°15 of the deliberation 77-93 AT of the 10th of August, 1977.

How to get the landing authorization?

The authorization can be obtained after consideration of the following documents, originals or certified true copies:

- Official document proving the date of your departure from the last country you visited infected by rabies (the USA and all Central America countries are infected).

- Official document proving the date of your arrival in French Polynesia.
- Tattoo or micro-chip ISO11784 documents
- Updated vaccination booklet
- A French Polynesian vet certificate proving that the animal was treated against parasites with Praziquantel at a dose of 5mg/kg (effective against Echinococcus most specifically), and against ticks.

At the end of a six-month quarantine on board, the animals that have been treated as mentioned get permission to go ashore.

Landing after a 30-day quarantine may also be possible.

However, you must provide to the competent authority a **certificate of anti-rabies vaccination with:**

- The animal identification number, proving he has been vaccinated for more than 6 months and less than 1 year before the scheduled date of landing.
- The test results for determining the rabies neutralisation antibody; it should be checked a minimum of three months after vaccination and more than three months before the scheduled date of landing, and at a level more than 0.5 UI.

Animals that are taken ashore without permission are in violation of the regulation. According to the law, they will automatically be seized, killed and destroyed at the owner's expenses.



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Passports, visas, bonds, etc.

In French Polynesia, immigration rules are strict and specific. All visitors must check carefully before leaving home to be sure that they have proper travel documentation and that they meet the entry requirements.

Tourist Visa regulations

The entry and visitation of foreign citizens into French Polynesia is subject to the French order n° 2000-372 from 04/26/2000, modified on 17/12/2009. According to this text and to the circular letter related to the implementation of the general rule on visas: foreign citizens are not allowed to stay more than three months per semester in French Polynesia. The day count starts from the date of arrival on the territory. No extension of visa is possible after three months. For a stay exceeding 3 months, your visit will require a long stay visa, which is no longer obtainable from the Immigration Office (PAF).

Crew and passengers entering the Polynesian territory must be in possession of a valid passport. Non-EC citizens must also have a return airline ticket to their country of residence, or deposit a bond into a local bank upon arrival (equal to the value of an air ticket to the country of origin). Bond funds can be returned at Papeete or in a departing island that has a bank (such as Bora Bora or Raiatea.). All crew changes and boat movements must be reported to the Maritime Office of Immigration (P.A.F), including inter-island cruises (farther than Moorea) and final point of departure.

Office of Immigration (PAF/Immigration):

Maritime office (Port of Papeete):
Monday-Friday 7:00 am-3:00 pm
Ph.: (689) 42 40 74 • fax: (689) 42 39 73

Airport office (Tahiti Faa'a):

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Rue Jeanne d'Arc, Papeete, Tahiti
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Amounts admitted as repatriation bonds

If you don't have a return airline ticket to your resident country, you can go to a bank and pay the repatriation bond, which is roughly equal to the cost of a return airline ticket to your home country.

You will need to apply for a LONG STAY VISA at the French Consular Service nearest to your home, and ALLOW A 3 TO 6 MONTHS FOR PROCESSING. The Consular Service will then transmit your request to the High Commissioner (DRCL), whom will grant or deny the visa, within a delay of up to 1 month.

THE FINAL DECISION FALLS TO THE FRENCH CONSULATE OF YOUR HOME COUNTRY.

You should therefore allow plenty of time to apply for your long stay visa, since the visas provided by the Consulates & Embassies cannot be extended locally, no matter the extension required.

Visa formalities depending on the country of origin

COUNTRY	STAY LENGTH
France	French Polynesia being a French territory, French citizens are allowed to live and work without any visa
All EC countries (except France)	You are allowed to stay without any visa for an unlimited length. Only restriction is to register at the town hall where you currently live every 3 months, to guarantee enough financial resources, to justify medical coverage and housing.
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Since then, traffic has increased progressively to reach a high of 50 to 60 large yachts passing through on their way to the America's Cup held in Auckland, New Zealand in 2000 and 2003. Nowadays, an average of 50 superyachts call at Tahiti every year.

French Polynesia is undoubtedly one of the world's best cruising destinations for large yachts, as it offers an

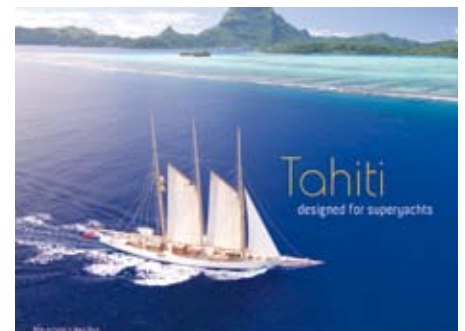
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The archipelagoes you are introduced to in the following pages – Marquesas, Tuamotu, Leeward and Windward islands – correspond to the most frequented navigation circuit.

Depending on the Archipelago, you will find either idyllic and wild anchorages, or quality nautical infrastructure, with everything you need at your arrival.

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- **Banks** are generally open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for the weekend), and you can find cash points (ATMs) and currency exchange offices on the larger islands.
- **Post offices:** generally open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (depending on the islands). – www.opt.pf
- **Shops:** generally open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with differences between the islands and the type of shops
- **Electricity:** 110 or 220V depending on the islands (220V and 380V in some marinas). – Frequency=60 Hz

- **Water:** drinking water in the Marquesas, Papeete, Bora Bora and Moorea. Everywhere else: no drinking water. We recommend that you buy bottled water.

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- French Polynesia 00 689 + number
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- United States 00 1 + number
- UK 00 44 + number
- Spain 00 34 + number
- Italy 00 39 + number
- Germany 00 49 + number
- Chile 00 56 + number
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- New Zealand 00 64 + number

- **Information: 44 99.**
- **Internet:** In addition to the cybercafés, you can log onto the Internet in most of the islands with a wi-fi connection through 3 main operators: laoranet, Hotspot, and Manaspot.

The Marquesas Islands

Nuku Hiva port of entry

Anchorage: From October to February, the bays in the south are more sheltered from the wind and swell. The most popular is Taiohae which has a stable, if often rolling, anchorage and a small quay for disembarking in a dinghy. Facilities available on the small quay: bathrooms, non-drinking water, diving club, snack restaurant, yacht services (washing machines, mechanical workshop), sail loft, clothing and marquesan handicraft shop, Internet café.

A new market, a handicraft centre and Nuku Hiva's Tourism Office have recently been opened. On the large schooner quay: a Total petrol station. Anchorage is possible in the east side of the bay. From July to September, Hakaehu in the north is a better bet (where it is possible to disembark at the mouth of a small river), and Anaho (where you'll find a restaurant, water, fruit, etc.) Depending on the weather, excursions can be made to the bay of Hatiheu (where there is a statue of the Virgin Mary at an altitude of 300 m, and a restaurant.) The anchorage in the Baie du Contrôleur (Inspector's bay) on the west coast, gives access to the very lively village called Taipivai during the July festivities.

Don't miss it On Saturday mornings (4:30-7:00 a.m.) there is a small quay-side market in Taiohae. Also, consider hiking along the marked path to the Koheva archeological site in Taiohae, or visit Rose Corsaire's little Museum.

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- Hospital, emergency, Taiohae ... Ph. 91 02 00
- Pharmacy Ph. 91 00 90
- First Aid centre, Aakapa Ph. 92 04 61
- Infirmary, Taipivai Ph. 92 01 42
- Infirmary, Hatiheu Ph. 92 01 43
- Air Tahiti, agency Taiohae Ph. 91 02 25
- Bank Socredo, agency Taiohae ... Ph. 91 00 85
- Tourism Office Ph. 92 08 25
- tourisme@marquises.pf
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- Nuku Hiva Yacht services Ph. 92 07 50
- yachtservicenukuhiva@yahoo.com
- Marques Rando Ph. 92 07 13
- Rose Corsaire's Museum Ph. 92 03 82

Ua Huka

Anchorage: the best ones are situated in the Bays of Haavei, Vaipée and Hane (where there are shops, an infirmary, and an airport)

Don't miss it The Papuakeikaha Arboretum; the Sea Museum; horse trekking, a visit to the sculptors' studios, or discover the kaveka eggs in Birds Island.

- Ua Huka Town Hall Ph. 91 60 26
- Infirmary, Hane Ph. 92 60 58
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Ua Pou port of entry

Anchorage: Safe anchorage at Hakahau, protected by a seawall (shops, restaurants, infirmary, Post Office, bank, airport) in the bays of Vaiehu and Uapo.

Don't miss it the flowering pebbles of Hohoi; the King's Valley (Hakamaii) with its tiki and majestic petroglyphs.

- Hiva Oa Town Hall Ph. 92 73 32
- Gendarmerie Ph. 91 53 05
- Dentist Ph. 92 53 58
- Infirmary, Hakahau Ph. 92 53 75
- Post Office Ph. 92 53 74
- Air Tahiti, agency Hakahau Ph. 91 52 25
- Bank Socredo, agency Hakahau Ph. 92 53 63
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Tahuata

Anchorage: water supplies and provisions at Vaitahu (grocery store, infirmary, Post Office, no bank). When the weather permits, the bay of Hapatoni is preferred (small quay to disembark in a dinghy, grocery store, arts and crafts center, marae, the Queen's path). Splendid anchorages in front of white sand beaches on the northwest side of the island (Bay of Hamoenoa).

Don't miss it The huge Catholic church; the remains of the fort, and the cemetery for French sailors.

- Tahuata Town Hall Ph. 92 92 19
- Infirmary, Vaitahu Ph. 92 92 27
- First Aid centre, Hanatetena ... Ph. 92 92 62
- First Aid centre, Motopu Ph. 92 92 36

Hiva Oa port of entry

Anchorage: Atuona has a harbour (service station with wharf, drinking water, car rental, grocery store). At the village, 3 km away, there is a medical centre, restaurants, post office, airport...

For a more isolated anchorage, the Bay of Takauku is nearby.

Don't miss it The cultural centres dedicated to Paul Gauguin and Jacques Brel; the Museum of Traditional Arts; the archaeological sites of Taaoua and lipona.

- Hiva Oa Town Hall Ph. 92 73 32
- Gendarmerie Ph. 91 71 05
- Medical centre Ph. 92 73 75
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- Tourism Office Ph. 92 78 93
- Air Tahiti, agency Atuona Ph. 91 70 90
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Fatu Hiva

Anchorage: without an airport, accessible only by sea, it is an authentic island where life is very simple. Omoa (at the foot of the majestic Mount Touaouoho) has an infirmary, a Post office, a museum and a few shops. You disembark on the beach at the mouth of the river or on the newly built wharf, designed especially for the Aranui ship, and accessible to sailboats. Another possible anchorage is in the bay of Hanavave (magical, also called the Bay of Virgins). There is a small wharf for dinghies with drinking water, grocery store, church, and a first aid centre.

Don't miss it The walk to the waterfall at the far end of the bay; handicraft artists making tapa cloth.

- Fatu Hiva Town Hall Ph. 92 80 23
- Infirmary, Omoa Ph. 92 80 36
- First Aid centre, Hanavave Ph. 92 80 61

Latitude 7°55/10°33 South
Longitude 138°35/140°43 West
Distance from Tahiti to Nuku Hiva:

800 NM

Area:
Main Town:
Level of navigation:

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Taiohae
easy (see page 8)

Main islands :
Northern group : Nuku Hiva, Ua Huka, Ua Pou
Southern group : Hiva Oa, Tahuata, Fatu Hiva



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Tuamotu islands

Manihi

Anchorage: This atoll, located in the Tuamotu islands, became world-famous in the 1960's when the first Polynesian pearl farm was established.

The entrance to the lagoon is through the Tairapa channel in the southwest. A new navigational beacon was installed in 2006 for safe sailing on more than 2/3rd of the lagoon.

Drop your anchor near the airport, at the Tatetate motu (islet) about 1.5 NM east from the village, or in the extreme east of the atoll. Two grocery stores (where it is possible to obtain diesel fuel), a first aid center, a post office and the Town Hall can be found in the village.

Manihi also has a private radio station which supplies yachts at-sea emails and numeric data from all over the Pacific Ocean.

Don't miss it *Diving in the pass, swimming in the 'blue lagoon', visiting a pearl farm, enjoying a delicious traditional meal (ma'a Tahiti) prepared by the inhabitants of the village.*

- Manihi Town Hall Ph. 96 42 55
- Infirmary, Manihi Ph. 96 43 67
- Air Tahiti, agency Manihi Ph. 96 42 71
- Radio station SailMail – VHF 16/77 Ph. 96 41 70
xavier.michel@mail.pf

Fakarava

Anchorage: This famous port of call for navigators has been classified by Unesco as a Biosphere Natural Reserve, so there are now strict anchorage regulations.

Anchorage is only allowed in zones indicated as ZN on the PGEM map for each atoll. As soon as you arrive, you must inform the Town Hall of your position and inquire about the rules and regulations.

Access to Fakarava is through the Garue pass (not to be attempted with a northerly wind and an out-going current) in order to reach the village of Rotoava (deep-water wharf, infirmary, post office, shops – quay-side delivery of diesel oil in barrels of 200L). In the south, access is through the Tumakohua pass (not to be attempted in a strong southerly wind); anchorage is possible near the village of Tetamanu.

Don't miss it *The old church built of coral; the ruins of the Governor's residence.*

- Fakarava Town Hall Ph. 93 40 40
- Medical centre, Fakarava Ph. 98 42 24
- Air Tahiti, agency Fakarava ...Ph. 93 40 25

Rangiroa port of entry

Anchorage: administrative port of the Tuamotu Islands, its huge lagoon can become a rough sea when the southeast wind blows. Access is through one of the two northern passes that are named after the two villages:

- Avatoru (deep-sea wharf, marina, station, quay-side delivery for more than 100L, shops, restaurants, medical and dental centre...).
- Tiputa (wharf, small marina, shops and local market). The current can reach a speed of 8 knots. Enter the pass with an incoming current or when the current is turning (slack water).

Post office and Banks can be found in both village. Good moorings in the east are opposite the Kia Ora, at the islets of Faama, Mauahatea, Otepihi, Naonao and Mahitu, or near the islets of Kiroria, Atiati, Rahi, Hauone; and in the west (in fair weather) near the "blue lagoon", motu Paio and motu Pomariorio. There are five dive operators in Rangiroa. The exceptional density of its marine fauna accounts for its worldwide reputation.

Don't miss it *Reef island; the "pink sand beach"; a visit to the vineyard of Rangiroa and the church of Otepihi.*

- Town Hall, Tiputa Ph. 96 73 27
- Town Hall, Avatoru..... Ph. 96 83 43
- Gendarmerie Ph. 93 11 55
- Infirmary, Tiputa Ph. 96 73 96
- Medical centre, Avatoru..... Ph. 96 03 75
- Bank Socredo, agency Avatoru... Ph. 96 85 63
- Bank de Tahiti, agency Avatoru... Ph. 96 85 52
- Air Tahiti, agency Rangiroa ... Ph. 93 14 00
- Airport: Ph. 93 11 01
- Shell Marine Gas Station Ph. 96 83 37
- Tahiti Wine, vineyard of Rangiroa Ph. 96 04 70

Neighbouring atolls:

- Mataiva Town Hall..... Ph. 96 32 57
- First Aid centre, Mataiva..... Ph. 96 32 57
- Makatea Town Hall Ph. 96 91 60
- Infirmary, Makatea Ph. 96 91 62

Tikehau

Anchorage: an extraordinary lagoon, ideal for fishing and diving, accessible through one pass in the west (entry not advisable in a NW wind), Tuheiva, where mooring is possible near the motu Teonai. The fishing village is situated close to the pass.

It is possible to anchor near the village of Tuherahera in the south (wharf, quay, municipal water tank for water supplies, shops, limited fuel supplies, infirmary, restaurants) but in an east wind it is not recommended; or at the islet, Tavana, and at the Motu Aua, Puarua (the bird island, not advisable if the birds are hatching), and Hiraumaine (fishing).

Don't miss it *The Teonai lagoon-arium, snorkelling with the manta rays on a former pearl farm's site, a romantic walk on the pink sand near 'Hina's bell'.*

- Town Hall, Tikehau Ph. 96 22 37
- Infirmary, Tikehau Ph. 96 23 49
- Air Tahiti, agency Tikehau Ph. 96 22 66

Latitude 14°/23° South
Longitude 135°/149° West

Distance from Tahiti to Rangiroa 200 NM
Area (including Gambiers) 1 000 000 km²
Main town Rangiroa

Main atolls:
Rangiroa, Fakarava, Makemo et Hao
Level of navigation Caution (see page 8)

Apataki

Anchorage: The Pakaka pass located in the southwest (120 m. wide, 25 m. deep) is usually easy to cross. The outgoing current hardly reaches 5 knots, but a south riptide can help if the outgoing current is strong. This pass reaches the main village of Niutahi (dock, airport, grocery, post office, infirmary).

The Tehere pass located in the northwest end of the island is large and deep and ideal for fishing. Although it is not well marked, it is easy to cross.

Good anchorages are placed in the south opposite Rua Vahine motu; in the southeast in Tamaro, opposite Assam's pearl farm and the dry dock area (offering many services and supplies: water, gas, petrol, vegetables, fresh produces) which is quite protected from the prevailing wind; and at the northeast, at Teonemahina's end, which is well sheltered from the wind also, and has beautiful surroundings.

Don't miss it *Diving Assam's pearl farm in Tamaro, dry dock area at Alfred's (his son), snorkelling in Tehere pass with many gorgeous colorful fish.*

- Apataki Town Hall Ph. 96 12 91
- Police Ph. 76 46 54
- Infirmary Ph. 30 36 82
- Petero (tide and dock information)
VHF 16 Ph. 30 36 82
- Pearl farm
VHF 16 or 72 Ph. 72 78 13
..... 71 61 39
- Apataki Carénage
VHF 16 or 72 Ph. 71 61 39
..... 72 78 13

Focus on Manihi

In recent years the very vigorous population of this atoll has given a very warm welcome to the sailors by offering a variety of services. Thanks to Mr Xavier Michel and his private radio station SailMail, many free services are offered to travellers who stop or pass near the atoll:

- Help with sailing on the lagoon; tide, sea level and current reports; sailing advice and weather forecasts; French Polynesian tourism brochures, etc.
- Help with activity bookings (pearl farm visits, taxi boating, Tahitian meals, water and marine diesel supply, diving in the pass, etc.).

Contact: xavier.michel@mail.pf

Leeward islands



The Society archipelago is made up of two groups of island: to the west, the Leeward islands (Huahine, Raiatea, Tahaa, and Bora-Bora); to the east, the Windward islands with Tahiti and Moorea.

Because the Leeward Islands have the principal sailboat rental companies, the best sailing conditions, the greatest diversity of landscapes, and access to the culture and nautical substructures, they are a real paradise for sailors.



Raiatea, the sailing island port of entry

Anchorage: in the centre of town Uturoa, a dock and a marina offer many useful services and attractions: Gas stations, hospital, medical services, shops, restaurants...

Departing Uturoa to the west, you'll find the Apooiti marina (dock, pond, pier, water, gas, laundromat, restaurants, shop, technical support).

The technical work zone of Uturaerae (with different work shops: hull, sails, etc.; marina – water, electricity). Recommended anchorages are located on Tetoora Bay (fishing, surfing), the Toamaro islets (snorkeling), the Nao Nao islets (nice beach, diving), Opoa bay (wharf near the archaeological site Taputapuata, and Faaroa (going up river).



Don't miss it Hike up to Mount Tapioi; dive the Nordby wreck; visit the great Marae of Taputapuata, sail up the Faaroa River and visit its botanical gardens...

- Town Hall Taputapuata Ph. 60 03 60
- Town Hall Tumaraa Ph. 60 25 75
- Town Hall Uturoa Ph. 60 03 80
- Gendarmerie Ph. 60 03 05
- Town police Ph. 66 44 17
- Uturoa Hospital..... Ph. 60 08 00
- Uturoa health centre..... Ph. 60 02 01
- Dental centre..... Ph. 60 02 09
- Pharmacy Ph. 66 34 44
- Tourism Office Ph. 60 07 77
raiateainfo@tahiti-tourisme.pf
- Bank Socredo, agency Uturoa..... Ph. 60 07 00
- Bank of Tahiti, agency Uturoa Ph. 60 02 80
- Bank of Polynesia, Uturoa Ph. 60 04 50
- Air Tahiti, airport agency Uturoa... Ph. 60 04 44
- Mobil Gas Station Port  Ph. 66 31 24
- Shell Gas Station Tapioi Marina  Ph. 66 32 32
- Hawaiki Nui Hôtel (rest., bar) Ph. 60 05 00
- Opoa Beach Hôtel Ph. 66 19 87
- **Port and marinas – VHF: 12 / 16**
- Port Officer Ph. 66 31 52
- Apooiti Marina Ph. 66 12 20
marinaapooiti@yahoo.fr
- Moorings-Sunsail – VHF 68 Ph. 66 35 95
- Tahiti Yacht Charter – VHF 69 Ph. 66 18 80
- Dream Yacht Charter..... Ph. 66 18 80

Huahine

Anchorage: Avamoa Channel and Avapehi Channel both bring you to the principal town of Fare (dock, gas station, fresh water, medical services, shops, restaurants, banks, and market on Saturday morning). In Fare, it is forbidden for yachts to dock at the concrete schooner pier. You can, however, dock on the little wooden wharf under the Port officer's authorization (VHF 12). For water supplies, you will need to get in touch with Jean-Luc (from Huahine lagoon) or Teva (from Pacific Art), who will allow you to tie up at the watering point on the pier. If you wish to stay longer in Fare, anchor in the sand in the center of the bay, or in Haavai bay facing Avapehi (during south or west wind). Be careful: if the wind is higher than 20 knots, you may drag in this anchorage; you should choose an anchorage facing Ofaiorio's end. Get to Avea Bay through the lagoon; there you'll find a beautiful white sand beach.

Don't miss it Amazing departures of Hawaiki'nui Va'a in late October/early November; marae and sacred sites; fish catch in Maeva; Eden park; sacred eels...

- Huahine Town Hall Ph. 60 63 21
- Gendarmerie Ph. 60 62 05
- Emergency/1st aid centre..... Ph. 68 82 48
- Pharmacy Ph. 60 61 41
- Post Office Ph. 68 82 70
- Mobil Gas Station  Ph. 68 81 41
- Total Gas Station  Ph. 68 80 54
- Tourism Office Ph. 68 78 81
huahine-info@tahiti-tourisme.pf
- Port Officer – VHF 12 Ph. 68 82 11 • 74 23 48
- Air Tahiti..... Ph. 68 77 02 • 60 62 60
- Bank of Polynesia, agency Fare ... Ph. 60 63 51
- Bank of Tahiti, agency Fare Ph. 68 82 46
- Te Tiare Beach Resort Hotel..... Ph. 60 60 50
- Huahine Lagoon (Jean-Luc) Ph. 68 70 00
- Pacificque Art (Teva) Ph. 68 70 09



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Leeward islands

Taha'a port of entry

Anchorage: in the lagoon, you can sail all around the vanilla island, it's a wonderful tour.

Preferred anchorages are in Tapuamu bay (sheltered from the south-east wind with a dock and a gas station, water and grocery shop...); in Vaitoare (village and wharf); in Haamene Bay (moorings at Hibiscus Yacht Club or in front of the village at the end of the bay – pharmacy, post office and shops; moorings at Motu Pearl Village in Faaaha (restaurant, pearl farm, activities); in motu Toahotu, Mahaea, Tehotu, Tautau; Tiva (dock, water supply, groceries, restaurant); Apu bay (south point, the Taravana Yacht Club, marina dock, pier, anchorage, electricity, laundry room, bathrooms, Internet, bar-restaurant).

Don't miss it Visit the "vanilla house" with Moeata & Brian (free tour); excursion with Vanilla tours; visit the Hibiscus foundation for turtles, then an evening party at Taravana Yacht Club...

- Town Hall Patio Ph. 60 80 80
- Gendarmerie Ph. 60 81 05
- Fire station Ph. 65 61 00
- Medical/dental centre, Patio (tuesdays-fridays) Ph. 65 63 31
- Medical/dental centre, Haamene (mondays only) Ph. 65 67 51
- Pharmacy, Haamene Ph. 60 86 08
- Bank Socredo, agency Patio Ph. 60 80 10
- Bank of Tahiti, agency Tahaa Ph. 65 63 14
- Tourist Information Ph. 60 81 66
- Vanilla Valley (Moeata & Brian) Ph. 65 74 89
- Taravana Yacht Club – VHF: 68 Ph. 65 61 01
- Hibiscus Hotel – VHF 68 Ph. 65 61 06
- Motu Pearl Village – VHF 8 Ph. 65 66 67

Maupiti

Anchorage: Maupiti's charms can be discovered going through the Onoia Channel in the south (cross channel early morning up to noon, but avoid in case of big south swells).

It will bring you into the lagoon which is suitable only for shallow hulls, and close to the village (water, limited amounts of gas at Electra). The Island has one dock in the south of Pointe Patito and 200 yards east, a wharf (Pauma). But the best anchorage spot is close to the Motu Tiapaa and Pitihahai.

Don't miss it Visit the marae; swim between the points of Puoro'o and Tereia that end in a shallow area called the Baby Shark Trail...

- Maupiti Town Hall/Tourism Office Ph. 60 15 56
- Doctors Ph. 60 15 70
- Infirmary Ph. 67 80 18
- Air Tahiti Ph. 67 80 20

Latitude 16°/18° South	
Longitude 149°/153° West	
Distance from Tahiti to Raiatea	120 MN
Area	535 km ²
Main town	Uturoa à Raiatea
The 5 main islands	
Huahine, Raiatea, Tahaa, Bora Bora and Maupiti	
Level of navigation	easy (see page 8)

Bora Bora

Anchorage: you access to the "Pearl of the Pacific" through the only channel in Teavanui (up north-west), direction Vaitape docks, quick docking possible (gas stations, marina, water, shops, medical care, restaurants...).

The amazing Bora Bora Yacht Club and its 15 anchorage spots close to Farepiti point (anchorage, water, ice, laundry room, bathrooms, Internet), is the only fresh water refill spot. **We suggest refilling in Raiatea or Taha'a.**

Best anchorages are located close to "Pointe Raititi," the north part of Motu To'opua (many artifacts from the ancient god Hiro); Faanui Bay (petroglyphs, marae); the Teveiroa Motu and south, Motu Mute.

The channel between the motu are not navigable for ships that have more than 8ft draft. Motu Tupe (Lagoonarium), Taurere Bay, close to Motu Piti Uu Uta and Piti Uu Tai are great anchorage spots.

The great Bloody Mary's Restaurant also offers anchorage.

Don't miss it The Marine Museum; snorkelling in the famous lagoon; Paul Emile Victor's motu; the arrival of the race Hawaiiki Nui Va'a (in Nov.) at Pointe Matira; the traditional Heiva (in July) in the center of Vaitape; or for the bravest hike, up to Otemanu mountain...

- Bora Bora Town Hall Ph. 60 58 00
- Gendarmerie Ph. 60 59 05
- Town Police Ph. 67 70 41
- Infirmary, Vaitape Ph. 67 70 77
- Dental centre, Vaitape Ph. 67 70 61
- Pharmacy Ph. 67 70 30
- Tourism Office Ph. 67 76 36
info-bora-bora@mail.pf
- Air Tahiti, agency de Vaitape Ph. 60 53 53
- Total Gas Station Ph. 67 75 22
- Bora Bora Yacht Club – VHF 69 ... Ph. 67 77 77
- Bloody Mary's Ph. 67 72 86

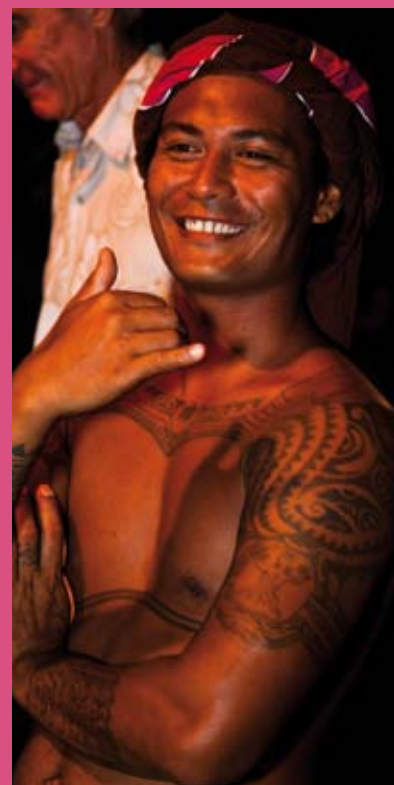
The marae Taputapuatea in Raiatea

"This marae is the father of all other sacred sites.

It's composed of different lithical structures made out of coral blocks that were taken right on the reef with fire burning big pieces of coral making them blow up. Theses structures are essentially made of different platforms and are disposed on over 300 yard, facing Te Ava Mo'a channel. From there were arriving all island of the Pacific abroad canoes... Visitors coming to assist to the great ceremonies that were occurring. Historically, Taputapuatea was the center of religious and politic power of all Polynesia when the first Europeans arrived. Then happened the exile to Hawaii, New-Zealand, Easter Island that constitute the Polynesian triangle. We date this back to the XVIIth century. What ever you interest with ancient building, you can only be amazed by the size of this site.

Let's mention the presence of a sacred stoned loaded of mana – spiritual power – called Mata Rahi (the large eye), different tikis, a shooting platforms, a 9ft monolithic stone called Tepapateaiaitu'ia. It marks the place where nobles were getting the symbolic red belt, the maro'ura, to be named king or queen during ceremonials..."

In « L'Archipel de la Société. Tahiti et ses îles », guide by Emmanuel and Aïu Deschamps Editions Le Motu.



Windward islands: Tahiti

Tahiti port of entry

Anchorage: Because Tahiti is actually made up of two islands connected by an isthmus, we talk about it as two parts, Tahiti Nui (the larger part) and Tahiti Iti (the smaller part, or peninsula).

Papeete the capital (with modern urban infrastructure as well as authentic cultural areas – don't miss the market place, the Poafai gardens, the Queen's bath tubes etc.); the smaller portion, or peninsula, is located in the south and contains a number of worthwhile archaeological sites. The public docks in Papeete are accessed through its channel (this can be dangerous with a north, north-west swell running). Pass through the Taunua Channel with its fishing docks. You must contact the harbour master before you enter the port (> page 8).

You will need his authorization before crossing the airport channel, especially for boats drawing more than 18 ft of water. Yachts need to fly a yellow flag and their captains must go ashore and see the port, customs and immigration authorities within 48 hours of arrival.

Yachts are welcome at the Yacht and Bounty Quays (cf. Papeete Port maps in central pages) in the town center (individual berths, mooring rings, water, electricity, security gates, night watchkeeping from April to September, administration formalities). The construction of a "House of Yachting" including toilets, showers and laundry is expected in 2011-2012.

From this downtown location you can enjoy movie theaters, shopping,

restaurants, art galleries, and all the other attractions of the capital... In this vicinity, you'll also find many maritime suppliers and workshops where marine equipment can be purchased or repaired. A fuel dock is nearby (close to the ferry docks); your gas bottles can be refilled at Gaz de Tahiti in Motu Uta. Note, however, that in order to purchase more than 1,000 liters (250 gallons) you will need to go to the Fare Ute Gas Docks.

Outside of Papeete, two other marine facilities are accessible to visitors: **Marina Taina at Punaauia**, with berths and quays which can accommodate vessels of unlimited size. Facilities include: telephone, electricity, restaurants, fuel dock and supermarket.

The second is the **Tahiti Yacht Club at Arue**. Berthing is available for boats up to 45ft. Anchorage space available also (please kindly book in advance), as well as a fuel dock, restaurant and sailing school. You will find berthing and mooring areas all around Tahiti:

- Going around the west coast of the bigger island: Outumaoro (piers and various services on land, long stays are forbidden), Vaitupa (dock, water, safe location), Venus Point (not useable when winds from north to southwest) and motu Aau.
- Along the peninsula: Nansouty islet, anchorage "la Boudeuse", or anchorage "Bougainville" (where Bougainville anchored); Faratea docks in Taravao (docks, fresh water, fuel, grocery store); Tautira (village with water, fuel, grocery stores, a river which can be explored) and its lagoon, the anchorage is located at the south end, down the Aiurua River, basin of Vaiau (excursions to caves, and famous surf spot called Teahupoo); Vairao docks (water, fuel dock, bathroom, shops...); Phaeton docks (Tahiti Nautic Center marina, with designated docking spots, workshops, chandlery, laundry room, bathrooms, fuel docks, diving club).
- Going along this big island to the east you'll find anchorages at Motuovini and Puuru islets in Papeari lagoon, Mataiea Bay, and Atimaono anchorage.

Don't miss it There are many different cultural activities in Tahiti (Tahiti museum, House of Culture in Papeete, James Norman Hall's house).

Also, sports (surf, hikes, va'a), places to relax (spas, beaches, cinemas, theatre, concerts...), and a wide variety of places to dine.

Check out the "roulottes" on Vaïate Place, close to docks.

Latitude 17°/18° South
Longitude 149°/150° West

Tahiti and Moorea are the most populated islands of French Polynesia. Regardless of their growing development, they are magnificent islands, which must not be neglected.

Area 1200 km²

Main towns

Papeete, Faa'a and Pirae in Tahiti. Papeete is the French Polynesia capital city.

Windward islands

Tahiti, Moorea, Tetiaroa et Maïao

Level of navigation

easy
(see page 8)

There are many festive events all year long in Papeete and in other areas of Tahiti (and Moorea). For further information, please contact the GIE Tahiti Tourisme.

Some annual highlights are: (> page 31) the Heiva during July (a cultural festival with dances, chants, traditional sports, handicrafts); The FIFO, (International festival of Oceanian movies) in February; the Billabong Pro Surf Contest on the famous waves at Teahupoo in August; Tatoonesia, a tattoo art festival in November...

During the sailing season, the Tahitian Sailing Federation organizes several different events. The amazing Tahiti Pearl Regatta (in Leeward Islands in early June) and the Tahiti-Moorea Sailing Rendezvous are famous sailing events (open to both local and visiting sailors at the end of June).

Finding Diesel

• In Tahiti

- Papeete:
on the dock, ferries quay
- Marina Taina:
Total gas station
- Tahiti Yacht Club in Arue:
Shell gas station
- Hitia'a:
gas station next to small dock
- Taravao:
in town 1 Km from Faratea docks
- Mataiea:
nearby Tehoro dock

• In Moorea

- Paopao:
Mobil gas station in Cook Bay
- Vaïare:
Mobil gas station (on land)

- Port Autonome de Papeete Ph. 47 48 00
- PAP, emergency line Ph. 42 12 12
- Harbour Control Station Ph. 47 48 50
vigie@portppt.pf – VHF: 12 / 16 • BLU: 2638 Khz
- Yachts office Ph. 47 48 51 • 75 61 37
- Immigration (PAF), marine office Ph. 42 40 74
- Customs Ph. 50 55 50
- Sanitary information Ph. 54 45 85
- Harbour Master's office Ph. 47 48 82
- Harbour Police Ph. 54 19 52
- Gendarmerie, Papeete Ph. 46 73 67
- Gendarmerie, Taravao Ph. 54 73 05
- Marine Gendarmerie Ph. 46 52 95
- Nautic Squad Ph. 80 37 00
- Taaone hospital Ph. 46 62 62
- Ambulance (SMUR) Ph. 15
- Paofai private hospital Ph. 46 18 90
- Cardella private hospital Ph. 46 04 25
- Taravao hospital Ph. 57 76 76
- Dental center Ph. 54 95 54
- GIE Tahiti Tourism Ph. 50 57 12
tahiti-tourisme@mail.pf
- Papeete Town Hall Ph. 41 57 00
- Air Tahiti booking Ph. 86 42 42
- Gaz de Tahiti (gas bottle refill) Ph. 50 84 00
- Fluid - Club de Plongée Ph. 85 41 46

Windward islands: Moorea...

Moorea port of entry

Anchorage: We call Moorea the "sister island" because of its close proximity to Tahiti.

Moorea is accessible from two different channels. To the east, the channel between the two islands is subject to crossing swells from the east and south, making it choppy. Plus, it is also frequently used by local ferries and cargo ships. The main channel will bring you to the docks in Vaiares (facilities include a marina, fresh water, electricity, laundry, bathrooms, ATM, fuel dock, restaurants, hospital, supermarket). Safe access can also be made through the north and northwest Channels.

Be careful!: Moorea has a PGEM – Marine Management Plan (> page 9)

– that regulates the use of lagoon space and its resources. Check the PGEM map, which shows the protected lagoon areas the different fishing zones. In the lagoon and protected areas speed is limited to 5 knots.

Authorized anchorages are:

- *In Cooks Bay:* Mobil gas station with a pier (facilities include: water, fuel, groceries, restaurants, shops, gendarmerie, pharmacy).
- *In Opunohu Bay:* a wild and beautiful place. Don't miss the excursion up to the Belvedere for an exceptional view of the two bays (Also available: horseback riding, excursions, marae...). But watch out: boats are not allowed in the innermost part of the bay!
- *In front of Pao Pao pharmacy,* in front of Mareto beach (Entry via Opunohu Bay) in front of Teavaro's Town Hall.
- *The little dock of Papetoai* allows a short stop (dock, grocery store, post office, a famous Octagonal temple, the oldest in Polynesia).

Don't miss it The show at Tiki Village; the sacred carvings from Tihoti facing the Papetoai temple; a visit to the tropical plantation at the agriculture high-school; the archeological site of Titiroa; Church called "Saint famille"; the motu Moea and Fare One...

- Town Hall Moorea Ph. 55 04 55
 - Vaiares harbour – VHF: 12 Ph. 56 26 97
 - Marina Vaiares Ph. 56 45 58
 - Gendarmerie Ph. 55 25 05
 - Town police, Afareaitu Ph. 56 36 36
 - Fire station, Paopao Ph. 56 20 18
 - Hospital, Afareaitu Ph. 56 24 24
 - Pharmacy, Maarepa Ph. 55 20 75
 - Pharmacy, Haapiti Ph. 56 38 37
 - Dental centre Ph. 55 22 29
 - Tourism Office Ph. 56 29 09
- www.gomoorea.com • ctm@mail.pf

Tetiaroa: This is a wonderful place.

Historically, it was the royal family's residence. Then in 1966 the atoll became Marlon Brando's property. Even though it still belongs to his family, its lagoon is in the public domain and is accessible to sailors.

Access thru the tiny channel at the east, only on clear days (no large, deep draft vessels). Anchor toward the south end close to motu Rimatuu (avoid anchorage during south wind). You can go by dinghy to other motu.

Warning!: Tetiaroa is a protected area (nesting area for various bird species and turtles). It's forbidden to fish along the reef.



Maiao

At 75 km east of Moorea, it's a little paradise where unfortunately, sailors and non-residents are not welcomed. No hotel, no restaurants. Channels are not deep enough for large vessels.

Permission to anchor in the lagoon must be obtained from the Town Hall and visits without a specific purpose are not recommended (forbidden for more than a day).

- Town Hall Ph. 56 02 55
- Health centre Ph. 56 02 50

The Marinas of Tahiti

There are 4 full-service marinas in Tahiti, each well located with complete equipment and professional facilities:

- **The Yacht Quay in Papeete** offers 50 berths, water, electricity, safety gates, night security guarding during the high season (from April till September). A "house of Yachting" is expected in 2011-2012 with sanitary facilities, showers and laundry. No reservation is required, just berth and advise the Yachts Office of your arrival, berth and intended length of stay. Be careful: the eastern quay is usually kept for local charters while the western quay is for bigger ships. Just before your departure, before you start your engine, you will be asked to shake your stern mooring pendant to be sure it is not wrapped around your prop.

Yachts Office Ph. 47 48 51
bureaudesyachts@portpt.pf

- **The Tahiti Yacht club is located in Arue,** PK 4 accessible from the Arue's and Taunua's channels (Pirae). Berthing is available for up to 160 boats on 25 moorings and 4 piers. Amenities include: fresh water, electricity, bathrooms, laundry room, gas station, bar, snack, sailing school and diving centre.

Contact Ph. 42 78 03;
VHF: 06 yctahiti@mail.pf

- **Taina Marina located in Punaauia,** PK 9,5, accessible from the Taapuna Channel and the Papeete Channel. Berthing for up to 500 boats. Amenities include: fresh water, electricity, bathrooms, laundry room, fuel dock, bars and restaurant, workshop with professional craftsmen and also 2 dive centers. This facility is equipped to berth very large yachts.

Contact Ph. 41 02 25
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- ① **Api Yachting** 42 18 10 • 73 25 74
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- ④ **Polynésie Marine** 58 47 47
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- ⑩ **Plomberium** 50 04 44
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20 Tahiti Piles et Lumières 43 83 70
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21 Technopro 82 94 98
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Tahiti Plongée 41 00 62

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Underwater: a fascinating new world to explore!

The dive sites are ideal for all divers of all levels. Diving clubs can be found on most of the islands (PADI, CNMASS). The most renowned sites are located in the Leeward and Tuamotu islands. Raiatea with her Nordby wreck, Rangiroa with her many pass and shark nurseries, Manihi and Tikehau with their splendid manta rays etc... will all bring you unforgettable diving memories. If you prefer to scuba dive, as soon as you dive beneath the surface you'll begin to appreciate the beauty and transparency of Polynesian seabeds. You'll see multicolored coral and fish, harmless black tip reef sharks, the magnificent sight of spotted eagle rays gracefully circling in Bora Bora. You can swim with the tortoises in Tahaa's lagoon or feel the light touch of the manta rays in Tikehau. In the Austral islands, which are less visited than other archipelagos, you'll have the possibility of observing humpback whales during August and November. If you can't go there, these incredible cetaceans also visit the islands of Tahiti and Moorea, so, have your binoculars ready! No matter if you dive or go snorkelling, your eyes will be filled with the colorful natural wonders found under our turquoise waters.

French Polynesia is definitely an exceptional destination for both snorkelling and diving because of the clear waters of its turquoise lagoon, which have a wealth of more than 800 marine species.

Water temperature in French Polynesia varies between 26 to 30° C the whole year round.

Fishing, a Polynesian passion

Both the offshore waters and Polynesian lagoons are ideally suited to all sorts of fishing. But the entire territory is regulated in order to protect fishery resources.

An ocean and lagoons with incredible richness

From the pearl of Tahiti, with the magnificent range of colours that made it famous, to the mother-of-pearl and mother-of-pearl oyster that the Polynesian artists and craftsmen fashion into artwork, you can admire a wide range of sea life in both the lagoons and deeper waters offshore. Fish, crustaceans and other sea creatures are part of the traditional Polynesian diet.

Resources to be protected

The lagoons shelter very important sources of food for the local population, but all resources are not exploited in the same way. Some species are more

coveted, and therefore more threatened. The website of the fishery office (www.peche.pf) is quite detailed, containing a great deal of information about underwater fauna

Some fishing techniques

Fishing has always been a favourite activity in Polynesia. That is why techniques and baits have been specially adapted for catching specific types of fish or crustaceans.

Here are some examples:

- **Line fishing is very popular. Do not hesitate to drag a fishing line during your crossing between the islands; *mahi mahi*, wahoo, albacore and yellow fin tuna are numerous.** In each archipelago, you can contact charter companies that offer excursions to go fishing, including catching sailfish.
- **Harpooning** on a *poti marara* is an experience that should not be missed! Ask a fisherman to go with him. It is a good chance to see a *mahi mahi* and to appreciate its beautiful golden colours.
- **The potting or fishing with a bow net** *fa'a* is used to catch surgeonfish *para'i*, perch *to'au*, or green crab *'upa'i*.

Consumption

Some good advice

Most of the fish caught in French Polynesia is delicious and harmless but you must be very careful with some, such as Maito (surgeon fish). When preparing this fish, cut out the stinger that is at the back of its tail, which is very sharp. If there is blood, the fish is poisoned; if there is no blood, the fish is edible. In regard to big fish, found in deep water, if you see many flies trying to land on it, your fish is good; likewise, give a piece of your fish to ants ashore and if they eat it, you can do the same. Be careful of the lagoon fish that can carry ciguatera. The big carnivores (groupers, runners, barracudas) are more frequently poisoned by this toxin and are generally thrown back by fishermen in risk-prone areas. Do not hesitate to ask the local fishermen which fish you can consume. The Polynesians know their oceans and lagoons very well. They have irreplaceable knowledge and experience.

Underwater fauna schedule in French Polynesia

		Tuamotu			Society islands			Austral	Marquesas
Southern summer	Jan.								
	Feb.	Hammerhead Sharks	Eagle Rays (Tikehau)						Electra Dolphins
	Mars								
	April								
Southern winter	May								
	June	Grey Shark breeding			Lemon & Black Tip reef Sharks				
	July		Manta Rays			Manta Rays			Whales
	Aug.	Loach breeding							
Southern summer	Sept.			Whales			Whales	Whales	
	Oct.	Sea Perch breeding							
	Nov.		Eagle Rays (Tikehau)						Electra Dolphins
	Déc.								



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Chaque soir, excepté le dimanche, toutes les prises des pêcheurs de Bora Bora sont exposées sur un lit de glace, et l'on vous donne toutes les explications sur le poisson ou le crustacé que vous désirez que l'on prépare. Pour les palais moins tentés par les délices de la mer et du lagon, un choix de steaks, poulet ou assiettes végétariennes vous permet de composer votre menu vous-même.

Dinner Transportation from Selected locations

Each evening (except on sundays), the daily catch of local fishermen from Bora Bora is displayed on ice, where after an explanation of exactly what available on your particular evening, the host takes your order directly with the chef.

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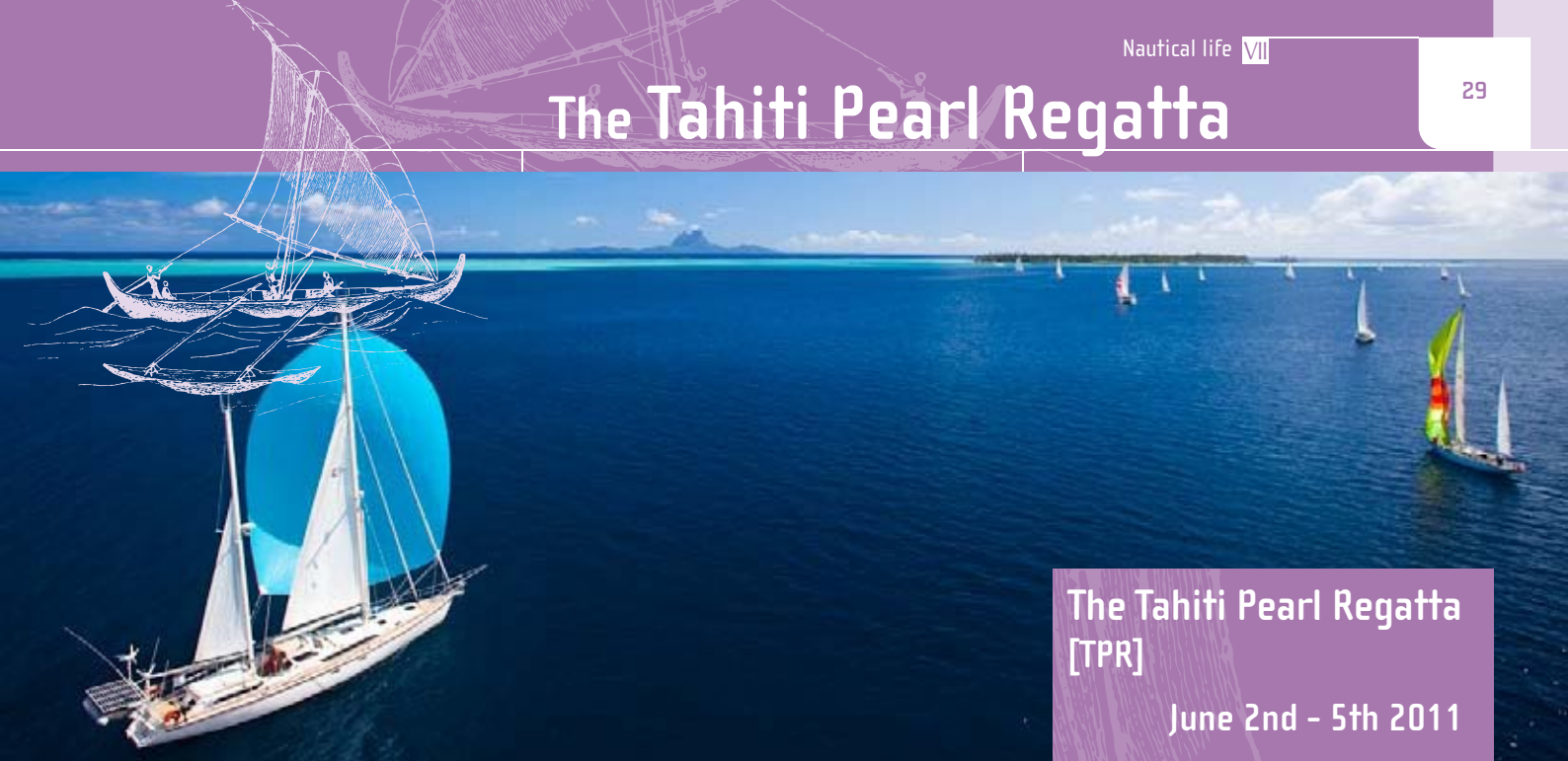
Crab, shrimps, steaks, chicken and vegetarian plates are also available.



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The Tahiti Pearl Regatta



In the beginning, the Tahiti Pearl Regatta was just a sailing adventure between friends. But after 8 years, it has become the ultimate annual event for sailors in Polynesia, and the most important regatta in the Polynesian Pacific region.

The Tahiti Pearl Regatta not only offers participants a magnificent setting in a warm and beautiful atmosphere, but the event has been designed to be a perfect combination of competition and post-race festivities.

It all starts with 2 whole days of activities in the 'Racing Village' in the heart of Uturoa, where dozens of boats are docked. The scene is very much like Cannes' famous avenue called 'La Croisette' where competitors and local people meet to take part in many activities specially organized for the occasion.

During its 4 days of racing, the Tahiti Pearl Regatta competition alternates between deep-sea races of 20 MN maximum each day in the middle of the South Pacific ocean, and inshore racing withing the captivating and colorful lagoons with stops on islands or motus (islets). The format gives participants a genuine introduction to the Polynesian way of life and it will put them in a festive mood.

The TPR parties - either Polynesian style or dress up - have become very famous because every day they take place in a different, spectacularly beautiful location, and every day there is live Polynesian dancing and music.

The Regatta is opened to any type of sailing vessel (monohull, multihull, SY, rented or privately owned, locally based or on a transpacific stopover...), which must enter one of these 3 categories:

- TPR trophy (*mono and multihull*)
- Professional Challenge (*company, incentive*)
- Tahiti Pearl Challenge (*super yachts*)

But in addition to the thrills of racing, the pleasures of sailing together is a highlight for the international crews. It should be noted that the TPR winners of 2009's edition was Paloma Blanca, based in Australia, and 2010's winner was Ciao, based in Slovenia. Both were on transpacific cruises.

The Tahiti Pearl Regatta [TPR]

June 2nd - 5th 2011

May 17th - 21st 2012

www.tahitipearlregatta.org.pf

Because the Tahiti Pearl Regatta is an international event, organizers are glad to welcome competitors from transpacific rallies such as the World ARC, the Blue Water Rally or the Pacific Puddle Jump Rally. Thereby, all sorts of different nationalities can meet and become friends during the competition: Japanese, New Zealander, New Caledonian, American, French, German, Slovenian, Danish, English, Irish, Australian or even South African.

2011's edition promises a different route between Raiatea and Taha'a; new races combining sailing in the channels, the lagoons or deep-sea, as well as unforgettable parties.

And in 2012, the route will run between the islands of Raiatea, Taha'a and Bora Bora.

All are more than welcome!

The Tahiti Pearl Regatta is organized with the support of many partners:

Gie Tahiti Tourism, French Navy, Air Tahiti Nui, Tahitian Yachting Federation, South Pacific Management, OPT-Honotua, Sports Ministry, Air Tahiti...

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Tahiti Moorea Sailing Rendez-vous



During the 3 days of the TMSRV, yachtsmen are our special guests. This is the annual celebration of yachting tourism in Tahiti and her islands.

This event symbolises the warm Polynesian welcome given to every sailor, whether on a transpacific route or island-hopping through the archipelagos. Through its varied activities, the TMSRV gives participants the opportunity to discover the charm of our islands, their warm-hearted inhabitants, and the richness of Polynesian culture. Friendly local atmosphere guaranteed!

- **Day 1:** Reception and festivities at the Yacht Quay, opening cocktail party at Papeete Town Hall

- **Day 2:** Sailing rally between Tahiti and Moorea, barbecue party on the beach
- **Day 3:** Traditional Polynesian sports activities (Polynesian canoe races, fruit-carriers race, stone lifting & coconut peeling competitions...)

The invitation includes the rally registration and the participation in all festivities.

The only costs for participants are for the optional meals and berthage at the Papeete Yacht Quay.

The TMSRV is organized by the Port Autonome de Papeete with its partners: Gie Tahiti Tourisme, the islands of Moorea, the town of Papeete, Latitude 38 magazine and the following companies: Tahiti Ocean, Tahia, Hertz, Tahiti Yacht Club...

On-site registration:
www.portdepapeete.pf

Tahiti Moorea Sailing Rendez-vous

June 24th - 26th 2011

June 15th - 17th 2012

www.tahiti-tourisme.pf

www.latitude38.com

Contact your shipping agent or send a message to archipelagoes@mail.pf

On-line registration:

www.archipelagoes.net/tmsrv

Other nautical events

There always seems to be a water sports event happening in French Polynesia. You can choose between surfing, canoe racing or billfish tournaments.

Billfish tournaments

The Raiatea International Billfish tournament (RIBT) and the Tahiti International Billfish Tournament (TIBT) are serious challenges between fishermen and big-sea fish. This fishing competition follows IGFA rules, which contribute to the protection of the animals which live in the seabed.

www.go-tahiti.com

www.hauraclub-fishing-tahiti.com

The va'a races:

Outrigger canoe racing is the national sport and the Polynesians are the best in the whole Pacific. There are races throughout the year. The Hawaiki Nui Va'a is the supreme trial with more than 200 canoes on a 3 days-race between Raiatea, Huahine and Bora Bora.

www.hawaikinuivaa.pf

Surfing competitions:

The surfing competitions held here are often for professionals but surf spots are accessible all the rest of the year. The most renowned is the Billabong Pro in Teahupo in August (dates can vary from a year to another).

www.surf.pf

And many more events!

The sailing canoe race during the Heiva in July, the commemoration of the Bounty arrival, the whale discovery in the Austral islands or the Society Islands, the 'ature' season offers miraculous fishing...

For additional information:

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FORFAIT 10H + 1H OFFERT 4.000 XPF / 33,52 EURO (SOIT 364 XPF / HEURE)

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