



Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands

14 Nights

M/S Paul Gauguin

November 2017



Summary

Natural beauty is on display everywhere you look on this two-week journey through the Marquesas, Tuamotus, and the Society Islands. This itinerary offers plenty of time to explore at your own pace, from the pristine beaches and exceptional diving of the Tuamotu Archipelago to the Marquesas Islands of Fatu Hiva, Hiva Oa, Tahuata, and Nuku Hiva, all of which are as rich in culture as they are in rugged, natural beauty. Continue on to the picturesque Society Islands.

Overview

Country:	Marquesas - Tuamotus - Society Islands
Cities:	Papeete - Fakarava - Omao - Atuona - Hapatoni - Tiahae - Huahine - Bora Bora - Taha'a Moorea
Season:	November 2017
Duration:	15 days / 14 nights
Port of departure:	Papeete
Starting Price:	\$ 7395

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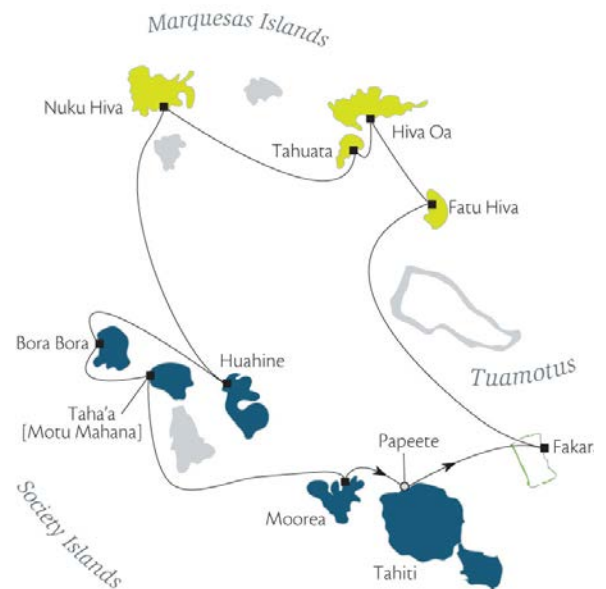
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Itinerary

Date	Port	Arrival Time	Departure
Saturday	Papeete	Embarkation begins at 3:00 pm	11:55 PM
Sunday	Sea Day		
Monday	Fakarava	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Tuesday	Sea Day		
Wednesday	Omoa	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
Thursday	Atuona	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
Friday	Hapatoni	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
Saturday	Taiohae	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
Sunday	Sea Day		
Monday	Sea Day		
Tuesday	Huahine	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Wednesday	Bora Bora	8:00 AM	11:00 PM
Thursday	Taha'a	9:00 AM	5:00 PM
Friday	Moorea	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Friday	Papeete	7:30 PM	
Saturday	Papeete	8:00 AM	



Day 1: Embark the m/s Paul Gauguin in Papeete, Tahiti

The islands of Polynesia are a gorgeous collection of volcanic islands and atolls strewn lazily across the grand Pacific Ocean. The island of Tahiti proper is the largest of the 118 islands and atolls that comprise French Polynesia. Papeete, the modern capital of Tahiti and her islands, contains government offices, hospitals, banks, and many other services dedicated to serving the islands, as well as guests who come to here for a life-enriching experience. You'll embark *The Gauguin* this afternoon and have time to settle into your stateroom before dinner on board later in the evening. The ship will set sail tonight.

Day 2: At Sea

Spend the day enjoying the m/s Paul Gauguin's Polynesian ambience: casual, leisurely, and graceful. Perhaps you'll take in a lecture on local wildlife or history, then dine in the evening over classic French cuisine at L'Etoile.

Day 3 Fakarava

Explore the clear waters of Fakarava in the remote and pristine Tuamotus. The island is a sanctuary for rare birds, plants and crustaceans – stroll the pink-sand beaches and you will view many of them. You may also want to visit the island's black pearl farm, or the ruins of the first church in French Polynesia built entirely of coral.

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Day 4: At Sea

Take another day to enjoy shipboard life: relax poolside, watch the South Pacific slip by, play some table tennis, or take advantage of our Reading Library.

Day 5: Omoa - Fatu Hiva

Fatu Hiva is wild and spectacularly beautiful. The jungle greenery begins at the water's edge, with narrow ravines, deep gorges and luxuriant valleys briefly open to view as the boat glides past, close to the sheer cliffs that plunge straight down into the splashing surf.

Day 6: Atuona - Hiva Oa

Hiva Oa is an island marked by wild beauty and a somber bearing. The main town is Atuona, where Paul Gauguin is buried. You might visit the village of Puamau to see the largest stone sculptures of Marquesas. They are considered links to the tikis of Easter Island and Necker Island, north of Hawaii.

Day 7: Hapatoni - Tahuata

The smallest of the Marquesas archipelago, at only 19 square miles, Tahuata is a leaf-shaped volcanic island with sheer cliffs, white-sand beaches, lush vegetation, twin bays—and a turbulent colonial history. You'll call on Hapatoni, a charming, seafront village with an ancient paved royal walkway shaded by tamanu trees. Visit the huge Catholic church, built by the Vatican and decorated with stunning stained-glass windows and beautiful local carvings. Admire traditional carvings at the crafts center. And enjoy fine swimming and snorkeling in the only Marquesas island edged by coral reef.

Day 8: Tiaohae - Nuku Hiva

As the governmental and economic center, Nuku Hiva is the most important island in the Marquesas. It's also stunningly beautiful, with three major bays on the south coast and similarly gorgeous inlets on the north coast as well.

Days 9-10 Cruise the Pacific Ocean

For the next two days will be at sea. You will have time to relax and enjoy the amenities of the m/s *Paul Gauguin*. Perhaps you will visit our award-winning spa, or listen to one of the lectures by our onboard experts.

Day 11: Huahine

Known as the "wild" Society for its untamed, verdant forests, Huahine remains relatively untouched by modern development. Explore some of the abundant archaeological treasures – ancient homes, buildings, and marae (stone platforms that served as places of worship) – excavated and preserved throughout the island. Or dive in Huahine's crystalline lagoon, which teems with over 450 species of fish.

Day 12: Bora Bora

Bora Bora's lagoon is a must-see: this is your chance for a swim, snorkel or outrigger cruise. The lagoon is constantly replenished with ocean water from the swells that crash between sandy motus (small islets) and over the fringing reef.

Day 13: Taha'a (Motu Mahana)

Arrive at our South Seas paradise - featuring white sand beaches with swaying palms, crystal-clear waters and gentle breezes. As an exclusive Paul Gauguin event, guests will spend a full day exploring this idyllic,

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isolated island, and relaxing with a delicious barbecue lunch and Polynesian entertainment which features strolling musicians and singers.

Day 14: Moorea/Papeete, Tahiti

The island of Moorea's scenery is like a dream. Try out some exciting optional watersports like scuba diving among a host of interesting sea creatures – including sea turtles, a staggering number of fish species such as barracuda, tuna, jackfish, red snapper, moray eels, trigger fish, various sizes and shapes of rays and more. At the end of the afternoon, we cruise to our home port in Papeete, docking there for the night.

Day 15: Disembark in Papeete

In the morning you'll disembark the m/s Paul Gauguin, capping off your epic journey through the South Pacific.

Prices Include

14-night accommodation on full board basis
All activities on board

Prices Exclude

Round trip ticket (economy class)
Round trip transfer: airport – pier – airport
Airport & port taxes
Travel insurance
Drinks & tips on board
Optional tours

Starting price per person sharing double in US\$

Type of Cabin	Price
F Porthole Stateroom	7395
E Window Stateroom	7795
D Balcony Stateroom	10195
C Balcony Stateroom	10445
B Veranda Stateroom	12895
A Veranda Suite	15595
Grand Suite	20245
Owner's Suite	21045

- Prices may change without prior notice and subject to availability at time of booking
- Single supplements 100% (category A), 75% (category B & C), 25% (category C, staterooms 402 & 301)

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Booking terms & conditions

Cancellations and refunds:

The following cancellation charges will apply to any cancellation by guests:

Date of cancellation charge:

121 days or more prior to Departure Date: Administrative Fee of \$100 per person

120 – 91 Days Prior to Departure Date: 10% of Full Fare per person

90 – 61 Days Prior to Departure Date: 20% of Full Fare per person

60 – 31 Days Prior to Departure Date: 50% of Full Fare per person

30 – 0 Days Prior to Departure Date: 100% of Full Fare per person

For this purpose, “Departure Date” means the date the sea, air/sea or air/sea/land program first departs and

“Full Fare” means the full cost of any cruise, hotel or air component purchased from PGS or PGPS

Children:

Any child under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult over the age of 21. If the adult accompanying the child is not a parent, a “Parental Consent Guardianship Form” must be signed by a parent or legal guardian and received by PGC prior to sailing. The ships are not able to accommodate children under one year of age and reserve the right to restrict the number of those under three years of age on board. Babysitting services cannot be arranged in advance, and the availability of such services is not guaranteed. Parents must be diligent to guard their children while on or near the balconies or any railing. The ships are not equipped to provide pre-natal, post-natal or pediatric services.

Deposit and payment:

A deposit of 20% of the fare is required within 72 hours of booking to confirm a reservation. Payments cannot be transferred to an alternative booking within 120 days of sailing. Unless otherwise noted, final payment must be received by PGC 90 days prior to date of travel. Final payment must be received within 48 hours of booking for bookings made 89 to 30 days prior to sailing. For reservations made 29 days or less prior to sailing; full and final payment will be due at the time of booking. PGC reserves the right to cancel any booking not fully paid at final payment due date. Payment may be made by bank wire, personal check, American Express, Visa or MasterCard. Once a deposit is made, all changes are subject to an administrative/cancellation fee.

PGPS arrangements will require payment at time of reservation/booking. Payments cannot be transferred to an alternative booking within 120 days of travel. Once payment is made, all changes are subject to an administrative/cancellation fee.

Dress code for evenings:

Evenings on board are elegant, yet they are not formal. “Country Club Casual,” or resort wear, is appropriate for all evenings. For gentlemen, slacks and a button-down or traditional polo shirt, for example. No ties are required at any time, although gentlemen may wish to bring one blazer to wear on the evening of the Captain’s Welcome Reception. For ladies, slacks, skirts or informal dresses are recommended. Please note that jeans, shorts, T-shirts and for gentlemen open shoes (such as flip flops, crocs or sandals) are not appropriate for evening wear on board.

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