

HAWAII AND FRENCH POLYNESIA

From Honolulu to Papeete, the most beautiful islands in the Pacific await for you during a cruise aboard Le Soleal. The Hawaiian Islands will captivate you with their world-renowned beaches and its exuberant nature where rainforests, waterfalls and volcanic soils are revealed. Further east, discover the unique charm of the Marquesas whose tormented reliefs show a powerful and rugged beauty. Bordered by beautiful lagoons of translucent waters hemmed by an impressive barrier reef, the islands of Polynesia are among the most beautiful in the world. Brochure fares are shown, please check for bonus fare prices



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Day 1: Honolulu (Hawaii, United States)

Arrive independantly in Honolulu, on Oahus south shore, it is the capital of Hawaii, and gateway to the U.S. island chain. The Waikiki neighborhood is its center for dining, nightlife and shopping, famed for its iconic crescent beach backed by palms and high-rise hotels, with volcanic Diamond Head looming in the distance. Sites relating to the World War II attack on Pearl Harbor include the USS Arizona Memorial. Make your way to the ship for embarkation from 4pm to 5pm.

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Day 2: Lahaina (Hawaii, United States)

Lahaina, the former Hawaiian capital, was the center of the global whaling trade, and its Historic District is a National Historic Landmark

Day 3: Hilo (Hawaii, United States)

Hilo is a town on the Big Island of Hawaii. The county seat and largest city in Hawaii County, Hilo is the one of the best starting points to explore the eastern half of the island, including Hawaii Volcanoes National Park.

Days 4 to 8: At sea

Relax on board and enjoy the views and fine dining.

Day 9: Hatiheu (Nuku Hiva - Marquesas Islands)

Hatiheu is a graceful little village dominated by a crescent of black sand, soaring peaks and immaculate, colourful gardens; its no wonder that Robert Louis Stevenson was so charmed by this setting when he passed through in 1888

Day 10: Atuona (Marquesas Islands)

Atuona is located on Atuona Bay on the southern side of Hiva Oa Island and serves as the administrative center for the southern group of the Marquesas Islands.

Day 11: Hanavave (Fatu Hiva - Marquesas Islands)

Fatu Hiva is the southernmost island of the Marquesas Islands, in French Polynesia, an overseas territory of France in the Pacific Ocean. With Motu Nao as its closest neighbor, it is also the most isolated of the inhabited islands.

Day 12: At sea Relax and enjoy the views.

Day 13: Farakava (Tuamotu, French Polynesia)

Located southeast of Rangiroa, Fakarava is home to the second largest lagoon in the Tuamotu Atolls. This rectangular reef encloses such a rich ecosystem that it has been designated by UNESCO as a Biosphere Reserve. The area both inside and around Fakarava is known to safeguard a variety of endemic wildlife. In fact, out of the entire commune including small atolls such as Niau, Raraka, Taiaro and Toau, some are completely closed to the ocean, creating a nursery for precious underwater flora and fauna.

Day 14: Cook Bay (French Polynesia)

Splitting the northern shore are two symmetrical bays: Cook's (Paopao) and Opunohu Bay. The island is roughly shaped like a heart from overhead; and in the theme of love and romance, Moorea is one of the top honeymoon destinations in Tahitisecond only to Bora Bora.

Day 15: Papeete (French Polynesia)

Papeete is the capital of French Polynesia, an overseas country of France in the Pacific Ocean. The commune of Papeete is located on the island of Tahiti, in the administrative subdivision of the Windward Islands, of which Papeete is the administrative capital. The French High Commissioner also resides in Papeete. It is the primary center of Tahitian and French Polynesian public and private governmental, commercial, industrial and financial services, the hub of French Polynesian tourism and a commonly used port of call. The Windward Islands are themselves part of the Society Islands. Disembark in the morning between 8 -10am.

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