

Base Guide

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO ENJOY YOUR NEXT DREAM DESTINATION





BOARDING & DISEMBARKATION

By the cabin charter BOARDING & DISEMBARKATION:

Public Pier downtown of Uturoa (in front of the Supermarket Champion) or Marina Taina, Tahiti (depending on the departure place).

MAPS OF THE BOARDING PLACE

UTUROA:



MARINA TAINA, TAHITI:





BASE CONTACTS

If you need support while on your charter, contact the base immediately using the contact details in this guide. Please contact your booking agent for all requests prior to your charter.

BASE MANAGER & CUSTOMER SERVICE MANAGER:

Marie-Clémence BESSE

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CHECK IN & CHECK OUT DETAILS

Embarkation: at noon - Public Pier downtown of Uturoa (in front of the Supermarket Champion) for Bora Bora Dream cruise & Polynesia Dream (RFP to PPT)

* starting from April 2024 embarkation time is set to 3pm for all the French Polynesia cruises Disembarkation: at 08.00h Marina Taina, Tahiti (Polynesia Dream RFP to PPT)

If arriving with Air Tahiti early, there is the possibility of being transferred to the boat to drop off your luggage, and enjoy the city center, then boarding at noon.

HOW TO GET THERE?

ACCESS BY PLANE

Fa'a'ā International Airport, also known as Tahiti International Airport (PPT): All international flights arrive in Papeete and there are some connecting flights every day to the islands, including two or three per day for Raiatea.

Raiatea Airport (RFP): The airport is 4km from the boarding place, which is a 15-minute journey by car/shuttle. There are regular flights from Papeete with Air Tahiti.

TRANSFERS FROM THE AIRPORT TO PUBLIC PIER UTUROA

If you need organized transfer from the airport, please contact our base manager. We provide transfers as follows:

In Raiatea: between the airport of Raiatea and the catamaran as well as between the hotels of Raiatea (up to 10km from Uturoa) and the catamaran.

In Tahiti: between the airport of Tahiti and marina Taina as well as between hotels (up to 10km from Marina Taina) to Marina Taina (transfers possible between **PK 7 East Coast and **PK 10 West Coast (International hotels + Fare Suisse and Relais Fenua - ferry terminal - airport of Tahiti and Marina Taina)



ACCESS BY ROAD

The boarding place is located close to town with groceries and shops around.

Information subject to change without notice.

USEFUL INFORMATION

PAYMENT

The onboard payment possible with:

✓ Visa

✓ MasterCard

✓ Amex

✓ Cash

HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:

- Sunset Raiatea Hotel: pk 5 Uturoa, Raiatea
- Raiatea lodge: BP 680, Uturoa, Raiatea
- Villa Tonoi: Uturoa, Raiatea
- Villa Temehani: Call: 689 40 66 12 88 or 87 77 54 87
- Opoa Beach Hotel: pk 37, Ōpoa 98735

RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS:

- Raiatea lodge
- Snack Tonoi: Call: 40663256

Banks, doctor, hospital, ATM, pharmacy and the post office are available at the main village of Utoroa (0.5 km from the boarding quay).

AREA GUIDE

LOCAL AREA INTRODUCTION

The South Pacific island of Tahiti and its neighboring islands in the French Polynesia may be the closest you will ever come to paradise on earth.

Tahiti, which sits within a cruising ground of five groups of islands, is bursting with exciting marine life, emerald volcanic peaks and vivid exotic flowers. Tahiti is part of the Society Islands, an archipelago made up of the Windward and the Leeward Islands. It's the perfect destination for a yacht charter.

This area boasts some of the most famous, spectacular landscapes in the world, including the idyllic Bora Bora for romantics, as well as Raiatea, Huahine, Taha'a and Moorea.



Cooled by the Pacific Ocean's trade winds, Tahiti enjoys a pleasant, sunny climate. It's volcanic landscape and warm tropical waters have created a diverse ecosystem of interesting plants and animals.

Whatever itinerary you choose, a Tahiti sailing vacation is unmatched for sheer beauty, sunny skies, wonderful beaches and friendly smiles.

CURRENCY: Pacific franc (CFP) & Euro (EUR) & American dollar (USD)

VOLTAGE: 220V

DIALING CODE: +689

INTERNET

The Internet is slow and expensive in the region. You can access Wi-Fi at our marina, at Uturoa market and in some restaurants. You can find internet cafes in and Papeete town.

We recommend you rent a Mobile Hotspot from TAHITI WIFI available only at Papeete Airport.

ENVIRONMENT

- Respect your surroundings and leave only footprints in the sand
- Only use the engine or genset when needed (fill up your tanks for the water maker at the docks when you can)
- Recycle your garbage in the correct containers at the marina
- Respect regulations around marine reserves and private islands where disembarking is not permitted

WEATHER

The Islands of Tahiti enjoy a tropical climate that's perfect year-round for a getaway. In fact, the Tuamotu Islands bask in almost 3,000 hours of sunshine per year, one of the highest in the world! The temperatures in French Polynesia are mild and relatively constant, and the islands are cooled by the trade winds of the Pacific that blow throughout the year. On the northern islands, the average ambient temperature is around 78°F/25°C and is the same as the tranquil waters of the nation's turquoise lagoons. While farther away from the equator, the archipelagos down south (the Austral Islands and the Gambier Islands) enjoy cooler weather.

At the Polynesian latitudes, it's summer year-round! However, you can distinguish two main Tahitian weather patterns: the dry season and the humid season. The dry season lasts from May to October and has balmy temperatures between 71°F and 80°F/21°C and 27°C. While the humid season typically lasts from November to April, is a little warmer (between 77°F and 95°F/25°C and 35°C), and subject to tropical showers, which rarely last longer than 30 minutes.



However, no matter what time of year you plan to visit, you'll experience the warm beach days and mild, fragrant nights The Islands of Tahiti are famous for. Although the temperature may sometimes appear high, the trade winds from the Pacific blow all the time and refresh the air of the islands beautifully.

TEMPERATURE

Climate in Tahiti:

Summer high: The February high is around 87°/31°C

• Winter low: The July low is 69°/21 °C

WHAT TO PACK

- Soft luggage that you can fold away or roll up hard suitcases are hard to fit in your cabin and there is nowhere to store them onboard
- Reef-friendly sunblock and sun cream
- Dry bags or zip lock bags to protect your money, cameras and mobiles
- Seasickness bands and tablets are good for novice sailors
- Earplugs and eyeshades are great for light sleepers
- Keep clothing light and remember you will be around water a lot! Don't forget several swimsuits, hat, sunglasses and an extra beach towel (even though towels are provided)
- When it comes to shoes, you're likely to be barefoot onboard so pack just one pair for going ashore and some water shoes for reefs
- Leave expensive jewelry, make-up and hair straighteners behind it's time to relax!