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## Highlights include:

- ◆ See French Polynesia's breathtaking Society Islands aboard a luxurious, four-masted sailing ship.
- ◆ Tour of Tahiti's west coast featuring visits to the sacred Arahuru Marae and the Spring Garden of Vaipahi.
- ◆ Excursion on the east coast of Tahiti, featuring the well-preserved James Norman Hall Museum and the Point Venus lighthouse.
- ◆ Wide range of additional excursion options throughout the cruise.




*Spring Garden of Vaipahi*

## 11 DAY ITINERARY

- 1 Depart the U.S. or Canada
- 2 Arrive Pape'ete, Tahiti, Society Islands
- 3 Pape'ete
- 4 Mo'orea
- 5 Ra'iatea
- 6 Ra'iatea/Taha'a
- 7 Bora Bora
- 8 Bora Bora
- 9 Huahine
- 10 Pape'ete, Tahiti
- 11 Return home to the U.S. or Canada

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Dramatic views of Belvedere Point surrounding Cooks Bay, Mo'orea

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Dear Vanderbilt Alumni and Friends:

Formed over millennia by underwater volcanic activity, Tahiti and other celebrated Society Islands—notably Mo'orea, Ra'iatea, Taha'a, Bora Bora, and Huahine—distill the essence and allure of the South Pacific. During our unforgettable, nine-night land and sea adventure, explore the spectacular coastlines, vibrant coral reefs, lush interiors, and cultural mystique of this unspoiled paradise.

Begin your journey with two nights in colorful Pape'ete, Tahiti, before embarking on a seven-night cruise under the billowing white sails of the five-star, 74-stateroom, small ship WIND SPIRIT. Specially designed to cruise these crystal-clear waters, our intimate ship provides extensive luxury amenities, including complimentary use of kayaking and snorkeling equipment.

Discover French Polynesia's unique history, environment, and culture on this unparalleled voyage through the idyllic landscapes of the storied South Pacific. Enjoy an abundance of exquisite scenery while swimming or snorkeling in sparkling blue waters with stingrays, manta rays, lagoon sharks, and colorful fish.

Round-trip air is included from Los Angeles<sup>‡</sup> and low air add-ons<sup>‡</sup> are available from select U.S. cities. Shipboard gratuities are also included. Book now while space and early booking savings are still available.

Sincerely,



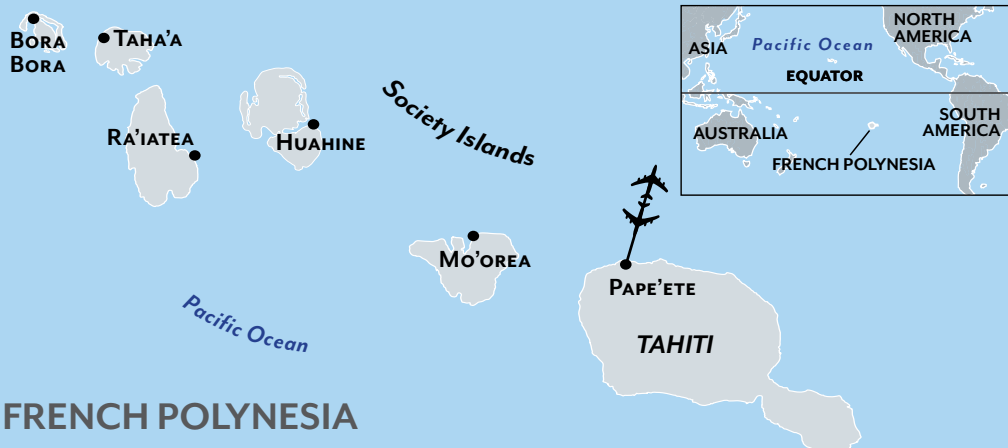
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Director, Vanderbilt Travel Program

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<sup>‡</sup>Included economy-class air from Los Angeles and Low Air Add-Ons may be offered only until November 11, 2022, have limited availability, are not guaranteed and are non-refundable once purchased.

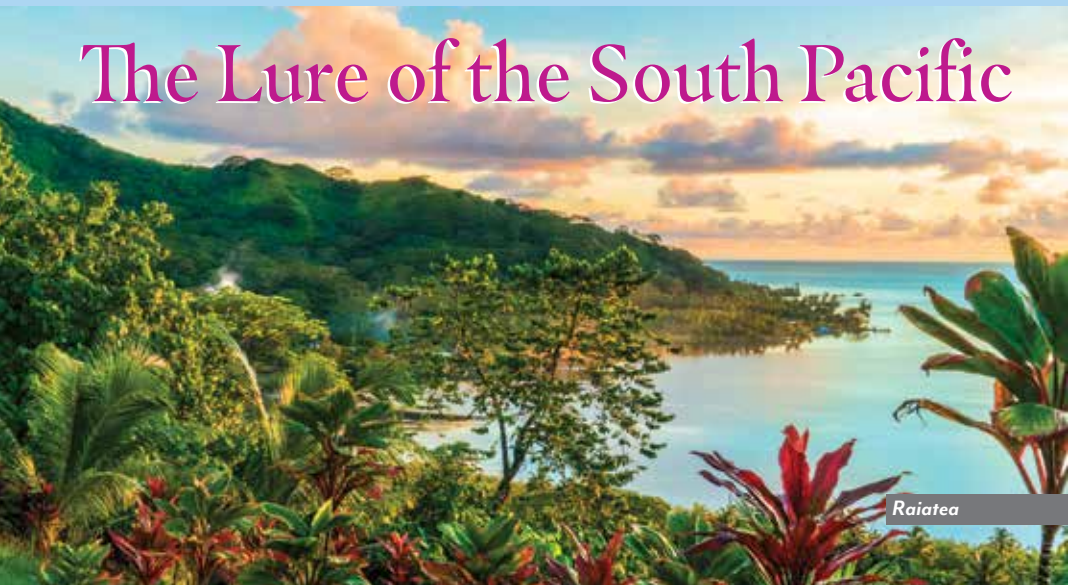
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## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



### FRENCH POLYNESIA

# The Lure of the South Pacific



The turquoise waters, wind-sculpted peaks, and white-sand beaches of French Polynesia have captivated visitors for centuries. A dreamscape long before explorers Captain James Cook, Samuel Wallis, and Louis de Bougainville fell under their spell in the 1700s, this fabled earthly paradise was among the last places in the world to be settled by humans. Today, Tahitian folklore traditions and mythology are entwined with the legacy of Mā'ohi ancestors, ancient Samoan mariners, and European explorers who used the stars, sun, tides, and flight patterns of birds to navigate the Pacific Ocean to these idyllic shores. Seared into the collective consciousness by the paintings of Post-Impressionist artist Paul Gauguin, this fantasia of 118 islands and atolls remains steeped in the legends of a polytheistic society. The French Polynesian reverence for nature coexists with time-honored agrarian traditions while the intersection of the material and spirit world is revealed in esoteric marae (ceremonial sites). Extolled for their mesmerizing landscapes and rich cultural traditions, the mystical pull of these serene isles is impossible to resist.





## DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

### Depart home city/ Pape'ete, Tahiti, Society Islands

#### Day 1 and Day 2

Check into the five-star INTERCONTINENTAL TAHITI and enjoy time at leisure. You may opt to explore



Hawksbill sea turtle

Pape'ete on your own. Attend a welcome reception at the hotel this evening.

### Pape'ete/transfer to the ship

#### Day 3

Tour Tahiti's scenic West Coast and visit the Mara'a Grotto with its freshwater pools and small caves. Walk through the sacred 'Arahurahu site and the Spring Garden of Vaipahi—a tranquil haven where precious wood and tropical flowers can be seen. Attend the Captain's Welcome Reception on board.

### Mo'orea

#### Day 4

Enjoy an optional excursion that includes a scenic drive through a landscape of ancient volcanic peaks and stop at Belvedere Point for views of Mount Rotu'i. Visit the Richard B. Gump Pacific Research Station and Atitia Outreach Center and then attend an onboard lecture by naturalist Frank Murphy from the Gump Research Station. Your afternoon is at leisure with opportunities to snorkel.

### Ra'iatea

#### Day 5

Opt to visit French Polynesia's only UNESCO World Heritage Site, the well-preserved marae complex of Taputapuatea. End the evening with a barbecue dinner on deck under what Matisse once described as an "ash-blue sky alive with stars."

### Ra'iatea/Taha'a

#### Day 6

To discover traditional French Polynesian agriculture, opt to tour the grounds of a vanilla plantation, which includes

a visit to a farm where black pearls are cultivated. Savor a beach barbecue lunch on a private motu, where you can also swim, snorkel, or kayak.

### Bora Bora

#### Day 7

Experience island life on the Bora Bora discovery program with an optional tour on an open-air truck to discover



Point Venus Lighthouse

relics left behind by the U.S. military in WWII—all while admiring the colors of Bora Bora's famous lagoon. Or, enjoy a day at leisure on board the ship.

### Huahine

#### Day 8

Opt to ride on an open-air truck between the ocean



Snorkeling activities



Fire dancers

and a woodland of towering mape trees to the settlement of Maeva—the ancient religious center of Huahine-Nui where you will see more than ten 16<sup>th</sup> century marae as well as former homes and fortification walls. After a day at leisure, attend the Captain's Farewell Reception.

## Pape'ete, Tahiti/ Disembark ship

### Day 9

Explore Tahiti's East Coast with a visit to the former home of American author James Norman Hall, best known for *Mutiny on the Bounty*, and see Point Venus—named for the observatory

Captain Cook established here in 1769. Day-room accommodations are open to you in the INTERCONTINENTAL TAHITI. Continue to the airport for your return flight home.

## Return to home city

### Day 10



Taputapuatea

## ALWAYS INCLUDED WITH GOHAGAN & COMPANY

- ◆ Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/ departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- ◆ Round-trip economy air from Los Angeles to Papeete, with Low Air Add-Ons available from select cities.
- ◆ Experienced, English-speaking local guides for included excursions.
- ◆ Gratuities to shipboard personnel local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
- ◆ Complimentary bottled water in your suite or stateroom and on excursions.
- ◆ Hospitality desk aboard the ship.
- ◆ Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.
- ◆ Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.

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# WIND SPIRIT

## Exclusively Chartered Five-Star, Four-Masted Sailing Ship

The intimate, four-masted WIND SPIRIT offers an unforgettable five-star sailing experience. This small ship is designed to sail from deep seas into lagoons inaccessible to larger vessels in its year-round home of French Polynesia. The WIND SPIRIT's gourmet dining and wide teak deck with unobscured views provides the ultimate sailing experience to each guest. Complimentary alcoholic/nonalcoholic beverages and Wi-Fi access are available throughout the cruise. All meals aboard ship are included.

## Elegant Suites and Staterooms, 100% with Ocean Views

Each of the 74 ocean-view staterooms features one queen bed or two twin beds (Owner's Suite has a queen bed), private bathroom with shower, luxury hotel amenities, individual climate control, flat-screen television with DVD player, safe, minibar, vanity table, hair dryer, plush robes, and slippers.



Category	LAND/CRUISE RATES <small>excluding taxes</small>	Early Booking Savings through Aug. 24, 2022	Rate after Aug. 24, 2022
<b>B</b>	Stateroom with two portholes. Deck 1, aft and forward.	<b>\$5,995</b>	\$6,895
<b>BX Deluxe</b>	Stateroom with two portholes. Deck 1, midship.	<b>\$6,695</b>	\$7,695
<b>A</b>	Stateroom with two portholes. Deck 2, aft and forward.	<b>\$7,195</b>	\$8,275
<b>AX Deluxe</b>	Stateroom with two portholes. Deck 2, midship.	<b>\$7,695</b>	\$8,845
<b>Owners Suite</b>	Suite with four portholes, queen bed, and sitting/dining area. Deck 1, aft.	<b>\$8,995</b>	\$10,345

Single supplements apply across all categories at 160% of the per person double price.

Round-trip Air Tahiti Nui economy-class air is included from Los Angeles to Pape'ete, Tahiti (may be offered for a limited time).

Low Air Add-Ons are available from select US and Canadian cities. Upgrade to premium economy or business class at an additional cost.

Taxes are an additional \$335 per person.

The WIND SPIRIT has been specially contracted for this program and the deck plan is available online or upon request from Gohagan & Company.





## POST-PROGRAM OPTION

### Mo'orea

**March 9 to 12, 2023**

Extend your sojourn in French Polynesia for two nights and stay in the deluxe HILTON MO'OREA LAGOON RESORT & SPA. Enjoy magnificent sunrises and sunsets from your spacious beachfront or overwater bungalow. Observe abundant, colorful marine life on a reef excursion and experience the exotic fusion of fresh local seafood and French Polynesian flavors. Enjoy the hotel's overwater Toatea Bar, magnificent views, turquoise lagoons, and wide array of watersports. This option includes accommodations, breakfast daily, and a round-trip ferry between Tahiti and Mo'orea.

#### **Garden Pool Bungalow**

*Price per person, based on double occupancy: \$995*

*Price per person, based on single occupancy: \$1,645*

#### **Overwater Bungalow**

*Price per person, based on double occupancy: \$1,295*

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*Further details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.*





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Category: **1<sup>st</sup> Choice** \_\_\_\_\_ **2<sup>nd</sup> Choice** \_\_\_\_\_

- Double (two twin beds).
- Double (one queen bed).
- Single accommodations.
- Single but prefer to share and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

**Mo'orea Post-Program Option**

**Garden Pool Bungalow**

- Double \$995 per person.
- Single \$1,645 per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

**Overwater Bungalow**

- Double \$1,295 per person.
- Single \$1,995 per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

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