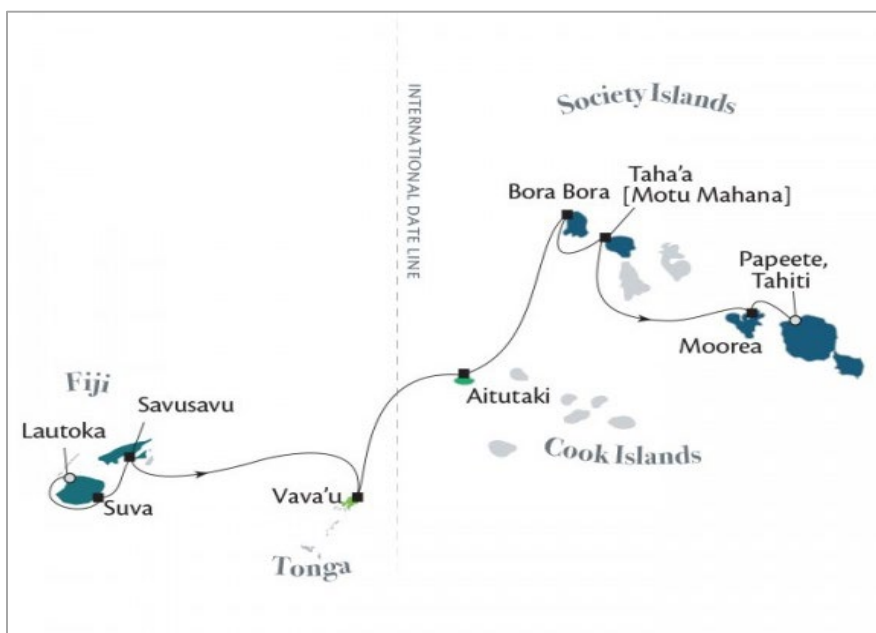


# SOCIETY ISLANDS, COOK ISLANDS, TONGA & FIJI



*Over the course of 13 unhurried nights, The Gauguin allows you to discover the South Pacific's most storied, beautiful, and culturally vibrant islands, towns, and cities. No matter what kind of experience you seek, from soaking in the sun on the Society Islands' white-sand beaches to immersing yourself in the unique cultures of Fiji and Tonga, when you follow in the wake of the world's most famous explorers in the South Pacific, there are treasures to discover at every port.*



**DATES:** 2019 – September 7;  
September 21\*  
2020 – March 28; June 6\*

**DURATION:** 14 DAYS or  
\*13 DAYS REVERSE ITINERARY

**EMBARK:** PAPEETE, TAHITI  
**DISEMBARK:** LAUTOKA,  
VITI LEVU, FIJI

**SHIP:** Paul Gauguin

**FROM:** \$7,195  
(Includes air from LAX)

## HIGHLIGHTS –

- Two separate Fijian ports showcase an intriguing juxtaposition: the sophisticated capital city of Suva and the unspoiled beauty of Savusavu, called the “Hidden Paradise of Fiji.”
- Surrounded by one of the largest barrier reefs in the world, you can see an abundance of tropical fish and beautiful coral blooms while visiting tiny Beqa Island.
- Live the life idyllic with a memorable day on Motu Mahana, our own private slice of paradise. On this exclusive islet, treat yourself to sand between your toes, the shade of swaying palm trees, a sumptuous barbecue lunch, and, of course, drinks sipped from coconuts.

## ITINERARY –

### Day 1 – Embark the m/s Paul Gauguin in Papeete, Tahiti, Society Islands

The islands of Polynesia are a gorgeous collection of volcanic atolls strewn across the grand Pacific Ocean, and the island of Tahiti is the largest of all 118. Explore the dynamic dining, nightlife, and shopping in the capital city of Papeete before embarking on The Gauguin.



### Day 2 – Moorea, Society Islands

Vibrant colors abound on Moorea, in everything from fresh fruits and flowers to multi-hued lagoons, and from spectacular mountain peaks to palm-fringed beaches. Shop for local handicrafts, embark on an optional dolphin-watching expedition with a marine biologist, and sample the local pineapples, said to be the most delicious in all of French Polynesia.

### Day 3 Taha’a (Motu Mahana), Society Islands

Enclosed in a common lagoon with Raiatea and accessible only by boat, Taha’a is an ideal island for a relaxing getaway. A sleepy island that boasts only a handful of guesthouses and small hotels, Taha’a maintains an authentic Polynesian flavor.

Taha’a is also home to Motu Mahana, Paul Gauguin Cruises’ private island. Guests are welcomed with traditional music performed by Les Gauguines, a beachside barbecue, and ample opportunities for watersports, swimming, and relaxation.

### Day 4 – Bora Bora, Society Islands

A bucket list destination for many, stunning Bora Bora welcomes you for two full days of exploring lush peaks, white-sand beaches, colorful coral reefs, and romantic lagoons. Experience the natural beauty of the island with an optional snorkeling excursion, sunset jetboat ride, or a helicopter tour that flies you over Bora Bora’s iconic Mount Otemanu.

### Day 5 – At Sea

Spend the day enjoying *The Gauguin’s* Polynesian ambiance: casual, leisurely, and graceful. Perhaps you’ll take in a lecture by one of our special guests, and then reflect on your day over classic French cuisine at L’Etoile.

### Day 6 – Aitutaki, Cook Islands

While the island of Aitutaki may be small, it’s big on beauty, thanks to its coral reef-enclosed lagoon. Witness its splendor up-close with a leisurely beach visit. Don’t forget to save time to venture into the village of Arutanga, where you’ll find the oldest church in the Cooks, which dates from 1829.



### Day 7 & 8 – At Sea / Cross International Date Line

The next two days will be at sea, which affords you plenty of time to relax and enjoy the amenities and entertainment onboard *The Gauguin*, like the award-winning spa, casino, and lectures by onboard experts.



### Day 9 – Vava'u, Tonga

Tongan culture takes center stage here, undoubtedly because of the country's status as the only South Pacific nation that was never colonized by the Europeans. Enjoy a Polynesian cultural show, sample traditional Tongan food, and marvel at a lagoon so clear, you can see to a depth of 130 feet.

### Day 10 – At Sea

Take a day to enjoy shipboard life: relax poolside, watch the South Pacific pass by, play some table tennis, or learn about our next port in the Reading Gallery.

### Day 11 – Savusavu, Vanua Levu, Fiji

A day spent in Savusavu is a trip to a charming, unspoiled paradise. Known as the “Hidden Paradise of Fiji,” this beautiful town is tucked away on the largely undeveloped northern Fijian island of Vanua Levu. Explore at your leisure, or join one of many available shore excursions, including a visit to a black pearl farm, a Fijian village, or a plantation.

### Day 12 – Suva, Viti Levu, Fiji

The capital of Fiji since 1883, Suva is the largest urban area in the South Pacific, outside of Australia and New Zealand. Spend your day exploring the fascinating mix of modern and colonial ambience in

this sophisticated city, which is perched on a hilly peninsula between two picturesque harbors.



### Day 13 - Beqa Island, Fiji / Lautoka, Viti Levu, Fiji

Located about six miles off the coast of Fiji's main island, Viti Levu, Beqa Island measures less than six square miles in territory—yet it looms large among those seeking a paradise by the sea. Surrounded by one of the largest barrier reefs in the world, the island offers exceptional snorkeling at high tide, with an abundance of colorful tropical fish teeming among the coral blooms. Or bask on a golden-sand beach shaded from an azure sky by swaying palms.



### Day 14 - Disembark in Lautoka, Viti Levu, Fiji

From the port in Lautoka, venture to Koroyanitu National Heritage Park, where you can wander through beautiful native forests, enjoy lush views of the lowlands, and experience traditional villages firsthand.

**Pre- and Post cruise programs are available and can be arranged for you. See more while you are here!**



**PAUL GAUGUIN**

**GUESTS: 332**

**SHIP: PAUL GAUGUIN**

**FROM: \$7,195 (Includes air from LAX)  
\*13 DAY Omits Beqa Island, Fiji.**

**INCLUDES-**

- Roundtrip airfare from Los Angeles
- Airport/pier transfers
- All shipboard meals, in a choice of venues
- Complimentary room service
- All beverages, including select wines and spirits
- Onboard gratuities for room stewards and dining staff
- Complimentary watersports

Want to stay longer and Explor the area? Pre and or Post stays are available in French Polynesia, Cook Islands, Australia, New Zealand or Fiji!



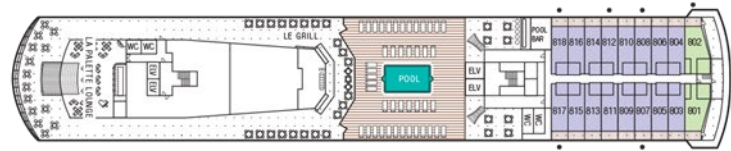
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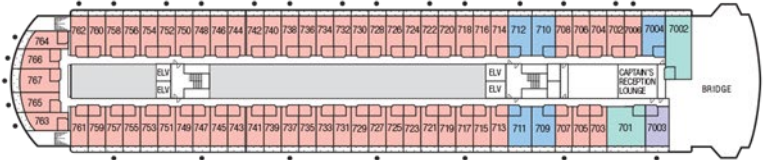
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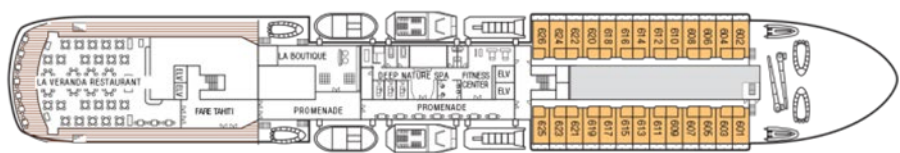
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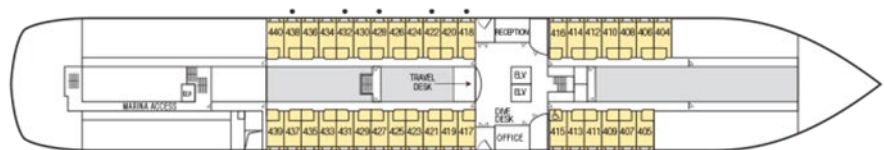
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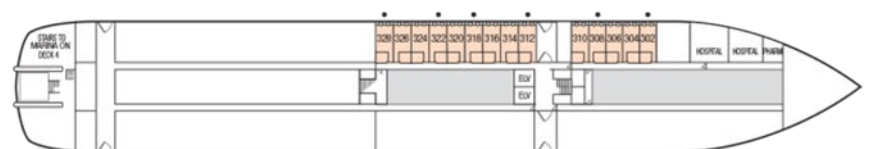
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F Porthole Stateroom