

The Regions

NADI & DENARAU

Nadi is located on the west side of Viti Levu and is the first port of call for most tourists. Nadi International Airport is 9 km north of Nadi. Denarau Island with its important marina is also close to the international airport and can be reached in about 20 minutes thanks to a new road. Both areas offer numerous hotels and resorts and are great places to start your trip or serve as a base for day trips.

CORAL COAST & PACIFIC HARBOUR

The Coral Coast on the southwest coast of Viti Levu stretches for more than 100 kilometres between Nadi and Pacific Harbour. The paved road passes through spectacular scenery with villages, sugar cane fields, pine plantations, coral lagoons and beautiful beaches. Many of Fiji's major resorts and international hotels are located along the Coral Coast. Sigatoka is the main town on the Coral Coast.

Pacific Harbour, known as the adventure capital of Fiji, offers not only a great choice of accommodation, but also plenty of activities such as white water or bilibili rafting, diving, surfing, hiking, fishing and horse riding.

SUVA ... HUB OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC

Suva is Fiji's capital and the central hub of the South Pacific. Here you will find a mix of traditional, early 20th century South Pacific buildings and modern buildings.

SUNSHINE COAST

The Sunshine Coast is the northern section of Fiji's coastline on Viti Levu, stretching from Lautoka to Rakiraki. The coastline with the most hours of sunshine in Fiji is ideal for active guests: a hike to Fiji's highest waterfall, kayak tours along the coast, snorkelling and diving in the Bligh Passage or kite surfing are just some of the possible activities.



MAMANUCA & YASAWA ISLAND

The Mamanuca group of islands is a paradise of reefs and sand-fringed islands with traditional Fijian villages and modern island resorts. These magnificent islands are located off the coast of Nadi on the west side of Viti Levu. The arch-shaped Mamanuca Island chain is located within the outer reef, whose protective barrier creates ideal conditions for activities such as boating, diving, snorkelling and other water sports. The Yasawa Islands are of volcanic origin and are located northwest of Viti Levu. They can be reached daily from Port Denarau by catamarans and the resorts' water taxis, or from Nadi by seaplanes and helicopters.

TAVEUNI & VANUA LEVU

Fiji's tropical north includes the second and third largest islands, Vanua Levu and Taveuni, as well as several smaller islands. The main islands of the north are mountainous and lushly green. The extensive rainforests with waterfalls are wonderful adventure playgrounds. The unspoiled nature and the smaller tourist infrastructure make for a very special charm. The region has more than a dozen resorts and can be easily reached by plane. Many of the accommodations are small and personally run, offering the opportunity to get closer to the people and cultures of Fiji. Both islands are surrounded by healthy reefs and are known worldwide for offering some of the best diving and fishing in the world.

KADAVU & BEQA

Just off the south coast of Viti Levu are the small island of Beqa and further south the large island of Kadavu. Home to Fiji's world famous firewalkers. Beqa has a number of smaller resorts. Kadavu is the fourth largest island in Fiji. Kadavu is 100 km south of Suva and is known for its surfing and adventure activities.

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Things to know

GEORGRAPHY

Fiji is located in the heart of the South Pacific Ocean and comprises some 333 islands with a total area of more than 18,000 square kilometres. The two main islands of Fiji are Viti Levu and Vanua Levu. Viti Levu is also home to the international airport in Nadi and the capital Suva.

CLIMATE

Fiji enjoys an ideal tropical South Sea climate. In the summer months of November to March, humidity is higher and showers are more frequent. The months of April to October are drier and less humid. The average high temperature in summer is 31 degrees Celsius and the average low temperature is 22 degrees Celsius. For more information, visit the Fiji Weather Service website at www.met.gov.fj.

TIME ZONE

The 180th meridian runs through Fiji, but the international dateline is adjusted so that the entire archipelago falls within the same time zone. Fiji is 12 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) and 2 hours ahead of Sydney.

POPULATION, LANGUAGE & RELIGION

Fiji's population of more than 880,000 is a melting pot of indigenous Fijians (i-Taukei), Indo-Fijians, Chinese, Europeans and other South Pacific islanders who call Fiji home. Despite their different cultural backgrounds, the locals are collectively referred to as Fijians. English is Fiji's official language, but Fijian and Hindustani are also spoken. Fijians' religious beliefs reflect their multiculturalism. Christianity, Hinduism and Islam are practised peacefully side by side.

ELECTRICITY

The electrical current in Fiji is 240 volts AC 50 Hz. Fiji has three-pin sockets, identical to Australia and New Zealand.

CURRENCY & CREDIT CARDS

The unit of currency is the Fiji dollar and this is available in FJD 5, 7, 10, 20, 50 and 100 notes. Small change coins are available in 5 c, 10 c, 20 c, 50 c, 1 dollar and 2 dollars. and 2 dollars are available. Visitors can change euros and Swiss francs and other foreign currency at bureaux de change, banks and most of the larger hotels / resorts, or withdraw cash from ATMs. Most credit cards are accepted. There are no ATMs on the more remote islands.

TIPPING & TAXES

Tipping is not customary, but feel free to reward someone for outstanding service. Government VAT of 9% is charged on all goods and services in Fiji. Visitors staying in hotels and resorts must pay an environmental and climate change levy of 5%.

TRANSPORT & TRAFFIC

Fiji has a transport network consisting of buses, taxis, ferry services, car rental companies and domestic flights. A valid driving licence is required to hire a car. An international driving licence is recommended. Fiji has left-hand traffic. The speed limit is 60 km/h (approx. 40 mph). When driving through residential areas or villages, speed is reduced to 40-50 km/h by speed bumps. On the motorway you are allowed to drive 80 km/h.

WLAN & CONNECTIVITY

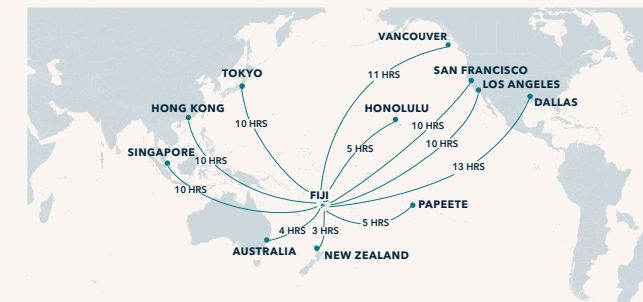
Fiji's country code is +679 and many hotels and resorts generally have direct dialing (IDD) facilities. International mobile networks such as Vodafone Fiji, Digicel and Inkk Mobile are strong in Fiji, making it relatively easy to connect. Free wifi is widely available. However, you can also purchase a temporary local sim card at one of the outlets at the airport or in the larger towns.

CLOTHING

A light tropical cotton wardrobe is recommended, with dresses, shorts, T-shirts and sandals. Outside of hotels and resorts, people tend to dress conservatively - this is even more true when visiting a Fijian village. It is advisable to visit such a village with a guide, as there are many traditional rules to follow. Knees and shoulders should be covered.

GETTING THERE

Fiji is located in the middle of the Pacific Ocean and can be easily reached from many places. You can easily reach Fiji from Europe with only one change. Fiji Airways' long-haul network serves Singapore, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Vancouver, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Dallas and Honolulu. Alternatively, Fiji is a 3-4 hour flight from Australia and New Zealand. For more information, visit www.fiji.com.fj or www.fijiairways.com



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Fiji welcomes all visitors. As of February 2023, proof of Covid19 vaccination is NO longer required. Entry visas are granted to nationals of Germany, Austria and Switzerland on arrival in Fiji for a stay of up to four (4) months. A passport valid for at least six (6) months beyond the intended length of stay and a ticket for return or onward travel to another country are required, and the traveller must be authorised to enter the country in question. For more information, visit www.immigration.gov.fj

CUSTOMS & DUTIES

The following goods are duty free on entry to Fiji:

1. not more than 200 cigarettes; or
2. not more than 200 g net weight of cigars; or
3. not more than 200 g net weight of tobacco; or
4. not more than 200 grams net weight of any combination of the goods listed above
5. not more than 2.25 litres of spirits
6. not more than 4.5 litres of wine; or
7. not more than 4.5 litres of beer; or
8. any combination is allowed as long as the corresponding quantity of spirits, wine and beer is not exceeded
9. travellers may import other dutiable goods if the value does not exceed FJD 1000, the goods are on the traveller on arrival and the goods are for personal use and not for sale.
10. In the case of goods covered by paragraphs 1 to 8 above, the traveller must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.
11. For more information, please visit : www.frsc.org.fj

IMPORTATION OF FOOD

To prevent the importation of foreign animal and plant pests and diseases, Fiji prohibits the importation of plant materials, seeds and / or animal products, meat and dairy products without prior approval from the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries. Quarantine officers are stationed at the international airport and at the ports of entry for ships.

A word you will hear everywhere. It can mean many things, such as hello, welcome, cheers or good health.

Welcome to Fiji, where you will be greeted by the friendliest people in the world with a warm smile and the word "Bula".