

Society and Tuamotu Islands - Balcony Bliss

An exquisite 10 night cruise in spectacular Tahiti!

10 nights on board

15 Days

PKG No. UC007B-BB

Departure dates

See Schedule

Starting from (AUD)

A\$16,142

*pp twin share -Balcony Stateroom D

Exclusive Offer

Paul Gauguin Cruises

South Pacific

Overview

Enjoy cruising Tahiti's Society and Tuamotu Islands in decadent luxury aboard Le Paul Gauguin. Moorea, Bora Bora, Huahine, Taha'a, Rangiroa and Fakarava. Book on the Balcony Bliss Special and the Second person flies for half price!

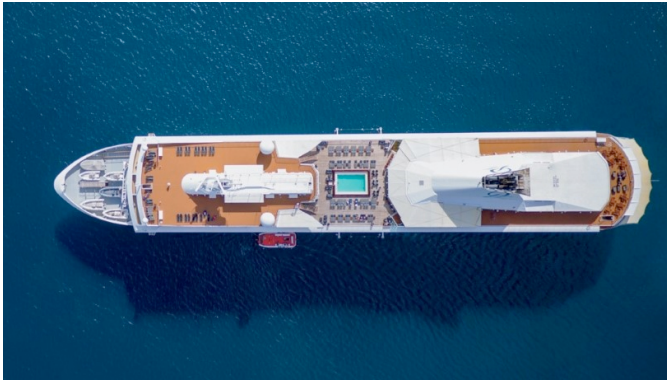
The beauty of Tahiti has left people spellbound for centuries and there's no better way to discover it for yourself than cruising aboard the luxurious Paul Gauguin. Gliding through turquoise waters, pausing at a deserted motu and delighting you with perfect day after perfect day, the Paul Gauguin crew will ensure your every need is taken care of. The Society and Tuamotu cruise takes in the best of the islands including Moorea, Huahine, Bora Bora, Rangiroa, Fakarava and Taha'a.

On-board, the crew are attentive and eager to ensure you enjoy every moment of your cruise. With 217 crew to just 332 guests, you'll enjoy one of the highest crew-to-guest ratios of any luxury cruise ship.

Dining is a five-star culinary adventure, with every one of the onboard dining options included in the cruise fare. In the evenings, enjoy entertainment provided by Paul Gauguin's own troupe of Tahitian entertainers.

Suites and staterooms are spacious and well appointed, all with ocean views and 70% offering private balconies.

Vessel



Designed specifically to glide in luxury through the shallow seas of the South Pacific, The Gauguin is a small-ship cruiser's dream. She delivers travelers to intimate ports inaccessible to larger cruise ships, all the while providing a travel experience that is nothing short of luxurious. Once on board, guests enjoy newly-decorated spacious suites and staterooms (more than 70% with private balconies), an onboard watersports marina, three dining venues, an extensive spa, and five-star service. Life on The Gauguin also reflects the beauty and rich cultural heritage of the islands she calls upon, with a warm, friendly feel, informal setting, and even a beloved troupe of Les Gauguin and Les Gauguines—local Tahitians who serve as onboard hosts and hostesses, entertainers, and storytellers.

Features:

- All meals provided on board
- Complimentary beverages, including select wines and spirits, beer, soft drinks, bottled water, and hot beverages
- Complimentary 24-hour room service, including selections from L'Etoile restaurant during regular dining hours
- Butler Service, in-suite bar setup, and iPod® music system in suite/stateroom category B and above
- Onboard gratuities for room stewards, dining and bar staff
- Full entertainment program including Polynesian artists, musical entertainment, and a pianist
- Watersports marina for complimentary kayaking and paddleboarding, and Zodiacs® for optional dive excursions
- A day at Motu Mahana, Paul Gauguin Cruises' exclusive retreat off the coast of Taha'a, featuring Polynesian hospitality, snorkeling, watersports, bar service, and a delicious feast
- Access to the exclusive, private beach located on a motu off the coast of Bora Bora, which offers an idyllic white-sand beach, excellent snorkeling, and bar service on French Polynesia itineraries
- Fully-equipped fitness center
- Presentations by local naturalists and a variety of special guests
- Spacious outdoor decks and pool
- La Boutique duty-free shop
- Book Library (open 24 hours a day)
- Laundry services available
- Certified medical services

[Download deck plans](#)

Tonnage: 19200

Build date: 1997

Crew: 217
Capacity: 330
Length: 154m

Itinerary



Day 1 Papeete, Tahiti Island

Capital of French Polynesia, the city of Papeete is on the north-west coast of the island of Tahiti. You'll find a relaxed atmosphere here, where urban buzz combines with the legendary laid-back Polynesian lifestyle. Culture is not lacking. You can enjoy sites narrating the history of the archipelago, including the colonial cathedral and the Maison de la reine Marau. The Vaipahi public gardens will win you over by their abundant plant-life. The large municipal market offers local specialities: fresh fruit, spices and all kinds of fish abound on their stalls.

Day 2 Fakarava

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Day 4 Rangiroa

A secluded atoll in the Tuamotu Archipelago, Rangiroa, meaning "vast sky" in Polynesian, is very aptly named. The lagoon of the largest atoll in Polynesia is reminiscent of the heavens, imprisoned by hundreds of islets formed by sand that veers from immaculate white to pink. But the beauty of Rangiroa, classed by Captain Cousteau as one of the most beautiful diving spots in the world, is most evident in its underwater life: you will have the occasion of admiring all the richness of the site on a snorkeling tour or on a glass-bottom boat tour. Rangiroa is also the high seat of Polynesian pearl culture.

Day 5 Huahine

Located less than 200 kilometres north-west of Tahiti, Huahine Island is a secret gem in French Polynesia. You'll love the mysterious atmosphere emanating from its voluptuous contours, its wild vegetation and stunning remote creeks. If you explore both parts of the island, la Grande Huahine to the north, and la Petite Huahine to the south, will reveal some of its hidden treasures, as well as some archaeological remains from the Polynesian past. You can meet the local population in the main town of Fare, or in the string of villages along the coast.

Day 6 Bora Bora

Paradisiacal atoll of the archipelago of the Leeward Islands, west of French Polynesia, mythical Bora Bora offers a natural spectacle of captivating beauty. You'll be won over as much by the white sandy beaches as by its famous lagoon, one of the most beautiful in the world, where colourful fish frolic in waters of incomparable turquoise. The island is covered with tropical vegetation, and dominated by the majestic outline of Mount Otemanu. A promenade through this volcanic landscape will enable you to discover a number of villages and meet local communities.

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Day 8 Raiatea

A volcanic island located halfway between Huahine and Bora-Bora, Raiatea is like the mother of Polynesia. It was on its rocky flanks that the oldest traces of local habitation were found. According to legend, it was even the cradle of the gods... You can admire several sites that bear witness to this past, including the first Polynesian holy site, the Te-Po religious centre, including the marae Taputapuatea, a sort of altar made of stone and coral. Although beaches are rare on Raiatea, here nature is totally captivating, and the coral islets offer myriads of ravishing creeks.

Day 9 Motu Mahana

Feet in the sand, on the islet of Motu Mahana, our sumptuous little private paradise, you will share a very special experience around an authentic traditional Polynesian barbecue. A veritable jewel in the Taha'a lagoon, pristine atoll of the Society Islands, Motu Mahana offers an infinite palette of shades of turquoise, an idyllic backdrop for observing the majestic ballet of the tropical fish. The volcanic island of Taha'a, dominated by Mount Ohiri and Mount Puurauti, will reveal its fertile and luxuriant nature, ideal for cultivating the magnificent black pearls of French Polynesia, as well as vanilla. This rare spice, greatly in demand by gourmets, is the main economic resource of what is also known as Vanilla Island.

Day 10 Moorea

A part of the Windward Island archipelago just to the west of Tahiti, famous Mo'orea will leave

you with a series of unforgettable images and memories. Bask on its heavenly beaches, enjoy a dip in the turquoise waters of its lagoon, and soak up its luscious vegetation and the heady flowers that carpet the inland areas. Get the most out of this natural gem with a trip to the Mo'orea Belvedere. Exceptional views of Mount Rotui unfurl before your eyes, with the Opunohu Bay and its valley to the left, and the famous Cook's Bay, surrounded by notched, cathedral-style peaks, to the right.

Day 11 Papeete

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Departure Schedule

14 May 2025

04 June 2025

08 October 2025

26 November 2025

Activities

Watersports

The custom built watersports marina offers easy access to complimentary kayaking and paddleboarding, and Zodiacs® for optional dive excursions.

Motu Mahana

Just offshore lies Motu Mahana, Paul Gauguin Cruises' private South Seas island, where you'll spend a day (or maybe two, depending on your itinerary) doing exactly as you please.

There's no end to the indulgences of this private island paradise. Go for a swim in the warm waters. Snorkel with colorful tropical fish among the green and purple blooms of coral. Or paddle out farther in one of the kayaks that have been brought to shore from The Gauguin's watersports marina.

Ashore, you might engage in a game of volleyball or watch as your hosts, Les Gauguines and Les Gauguins, demonstrate how to open a coconut or tie a pareo. Perhaps you'll treat yourself to an overwater massage. And when the time comes for refreshments, delight in a sumptuous barbecue feast—complete with cocktails from the floating bar.

Bora Bora – Private Beach

You can spend as much time as you'd like during the day on Paul Gauguin Cruises' private beach in Bora Bora. The specialists from the watersports marina will be on hand to help you enjoy kayaking or paddleboarding from the beach, or don the equipment you packed and enjoy exceptional snorkeling to view tropical fish and manta rays in the azure lagoon.

Or you might simply stay on the warm white sands of the beach, sunbathing or engaging in a game of volleyball. But this Bora Bora island retreat especially speaks to those seeking that quintessential remote Tahitian beach with few signs of the outside world. A place to daydream, nap, read, or just be. A fair amount of time should be spent just marveling at the postcard-perfect views of Mount Otemanu towering over the main island in this exclusive Bora Bora getaway.

Optional Shore Excursions

Choose from a range of optional shore excursions in each port.

Fitness Centre

A fully equipped fitness centre is available for guest use.

Swimming Pool

Le Paul Gauguin boasts spacious outdoor deck areas as well as a swimming pool.

Special Inclusion



- Return economy class fares ex SYD,MEL,BNE to Papeete
- Transfer from airport to hotel in Papeete
- 3 nights accommodation in Papeete
- Transfer from hotel wharf
- 10 night luxury cruise aboard *Le Paul Gauguin* in a Balcony Stateroom D
- All meals onboard
- All beverages onboard
- Onboard gratuities
- Complimentary watersports
- 24 hour room service onboard
- Transfer from ship to hotel
- 1 night accommodation in Papeete
- Transfer from hotel to airport
- All relevant taxes

PLUS Use Code ULTIMATE-BB25 and also Receive:

*** Second Person Flies for Half Price**

*** US\$200 On-board Excursion Credit per person**

* **Either a Circle Island Tour or Tahiti Food Tasting Tour (depending on schedules)**

Packing Suggestions

Country Club Casual, or elegant resort wear, is appropriate dress for all evenings aboard The Gauguin. A dress, or skirt or slacks with a blouse or sweater for ladies, and slacks and collared shirts for gentlemen.

Special Information

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS & ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please contact us for the latest information on entry and visa requirements.

INCLUSIONS

At time of publishing, vaccinations were not required. Passengers should consult their travel agent for the latest requirements.

RATES

Rates are per adult, in double or single occupancy. These fares are correct at the time of printing and are subject to change; with or without notice.

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