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Tahiti and French Polynesia under Sail

Tahiti · Mo'orea · Taha'a Raiatea · Bora Bora · Huahine

aboard the Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star, Small Sailing Ship WIND SPIRIT

January 28 to February 7, 2020

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Luxury Small Sailing Ship—Only 74 Staterooms + All Ocean-View Accommodations + Round-Trip Air From Los Angeles is Included • All Beverages are Included • All Shipboard Gratuities are Included

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Dear UC Davis Alumni and Friends,

Tahiti and the other idyllic islands of French Polynesia were formed over millennia; ancient underwater volcanic activity, ocean currents, waves and wind created the emerald-green mountain peaks, chalk-white atolls and beryl-blue lagoons of this South Pacific paradise.

There is no better way to experience the Society Islands than under the billowing white sails of an elegant yacht. During this nine-night land and sea sojourn, explore these resplendent islands, which have beckoned explorers, travelers, artists and writers for centuries. Enjoy two nights (air schedules permitting) in colorful Pape'ete, Tahiti, and seven nights sailing aboard the Five-Star WIND SPIRIT, specifically designed to cruise the crystal-clear aquamarine waters of the South Pacific, which teem with incredible marine life.

Aboard the Five-Star, 74-Stateroom WIND SPIRIT, enjoy unmatched small ship sailing amid the unparalleled beauty of the Society Islands, the WIND SPIRIT's home waters. This intimate ship provides extensive complimentary features, including alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages served throughout the ship and replenished in your Suite or Stateroom, kayaking and snorkeling equipment and an exclusively arranged excursion on every island; shipboard gratuities are included.

Cultural enrichment abounds in the captivating natural environment of French Polynesia. On the islands of Tahiti, Mo'orea, Ra'iatea, Taha'a, Bora Bora and Huahine, visit ancient *marae* (open-air places of worship), tour an authentic vanilla plantation and learn more about French Polynesia's unique history, environment and culture. While enjoying the exquisite scenery, snorkel or swim with stingrays, lagoon sharks and colorful fish and inhale the essences of fragrant gardenia and gentle jasmine that delicately permeate the island air.

Join us on this voyage through paradise amid the unspoiled, tropical islands of the South Pacific. Round-trip air is included from Los Angeles⁺ and Low Air Add-Ons⁺ are available from select U.S. cities. This exceptional program sells out quickly, so book now while space and Early Booking Savings are still available!

Regards from UC Davis,

Stephanie L. Shimada

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Take in the signature views of Mt. Otemanu and Mt. Pahia, Bora Bora's trademark conical peaks which soar 2300 feet above forested foothills, ancient cave formations and archaeological relics.

U.S./Pape'ete, Tahiti Tuesday and Wednesday, January 28 and 29

Depart the U.S. for lively Pape'ete, the cosmopolitan capital of French Polynesia, located on a natural harbor cooled by trade winds and set against a backdrop of verdant, forest-clad peaks. This breathtaking gateway to the South Pacific is complemented by the cultures of its people, a vibrant blend of Tahitian, French and Chinese.

Upon arrival, check into the ideally located, Five-Star INTERCONTINENTAL PAPE'ETE; enjoy time at leisure and attend the Welcome Reception on Wednesday.

Pape'ete

Thursday, January 30

Tour Tahiti's scenic West Coast and visit the fern-veiled Mara'a Grotto with its freshwater pools and small caves. Walk through the sacred 'Ārahurahu site—French Polynesia's only fully restored *marae*—and the beautifully landscaped Spring Garden of Vaipahi, which showcases 75 plant species, including precious *māpē* (Tahitian chestnut).

Embark the WIND SPIRIT and attend the Captain's Welcome Reception this evening.

Cover photo: Experience the natural beauty surrounding you in Bora Bora, with majestic, lush peaks and hidden blue lagoons.

Photo this page: Explore colorful coral reefs and look for myriad exotic marine life, such as graceful double-saddle butterflyfish.

Mo'orea

Friday, January 31

The heart-shaped island of Mo'orea captivated Captain James Cook and Herman Melville and inspired James Michener's classic *Tales of the South Pacific*. Enjoy a drive through a spectacular landscape of ancient volcanic peaks and stop at Belvedere Point for

AIR is Included from Los Angeles!^{*}

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¹Economy-class air is included round-trip between Los Angeles and Pape'ete, available exclusively through Gohagan & Company in partnership with award-winning Air Tahiti Nui; Gohagan & Company and the sponsoring association/organization have no control over availability.

an unforgettable view of the impressive Mount Rotu'i and the sparkling waters of Cook and 'Opunohu Bays.

Impressive temples evoke Mo'orea's French Polynesian heritage, while European churches underscore its role as a center for 19th-century missionary activity. **BORA BORA**

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Contemporary islanders continue the traditions of their forefathers, farming pineapples and papayas and crafting fine art from seashells and indigenous wood. Learn more about the interplay between the culture and the ecosystem at the Richard B. Gump Pacific Research Station and Atitia Outreach Center. Later, on board the ship, hear an enriching lecture by naturalist Frank Murphy from the Gump Research Station. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure with snorkeling opportunities in Mo'orea's turquoise lagoons.

HUAHINE

Ra'iatea

Saturday, February 1

In the pre-colonial era, Ra'iatea served as the political and spiritual heart of the Society Islands and was beloved by Captain Cook, who called here on each of his three voyages. It was the launchpad for the colonization of Hawai'i, the Marquesas and New Zealand, and according to local legend, the birthplace of 'Oro, god of war and fertility. Visit French Polynesia's only UNESCO World Heritage site, the well-preserved marae complex of Taputapuātea (offering from afar), comprised of a cultural landscape and a natural seascape, with the main set of marae—constructed of coral and black volcanic rock—representing where the living world intersects the ancestral world. Aboard a motor-powered outrigger canoe, cruise upstream along the serene Fa'aroa River, the only navigable river in French Polynesia, as it threads through a realm of *māpē*, pūrau (wild hibiscus) and 'ohe (bamboo).

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Gather on deck for a barbecue dinner under the "ash-blue sky alive with stars," as Impressionist Henri Matisse described the Tahitian night.

Ra'iatea/Taha'a

Sunday, February 2

Taha'a is dominated by the profile of Mount Ohiri, named for Hiro, Polynesian god of sailors and thieves. Continued harvesting of the world's most flavorful vanilla beans and the region's distinctive black pearl oysters provides the islanders' livelihoods. Gain a deeper understanding of traditional French Polynesian agriculture as you tour the fragrant grounds of a vanilla plantation, followed by a visit to a farm where lustrous black pearls are meticulously cultivated underwater. Savor a specially arranged beach barbecue lunch on a private *motu* (islet), where you can also swim, snorkel or kayak.

Bora Bora Monday and Tuesday, February 3 and 4

Bora Bora is the proverbial vision of paradise with black basalt peaks cloaked in a thick tropical forest and silhouetted against sparkling turquoise waters. Alongside glittering Fa'anui Bay, see the ceremonial site of the Fare Opu *marae*, adorned with petroglyphs of turtles, a sacred creature in French Polynesia, and look for nearly imperceptible bunkers constructed by American soldiers during World War II.

Visit the glittering ring of tiny motus with white sand beaches surrounding the seldom-visited island of Taha'a, the quintessence of idyll and serenity awash with the soothing aroma of vanilla wafting from secluded plantations.





Indulge in the immaculate beaches, turquoise lagoons and abundant greenery gracing the Society Islands.

The islanders of Bora Bora often wear the traditional and colorful hand-dyed *pareo*. In the island's forested interior, villagers cultivate breadfruit, coconuts and *taro* (an endemic root vegetable); preserve the ancient ruins of stone *marae*; and show reverence for ancestral Polynesian deities. Observe the art of dyeing *pareo* and enjoy a taste of the island's local fruits.

From a lookout point, admire Bora Bora's highest peak, Mount Otemanu, a natural beacon over the "Pearl of the Pacific"; then enjoy time at leisure to explore the island.

An optional excursion cruises the island's iridescent lagoon to encounter graceful stingrays and a coral garden where parrotfish, butterflyfish and triggerfish flourish. Dinner Monday night will be an authentic French Polynesian feast held on a private *motu*.

Huahine

Wednesday, February 5

Idyllic Huahine consists of two islands— Huahine-Nui (big) and Huahine-Iti (small)—separated by a deep blue bay and ringed by a coral atoll. Aboard an open-air "Le Truck," ride between the ocean and a woodland of towering *māpē* trees draped with sweet-scented vanilla vines to the settlement of Maeva, the ancient religious center of Huahine-Nui and the greatest concentration of archaeological sites in French Polynesia.

Enjoy incredible snorkeling opportunities in the pristine, sparkling waters of French Polynesia.



In Maeva, see over 10 *marae*—built in the 16th century of locally quarried stone—as well as former homes and fortification walls. Enjoy the breathtaking vista of gleaming Maro'e Bay and lofty Mount Turi en route to the picturesque village of Fare to see blue-eyed river eels, considered sacred by locals.

After an afternoon at leisure, attend the Captain's Farewell Reception.

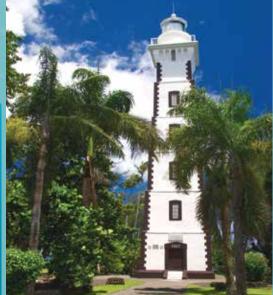
Pape'ete, Tahiti Thursday, February 6

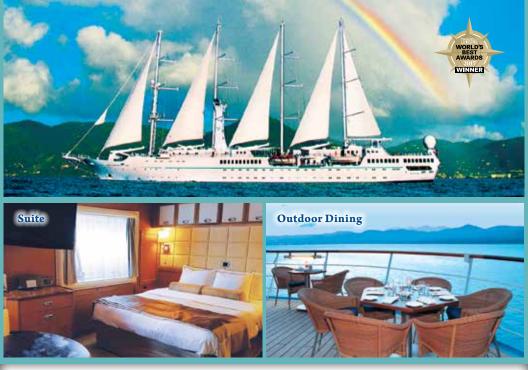
Disembark the ship and explore Tahiti's

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 available in the INTERCONTINENTAL PAPE'ETE. Continue on to the Mo'orea Post-Program Option or transfer to the airport for your return flight home.

U.S. Friday, February 7 Arrive in the U.S.

See the only operational lighthouse on Tahiti, guarding Point Venus, the island's northernmost point.





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The intimate, four-masted WIND SPIRIT offers an unforgettable Five-Star sailing experience. This small ship is designed to sail its year-round home of French Polynesia, from deep seas into lagoons inaccessible to larger vessels. The WIND SPIRIT's gourmet dining and wide teak decks with unobscured views provides a private sailing yacht experience to each guest.

With Our Compliments

A host of complimentary indulgences await you—fresh flowers and fruit in your Suite or Stateroom to welcome you aboard, house wine served with lunch and dinner, alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages served throughout the cruise and available in your minibar and 24-hour room service. Shipboard gratuities are included.

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Included Features

Round-trip Air Tahiti Nui flight from Los Angeles.[‡] In Pape'ete, Tahiti

- ◆ Two nights (air schedules permitting) in the Five-Star INTERCONTINENTAL PAPE'ETE.
- Breakfast each morning.
- Welcome Reception in the hotel.
- Tour of Tahiti's West Coast, featuring visits to the sacred 'Ārahurahu marae, Spring Garden of Vaipahi and enchanting Mara'a Grotto.
- Excursion on the **East Coast** of **Tahiti**, featuring the James Norman Hall Museum and Point Venus.
- Day-room accommodations in the INTERCONTINENTAL PAPE'ETE on February 6.

On Board the Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star, Small Sailing Ship WIND SPIRIT

- Seven-night cruise round trip Pape'ete, Tahiti, with port calls at the French Polynesian islands of Mo'orea, Ra'iatea, Taha'a, Bora Bora and Huahine.
- Five-Star, ocean-view accommodations.
- Captain's Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available throughout the cruise.
- All meals aboard ship.
- Complimentary kayaking and snorkeling equipment in the reef-protected waters surrounding the Society Islands.
- Tour of Mo'orea, the tropical paradise that is said to have inspired James Michener's "Bali Ha'i," featuring spectacular views from Belvedere Point.
- Visit to the Atitia Outreach Center on Mo'orea to learn more about French Polynesia's unique ecosystem.
- Excursion on Ra'iatea, the cradle of early French Polynesian culture, to the *Taputapuātea* UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Visit to a vanilla plantation and a pearl farm on Taha'a and a barbecue lunch on a private motu.
- Panoramic tour on idyllic **Bora Bora**, featuring the site of the island's largest *marae*, the partially buried temple of Fare Opu, etched with turtle petroglyphs.
- Specially arranged, traditional French Polynesian dinner on a private motu off Bora Bora.
- Demonstration of dyeing the traditional French Polynesian *pareo* and tasting of local fruits on Bora Bora.
- Excursion to Huahine, the former home of Tahitian royalty and site of the largest concentration of ancient marae.



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- Gohagan & Company on the program travel dates. ♦ Low Air Add-Ons are available from select cities.[†]
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- Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.
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The Lure the South Pacific

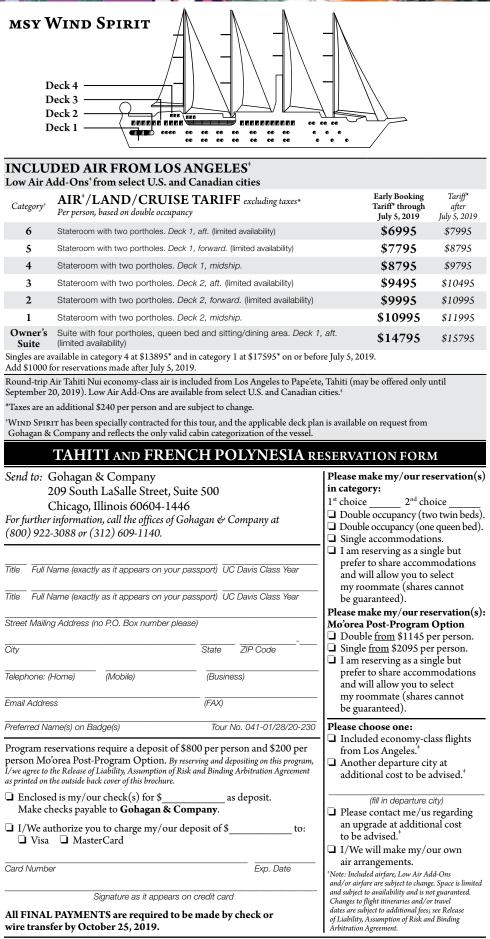
The turquoise lagoons, wind-sculpted peaks and white-sand beaches fringed with palm trees of the idyllic islands of French Polynesia have been a dreamscape even before explorers James Cook, Samuel Wallis and Louis de Bougainville fell under their spell in the 18th century. Among the last places on earth to be settled by humans, the rich cultural traditions of contemporary Tahitian society are entwined with the legacy of Ma'ohi ancestors, ancient Samoan mariners and European explorers who used the stars, sun, tides and flight patterns of birds to navigate the Pacific Ocean. The most visible remains of ancient Tahitian culture can be seen in its *marae*.

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 myths and legends of a polytheistic society. The French Polynesian reverence for nature coexists with time-honored agrarian traditions and preservation. Exalted for their beautiful landscapes and rich cultural traditions, the mystical pull of these halcyon isles is impossible to resist.

Extend your sojourn in French Polynesia with two nights in a Five-Star seaside resort on Mo'orea.

two nights in a Five-Star seaside resort on Mo'orea Enjoy magnificent, expansive ocean views from your deluxe beachfront or overwater bungalow (choose from two categories). Observe the abundant, colorful marine life on a reef excursion, dine in one of the island's gourmet restaurants for the exotic fusion of flavors of fresh local seafood prepared with French Polynesian flair, or enjoy the resort's wide array of watersports and stunning white-sand beach. This option includes breakfast daily and ferry round trip Tahiti and Mo'orea.

The Post-Program Option is at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.



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Feel the gentle tropical breezes on Bora Bora, arguably the most beautiful island in French Polynesia.

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