

DESTINATION INFORMATION - FIJI

Over 300 islands create a boating mecca, destined to be cruised and explored. Just over 100 of these are uninhabited. Be amazed by beautiful white sandy beaches and coconut trees, pristine coral and a plethora of underwater tropical fish. Ashore be privileged by an introduction to traditional village life.

COORDINATES	18°00S, 179°00E																		
LANGUAGE	Fijian and Hindustrani; English widely spoken																		
BIGGEST ISLAND	Viti Levu																		
WEATHER	Climate is tropical marine and warm year-round with minimal extremes. The warm season is from November to April and cooler from May to October. Temperature in the cool season averages 22C (72F). Rainfall is more expected in the warm season and light and moderate trade winds are from E to SE.																		
BEST TIME TO CHARTER	May-October																		
AIRPORTS	There are two international airports, the bigger one being Nadi International Airport (NAN) in Viti Levu.																		
TIME	UTC+12																		
CURRENCY	Fijian Dollar (FJD); American Express, Diners Club, MasterCard and Visa are accepted in a number of establishments and can be used in resorts on most islands. ATMs are found in Nadi, Suva and Savusavu and are growing rather slowly throughout the islands.																		
ELECTRICITY	240 V, 50 Hz; Australian-style plugs used																		
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MAIN PORTS AND MARINAS	Royal Suva Yacht Club, The Copra Shed Marina, Musket Cove Marina, Port Denarau Marina (all on Viti Levu)																		
RECOMMENDED BEACHES	All but a few islands in Fiji are surrounded by coral reefs and have bathtub-like lagoons lapping on coral sands rimmed with coconut palm trees. Most lagoons in Fiji are shallow at low tide.																		
CULTURAL	Fijians are very welcoming people and visitors often experience local hospitality. Informal casual wear is generally acceptable.																		

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