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## TRAVEL & RENDEZVOUS INFORMATION

NAI'A FIJI SCUBA DIVING EXPEDITIONS 2015  
TRIP DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR HOSTS FOR THIS CHARTER: \_\_\_\_\_

## CHECK-IN

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- Re-confirm your flights 72-hours prior to departure and double check flight times and numbers.
- The Fiji Airways counter, located in the Tom Bradley International Terminal at Los Angeles Airport, opens 5 hours prior to departure. Check in is three hours in advance of scheduled flight departure. If counter check-in is within 1 hour of departure passengers will be denied boarding.
- Pack carefully. Most airlines adhere to strict luggage limits. All tickets issued by Fiji Airways after December 1<sup>st</sup> 2015 allow 1 bag at 23kg per bag (50.06 pounds) for normal economy and 3 bags at 30kg per bag (66lbs per bag) for business class for passengers departing from Los Angeles only. For passengers who are holding tickets purchased prior to December 1<sup>st</sup> 2015, for travel on/after December 1<sup>st</sup> 2015, the baggage allowance will be honored per what was applicable at the time of purchase or as displayed on their tickets.
- Lost/delayed luggage problems are usually avoided by personally checking in bags with the international carrier. If you are connecting from another airline before a Fiji flight, collect your bags from that original flight and check them in again prior to your Fiji departure.
- Fiji Airways is offering a SPECIAL \$50 USD rate each way (LAXNAN / NANLAX and HNLNAN / NANHNL) for the 2nd bag (up to 50lb) and this has to be pre-paid at least **two weeks** prior to departure through our office. If you wish to take this offer, please email us on [explore@naia.com.fj](mailto:explore@naia.com.fj). Please be advised that this offer is only valid to those who booked exclusively with Fiji Airways.

## ARRIVAL IN NADI

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- To clear customs and immigration in Fiji you must show your valid passport (valid for 6 months) and return ticket.
- As a tourist, you do not need a visa for stays less than 120 days.

- Before departing the airport, change some money at the bank in the international terminal.
- Please note: for purchases on NAI'A we accept US dollars, traveler's checks, Visa, MasterCard and American Express.

## TRANSFER TO NAI'A

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- Your cruise aboard NAI'A begins at the Lautoka Wharf at 2:00 pm on Tuesday. We will provide transport from Nadi-area hotels and the airport **starting at around 1:00 pm.**
- If you plan to arrive in Fiji one or more days prior to the charter, you should book Monday night in a Nadi hotel. Outer island flights can be unreliable so we ask that you be in Nadi the day before your charter starts.
- If you arrive in Fiji on Tuesday morning, you will probably want to book a day room in Nadi in which to rest until pick-up time at 1:00pm.
- Please make sure to notify our office with your pick-up location well in advance.
- On-board you will receive an orientation while your luggage is taken to your stateroom. Light snacks will be served as we make our way to the afternoon's dive site.

## VOYAGING

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- NAI'A's precise itinerary is weather dependent, however the first location will provide ideal checkout dive conditions - relatively shallow and calm, but still appealing.
- No major crossing is made until after the first day – there's plenty of time to get your sea legs.
- Three dives are scheduled for the final full day, as well as time to wash and dry diving gear.

- There is an additional charge for Nitrox (enriched air) of \$150 USD per week or \$210 USD per 10-day trip, with a \$30 USD reduction when taking the Nitrox certification course on board.
- We offer a range of PADI scuba diving courses on board from Open Water and Nitrox through Rescue. Please enquire in advance so our instructors can prepare the necessary materials before your charter.
- The ship is equipped with cell phones that work in limited areas during the charter. We also have a satellite telephone that allows us to maintain contact at all times. The phone number is 8816-316-13518. Please note there is a charge of \$4.50 USD per minute to make or receive satellite phone calls.

## DISEMBARKING & DEPARTURE

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- Flight confirmations and day room bookings are made during the trip via email or phone to our office.
- On the day the charter ends, continental breakfast will be served before we bid you farewell **at 8am.**
- Air-conditioned vehicles will transfer you to your hotel in Nadi or to the airport.
- If your flight home departs in the evening, we recommend you book a day room where you can store your luggage while you tour for the day and relax and shower before the flight.
- There is a departure tax for Fiji but this is already included in the ticket you have purchased to enter the country.

## WHAT TO BRING

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- Pack a warm sweater and pants - life at sea is cooler than in shore-based resorts, especially after multiple dives each day. We want you to enjoy the starry night sky and the fresh air! For more information on air temperature see our website [naia.com.fj/research/weather.html](http://naia.com.fj/research/weather.html).

- Weather conditions vary widely throughout the year. For up to date water temperature information, visit our webpage at: [naia.com.fj/fiji.php?climate-water-temperature-2](http://naia.com.fj/fiji.php?climate-water-temperature-2)
- Most NAI'A divers require at least a 3mm wetsuit or thermal skin in our summer months (November-March). For winter (June-July, September-October), we recommend either a one-piece 5mm suit for winter in addition to a hood or hooded vest. If you get cold easily, plan on bringing extra layers. Warm divers stay under longer so don't skimp on protection.
- Save some weight! We now have lovely locally made Pure Fiji shampoo, cream rinse, bath gel and body lotion for your use while on-board.
- Feel free to bring your choice of music, books or videos for your entertainment. NAI'A now has dozens of TV shows, hundreds of movies and thousands of books available for your use during the charter. Please just ask your Cruise Directors to find out how to access our collection.
- Don't forget your diving certification card!
- All cabins are equipped with US and Australian Standard electrical outlets. If your devices are of another type, you should bring your own adapters.
- Our crew would greatly appreciate current news, science, or other magazines, as they are hard to come by here.
- During your cruise we will visit a Fijian village on a remote island. If you would like to bring a gift to the village, we would suggest toothpaste and tooth brushes, school bags, rain boots and rain coats for the children, second-hand clothing for adults and children, hand soap, preferably biodegradable, solar powered flashlights and radios, basic medical supplies like big bandages, dressings, antibiotic cream and basic antibiotics.

## ONBOARD PURCHASES

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- We carry a wide variety of NAI'A souvenirs on board, including t-shirts, hats, sweatshirts, rash guards and jewelry.
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- Please note that we have a fuel surcharge that will be added to your onboard bill. If you wish to pre-pay this, please contact Mike or Joeli for more information.
- For purchases made while onboard, we accept US dollars, Fijian dollars, travellers' checks Visa, Mastercard and American Express. Please be aware that there is an additional charge of 2.5% on Visa and Mastercard and 3% for American Express.

Please let us know if we can provide you any further information.

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