



COOK ISLANDS

MOANA SANDS LAGOON RESORT & TAMANU BEACH RESORT

(TOUR CODE: 11737)

STARTS AND ENDS

in Rarotonga

TRAVEL PERIODS

until 31 Mar 25

EXPERIENCE

Beach

TRAVEL STYLE

Independent Holiday Packages

Escape to the Cook Islands, from lush mountains and pristine rain forests of Rarotonga, to dreamy turquoise waters of the Aitutaki Lagoon.

Highlights

- Stay in a **Beachfront Studio** located on the ground with a private balcony or patio at Moana Sands Lagoon Resort
- Stay in an Intimate **Beachfront Bungalow** boasting an additional outside garden shower **with private access directly from the beach** at Tamanu Beach
- Cruise to 3 fantastic, **remote islets** and stop for **snorkelling** where you can feed tropical fish and see giant clams during the **Lagoon Cruise on The Vaka!**
- **Fresh Flower Ei Meet and Greet** on arrival
- **Internal Flights** Rarotonga – Aitutaki – Rarotonga
- **Aluminum water bottle** for keepsave - eliminate plastic on the islands
- **Private Transfers** with **Piccollo Bubbly** on arrival in Rarotonga
- **Transfers** on Aitutaki
- 1x **Freedom of Choice** Activity

Your escape starts with a 5 night stay at Moana Sands Lagoon Resort. The resort offers a quiet, intimate environment where you can truly relax and enjoy nature's green surroundings and tropical ambience. Located close to the popular Muri Village, the resort is framed with swaying palm trees with a lovely backdrop of the majestic lush mountains. Soak up the sun or explore the lagoon and its rich marine life with complimentary kayaks and snorkelling gear. Enjoy a cocktail or two poolside or lounge around on the complimentary sun loungers and enjoy the stunning views.

You will then fly to Aitutaki for another 5 night stay at Tamanu Beach. The resort offers guests a truly wonderful experience combining a blend of culture, tradition, superb beachfront location and friendly local Cook Islands hospitality. Located near the Arutanga township, the resort has all the facilities one expects of a superior resort. From the beautiful beachfront bungalows to the private beach to the Tamanu Restaurant, this resort is sure to impress. Relax by the pool and enjoy a cocktail or take time to explore the lagoon through a bit of snorkelling, kayaking or swimming.

There's a unique choice of tours designed for you to explore the culture and beauty of the islands and its people on your escape to the Cook Islands.



- ✓ ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ✓ ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ✓ ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ✓ ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ✓ ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ✓ ENTIRE Australian Owned

INCLUSIONS

- 5 nights at Moana Sands Lagoon Resort - 3*
- 5 nights at Tamanu Beach Resort - 3*
- Fresh "Flower Ei" meet and greet on arrival
- Return airfares Rarotonga to Aitutaki
- Private return transfers from Rarotonga Airport to Moana Sands Lagoon Resort
- Private return transfers from Aitutaki Airport to Tamanu Beach
- Daily Tropical Breakfasts at Moana Sands Lagoon Resort
- Daily A la Carte Breakfasts at Tamanu Beach Resort
- Lagoon Cruise on The Vaka

Freedom of Choice Days

Freedom of Choice



Our Freedom of Choice program offers flexibility, by allowing you to choose from different options on pre-selected days.

Our per person price includes one tour on each Freedom of Choice day, as follows:

- One "Freedom of Choice" tour on day 2-5

Expand the itinerary below for more details.

Please note, if more than one room is selected during the booking process, our team will contact you afterwards to discuss options.

ITINERARY

Rarotonga Airport Moana Sands Lagoon Resort

Upon arrival at Rarotonga Airport you will be greeted with Fresh "Flower Ei" and escorted to your private transfer to Moana Sands Lagoon Resort. Along the way you will enjoy a refreshing juice or piccolo bubbly with chilled towels.

In an effort to eliminate plastics on the island, you will also receive an aluminium water bottle with pure water for use and keepsake.

Arrive at Moana Sands Lagoon Resort for check-in and enjoy the resort facilities for the rest of the day.

Overnight stay at **Moana Sands Lagoon Resort** in a Deluxe Lagoon Studio.



Rarotonga

It's time to explore the island! Enjoy a pre-selected tour from our **Freedom of Choice** options below. These tours can be taken on any day of your stay on Rarotonga with a maximum of 1 tour per itinerary as outlined below.

Overnight stay at **Moana Sands Lagoon Resort** in a Deluxe Lagoon Studio.

Breakfast

Freedom of Choice Options

- **Kitesup Shipwreck Snorkel Tour:**

Available on Monday to Friday (Children under 12 years not permitted)

Explore, enjoy & experience the beauty of our island paradise above and below water. The Sea Scooter Snorkel Tour is a thrilling way of experiencing Rarotonga's crystal clear waters and its astonishing marine life. Make your moments in Rarotonga unforgettable ones!

OR

- **Highland Paradise Kaara Island Night:**

Available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday

The multi-award winning Ka'ara Island Night is an authentic Cook Islands cultural experience that immerses guests into the history of this 600 year old site through legends told, warrior chants, song, dance, and beating drums. Savour the local delicacies including traditional favourites prepared in an underground oven while embracing our proud Cook Islands culture.

OR

- **Storytellers Discover Bicycle Tour:**

Available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Travel the ancient backroads along level to gently sloping terrain, stopping at intervals to enjoy local fruits and stories told by your tour guide. This 3.5 hour tour covers a distance of around 8-12 kilometres and caters to those with basic fitness levels and limited riding experience. Definitely a fun and of course eco-friendly way to discover Rarotonga.

OR

- **Raro Tours Island Discovery Tour:**

Available on Monday to Friday

In the comfort of an air-conditioned vehicle this 3-hour guided tour is a brilliant way to kickstart your holiday before exploring the island on your own. On tour you will discover many places of interest around Rarotonga including popular beaches, cultural and historical sites, local plantations, gift shops and more. Light refreshments provided at the completion of your tour.



Day **6**

Rarotonga Aitutaki

After your tropical breakfast check out from Moana Sands Lagoon Resort and take your private transfer to Rarotonga Airport.

A quick and comfortable forty-five minute flight from Rarotonga takes you to the sublime turquoise waters of one of the world's most beautiful tropical lagoons.

Arrive at Tamanu Beach and check-in. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

Overnight stay at **Tamanu Beach** in a One Bedroom Beachfront Bungalow.

Breakfast



Day **7-10** Aitutaki

Days at leisure, take advantage of the many complimentary activities Tamanu Beach has to offer.

While you are on Aitutaki you can enjoy a **Lagoon Cruise on the Vaka** with lunch and transfers

This superb cruise takes you to three fantastic, remote islets and a snorkelling area where you can feed tropical fish and see giant clams. Visit Akaiami, Moturakau and One Foot Island. Relax, enjoy warm tropical waters and be amazed by the natural beauty of Aitutaki's world famous lagoon. The Vaka Cruise includes a substantial barbecue lunch with fresh fish and alcoholic beverages and soft drinks are available for sale. Towels, snorkels, masks and fins provided. The cruise provides complimentary tea, coffee and cold water onboard and biscuits for the hot drinks.

Overnight stay at **Tamanu Beach** in a One Bedroom Beachfront Bungalow.

Breakfast, Lunch



Day **11** Aitutaki Rarotonga

Enjoy your A la Carte breakfast and check out. Relax on your return flight to Rarotonga after your escape in the Cook Islands.

Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION

Moana Sands Lagoon Resort

Rarotonga

Situated on the famous Muri Beach overlooking Rarotonga's famous pristine lagoon, this modern 'adults only' 18+ resort offers deluxe studios and suites spread across two levels (ground and first floor), a large spectacular swimming pool, cabana, sun lounging deck, kayaks, guest laundry, Hibiscus spa and the contemporary and stylish Laguna Restaurant & Bar.



Tamanu Beach Resort

Aitutaki

Tamanu Beach Resort is located on the western coast of Aitutaki, with stunning sunset views from the beachfront Restaurant and Bar and offers guests a truly unique Polynesian experience. The private, white sand beach borders Aitutaki Island's crystal clear lagoon providing endless opportunities for island activities such as swimming, snorkelling, stand up paddleboards and kayaking in the azure waters.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Cook Islands Maori and English

LOCAL CURRENCY

New Zealand Dollar (NZD)

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package i.e. mandatory festive dinners
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package