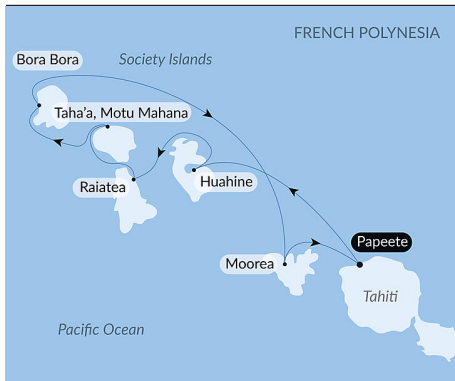


Pearls of the Society Islands

From **22/5/2027**
to **29/5/2027**

Ship: **Le Paul Gauguin**

From **Papeete, Tahiti Island**
to **Papeete, Tahiti Island**



A vast expanse dotted with some one hundred heavenly islets and idyllic atolls bathing in stunning, translucent lagoons with a rich marine biodiversity, French Polynesia invites you for an enchanting, intriguing and captivating interlude.

Set sail from **Papeete** aboard **Le Paul Gauguin** for an exceptional 8-day cruise to discover the **gems of the Society Islands**, including extraordinary landscapes and captivating historical and cultural treasures. The perfect introduction to the picture-perfect charms of the **South Pacific**, this wonderful cruise whisks you away to destinations that played muse for authors James A. Michener, Herman Melville, painters Paul Gauguin and Henri Matisse, and many more.

The sweet scent of vanilla and Tahitian gardenias bewitches you and your dreams of escape and contemplation now seem within hand's reach. Marvel at the beauty of **Huahine**; the cradle of Polynesian culture on the mythical island of **Raiatea**; the majestic ballet of the colourful fish undulating through the turquoise waters of **motu Mahana**, our small, private paradise steeped in the scent of vanilla; and **Bora Bora's** stunning lagoon and distinctive volcanic silhouette.

Before disembarking in **Papeete**, feast your eyes on the incomparable beauty of **Moorea**.



The information in this document is valid as of 26/2/2026

Pearls of the Society Islands

YOUR STOPOVERS :

PAPEETE, TAHITI ISLAND

Embarkation 22/5/2027 From 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Departure 22/5/2027 at 6:30 pm

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.

HUAHINE, SOCIETY ISLANDS

Arrival 23/5/2027 early morning

Departure 23/5/2027 late afternoon

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.

RAIATEA, SOCIETY ISLANDS

Arrival 24/5/2027 early morning

Departure 24/5/2027 late afternoon

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.

MOTU MAHANA, TAHA'A ISLAND, SOCIETY ISLANDS

Arrival 25/5/2027

Departure 25/5/2027 late afternoon

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*.

BORA BORA, SOCIETY ISLANDS

Arrival 26/5/2027

Departure 27/5/2027 late afternoon

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 Otemanua**. A promenade through this volcanic landscape will enable you to discover a number of villages and meet local communities.

MOOREA ISLAND

Arrival 28/5/2027 early morning

Departure 28/5/2027 late afternoon

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.

PAPEETE, TAHITI ISLAND

Arrival 28/5/2027 early evening

Disembarkation 29/5/2027 at 8:00 am

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.