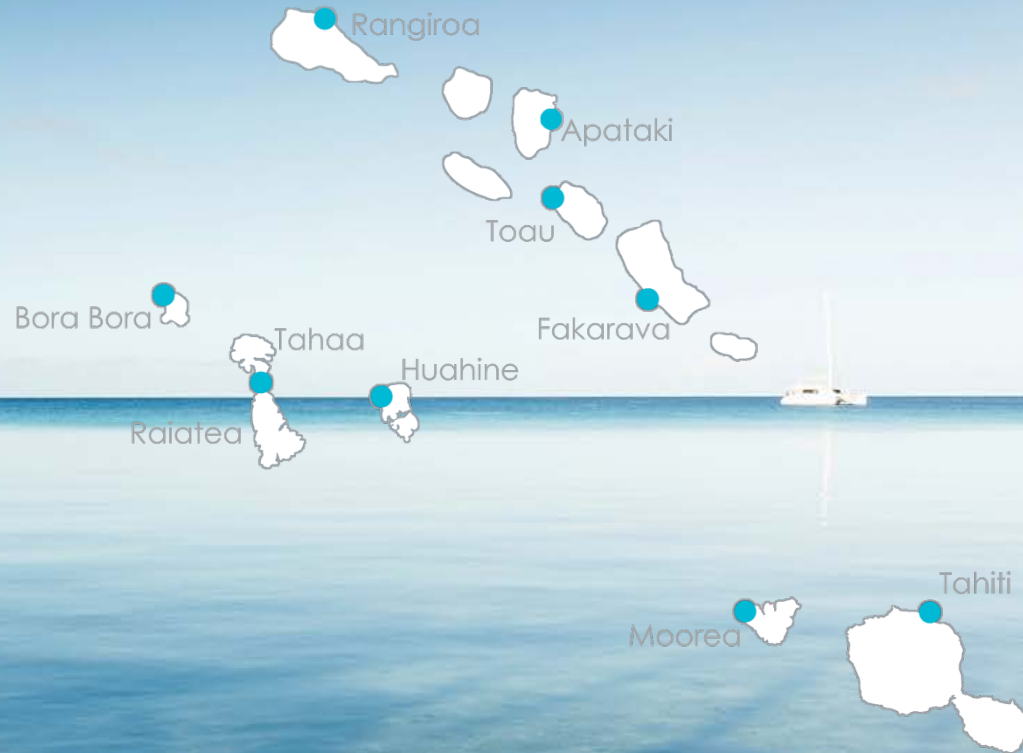


Discover the stunning islands and atolls of the French Polynesia aboard HEMISPHERE in 2018 & 2019

The Pacific is the world's largest ocean, scattered with distant groups of untouched tropical islands, each with a unique culture and ecology. Here you can swim in clear warm water, dive on pristine coral reefs or simply leave your footprints in the sand.



2 weeks sample itinerary



The following itineraries can be used as a guide to discover The Society Islands and Tuamotus in French Polynesia, or combined together to create the ultimate 16 day get away. Enjoy the first week in the Society Islands with a stop over in a high-end hotel in Bora Bora while Hemisphere relocates to the Tuamotus for the second week's cruising.

The Society Islands, Tahiti to Bora Bora – towering lush green mountains jut out from the cobalt blue Pacific making dramatic islands, whose waters are protected by fringing reefs. Cruising through here is ideal for groups who like a mixture of activities to keep everyone entertained.

The Tuamotus, Fakarava to Rangiroa – these atolls are made up from low lying coral atolls which decorate the ocean like an intricate piece of jewelry. Cruising here is ideal for guests who love to dive and snorkel in one of world's best dive locations, but equally for those who like to get away and enjoy beach time.



Week 1: The Society Islands

Day 1: Tahiti and Moorea

Fly in and join HEMISPHERE in Tahiti, and then sail over to Moorea, hopefully for the first opportunity to spot Humpback whales (July to November). Take a dip before lunch and then snorkel and feed the sting rays in Moorea's lagoon.

Day 2: Moorea

Wake up in Moorea and start the day with an adventure – quadbike around the dormant volcanoes, with lush vegetation and flowers, home to pineapple plantations, and enjoy the great views! Discover diving with scuba lessons on board. Depart over night for Huahine, cruising under the stars.

Day 3: Huahine

Start fishing at first light. Enjoy breakfast on board as approaching Huahine followed by watersports and fun filled morning, before lunch on the beach with games afterwards. Enjoy happy hour following by dinner on board sampling the days catch!



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Day 4: Raiatea

HEMISPHERE will weigh anchor in the morning and cruise to Raiatea, this was the centre of the Polynesia society and from where they sailed to discover Hawaii and New Zealand. Dominated by a 3300ft lush peak, and surrounded by a reef which provides a constant supply of waves to surf.

Day 5: Tahaa

Time for a day of pampering! Once HEMISPHERE has arrived at Tahaa, a masseuse can step on board for ultimate relaxation. Followed by an afternoon walk to the vanilla farm, to collect some fresh vanilla for the evenings dessert!

Option to extend?

If this week in paradise is not enough for you, then extend the trip for another week in the Tuamotus. Stay for a two of three nights in one of the top hotels in Bora Bora, whilst HEMISPHERE relocates to Fakarava to begin the next adventure! The flight time is around 80mins to Fakarava.

Day 6: Bora Bora

There is no introduction needed for Bora Bora! It lives up to everyone's expectations and more. Dive or snorkel to explore the reef and the colourful underwater life. Followed by dinner on board with Tahitian Dancers in traditional dress, whose dances and body movements tell ancient stories passed down through the generations.

Day 7: Bora Bora

Wake up that morning to dive with manta rays as they visit their 'cleaning station'. Then rent some jetskis and explore the lagoon.





Week 2: The Tuamotus



Day 1 or 10: Fakarava – south

Land in the morning and settle on board HEMISPHERE. Enjoy lunch whilst cruising 30mn south. During the afternoon enjoy snorkelling and diving at the south Pass, one to the best dive sites in the world. Kayak ashore and visit the numerous motus, with their pink sands and turquoise waters.

Day 2 or 11: Fakarava - north

Dive/snorkel the South Pass in the morning before heading back up to the North Pass with lunch on board underway. Stop to dive and snorkel on the outside reef on Fakarava's northern west shores. Here is also a great opportunity to visit a pearl farm.

Day 3 or 12: Toau

A 25nm sail delivers HEMISPHERE to the second stop in the Tuamotus. Here there is most phenomenal pass for diving loaded with marine life as well as perfect reefs and stunning sun drenched beaches ready for footprints.

Day 4 or 13: Toau - west

Jump on board TT for an action packed day of game fishing to tag and release blue marlin, whilst HEMISPHERE gets a head start and sails down Toau's northern reef. HEMISPHERE will anchor next to a tiny Polynesia fishing village, and more diving can take place on the outer reef. Over night HEMISPHERE will relocate to Apataki.

Day 5 or 14: Apataki

HEMISPHERE will arrive in time for breakfast and glide in between the reef and Apataki's atoll. The incoming current can be great for spotting schools of grey reef sharks. Experience beautiful and vibrant coral reef life on the northern outer reef. Once again overnight HEMISPHERE will make a passage to Rangiroa for the final island stop.

Days 6 or 15: Rangiroa

A pod of bottle nosed dolphins can usually be found playing in Rangiroa's northeast pass and will welcome guests to Rangiroa. There are excellent dive sights on the northeast and west passes, when silver tip sharks and dolphins can be found. For non divers a must is a trip to the Blue Lagoon!

Days 6 – 7: Rangiroa

For the last day on board HEMISPHERE, enjoy a relaxed breakfast on board followed by one last snorkel on the coral boomies and head to the Blue Lagoon.

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