



Tour Programme

Silver Whisper 4901 / 12 Days

January-06-2019 / January-18-2019
San Francisco, USA / Papeete, French Polynesia



Date	Arrive	Depart
6 San Francisco, USA		6:00 PM
7 Day at sea		
8 Day at sea		
9 Day at sea		
10 Day at sea		
11 Day at sea		
12 Day at sea		
13 Day at sea		
14 Nuku Hiva, French Polynesia	8:00 AM	8:00 PM
15 Day at sea		
16 Rangiroa, French Polynesia	8:00 AM	5:30 PM
17 Moorea, French Polynesia	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
17 Papeete, French Polynesia	7:30 PM	
18 Papeete, French Polynesia		

General Information

ORGANISED SHORE EXCURSIONS

Booking Direct with Silversea gives you peace of mind. Our local tour operators are fully insured and have been comprehensively vetted. In the unlikely event of issues with a Silversea tour, we assume responsibility and the ship will wait for our delayed shore excursion. These are important factors when comparing value. Looking for a special program with your travelling companions? In a nod to our Italian heritage, let us reserve for you our Silver Shore "Privato" service - a private vehicle with driver and/or guide. Create your own itinerary or leave it to us. This service is available in most ports which you can reserve on MySilversea (my.silversea.com) or at the Shore Concierge desk onboard for a truly tailor-made arrangement. Please bear in mind as we traverse many far reaching destinations, the local infrastructure varies and is beyond our control. Road conditions and vehicles available locally may not be up to standards we are accustomed to. Guides and drivers may speak with a heavy accent at times depending on the port of call. Be assured however that at Silversea, we contract only the best tours and best operators available at each destination. Please Note: Silversea reserves the right to make any changes or modify a tour in case of unforeseen circumstances and/or to ensure the safety and comfort of our guests.

BOOKING & CANCELLATION DEADLINES

Shore excursions must be purchased on or before the booking deadline for each port of call. Tours are available on a first-come, first-served basis; some tours are very popular with guests often ending up being wait-listed: in order to avoid disappointment, it is therefore suggested to book in advance via my.silversea.com from 120 days until 48 hours prior to sailing. Last-minute requests to participate on excursions are subject to space availability, which in some cases may not be determined until departure time pier-side. Please note that certain shore excursions may have different reservation deadlines and may incur cancellation fees if cancelled after the deadline. Unless otherwise indicated in the tour description for a particular shore excursion a 100% cancellation fee will be charged for shore excursions cancelled within 48 hours of the scheduled start time. If changes or cancellations are required once onboard, tickets must be returned to the Shore Concierge desk within the cancellation deadline period.

ONLINE ADVANCE RESERVATION OF SHORE EXCURSIONS

For those of you that are not aware, at Silversea you can pre-reserve your excursions at leisure prior to your journey on the internet, log on to MySilversea (my.silversea.com) until 48 hours prior to sailing. If you have pre-reserved your excursions on line, your tickets will be delivered to your suite upon embarkation and all charges will be billed to your shipboard account.

ON BOARD RESERVATIONS

Once on board, you may also reserve and purchase your shore excursions. You will find a consolidated tour booking form in your suite and at the Shore Concierge desk. Select the tours in which you wish to participate, then leave the completed and signed form at the Shore Concierge desk prior to the booking deadline indicated. Tour tickets will be delivered to your suite and your selected excursions charged to your shipboard account. Overland and exclusive excursions must be pre-paid by credit card through your reservation agents. If still available they may also be purchased on board. Shore excursions require a minimum number of participants in order to operate as described. If this minimum number is not met, Silversea reserves the right to offer the programme at a different rate or to cancel the specific departure.

SHORE EXCURSION PRICING

Prices are generally quoted per person, per tour, with the exception of Silver Shore Privato or group-designated excursions. Prices are subject to change without notice. Please visit MySilversea (my.silversea.com) for the most up-to-date information. Discounts for children under 12 years of age are available on some, but not all tours. Prices for children, if available, will be adjusted onboard. Please meet with the Shore Concierge team prior to your excursion to discuss the availability of children's pricing.

ON-TIME TOUR DEPARTURES

As a courtesy to fellow guests, tour departures generally will not be announced unless there is an unforeseen change. Departure times from the ship are published in the ships daily newspaper, the Silversea Chronicle. Guests are kindly requested to proceed ashore at least ten minutes prior to the tour departure time. The Shore Concierge team will be pier-side to direct you to the appropriate transportation. When the ship is at anchor, guests must allow additional time to tender ashore.

Silversea Cruises reserves the right to adjust itineraries and tour departures as local conditions dictate. Please note that pier departure times are also listed in MySilversea (my.silversea.com)

TOUR SUITABILITY

At Silversea we offer a broad range of activities for our guests of all physical capabilities. Some excursions are decidedly only for the physically fit and active guest. Each excursion offered is clearly identified with an activity level to assist you. For your safety and enjoyment and that of your fellow guests, please be certain you're selecting excursions that meet your physical capability. We therefore encourage guests to review the tour description carefully including the PLEASE NOTE section which includes useful information and attend the port talks onboard. If you still have any questions or concerns regarding this, please contact Shore Concierge (shoreconcierge@silversea.com) prior to your cruise or visit the Shore Concierge desk for more detailed information once onboard.

ON LAND SILVER SHORE CONCIERGE SERVICES

Let Silversea Cruises customise a special event or excursion exclusively for you. Expert Shore Excursion professionals are available to assist with knowledgeable suggestions, personalised planning and coordination of all private, independent touring including area highlights, flightseeing, water sports and more. To take advantage of this service, requests should be submitted no later than 30 days prior to sailing and guests must have a deposited or fully paid cruise booking. Strict cancellation policies apply to your confirmed, exclusive programme. When calling or emailing, please have your booking number available. There is a service fee of \$100 per port to secure your arrangements, however this fee will be applied to your confirmed programme in that port. Call +1.800.968.9518 or e-mail: shoreconcierge@silversea.com The Shore Concierge may be contacted by phone, to arrange tailor-made tours, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (East Coast time U.S.) You may leave a detailed message when calling outside of these hours. You may also e-mail your request for your personalised programme.

ONBOARD SHORE CONCIERGE TEAM

Whether you wish to participate in an organised shore excursion or bespoke tailor-made tour, Silversea's experienced Shore Concierge team are happy to assist you in ensuring your shore-side experiences are nothing less than a memory that lasts forever.

The Shore Concierge team is available onboard on sea days from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Office opening hours in port may vary whilst staff is shore-side assisting you on tour. Please refer to the Silversea Chronicle for daily office opening hours.

When contemplating a tailor-made program onboard, please contact the Shore Concierge team as early as possible at the beginning of your cruise, as time may be a factor in reaching local contacts. Please be aware that once arrangements have been confirmed, 100% cancellation fee will be applied. Unfortunately, we are unable to change or cancel airline tickets, car rental, hotel or any other reservations you made previously with your travel agent or on your own. In many ports of call there may be a local hospitality representative on board to provide additional information, for two hours after the ship's arrival. In some ports, local information may be found in the tourist information centre ashore.

PORT TALKS

Throughout your cruise we'll be offering Port & Shore Excursion information given by our Shore Concierge Manager and Destination Consultant prior to arrival in each port of call. Our aim is to give you a travel experience that goes beyond the ordinary and many of your questions about our ports of call will be answered in these briefings, giving you more time to enjoy and immerse yourself in each port. The information is presented in the theater or is pre-recorded and played on your in-suite entertainment system.

SILVERSEA SHUTTLE SERVICE

Complimentary transportation may be provided by Silversea when the local town is beyond a reasonable walking distance from the port. This service may not be possible in ports where a strong taxi union exists, preventing Silversea from providing a complimentary shuttle. The availability and schedule for this service will be announced onboard and listed in the Silversea Chronicle. We are not able to advise this in advance. Operationally, intervals between shuttle bus departures could be affected by local traffic. Silversea is not liable for any unforeseen delays. There will be a break in service for driver meal times. Shuttle service is offered during the day only. The shuttle service is designed to augment local transportation; guests requiring more flexibility may prefer not to wait for a shuttle and secure a taxi at their own expense.

CHILDREN ON TOUR

To ensure the safety of our younger guests, participation by children in certain shore excursions may be restricted. To ensure the safety of our younger guests, children up to the age of 8 years old are only permitted to participate in suitable Silver Shore Excursions and the shuttle service, if the vehicles are equipped with the correct safety harness and seating equipment, to accommodate a child. Such harnesses' and secure seating cannot be guaranteed. Alternately guests may use their own approved safety seat, booster seat or harness as long as they are compatible with the local touring vehicle and can properly secure the young guest. Silversea reserves the right to refuse children under the age of 8 years old on any tour on the basis of safety.

GRATUITIES

Gratuities for local guides and drivers are not included in the excursion price. It is customary to tip tour guides and drivers. Such gratuities if extended, should be done so on a voluntary, individual basis.

MOBILE TELEPHONES

As a courtesy to fellow guests, kindly refrain from using mobile telephones while on tour so as not to interfere with the guide's explanation. Most tours make frequent stops, allowing time for guests to use their mobile telephones. We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

SMOKING

For reasons of safety and comfort, smoking is not permitted on any tour vehicles used by Silversea. Your understanding in this matter is appreciated.

VIDEO/PHOTOGRAPHY CHARGES

At some museums, sites and monuments, photography and/or the use of video cameras may not be allowed or may incur a charge. These charges are not included in the tour price and are at guests' own expense.

SHOPPING STOPS

While our organised excursions are not generally geared to the serious shopper, some tours allow for short shopping stops as indicated in the tour description. In the interest of all tour participants, guests should adhere to the allotted time and return to the tour vehicle promptly as advised by the tour guide or ship's escort. Please Note: The selection of shops is generally left to the discretion of the tour operator. Silversea does require that establishments be reputable, of general interest to our guests and offer quality goods. However, all purchases are the responsibility of the individual.

ADDITIONAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

Silversea Cruises Ltd. and its associated or affiliated companies act solely as agents for airlines, motorcoach companies, railroads and other service providers. The provisions in the cruise ticket contract govern Silversea Cruises Ltd.'s responsibility to guests and Silversea Cruises Ltd. shall not be liable in any manner, for any reason, with respect to other services provided. Silversea Cruises Ltd. cannot be held responsible for conditions prevalent ashore at ports of call. Some of these conditions might preclude individuals with disabilities from safe or practical participation in organised shore excursions. Silversea Cruises Ltd. cannot accept responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay in rail, plane, vessel or other services, sickness, weather, strikes, war, quarantine or other causes. These tour descriptions are a general overview of the programme and are subject to change. Our local operator reserves the right to substitute other sites if local situations, including holidays, closures, weather, delays, congestion, etc. require. Silversea Cruises Ltd. reserves the right to adjust shore excursion pricing.

INSURANCE

The extent of insurance coverage in foreign countries varies widely and depends on their laws and customs. It is suggested that guests consider short-term health and accident policies from their own insurance company prior to leaving home. Silversea Cruises, Ltd. cannot assume liability for baggage or other personal effects lost or damaged while those items are in the custody of an airline, hotel or other service provider. Baggage is always 'at owner's expense' at all times.

Activity Level and Icon Definition



Minimal Activity

Excursions are easily paced without the need for excessive walking or physical activities. Being able to board motor coaches and negotiate steps can be encountered.



Moderate Activity

Full participation may include a limited number of steps, uneven surfaces and/or periods of standing.



Extensive Activity

Full participation requires being in good physical condition and may involve inclines, steps, uneven surfaces and/or extended periods of standing.



Adventure Tour – Physically fit

Active excursions are recommended only for those guests in good physical health, with considerable amounts of physical activity.



Wheelchair and disabled-friendly tours

Guests in a standard wheelchair must be accompanied by their own helper and be able to board a motor coach, van or boat. Once on tour you will be unattended. We kindly ask you to inform the Shore Concierge staff promptly at embarkation when using a wheelchair. For guests with serious mobility issues please contact the Shore Concierge staff promptly so they can help make arrangements. In certain ports wheelchair accessible vehicles are available at an extra charge and advanced reservation.



Evening Excursion

The excursion is taking place in the evening.



Meal Included

A meal is included in the excursion.



New Excursion

This shore excursion is brand new to Silversea.



Privato

Silversea Privato excursions include private use of a local driver and car. Please see the Shore Concierge for more information and reservation.



Limited Space Available

Please be aware that there is only limited space available on this tour. Places are delivered on a first come first served basis.



Promo

The shore excursion is offered on a complimentary basis as part of a free shore excursion promotion (the "Promotion"). Please check your booking terms and condition or up to 7 days MySilversea to determine whether your booking qualifies for the Promotion. If your booking does not qualify for the Promotion there will be a cost associated with this shore excursion.

January 14 2019, Monday

Nuku Hiva - French Polynesia

NUK-A / TAIPIVAI VALLEY SCENIC DRIVE

DIFFICULTY



Price:\$149; Duration:3.00 hrs

Discover the beauty of Nuku Hiva and follow the trails of adventurer and novelist, Herman Melville on this half-day exploration of the island. After tendering ashore, board the 4x4 vehicle for a rugged trip into the island's interior. The first stop is at the 2,834-foot (864-metre) Muake Hill, from where you can enjoy the best view of the bay. Continue driving up a steep trail, over the high Toovii Plateau and through lush vegetation toward the Taipivai Valley. Along the way, photo stops at various viewpoints provide breath-taking vistas of the coastline, bays, and valleys. Pausing every so often, the guide tells you about the rich flora and fauna of the area.

The Taipivai Valley was made famous by the American writer, Herman Melville (1819-1891), who deserted his ship and hid in the valley. Captured by the natives, he spent several weeks here and learned during this time about their way of life. His novel *Typee* is based on this experience. Your tour takes you through the small village of Taipivai, where the people engage mainly in agriculture. From here, proceed to the beach area from where you can enjoy views of the surrounding mountains.

Travel back to Taiohae and visit the Cathedral of Notre-Dame of Marquesas. The church was built with different coloured stones from the six Marquesas Islands; magnificently carved sculptures adorn the interior. Conclude the tour back at the pier.

Please note: Little walking is required; however, guests must be agile and able to climb in and out of the vehicles. This tour operates in a variety of small, non air-conditioned 4X4 vehicles (sport utility vehicles) that offer a bumpy ride at times and are the best available on the island. This tour is not suitable for anyone with neck, back or hip problems or those who utilise a wheelchair. The price of this tour reflects the high cost of the limited tour infrastructure on this remote island. Drivers do not give commentary; they are not certified guides and their English is very basic. There will be a local guide giving explanation at each stop. Itinerary and stops are subject to weather conditions. We recommend wearing lightweight clothing. Restroom facilities may not be to Silversea standards. Participation is limited.

January 16 2019, Wednesday

Rangiroa - French Polynesia

RAN-A / BLACK PEARL FARM VISIT

DIFFICULTY



Price:\$69; Duration:1.50 hrs



Learn about the cultivating of black pearls in Rangiroa and French Polynesia on this visit to a local farm.

Board the tour vehicle for a 10-minute ride along the main road of Rangiroa and past the airport to one of the numerous black pearl farms on the island. Most pearl farms are small in size; the workers at the farm visited are representative of the farms in this area.

Your visit begins with a 20-minute introduction to pearl farming presented by the knowledgeable staff. Listen as farm representatives discuss the chronology and evolution of the industry and how oysters are selected and then grafted for production. Grafting is the key element, as it requires a skilled artisan to perform the precise opening of each oyster to introduce the mantle and the nucleus to the pocket inside. It is the mantle that coats the nucleus to form the pearl.

Following the introduction, move on to one of the work sheds where oysters are sorted and cleaned. Then, watch a grafter at work as he skilfully performs his trade. Afterwards, you have the opportunity to view a selection of unset black pearls. The guide provides explanations on how the pearls are graded for quality, shape, and lustre. There are round, baroque and semi-baroque pearls, ranging in grades from C to A.

Re-board the tour vehicle and return to the pier.

Please note: This tour requires a minimal amount of walking to the tour vehicle and at the farm; guests must be able to enter and exit the vehicle via steps. This tour is suitable for guests with limited mobility but is not wheelchair accessible. Transportation is very basic; vehicles used are mini-vans and mini-buses and are the best available. Due to the limited number of vehicles available, all seats are utilised. We thank you for your understanding. Commentary at the pearl farm is by the local workers. They are not certified guides and their English may be basic and accented. Pearls can be purchased at the boutique at the end of the visit. They accept cash (Euro, USD, Pacific Franc) and credit

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card (American Express, Visa, Master Card). Guests needing more than 10-15 minutes to shop should return on the next transfer back to the ship or the Pearl Farm may return you to the pier. Space on this tour is limited.

January 17 2019, Thursday

Moorea - French Polynesia

MOZ-A / ISLAND DRIVE & BELVEDERE VIEWPOINT

DIFFICULTY



Price:\$79; Duration:3.50 hrs



Discover Moorea's religious past and natural beauty during a picturesque introduction to this exotic island paradise.

Depart the tender pier for a drive on the road around the island and along Opunohu and Cook's Bays. Leaving the main road, travel through the fertile Opunohu Valley, site of numerous *maraes*, ancient stone temples. Some 500 of these structures have been identified in this area, evidence that the valley was once inhabited by a people with a highly-developed social system long before Christianity arrived. A stop allows for a closer look at one of these temple ruins before continuing on the winding road to the Belvedere Viewpoint. This lookout offers splendid views and photo opportunities over much of Northern Moorea and Mount Rotui.

Next, your drive around this idyllic island resumes with more spectacular vistas before heading back to the pier.

Please note: This tour involves a minimal amount of activity and is primarily a panoramic coach tour that offers a good overview of the island with only brief periods of walking. Some of the walkways to the *marae* are unpaved and guests should wear walking shoes to avoid tripping. This tour is suitable for guests with limited mobility, able to get on and off the coach via steps. The coach is unable to accommodate wheelchairs. A restroom stop is offered at a local shop; euros, US dollars and Pacific Francs accepted for any souvenir purchases.

MOZ-B / FOUR-WHEEL-DRIVE ISLAND EXCURSION

DIFFICULTY



Price:\$99; Duration:3.00 hrs



Embrace your sense of adventure and Moorea's exquisite beauty during this four-wheel-drive excursion to the historical and archaeological sites located in the heart of the island.

Depart the tender pier for the drive past Pao Pao Village, then proceed through pineapple fields en route to Magic Mountain for spectacular views and photo opportunities over Oponuhu Bay and the lagoon. Afterward, your drive continues on to the Belvedere Lookout for a panoramic view of the valley below.

Next, visit one of the numerous *maraes*, or ancient stone temples, scattered across the Oponohu Valley to learn about their historical and cultural significance.

Your tour concludes back at the pier

Please note: This tour requires a moderate/extensive amount of walking at the various sites, some of which is over unpaved pathways. It is suitable for guests with limited mobility, able to climb in and out of the vehicles via large steps. This tour is not suitable for pregnant women or those with back or neck issues. The touring vehicles are not wheelchair accessible. As this tour operates in 4-WD vehicles over rugged terrain, it is not recommended for guests with back and/or neck problems; the ride may be rough and bumpy at times. Due to the limited number of vehicles, all seats are utilised. In the event of rain affecting the terrain, Magic Mountain will be replaced by another stop. Guests are advised to wear comfortable, lightweight clothing, and to bring insect repellent and bottled water from the ship. Participation is limited. The order of sites seen may vary, depending on the bay in which the ship is anchored.

MOZ-C / MOTU ISLAND & SNORKELLING ADVENTURE

DIFFICULTY



Price:\$169; Duration:6.00 hrs



Indulge your senses with the exquisite beauty of Moorea during this picturesque and relaxing lagoon cruise, with a picnic on a *motu*.

Moorea Lagoon Cruise & Snorkelling

Depart the pier aboard a boat for a short cruise on the lagoon to your first snorkelling stop. En route, photo stops are made for breath-taking views. Upon arrival at the first snorkelling stop, receive your safety instructions and snorkelling equipment, then enter the water and begin your guided snorkelling session. Explore an underwater world filled with wonderful coral and colourful tropical fish. The crew provides assistance on the boat and in the water.

Motu Visit with Swimming, Snorkelling & Lunch

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Following your snorkelling session, cruise on to a *motu*, or islet. A stop is made here for a picnic lunch consisting of locale fare such as mixed salads, barbecued, fish, chicken, and exotic fruit. After lunch, some free time is made available for relaxing on the beach, swimming or for a second snorkelling session in the coral garden right next to the shore.

At the conclusion of your visit, embark the boat and commence the ride back to the pier.

Please note: This tour requires an extensive amount of activity and is recommended for guests who are in good physical condition, agile to get in and out of the boat/water, and able to swim and wade in shallow water. It is not suitable for guests with limited mobility or those who utilise a wheelchair. Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up with beach shoes or flip-flops suitable to wade ashore in the shallow water. Bring protection from the sun, towels and bottled water from the ship. Masks and snorkels (no fins) are provided but they are of a basic quality; we recommend guests bring their own. Guests must follow their guide's instructions at all times. Do not touch or handle the coral whilst snorkelling. Restrooms are available on *motu*/islet and not on board the vessel.

MOZ-D / DOLPHIN WATCH WITH DR. POOLE

DIFFICULTY



Price:\$149; Duration:3.00 hrs

Explore the wild dolphins living in the waters off Moorea during this fascinating, half-day sightseeing excursion.

Moorea Dolphin-Watching

Depart the pier aboard a boat for a picturesque ride along the coast of Moorea. Accompanied by expert scientist Dr. Michael Poole and his research team, observe and learn about the dolphins in their natural habitat. See schools of acrobatic spinner dolphins, and learn about their remarkable behaviour and social organisation. This species is the only one to spin vertically and horizontally in the air like a top ballerina.

Island Discovery and Lagoon Snorkelling

Your dolphin-watching tour also enables you to embrace the stunning beauty of the island of Moorea, and learn about the natural and geological creation of the island and its '*motu*'. Time permitting, you can snorkel in the Moorea Lagoon, and experience its spectacular undersea beauty. Your tour concludes back at the pier.

Please note: This tour involves a minimal amount of walking, with a few steps to negotiate to embark/disembark the boat. This tour is not suitable for guests with limited mobility and guests who utilise a wheelchair. Guests are advised to wear a swimsuit under a cover-up with boat or water shoes, and bring sun protection, a towel and snorkelling gear from the ship. Guests must be at least two years old to participate on this tour. Although dolphin species are commonly found in these waters, wildlife viewing is not guaranteed. Operation of this tour is subject to weather conditions. Space on this tour is very limited; we suggest you book in advance to avoid disappointment.

MOZ-I / SOFTEL MOOREA IA ORA BEACH RESORT ESCAPE

DIFFICULTY



Price:\$159; Duration:6.00 hrs



Embrace the idyllic tropical beauty of Moorea during this relaxing escape to the Sofitel Moorea Ia Ora Beach Resort.

Sofitel Moorea Ia Ora Beach Resort, Mountains, White-Sand Beach, Lagoon, Coral Garden

Depart the pier for the short drive to the Sofitel Moorea Ia Ora Beach Resor. The resort is nestled between the two bays forming the heart of Moorea, and set against a stunning mountain backdrop, beautiful, white-sand beach and crystal-clear lagoon with a huge coral garden that's ideal for snorkelling amidst the tropical fish and marine life.

Day Pass (Includes Swimming, Sunbathing, Snorkelling and Lunch)

Upon arrival, you are welcomed with a tiare flower, fruit juice and refreshing towel. Afterward, your day pass includes a beach towel, access to the white-sand beach, swimming in the crystal-clear ocean, sunbathing by the sparkling swimming pool, and snorkelling equipment to explore the magnificent coral gardens, tropical fish and marine life. A two-course lunch is also included. All additional food, beverage, souvenir and/or gift shop purchases are at the expense of each guest. At the conclusion of your visit, re-board your vehicle and commence the short drive back to the pier.

Please note: This tour involves a minimal amount of walking for approximately 108 yards (about 100 metres), at times over sandy surfaces, with a few steps to negotiate to get on/off the vehicle. This tour is suitable for guests with limited mobility, however not for those guests who utilise a wheelchair. Guests are advised to wear a swimsuit under a cover-up with beach shoes, and bring sun protection, a towel, change of clothing, and cash and/or credit cards for additional purchases from the ship. Lounge chairs are not guaranteed, nor reserved, and available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Although frequently encountered on this type of tour, fish and marine life sightings are not guaranteed. Operation of this tour is subject to weather conditions. Space on this tour is very limited; we suggest you book in advance to avoid disappointment.

January 18 2019, Friday

Papeete - French Polynesia

PPT-B / TAHITI HIGHLIGHTS TOUR & AIRPORT/HOTEL TRANSFER

DIFFICULTY



Price:\$159; Duration:4.00 hrs



Discover the natural beauty of Tahiti during this half-day look at the island.

Depart the pier for the drive through Papeete, then head along the East Coast en route to the James Norman Hall.

James Norman Hall Museum

Begin your tour with a visit to a modest museum dedicated to the memory of a modest man: James Norman Hall. He was an American author best known for the novel *Mutiny on the Bounty* with co-author Charles Nordhoff. The site including both a house and its gardens is classified a historic monument since 1993. After years of perseverance of the Hall, the house is tediously rebuilt by the country identically, down to the smallest detail. Even the garden regained its past glory. It was inaugurated on January 17, 2002 to become a museum. Today, it restores the daily environment of this hero of the First World War, adventurer, poet and major writer of contemporary American literature. His office, library of 3000 books, his typewriter, precious wood furniture, some fetish objects, old photos and his favorite paintings, it is all the special atmosphere of the tropics in the inter-war period that guests can discover.

Marae Arahurahu

Next, proceed to Arahurahu which is the only *marae* (traditional temple) in all of Polynesia that has been fully restored, and it is maintained like a museum. It is Tahiti's best example of ancient Polynesian temples and meeting places, and its exhibit boards do a good job of explaining the significance of each part. These structures were used by Polynesians for ceremonial gatherings, such as religious rituals, important weddings, celebrations of military victories, enthronement of kings.

Vaipahi Gardens

A place to stop off in the circuit around the island of Tahiti, the public gardens of Vaipahi offer wonderful views of water, light and exquisite vegetation. This haven of peace of over a hectare invites you to take pleasant walks among its natural treasures. Nearly 75 different plant species composes its abundant flora, planted close to the basins and waterfalls which flow directly into Lake Vaihiria.

Following this stop, journey to the International Airport. The coach brings you to the departure drop-off area at the airport, where you collect your luggage and independently head to check-in for your flight. Arrival at the airport is approximately 13:30.

Please note: This tour is offered only to guests disembarking the ship with flights after 3:00 p.m. and it ends at the airport. It requires a moderate amount of walking and is not wheelchair accessible. Guests are advised to bring bottle of water from the ship. Order of the stops may vary depending on traffic & weather conditions. On rainy days and for security reasons, some of the stops could be replaced. Operation is subject to minimum participation. This tour will stop at the airport to allowing departing guests to disembark the coach.