Cruise Details

Name:	Ultimate Voyage: Tahiti, Papua New Guinea & Solomon Islands
Reference:	SCENIC212F130428-2
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Eclipse II
Regions:	Pacific
Departs On:	13 Apr 28
Departs From:	Papeete, Tahiti
Arrives On:	08 May 28
Arrives At:	Cairns, Queensland
Cruise Nights:	25
Total Vacation Days:	26

Itinerary

Day 1: Papeete, Tahiti (French Polynesia)

Welcome to the island of Tahiti. The capital of French Polynesia, Tahiti is the largest of a string of 118 islands scattered across the South Pacific, approximately halfway between Los Angeles and Sydney. Papeete possesses the buzz of a city with a relaxed lifestyle and a melting pot of cultures.

This afternoon, be warmly greeted with a glass of Champagne as you board Scenic Eclipse II, your ultra-luxury home for the next 12 days. Meet the Captain, crew and your Discovery Team before setting sail into the sparkling South Pacific. Please book your flight to arrive into Papeete prior to 02:00 PM.

Arrives On: 13 Apr 28

Day 2: Cook's Bay, Moorea Island (French Polynesia)

Step into the vibrant beauty of Moorea, where shimmering turquoise lagoons, lush tropical fruits, dramatic mountain peaks, and palm-lined beaches create an unforgettable island escape. Enjoy water activities off the water sports marina, organised by the Discovery Team, or simply relax and soak in the serene coastal atmosphere.

Tonight, indulge in refined French cuisine at Lumière+, where elegance meets exceptional culinary craftsmanship. Enjoy exquisite dishes paired with fine wines in a sophisticated atmosphere, perfect for a special evening.

Arrives On: 14 Apr 28

Day 3: Bora-Bora (French Polynesia)

Bora Bora greets you with its iconic turquoise lagoon and the striking silhouette of Mount Otemanu. Stroll along pristine white-sand beaches, feel the gentle ocean breeze, and take in sweeping views of the dramatic volcanic peaks. Enjoy a variety of water-based activities in the crystal-clear lagoon, from kayaking and paddleboarding to snorkelling among vibrant coral reefs, all framed by the island's breathtaking scenery. For a more leisurely pace, relax on the beach, explore secluded coves, or simply soak in the tranquil beauty of one of the South Pacific's most celebrated islands.

Arrives On: 15 Apr 28

Day 5: Aitutaki (Cook Islands)

Aitutaki reveals one of the world's most stunning lagoons, stretching over 50 square kilometres and dotted with a constellation of islands and islets, most untouched and pristine. With gentle elevations never exceeding 124 metres, the sweeping, picture-perfect vistas remain uninterrupted at every turn.

Immerse yourself in the lagoon's crystalline waters with a snorkelling excursion, bask on powdery beaches, or simply surrender to the tranquil rhythm of island life. Browse the local markets near the wharf, where vendors showcase a curated selection of black pearls, vibrant sarongs, and exquisite handmade craft — perfect for those seeking a touch of authentic island elegance.

Arrives On: 17 Apr 28

Day 6: Palmerston Island (Cook Islands)

One of the most remote communities in the world, Palmerston Island lies within a brilliant turquoise lagoon formed by a coral atoll in the northern Cook Islands. Six small islets sit within an 11-kilometre-wide ring of reef, creating a protected haven rich in marine life.

Originally known as Avarau, meaning "200 harbours", the island was sighted by Captain James Cook in 1774 and later named for Lord Palmerston of the British Admiralty. Today, fewer than 60 residents live here, most descended from Englishman William Marsters, a ship's carpenter who

settled in 1863.

A warm welcome awaits, often led by the Mayor and local schoolchildren. Spend time discovering this close-knit community, browsing handmade crafts, or enjoying the lagoon’s inviting waters including Duke’s Pool, where Prince Philip swam during his visit in the 1970s.

Arrives On: 18 Apr 28

Day 8: Alofi (Niue)

Step into Alofi, the heart of Niue, one of the world’s smallest nations with fewer than 2,000 residents. This peaceful town offers a glimpse of the South Pacific as it once was, with charming churches and quiet streets reflecting its rich Polynesian heritage.

Venture beyond Alofi along dramatic coastal trails, past cliffs and hidden caves, or unwind on pristine, secluded beaches perfect for swimming and snorkelling in complete tranquillity.

Arrives On: 20 Apr 28

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Today you will become a time traveller, as Scenic Eclipse II crosses the International Date Line, an imaginary line of demarcation that runs from the North to the South Pole, located roughly along the 180th meridian in the Pacific Ocean.

Join the Captain and crew for a celebratory crossing ceremony, honouring ancient maritime traditions with a light-hearted appreciation of the marvels of time and travel.

Arrives On: 21 Apr 28

Day 10: Neiafu (Tonga)

Tonga’s Vava’u archipelago, a cluster of around 40 coral islands, enchants with lush landscapes, sandy beaches, and vibrant marine life. Towering Mount Talau offers sweeping views, while local traditions—from pandanus weaving to vanilla extraction—bring the island’s rich culture to life. Scenic Discovery:
Today, subject to weather and local authorities’ approval, you may have the opportunity to join your Discovery Team to snorkel, kayak or stand-up paddleboard in the calm lagoon.

Arrives On: 22 Apr 28

Day 11: Lakeba Island (Fiji)

Arrive on Lakeba Island and explore the charming Tubou Village, where Fijian customs and everyday life unfold against a backdrop of verdant landscapes. Meander through quiet lanes, meet welcoming locals, and enjoy the atmosphere of this lesser-known South Pacific haven.

Arrives On: 23 Apr 28

Day 12: Tavenui Island (Solomon Islands)

Somosomo, the largest village on Fiji’s Taveuni Island, offers a gateway to some of the region’s most spectacular marine environments. Nearby waters are home to vibrant coral reefs teeming with diverse marine life, making it a haven for snorkelling enthusiasts. On land, lush landscapes invite discovery, from cascading waterfalls to serene lakes, providing an idyllic balance of adventure and relaxation.

Arrives On: 24 Apr 28

Day 13: Lautoka (Fiji)

Lautoka sits amid rolling sugarcane fields and palm-lined shores on Fiji’s golden west coast. Known as the gateway to the idyllic Yasawa Islands, this vibrant port offers an authentic taste of Fijian life, from bustling markets and friendly villages to stunning coastlines and striking natural landscapes.

This evening, unwind in Elements on Deck 4, where an à la carte menu of Italian favourites, premium steaks, and fresh seafood is served in a relaxed dinner setting.

Arrives On: 25 Apr 28

Day 15: Tanna (Vanuatu)

Look out for smoke in the air as you approach Tanna this morning. Mount Yasur is regarded as the world’s most accessible active volcano, regularly shooting sparks into the sky. Captain James Cook first observed ash eruptions in 1774, and the mountain is considered a sacred area by members of the island’s John Frum Cargo Cult, who believe their deity resides inside. Scenic Discovery:
Subject to weather conditions and local authorities’ approval, there may be the opportunity to explore alongside your Discovery Team by kayak or stand-up paddleboard, or to snorkel in clear waters with tropical marine life. Optional helicopter^ and submersible^ experiences may also be available.

Arrives On: 27 Apr 28

Day 16: Pentecost Island (Vanuatu)

Pentecost Island, largely untouched and mountainous, is famed for its daring land-diving ritual. Once a rite of passage and blessing for the yam harvest, this extraordinary tradition inspired the modern sport of bungee jumping. Visitors can also experience the island’s rich culture and meet its welcoming communities, who live in harmony with the lush, dramatic landscape.

Arrives On: 28 Apr 28

Day 17: Champagne Bay, Espiritu Santo Island (Vanuatu)

Espiritu Santo, the largest island in Vanuatu’s archipelago, enchants with Champagne Bay, one of the world’s most exquisite beaches where a freshwater spring flows into the lagoon creating a spa-like bubbling sensation at low tide. Inhabited by the Ni-Vanuatu, who preserve Melanesian traditions, you’re welcomed ashore with a lively string band and mesmerising performance of water music performed by local women. Taste seasonal fruits, nuts, and kava, a revered local drink, before a bus ride to swim in a stunning blue hole, immersing you in the island’s vibrant culture and natural wonders. Scenic Discovery:
Subject to weather conditions and local authorities’ approval, there may be the opportunity to explore alongside your Discovery Team by kayak or stand-up paddleboard, or to snorkel in crystal clear waters. Optional helicopter^ and submersible^ experiences may also be available.

Arrives On: 29 Apr 28

Day 18: Lata, Nendo Island (Solomon Islands)

Set on Ndende Island, also known as Nendö, Lata offers a peaceful introduction to the Solomon Islands’ natural beauty and island life. Welcoming local communities share insights into their traditions and daily rhythms, while pristine beaches and clear waters invite exploration. Beneath the surface, vibrant coral reefs and abundant marine life make snorkelling a highlight, revealing an unspoilt underwater world in a tranquil setting. Scenic Discovery:
Subject to weather conditions and local authorities’ approval, you may have the opportunity to join your Discovery Team for Zodiac cruising, kayaking, snorkelling or a guided nature walk. Optional helicopter^ and submersible^ experiences may also be available.

Arrives On: 30 Apr 28

Day 19: Santa Ana Island (Solomon Islands)

Also known as Owaraha, Santa Ana Island is a remote coral atoll in the southeastern Solomon Islands, offering a rare glimpse into traditional island life. Explore vibrant villages, meet welcoming locals, and discover handcrafted items that reflect generations of cultural heritage. Along the shoreline, pristine beaches and clear waters invite relaxation, while snorkelling reveals colourful coral reefs and thriving marine life beneath the surface. Scenic Discovery:
Subject to weather conditions and local authorities’ approval, there may be the opportunity to explore with your Discovery Team by kayak or stand-up paddleboard, or to snorkel in the calm, clear waters surrounding the island.

Arrives On: 01 May 28

Day 20: Honiara, Guadalcanal Island (Solomon Islands)

The Solomon Islands’ largest island, cloaked in tropical rainforest, boasts palm-fringed coasts and pristine white-sand beaches. Surrounded by clear waters teeming with wildlife, the island invites you to delve into history through World War II relics and monuments, including the Battle of Guadalcanal sites. A guided tour of Honiara unveils its wartime significance, with stops at the bustling main market, Vilu War Museum, Cultural Centre, National Museum, and National Archives, blending natural beauty with rich heritage. Scenic Discovery:
Subject to weather conditions and local authorities’ approval, you may be able to join your Discovery Team to explore by kayak or stand-up paddleboard, or discover the surrounding waters with a snorkelling experience.

Arrives On: 02 May 28

Day 22: Alotau (Papua New Guinea)

Located at the eastern tip of Papua New Guinea, Alotau is framed by lush rainforests, sheltered bays, and coral-rich waters. Nearby villages and islands offer opportunities to explore vibrant reefs, discover hidden waterfalls, and encounter dramatic volcanic landscapes. The region is also deeply connected to local traditions, with village life reflecting generations of cultural heritage. Whether exploring by water or ashore, Alotau provides an authentic introduction to Papua New Guinea’s natural diversity and an authentic introduction to Papua New Guinea’s natural diversity and deeply rooted cultural richness.

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Arrives On: 04 May 28

Day 23: Doini Island (Papua New Guinea)

Doini Island offers a peaceful tropical setting just off the coast of Papua New Guinea’s Milne Bay Province. Fringed by palm-lined shores and surrounded by clear waters, this small island is known for its laid-back atmosphere and natural beauty.

Spend time enjoying the island’s tranquil surroundings, whether relaxing along the shoreline, exploring shaded walking paths, or taking in the coastal scenery. Beneath the surface, colourful coral reefs and diverse marine life thrive in the warm waters of Milne Bay, one of the South Pacific’s most celebrated marine regions. Scenic Discovery:
Subject to weather conditions and local authorities’ approval, you may have the opportunity to explore with the Discovery Team by kayak or stand-up paddleboard, snorkel nearby reefs, or join a guided walk to sites such as the Skull Cave or historic WWII remains.

Arrives On: 05 May 28

Day 24: Doini Island (Papua New Guinea)

Awake to another peaceful morning at Doini Island, with time to enjoy the calm atmosphere of this tropical setting before Scenic Eclipse II departs at midday. Take in the island’s quiet beaches, gentle coastal views, and shaded walking paths, or simply relax on board and savour the stillness of Milne Bay a little longer before continuing your voyage.

Arrives On: 06 May 28

Day 26: Cairns, Queensland (Australia)

Your voyage of discovery concludes today. Enjoy your final morning on board the Scenic Eclipse II and take the opportunity to reflect on the incredible experiences and remarkable ports-of-call you have visited. Say farewell to your Captain and crew before disembarking in Cairns. Please book your flight to depart out of Cairns after 12:00 PM. #Spa treatments and services at additional cost. Daily activities may be subject to change; please consult your Daily Wonder for updates.
+All drinks on board, including those stocked in your mini bar, are included, except for a very small number of rare, fine and vintage wines, Champagnes and spirits. Specialty restaurants require a reservation, enquire on board.
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