Cruise Details

Name:	Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea & the Daintree - Cruise & Land Journey
Reference:	SCENICOFC6250428-2
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Eclipse II
Regions:	Australia & New Zealand
Departs On:	25 Apr 28
Departs From:	Lautoka
Arrives On:	11 May 28
Arrives At:	Silky Oaks Lodge, Daintree Forest
Cruise Nights:	16
Total Vacation Days:	17

Itinerary

Day 1: Lautoka (Fiji)

Bula! Welcome to Fiji and the nation’s second largest city, Lautoka, nestled in the heart of sugar-cane country. This sweet start to your voyage opens up a world of blissful beaches, turquoise seascapes, dense jungle and the always-smiling Fijian locals.

Your journey of discovery begins with a warm greeting by the Captain and crew as you step on board Scenic Eclipse II. Sip on a glass of Champagne as you explore your luxurious suite, then join your fellow guests at the Sky Bar to toast the start of an unforgettable voyage. Please book your flight to arrive into Nadi prior to 02:00 PM.

Arrives On: 25 Apr 28

Day 3: 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 4: 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 5: 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 6: 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 7: 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 8: 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 10: 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.

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: 04 May 28

Day 11: 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 12: 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 14: Cairns, Queensland (Australia)

Enjoy a final morning aboard the Scenic Discovery Yacht, reflecting on the unforgettable experiences and ports you've explored. After farewelling your Captain and crew, disembark in Cairns, where a private transfer takes you to Silky Oaks Lodge to begin your next chapter in the Daintree. On arrival, you're welcomed with a refreshing elixir and guided through the lush grounds to your Treehouse Retreat, an elegant haven nestled above the Mossman River. As afternoon light softens, settle in with your complimentary in-suite mini bar, replenished daily for your enjoyment. Tonight, savour a seasonal three-course dinner in the open-air Treehouse Restaurant, paired with selected premium wines. The evening unfolds beneath a canopy of stars, accompanied by the soothing sounds of the rainforest.

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Day 14: Daintree Forest (Australia)

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Day 15: Silky Oaks Lodge, Daintree Forest (Australia)

Awaken to the calls of native birds and enjoy a tropical à la carte breakfast, served with sweeping views across the treetops. Begin your day with gentle morning yoga by the river or embark on a guided walk-through ancient rainforest trail, learning the secrets of this 135-million-year-old ecosystem.

Return for an afternoon at leisure, with either a refreshing swim in the river, or a tranquil moment on your private balcony. As dusk approaches, enjoy signature evening drinks and snacks before dining on a thoughtfully curated menu where local ingredients shine in artful simplicity.

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Day 15: Daintree Forest (Australia)

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Day 16: Silky Oaks Lodge, Daintree Forest (Australia)

This morning invites a deeper connection with the land. Join an Indigenous guide on a Dreamtime Walk through moss-carpeted rainforest paths, discovering the Daintree's spiritual stories and plant lore. After returning to the lodge, indulge in a chef's lunch experience that reimagines local produce into a tropical feast.

The afternoon is yours to enjoy. Perhaps unwind with a spa treatment inspired by the healing waters of the river or take a leisurely paddle along its calm currents using the lodge's stand-up paddleboards. Evening brings another memorable dining experience, with signature cocktails and a tasting menu celebrating the flavours of Far North Queensland.

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Day 16: Daintree Forest (Australia)

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Day 17: Silky Oaks Lodge, Daintree Forest (Australia)

Your final morning unfolds slowly. Begin with a peaceful rainforest stroll or a quiet yoga session, followed by a final tropical breakfast. Take one last moment to breathe in the cool, green air of the Daintree before check-out and private transfer back to Cairns. #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.
^Experiences on board our two helicopters and submersible are at additional cost, subject to regulatory approval, availability, weight restrictions, medical approval and weather conditions.
~Kayak and stand-up paddleboard not available in all locations. The itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such, Scenic cannot guarantee the journey will operate unaltered from the itinerary stated above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.

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Day 17: Daintree Forest (Australia)

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