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# 7 - 14 Day Vineyards Of Australia & New Zealand Coastlines & Country-sides

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This 12 Day land program showcases the country-sides and coastlines of Australia and New Zealand with a four-day driving tour of Southern Australia's Clare Valley and Yarra Valley regions.

Tour the vineyards and taste the most distinctive wines produced in the region, presented by master wine makers.

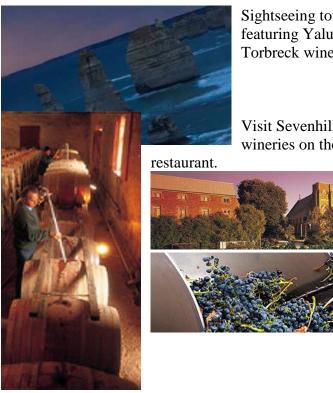
See the sights and main attractions in the city while staying in charming countryside inns that showcase the fine hospitality and rustic elegance of the land Down Under.

Breathtaking scenery and relaxation predominate on this departure, easily customizable for couples or small groups traveling together.

#### Highlights

The Twelve Apostles, limestone sculptures along Great Ocean Road, Victoria, Australia

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Sightseeing tour of Adelaide; full-day Barossa Valley tour featuring Yalumba Winery, lunch under the vines and Torbreck wine cellars

Visit Sevenhill Cellar and Knappstein and Kilakanoon wineries on the Reisling Trail with lunch at the Skillogalee

Yarra Valley Winery visits to De Bortoli, Yering Station, Green Point Vineyard and Coldstream Hills.



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Full-day wine and culinary tour of the Marlborough region with a visit to the Nautilus Estate with lunch at Herzog Winery and Restaurant, New Zealand's only Michelin Star rated restaurant



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rivate helicopter transfer to Wharekauhau Country Estate and 4 WD farm safari WHAREKAUHAU FARM TOUR

This working sheep station tour - in a comfortable 4-wheel drive vehicle - is an absolute must for all Wharekauhau Visitors. Bordered by the Rimutaka Ranges and Pacific Ocean, this classic Kiwi Romney sheep station features all the activities that have created New Zealand's legendary farming heritage, including sheep shearing demonstrations, sheep dogs in action and daily farm events.



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Full-day cultural and scenic tour of Hawke's Bay

exclusions: International airfare, domestic air transfers, visa fees, meals not stated in itinerary, gratuities, personal items, spa services or phone calls.

# 7-104 Day Itinerary: Vineyards of Australia & New Zealand Coastlines & Countrysides:

# Arrival Day 1 Adelaide: US – ADELAIDE

**Arrive Adelaide,** meet your Private English-speaking Liaison in Customs. They will escort you throught he process and assist you. After you clear customs, you will be escorted to the Arrival Hall where you will meet your private English-speaking driver in the baggage claim area for your private transfer to your hotel.

**Upon arrival at the hotel,** you will be welcomed with a VIP check-in. Your luggage will be managed and delivered to your accommodation.

After your check-in, you will continue on with your private English-speaking driver & Professional local guide for your private tour of Adelaide.

Travel to nearby Glenelg beach for a coffee. Travel into the city via King William Road with its many specialty shops. Explore the city and North Adelaide and walk along the historic North Terrace to the Museum, Art Gallery, and University.

Stroll through the picturesque Botanic Gardens and visit the National Wine Centre of Australia, the official headquarters of the wine industry, which offers a range of must-see wine experiences.

You will then travel up into the Adelaide Hills to Mount Lofty for a view over Adelaide.

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A major highlight of the day will be a **leisurely lunch** at the world acclaimed Bridgewater Mill.

Options if time permits may include a visit to Cleland Wildlife Sanctuary and a wander through the little villages in the Hills such as the delightful German village of Hahndorf or a visit to Shaw and Smith winery.

Travel through picturesque countryside before arriving at your accommodation.

**Dinner is on your own this evening**. See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for ideas on where to dine.

- Private transfers are available to one of the fine restaurants in the city.
- You may wish to walk to a local café.

ACCOMMODATION FOR ONE NIGHT IN A DOUBLE SUITE INCLUDING BREAKFAST AT THE ORANGERIE

## Day 2 Adelaide: ADELAIDE - BAROSSA VALLEY - CLARE VALLEY

#### Breakfast at the hotel.

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and meet your private English-speaking guide & Professional local guide in the lobby of your hotel for your private full day tour to Barossa Valley.

**Your first stop will be Henschkes winery in Keyneton.** This fifth generation German winery produces outstanding wines that incorporate the best of old world and state of the art winemaking.

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**Next we visit historic Yalumba**, the biggest family run winery in Australia. This outstanding wine producer is renowned for Riesling and other rare wine varieties such as Viognier plus elegant reds.

We continue into historic Angaston - the more English of the villages in the Barossa.

**Lunch** will be alfresco under the vines or at Vintners restaurant (which is owned by Yalumba winery) just out of Angaston.



You will then travel along the scenic route passing picturesque rural landscapes and small towns as you head towards the Clare Valley and your accommodation for this evening.

**Upon arrival at the hotel,** you will be met and welcomed with a VIP check-in experience. Your luggage will be managed and delivered to your accommodation.

The remainder of the day is at leisure to relax in the hotel or explore on your own.

**Dinner is on your own this evening.** See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for ideas on where to dine.

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# Day 3 Clare Valley: CLARE VALLEY TO THE YARRA VALLEY

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#### Breakfast at the hotel.

After breakfast, meet your private English-speaking guide & Professional local guide in the lobby of your hotel for your private full day tour.

# Today you will explore the famous Reilsing trail that runs through the length of the wine region.

Visit the famous Sevenhill Cellar which is run by the Jesuit brothers. Here you will see the historic church and discover the heritage of the first vineyard in the region. You will meet Brother May the winemaker and see the original Cellars.



#### Brother John May, SJ, Jesuit Winemaker Emeritus

The last in line of seven Jesuit winemakers at Sevenhill Cellars, Brother May's distinguished career began when he arrived in the Clare Valley in 1963. He was soon immersed in viticulture and winemaking and his stewardship as winemaker/manager saw the emergence of Sevenhill's reputation for quality table wines, the growth of its cellar door operation and visitor recognition of Sevenhill as a notable location of religious and heritage character. Still involved in the winery's day-to-day activities, Brother May's contribution to the wine industry was recognised with life membership of the Winemakers' Federation of Australia in 2004.



We leave the Sevenhill Cellars and travel up to the main historical town of Clare where we visit the innovative Knappstein winery. Their outstanding wines are generally not exported, so a treat to do a tasting and pick up a few bottles.

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**Lunch** will be at the charming Skillogalee restaurant/ winery where a gourmet lunch will be served, accompanied by the best of local wines.

After lunch, you can taste the wines and explore the vineyards and wines of Kilakanoon next door.

You will be returned to your hotel in the afternoon, where you will be at leisure to relax in yoru hotel for the remainder of the day.

**Dinner is on your own this evening.** See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for ideas on where to dine.

## **Day 4 Clare Valley:** YARRA VALLEY – ADELAIDE - MELBOURNE



#### Breakfast at the hotel.

After breakfast, check out o the hotel and meet your private English-speaking guide & Professional local guide in the lobby of your hotel for your transfer to Adelaide.

Enjoy a leisure journey back to Adelaide, exploring more of the small boutique wineries tucked away in the Valley. Your journey takes you through the old slate mining town of Mintaro.

If time permits, you will visit the old Magpie & Stump or have tea at the stately Martindale Hall before concluding at Adelaide Airport.

Depart Adelaide on flight to Melbourne (costs not included).

**Upon arrival at Melbourne Airport,** you will be met by your private driver in the arrival hall and baggage claim area. You will be transferred to your accommodation in the Yarra Valley.

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The Yarra Valley offers a unique food and wine experience, with many wineries specializing in the foods of the region at the cellar door and adjacent restaurants. You will be guided through a private tasting at the family-owned and operated De Bortoli Winery followed by a visit to Yering Station Winery to taste wines in the Old Winery Building. Visit the Produce Store at Yering Station, showcasing produce from the Yarra Valley region.

**Lunch:** Visit Chateau Yering Historic House Hotel for lunch followed by a visit to the stunning Green Point Vineyard at Domaine Chandon for sparkling wine tastings and a tour of the winery.



The afternoon will conclude with a visit to the cellar door of Coldstream Hills Winery with magnificent views across the Yarra Valley before returning to your accommodation.

**Dinner is on your own this evening.** See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for ideas on where to dine.

ACCOMMODATION FOR TWO NIGHTS IN DOUBLE YARRA SUITE INCLUDING BREAKFAST AT CHATEAU YERING HISTORIC HOUSE, YARRA VALLEY

# Day 5 Yarra Valley: YARRA VALLEY

#### Breakfast at the hotel.

After breakfast, you are at leisure to relax in the hotel or explore on your own.

Lunch is on your own today.

**Dinner is on your own this evening.** See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for ideas on where to dine.

Day 6 Yarra Valley: YARRA VALLEY – MELBOURNE – BIENHEIM NZ

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#### Breakfast at the hotel.

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and meet your private English-speaking Driver in the lobby of your hotel for your transfer to the airport.

Depart Yarra Valley for Melbourne. Fly to Blenheim, NZ via Aukland.

**Upon arrival at Blenheim Airport,** you will be met in the Arrival Hall and Baggage Claim by your private English-speaking driver and transferred to your accommodation.

**Upon arrival at the hotel,** you will be welcomed with a VIP check-in experience. Your luggage will be manages and delivered to your accommodation.

The remainder of the say you are at leisure, free to relax in the hotel or explore on your own until the cocktail hour.

#### **Pre-Dinner Drinks and Dinner in the hotel (Included)**

#### Dinner is included in your package at the hotel.

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# Day 7 Blenheim: BLENHEIM



Breakfast at the hotel.

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After breakfast, meet your private English-speaking Driver i& Professional local guide n the lobby of your hotel for your tour.

Visit Nautilus Estate for a tasting and private meeting with the wine maker.

Nautilus Estate has been producing wine since 1985 and has developed a reputation for top quality Sauvignon Blanc. Over the past few years, Nautilus Estate has undertaken an extensive expansion programme into Pinot Noir and has over 60 acres of Pinot Noir planted in the Marlborough region.

Continue to nearby Herzog Winery and Restaurant, New Zealand's only Michelin Star rated restaurant for lunch. Herzog is a unique combination of a high quality boutique winery and a luxury gourmet restaurant within beautiful gardens.



You will be returned to your accommodation mid-afternoon.

The remainder of the day, you are at leisure, free to relax in the hotel or explore on your own until the cocktail hour.

#### **Pre-Dinner Drinks and Dinner in the hotel (Included)**

**Dinner is on your own this evening.** See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for ideas on where to dine.

**Day 8 Blenheim:** BLENHEIM TO PALLISER BAY, VIA WELLINGTON

Breakfast at the hotel.

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After breakfast, check out of your hotel and meet your private English-speaking Driver in the lobby of your hotel for your transfer to Blenheim Airport prior to your onward flight.

Fly Blenheim to Wellington.

**Upon arrival at Wellington Airport,** you will be met by your private English-speaking driver and transferred to meet your private helicopter for your transfer to Wharekauhau Country Estate (approximately 15 minutes scenic flight).

The estate and its three adjoining properties comprise of 5000 acre working sheep station of forests, lakes, mountains, bush and open country as well as 16 miles of dramatic coastline, which offers endless opportunities for recreation.

The remainder of the day, you are at leisure, free to relax in the hotel or explore on your own until the cocktail hour.

#### **Pre-Dinner Drinks and Dinner in the hotel (Included)**

#### Dinner is included in your package at the hotel.

ACCOMMODATION FOR TWO NIGHTS IN A DOUBLE SUITE INCLUDING PRE DINNER DRINKS, DINNER AND BREAKFAST AT WHAREKAUHAU COUNTRY ESTATE, PALLISER BAY

## **Day 9 Blenheim: PALLISER BAY**

#### Breakfast at the hotel.

After breakfast, meet your private English-speaking driver & professional local guide in the lobby of the hotel for your morning tour.

This morning enjoy a 4WD farm safari to introduce you to the workings of this remote coastal ranch, which has been included today. The farm tour features all the activities which make up New Zealand's legendary farming heritage, including sheep shearing and sheep dogs in action.

The remainder of the day, you are at leisure, free to relax in the hotel or explore on your own until the cocktail hour.

#### **Pre-Dinner Drinks and Dinner in the hotel (Included)**

#### Dinner is included in your package at the hotel.

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# Day 10 Blenheim: PALLISER BAY TO HAWKE'S BAY

#### Breakfast at the hotel.

After breakfast, check out of your hotel & meet your private English-speaking Driver in the lobby of your hotel for your transfer to Hawke's Bay, via the Martinborough wine region.

The farming township of Martinborough, boasting 29 boutique wineries, is an easy drive from Wharekauhau. Spend the morning sampling world famous Pinot Noir. This wine growing region is internationally acclaimed, with its Pinot Noirs scooping international awards ahead of French Grand Cru burgundies.

Martinborough's wineries offer wine tasting and the opportunity to purchase sought after wines direct from the vineyard. As well as great wine, Martinborough offers cafes, excellent restaurants, gourmet foods, designer clothing and giftware.

#### Lunch on your own en-route.

This afternoon you will be transferred to the Hawke's Bay and your accommodation.

Upon arrival at the hotel, you will be welcomed with a VIP check-in experience. Your luggage will be managed and delivered to your accommodation.

The remainder of the day, you are at leisure, free to relax in the hotel or explore on your own until the cocktail hour.

#### **Pre-Dinner Drinks and Dinner in the hotel (Included)**

#### Dinner is included in your package at the hotel.

ACCOMMODATION FOR TWO NIGHTS IN A KING SUITE INCLUDING PRE DINNER DRINKS, DINNER AND BREAKFAST AT GREENHILL THE LODGE, HAWKE'S BAY

# Day 11 Blenheim: HAWKE'S BAY

Breakfast at the hotel.

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After breakfast, this morning you will be met at your accommodation by your private Englishspeaking Driver & Professional local guide, for a full day tour of Hawke's Bay, including highlights such as food and wine, sightseeing, history, Maori Culture and artists and also spend time with some of the personalities of the Bay.

Taste wonderful wines with local wine makers from the likes of Te Mata, Craggy Range and Clearview, meet fascinating artists, explore stunning scenery, absorb history, enjoy a drive to the summit of Te Mata Peak for stunning views of the region and enjoy a platter lunch at a winery restaurant.

You will be returned to your accommodation late afternoon. You are at leisure for the remainder of the day to relax in the hotel or explore on your own until cocktail hour.

#### **Pre-Dinner Drinks and Dinner in the hotel (Included)**

#### Dinner is included in your package at the hotel.

## Day 12 Blenheim: HAWKE'S BAY TO AUCKLAND

#### Breakfast at the hotel.

After breakfast, this morning you will be met at your accommodation by your private Englishspeaking Driver and transferred to Napier Airport prior to your onward flight.

Fly Napier to Auckland.

**Upon arrival at Auckland Airport,** you will be met by your private English-speaking Driver and transferred to your accommodation.

Upon arrival at the hotel, you will be welcomed with a VIP check-in experience. Your luggage will be managed and delivered to your accommodation.

**Dinner Tonight:** Conclude with a fitting finale at Mollies restaurant. Showcasing the talents of Paul Nanni, Chef de Cuisine, Mollies restaurant offers a selection of dinner menus to delight and challenge the most discerning palates.

ACCOMMODATION FOR ONE NIGHT IN A PREMIUM VILLA SUITE INCLUDING DINNER AND BREAKFAST AT MOLLIE'S, ST MARY'S BAY, AUCKLAND

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# Day 13 Blenheim: DEPART AUCKLAND

#### Breakfast at the hotel.

After breakfast, this morning you will be met at your accommodation by your private Englishspeaking Driver and transferred to Auckland International Airport to meet your international flight for the US and forward to home.

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# **Included Accommodations**

#### THE ORANGERIE, ADELAIDE

The Orangerie is situated in beautiful Stirling in the wine growing region of the Adelaide Hills. It is set amidst a rambling garden with magnificent old European trees, fountains, statues, ponds and gazebos, with an adjoining salt water swimming pool, private tennis court, and alfresco eating areas. The village of Stirling, with a selection of restaurants and cafes is a pleasant 3 minute walk.



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Adelaide has a reputation as one of the most liveable cities in the world with its wide leafy streets and elegant architecture. The city's square mile is home to the state's major cultural institutions including Government House, Parliament House and Tandanya an Aboriginal cultural institute. Within close proximity to the city are the hills of the Mt Lofty Ranges and 30 kilometres of sandy coastline.

#### THORN PARK COUNTRY HOUSE, CLARE VALLEY

The Barossa Valley is South Australia's best known wine region and home to the largest wine companies in Australia. The landscape is interwoven with the unmistakable presence of rich Germanic/Silesian culture and heritage, which has made the region so special.



The Clare Valley has a rich heritage originating from the English, Irish and Polish settlers who arrived in the 1840s. Names like Penwortham, Skillogalee, Watervale, Sevenhill and Armagh are reminders of these early settlers. Viticulturally, Clare is classified as moderately warm to cool, similar to the Alsace, Burgundy and Rheingau regions in Europe. The Valley has been described as "the most unblemished wine region in Australia". It catches the cool, moist westerlies that blow in from Spencer Gulf. The warm ripening period causes a concentration of grape flavour resulting in the distinctive Riesling and red wine styles produced.

### CHATEAU YERING HISTORIC HOUSE, YARRA VALLEY

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Victoria, Australia is blessed with the best that Mother Nature has to offer in the Yarra Valley and the Dandenongs regions. Superb wineries, wonderful gardens, incredible mountain views and inspiring forest walks are all a part of this area. The Yarra Valley, the State's most sought after wine region, famous for producing high quality wines such as Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Cabernet Sauvignon and its Methode Champenoise sparkling wines

With a rich history stretching back to the first settlers, the Yarra Valley is not only one of Australia's oldest wine producing regions, but also one of the most diverse, containing large commercial enterprises and small boutique producers. Less than an hour's drive east of Melbourne, the Yarra Valley is home to over 40 wineries and is best known for its success with pinot noir, fine chardonnays and also cabernet sauvignon and shiraz varietals.



#### TIMARA LODGE, BLENHEIM, MARLBOROUGH

Well known around the world for its wines and gourmet foods, Timara Lodge promises a haven of peace, quiet and relaxation. Timara Lodge is set amongst 600 acres of land, including 25 acres of one of New Zealand's most beautiful English style gardens and a five-acre, man-made lake. Adjoining the gardens is the 350-acre Spy Valley vineyard and winery.

Timara Lodge's accommodation facilities ensure your stay is private, comfortable and peaceful.

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With a warm, unobtrusive welcome, delightful company and culinary delights. Timara Lodge is truly a 'slice of paradise' in Marlborough, New Zealand.

#### WHAREKAUHAU COUNTRY ESTATE, PALLISER BAY



Wharekauhau Lodge provides exclusive resort accommodation at Palliser Bay offering the chance for guests to enjoy unique New Zealand country hospitality. Luxury accommodation at Wharekauhau is provided in self-contained cottages, designed for privacy and comfort. Dotted throughout the estate, the cottages house Wharekauhau's guest suites and offer superb ocean views.

#### **GREENHILL THE LODGE, HAWKE'S BAY**

Greenhill - The Lodge is an opulent and tranquil private retreat steeped in local history and situated in the heart of Hawke's Bay wine country. Set amongst 30 acres of picturesque park-like grounds, Greenhill enjoys panoramic views of the surrounding countryside and the distant night-lights of the Bay Cities.



#### **MOLLIE'S, ST MARY'S BAY, AUCKLAND**

Mollies is a small luxury boutique hotel set in lovely gardens above St Mary's Bay, five minutes from the Auckland city centre. The owner's passion for opera, design and fine antiques is evident in every room, resulting in a wonderfully eclectic, yet soothing environment with centuries-old antiques and sleek modern furniture - one of the world's truly unique luxury boutique hotels offering stylish, spacious accommodation.





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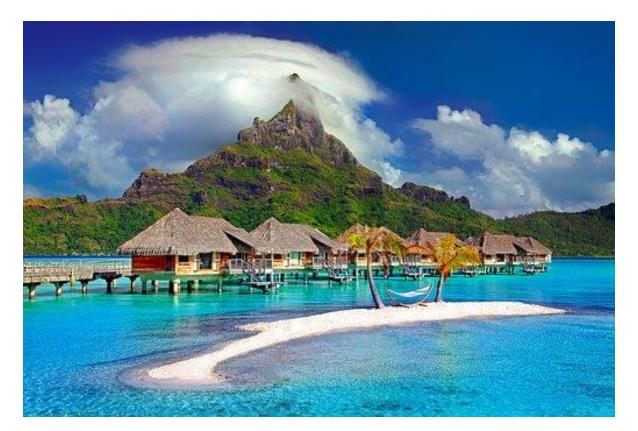
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# Three Days in Paradies: The St Regis Resort, Bora Bora

St. Regis Resort, Bora Bora is a magnificent 44 acre resort with panoramic scenes of lush unspoiled surroundings, including views fronting the main island of Bora Bora, Mount Otemanu, a natural sculpture that towers majestically over the island, and Tahaa and Raiatea, remote islands on the horizon.





Protected by a unique, self-contained saltwater lagoons, the property is exquisitely designed with interiors of rich, exotic woods from around the world in its one, two and three-bedroom overwater and beach villas. There are a total of eight luxury overwater villas with private Jacuzzis on expansive outdoor decks. There are also five two-bedroom overwater villas which have private swimming pools built over the lagoon – a first in French Polynesia.



Nestled on the gentle sands of the beach are 11 one-bedroom beach villas, also with private outdoor Jacuzzis and two two-bedroom villas each with private swimming pools. Set on a secluded cove on the beach's pristine white sand, the Royal Suite is more than 8,000 square feet, featuring three bedrooms, a private swimming pool, Jacuzzi, steam room and sauna.



Enjoy a variety of indoor and outdoor dining options, including a signature overwater fine dining restaurant with breathtaking views of a colorful array of fish and manta rays swimming in the lagoon below. The resort's main pool offers a swim-up bar. Its romantic adult pool offers private day-beds. Additional water activities include unparalleled reef fishing, deep sea fishing and the only catch & release fly fishing in a stocked lagoon on the island.





An additional unique feature of this resort is the "hoa" that provides fresh deep ocean water to the lagoon. A "hoa" is a Tahitian inlet that utilizes the ocean tides and currents. This manmade "hoa" replenishes fresh nutrients to sustain the abundant variety of colorful, exotic native fish and stingrays. The 12,000 squarefoot world-class spa is located on an island in the lagoon and will offer Tahitian and Balinese treatments using natural herbs and extracts from the island

for an unforgettable, sensual experience.

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