



# Information Dive Academy Fiji, Viani Bay Resort

Vinaka vakalevu, thank you for your interest in a dive holiday with us. Please find below some information about Fiji and our little piece of paradise. We are happy to draft an individual quotation for you. Benefit from our attractive opening rates for your stay until 31 May, 2019.

## Fiji

The Republic of Fiji is located in the South Pacific, north of New Zealand and east of Australia. About 890,000 people inhabit 150 of the 300 islands, by far the highest proportion lives on the main island Viti Levu. The population is made up of about 55% indigenous Fijian and 40 % Fiji-Indians. Since 1967 the former British colony is independent and since the elections in 2014 Fiji it is a democratic republic. It's a primarily Christian country, with the Indian population being mostly Hindu. English, Fijian and Hindi are official languages, the schools teach in English and the national anthem comprises all three languages. Fiji is a very peaceful country and its people are known as the friendliest in the world, who openly and warm-heartedly welcome tourists.

## Location and Itinerary

Based in Viani Bay, Vanua Levu, Dive Academy Fiji with its boutique eco resort is the operator with the shortest distance to the world-famous Rainbow Reef and the Great White Wall. The easiest way to get to us is via Taveuni (20min taxi + 15 min boat ride), we also arrange pick-ups from Savusavu (1-hour taxi + 40 min by boat). Fiji Link and Northern Air offer several flights per day/week from Nadi and Suva to Taveuni and Savusavu. We are happy to provide you with further assistance for your trip to Fiji.

## Diving

The world-famous Rainbow Reef and nearby areas offer unique dive adventures for beginners and advanced divers alike, from relaxed reef dives to exciting drift dives. Located in the Somosomo Strait between the islands of Taveuni and Vanua Levu, the reef is like a funnel for the tidal water movements which provide the nutrients for the colourful soft- and broad variety of hard corals. The healthy reefs are home to an abundance of species from macro to pelagic fish, sharks, manta and other rays, dolphins and whales.

## Private Diving and Snorkelling with Dive Academy Fiji

We chose the dive sites according to your experience and wish list as well as weather and current conditions. As a boutique operator, we are not bound to fixed schedules, thus being able to offer dives at the famous Great White Wall on almost every day. Using current hooks allows to observe the underwater action in a relaxed and safe way without harming the prestigious corals. But no worries, not every dive comes with strong currents. We know when to take you where, to get the best out of your dive – no matter if you are beginner or advanced. In addition to Rainbow Reef we take you to new dive sites that we exclusively discovered for you including some more distant sites like Manta Reef. Shark fans can book our special Shark Dive and the Project Aware Shark Specialty Course. We also take you to guided snorkelling trips and offer introductory dives on Rainbow Reef.

You dive with your experienced guide in small groups of maximum four dive guests on the boat, with convenient backroll entry and exit using a ladder. During the surface break you enjoy home-made snacks, freshly brewed coffee and tea at our peaceful beach.

Jone is the only PADI Freediving Instructor in the area and happy to introduce you to this bubble-free relaxed trend sports. Marina is one of few PADI IDC Staff Instructors in Fiji. We offer the full PADI course program up to Assistant Instructor with a broad range of specialties.

You don't have your own dive gear or want to save the extra luggage cost? Rent our new high-quality equipment: weight integrated BCDs, regulators dive computers, 3/5mm wetsuits, masks, both closed and open heel fins with booties. We also provide equipment and tanks for children.

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### Viani Bay Resort

Relax and slow down: No streets, no night clubs: instead the sound of waves, birds and in the morning the children's singing in the Primary School – plus a very good 3G connection to stay in touch with your beloved. Our Boutique Eco-Resort with its remote location is the perfect hide away for divers, snorkelers and ocean lovers. You stay in a 20 square meter bure (Fijian bungalow) built with local timber, comfortable double or two single beds with mosquito nets and ample space for your belongings, plus bathroom with open shower and 15 square meter shaded private veranda with sea view. Feel free to also use the hammocks on the beach. Towels for shower and beach are provided and changed upon request. The bure offers a natural ventilation so that no air-condition is needed.

Electricity is provided by solar systems and a highly efficient generator to cover high load and sufficient energy during cloudy and rainy periods. However, we kindly ask our guests to refrain from using high-energy consumers like hair dryers and curlers.

The microclimate in Viani Bay brings a lot of sunshine and little rain - perfect holiday conditions but requiring a cautious use of fresh water. Our toilets run on salt water. We capture rainwater and collect water from a nearby spring for washing, cooking and drinking. Of course, the drinking water is filtered.

Our restaurant features a fresh seasonal cuisine with local organic ingredients blended with a western style. Let yourself get spoiled by the variety of our local treats. We offer a set menu, that we adapt to your preferences and potential allergic or dietary needs. Once a week you enjoy a Fijian evening with lovo (cooking in the Fijian earth oven), kava, live music with guitars and ukulele.

We are happy to organise a visit to the Primary School, demonstration of Fijian culture and handicraft, cooking classes, hikes in our area and on Taveuni, visit of the Date Line and many other land attractions.

**If you like a stylish but unpretentious atmosphere with personal touch, tasty food, the possibility to get an authentic impression of Fijian life by meeting the wonderful people in Viani Bay, we are the place to stay. Plus you enjoy personal diving with the shortest possible boat rides to the dive sites. If you prefer 5\* luxury accommodation, but still want to dive with us, we are happy to refer you to our hotel partners.**

### What to bring

- 2-pin adapter
- local Vodafone or Digicel SIM card with data package, available at Nadi airport or in Taveuni.  
Top up can be purchased online
- Headlight or torch
- Clothes: shorts, T-shirts, swim-wear, a rain coat, maybe a long sleeve shirt and long pants for the evenings, trekking shoes and flipflops is all you need.  
To attend Fijian events, bring a longer skirt or sulu and a shirt that covers the shoulders

### Social Engagement

With your booking, you support our scholarship program for locals to become PADI Pros, thus being able to pursue career opportunities beyond farming and fishing. We also educate at Ucunivatu Primary School about Marine Conservation and conduct free of charge First Aid workshops for the communities in Viani Bay.