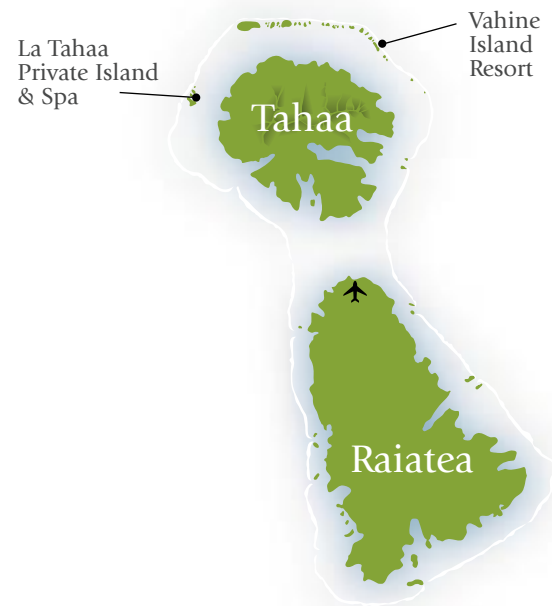


Raiatea & Tahaa

For the Polynesian Maori, ancestor of today's Tahitians, Raiatea was known as Sacred Havai'i and was the center of royalty, religion, culture and history. From here the great war canoes set out for Hawaii and New Zealand to colonize new shores.

Tahaa is often referred to as the Vanilla Island due to the numerous plantations of this aromatic "black gold" that flourish in the fertile valleys of this peaceful island. Here, the coral reef surrounds the flower shaped island and there are as many as 60 motu islets, with white sand beaches and coral gardens sharing a spectacular lagoon with Raiatea.



ACCOMMODATION SELECTIONS



Le Tahaa Private Island & Spa

From CAD\$616 PER PERSON

This luxurious resort is superbly located on the Motu Tautau, facing the Island of Tahaa with unsurpassed oceanside views of Bora Bora. The traditional Polynesian style hotel offers 48 over water suites and 12 beachfront suites with private pool. The beach suites feature a private patio, gardens and swimming pool, the overwater bungalows private decks offer direct access to the lagoon. All suites are equipped with ceiling fans and air conditioning. The public areas are set amongst the trees with exquisite views of the lagoon.

RESORT FACILITIES include 3 restaurants, swimming pool, and a wide range of activities including a dive center and spa.

Vahine Island Resort

From CAD\$258 PER PERSON

A small private motu 35 minutes by speedboat from Raiatea, Vahine Island is located in one of the still untouched blue lagoons of French Polynesia.

By design the resort consists of only three overwater bungalows and six beachfront bungalows hidden among the coconut trees and multi colored hibiscus. The architecture of local woods and bamboos achieves a complete integration with the local environment.

RESORT FACILITIES include restaurant and a variety of activities and sports.





Romance

Whether it be an exchange or renewal of personal vows, a special anniversary or a wedding that can be as elaborate as a traditional ceremony or as simple as an "I do" the setting of white sand beaches bordering crystalline lagoons is a dream come true.

Weddings featured here are not legal ceremonies. Couples intending to marry legally should do so before arriving in Tahiti, then exchange vows in one of these traditional ceremonies.

Tahiti is also an idyllic setting for a "honeymoon in paradise". Delight in your own private thatched-roof bungalow over a turquoise lagoon, cruise under star studded skies and spend a day on your own private islet.



WEDDINGS, HONEYMOONS & ANNIVERSARIES



Bora Bora Pearl Beach Resort

FROM CAD\$1770 PER CEREMONY

"Te Ruau" This ceremony takes place on the white sand beach, with the emerald green Mount Otemanu rising majestically across the crystal waters of the lagoon.

The bride and groom will arrive at the beach in a lavishly decorated outrigger canoe, a Polynesian Wedding Co-ordinator awaits the couple to bless the union. Each couple is given a unique Tahitian name by the high priest, which is also inscribed on the wedding certificate given to the couple.

To complete the ceremony the couple are wrapped as one in the traditional Polynesian wedding quilt, the Tifaifai. Their union is blessed and the dance group performs the traditional wedding dance. They are then accompanied to their bungalow where a fruit basket and honeymoon bed of flowers decorates their bungalow.

Intercontinental Resort Moorea

FROM CAD\$1860 PER CEREMONY

This mini Polynesian wedding takes place at sunset on the beach, which is decorated with flowers, coconut palms and torch lights. The bride awaits the groom's arrival by outrigger canoe while the group sings the traditional love song "Haremai na at here". After exchanging tiare leis and being baptized with Tahitian names, the couple are wrapped in the traditional Tifaifai (Tahitian Wedding Quilt).

The ceremony ends with a dance and a farewell song, and the couple returns to their bungalow where complimentary champagne and canapés await them.

