

Fatu Hiva Island, Marquesas, French Polynesia

The most remote island in the Marquesas rewards visitors with cathedral-like volcanic spires rising from the Bay of Virgins, living traditions of Tapa bark-cloth painting, and an island life unchanged for generations.

 Tender only (no pier)

 Typical call: 5–8 hrs

 Cash only — XPF, USD, EUR

 French / Marquesan

 Remote & undeveloped

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender into Hanavave or Omoa village beach

Walk to center: 5–10 min from tender dock to village

Best For: Dramatic scenery, authentic Polynesian crafts, hiking

Don't Miss: Tapa cloth art & the Bay of Virgins rock spires

 Getting around: 📱 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Bay of Virgins Walk & Scenic Stroll** — Step off the tender in Hanavave and simply look up.
- Tapa Cloth Art & Craft Market** — Fatu Hiva is one of the last places where traditional Tapa bark-cloth is actively made.
- Omoa–Hanavave Cross-Island Hike** — A legendary 17 km ridge-and-valley trail connecting the two villages over a 700 m mountain pass.
- Hanavave Waterfall Hike** — A 40-minute walk inland from Hanavave village through lush rainforest leads to an impressive waterfall.
- Omoa Petroglyphs & Musée Grelet** — A local guide can lead you to ancient rock carvings in the valleys around Omoa, including the famous 'Paoa' tuna...

BEST WALKS

- Hanavave Village & Bay Loop** ~1.5 km · 20–30 min · Easy · Free — From the tender landing, walk the length of the village to the church, then back along the black-sand shoreline.
- Omoa Village Stroll** ~1 km · 15–20 min · Easy · Free — From the Omoa tender landing, wander through the village to the craft market and church.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	82°	79°	12d
Jun	80°	78°	13d
Aug	79°	77°	12d
Sep	79°	77°	12d
Oct	79°	77°	11d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 5:48AM–5:40PM · Jun 6:00AM–5:30PM · Aug 5:56AM–5:41PM · Sep 5:38AM–5:40PM · Oct 5:20AM–5:40PM

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Cash only — no ATMs. Bring XPF (French Pacific Francs) or small USD/EUR bills. Credit cards are not accepted anywhere on the island.
- Nono sandflies are savage. These near-invisible flies bite relentlessly and the welts itch for days. Wear long sleeves and trousers, apply strong DEET repellent, or buy local...