

Tanna Island, Vanuatu

One of the South Pacific's rawest destinations — a land of continuously erupting volcanoes, grass-skirt kastom villages, and geothermal springs bubbling up on the beach. Tanna rewards the adventurous.

-  Tender only (no pier)
-  Typical call: 7-9 hrs
-  Vanuatu Vatu (VUV); AUD accepted
-  Bislama & English

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

- Docking:** Tender to basic jetty or beach at Port Resolution
- Walk to center:** Port Resolution village 5 min; all major sights require 4WD
- Best For:** Volcano thrills, kastom culture, off-grid adventure
- Don't Miss:** Standing at the rim of Mount Yasur — an erupting volcano

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ 200–900 VUV (~\$2–7 USD) · 📱 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Mount Yasur Volcano** — Stand at the rim of one of the world's most accessible active volcanoes as it fires lava bombs skyward.
- **Kastom Village Visit** — Step back centuries at a traditional kastom village such as Yakel, where villagers wear grass skirts and nambas, the chief oversees community life...
- **Giant Banyan Tree** — One of the largest single trees on earth, a sprawling banyan in central Tanna whose aerial roots have colonised an area the size of a football field.
- **Port Resolution Hot Springs & Beach** — A short walk from the tender landing, geothermal springs bubble up through the white-sand beach at the water's edge — natural heated pools where...
- **John Frum Cargo Cult Encounter** — Visit Sulphur Bay, spiritual home of the John Frum movement — one of the Pacific's most fascinating cargo cults, where villagers revere an WWII-era...

BEST WALKS

- **Port Resolution Village & Hot Springs Stroll** 30–45 min | Flat | Free — From the tender jetty, walk through Port Resolution village to the geothermal hot springs at the beach.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring small-denomination AUD or USD cash. There are no ATMs near Port Resolution. Vanuatu Vatu (VUV) is official, but Australian dollars are widely accepted by local vendors. Change may come in Vatu.
- Wear closed-toe shoes and bring a face buff. Volcanic ash at Mount Yasur gets into everything — good footwear is essential. A bandana or buff to cover nose and mouth when the ash blows toward you is invaluable.
- Book tours through your ship for safety. Tanna's roads are rough 4WD tracks with no phone signal in remote areas. If an independent vehicle breaks down, you risk missing the ship. Ship-organised tours are worth the premium here.
- Dress modestly for village visits. Cover shoulders and knees when entering kastom villages — it's a sign of respect for communities that take their traditions seriously. Do not photograph villagers without explicit permission.
- Bring school supplies, not sweets. Locals appreciate donations of notebooks, pens, and basic medical supplies (band-aids, antiseptic). Hand items to the village chief or school teacher, not directly to children.
- Pack a light rain jacket. Tanna's volcanic microclimate can shift rapidly — sunshine and heavy downpour can follow each other within the hour. A packable jacket and extra dry bag for your camera are wise.

Tanna Island, Vanuatu — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1** **Mount Yasur volcano** One of the world's most accessible active volcanoes, erupting continuously for at least 800 years; the crater rim is reachable by a short hike.
- P** Cruise port / terminal

- 2** **Port Resolution hot springs** Natural volcanically-heated hot springs on the shore near the bay where Captain Cook first anchored in 1774.