

Yasawa Island, Yasawa Islands, Fiji

One of Fiji's most remote and spectacular island chains, the Yasawas deliver untouched beaches, legendary limestone caves, and some of the Pacific's best manta ray encounters — all with no roads, no cars, and blissfully little else.

Tender (no pier)

Typical call: 6–8 hrs

Fijian Dollar (FJD)

Fijian & English

MY DAY IN PORT

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

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender only — ships anchor offshore at Yasawairara or near Yasawa Island Resort

Best For: Snorkeling, manta ray swims (May–Oct), cave exploration, village visits

Walk to Center: No town center; landing is at beach or resort; no roads or cars on island

Don't Miss: Sawa-i-Lau limestone caves and the Blue Lagoon at Nanuya Levu

Getting around: Taxi FJD 100–500+ per trip · Rideshare not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Sawa-i-Lau Limestone Caves** — Explore extraordinary limestone caverns in the northern Yasawas, featuring luminous saltwater swimming pools.
 - Swim with Manta Rays at Drawaqa** — Between May and October, manta rays gather in a shallow channel off Drawaqa Island to feed.
 - Blue Lagoon at Nanuya Levu** — Visit the filming location of the 1980 movie 'The Blue Lagoon' — a stunningly clear turquoise lagoon with
- white-sand beaches ideal for swimming and...

 - Fijian Village Visit** — Visit a local village such as Naisisili on Nacula Island for a traditional welcome ceremony, kava tasting, and insight into authentic Fijian life far...
 - Snorkeling & Scuba Diving** — The Yasawa reefs are among Fiji's most pristine — vibrant coral gardens, tropical fish, and clear visibility make for exceptional snorkeling and...

BEST WALKS

- Yasawairara Village Stroll** Easy · ~1 km · 20–30 min — From the tender beach landing, a short walk brings you through Yasawairara, the main village on Yasawa Island.
- Nacula Island Ridge Walk** Moderate · 2–3 hrs · guided recommended — On nearby Nacula Island, steep mountain ridge trails lead through lush vegetation to viewpoints overlooking the archipelago.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		82°	79°	18d
Jun		79°	77°	9d
Aug		78°	76°	7d
Sep		78°	76°	8d
Oct		79°	77°	14d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:18AM–6:01PM · Jun 6:36AM–5:44PM · Aug 6:28AM–6:00PM · Sep 6:05AM–6:04PM · Oct 5:42AM–6:09PM

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Tender timing matters: Tender queues can be long on small ships — check your ship's tender schedule and get your ticket early to maximize shore time.
- Bring Fijian Dollars (FJD): There are no ATMs on the Yasawa Islands. Exchange currency on your ship or in Nadi/Port Denarau before sailing.
- Manta ray season: Manta ray encounters at Drawaqa Island are best May through October. Outside those months the channel may be empty — temper expectations.
- No Sundays for some activities: Local Fijian custom means some resorts and villages do not run tours or open on Sundays. Verify this with your ship.
- Bring water: The islands have limited (or no) facilities ashore. Bring plenty of drinking water, sunscreen, and reef-safe products to protect the coral.
- Sawa-i-Lau caves are worth it: The underwater tunnel to the second cave is tight and requires swimming confidence. Ask your guide before committing — it's optional but spectacular.

Yasawa Island, Yasawa Islands, Fiji — 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 Yasawairara Village A traditional Fijian village near the tender anchorage offering kava ceremonies and cultural visits for cruise passengers.

P Cruise port / terminal