



Tamarillo

7-day kadavu classic



Duration: 7 days/ 6 nights. Suitable for newcomers to sea-kayaking (tuition provided), and experienced kayakers. Open to adults (6+).

First guided in 1998, the Kadavu Classic expedition has been tried and tested, refined and fine-tuned, to become what many guests have described as the best holiday of their lives.

Over seven days and six nights we combine world-class sea-kayaking and snorkeling with treks through rain-forests, visits to isolated villages, picnics on beaches, side-trips and surprises.

We overnight in small, simple resorts, and spend one night as guests in a village.

No camping!

The beautiful marine environment and lush, tropical landscape of Kadavu are both the back-drops and the star attractions of the Kadavu Classic.

Kadavu Classic itinerary*

Day 1

At 11am we rendezvous at Fiji's Nadi International Airport, in time to board the 45-minute Pacific Sun flight to the island of Kadavu. From there a 1-2 hour scenic boat ride will ferry us along Kadavu's coastline to Waisalima Beach Resort. Time for a swim or snorkel off the beach, and a peaceful night beside the ocean.

Day 2

We have a great day trip planned: sea-kayaking along the coast and up into the mangroves at the head of Kavala Bay, then trekking into the rainforest for a refreshing swim under a towering waterfall, before returning to Waisalima Beach Resort for another night.

Day 3

A big day of sea-kayaking: across the channel to the island of Ono, and then around the coastline, through schools of flying fish, to the village of Naqara. We will be ceremonially welcomed by the chief and the villagers, and invited to share in the sacred drink, kava, and the feast cooked in the underground oven, the lovo.

Day 4

After a fond farewell to the people of Naqara, we continue our journey around the coastline of the island, stopping somewhere special for a picnic lunch. More kayaking after lunch takes us to Kenia Beach Resort, where comfortable beach-front bures await us.

Day 5

The biggest day of the expedition: we cross the channel between Ono and Kadavu then kayak along the coast, stopping to enjoy another picnic/snorkel/siesta session. By the end of the day we're in a resort named Matava, the Great Astrolabe Hideaway. Matava is a unique resort, situated where the rain-forest meets the reef. Luxurious surroundings and adventurous pursuits are a specialty.



Day 6

A kayak journey across turquoise lagoons, and time to snorkel where turtles are often seen. We'll paddle a little further to a nearby village for lunch, rest a little, then follow a trail through the forest to a spectacular waterfall and swimming area. Back to Matava for a special last-evening dinner and a well-earned sleep.

Day 7

More snorkeling for those still keen, otherwise a sleepy morning. Another scenic boat-ride (1 hour) to Kadavu's airport, a farewell to the guides, then a 45-minute flight back to Nadi International Airport and onward travel plans. (Scheduled arrival time back in Nadi: 1.45pm.)

*This is Plan A

Any expedition worthy of the name includes changeable elements. The weather and marine conditions, resort and village events, adjusted airline schedules, acts of God and other local deities, and other events beyond Tamarillo's control, may from time to time inspire a change of itinerary.

Rest assured. The Tamarillo guides have the experience and local knowledge to ensure the best options will always be taken to maximise your safety and enjoyment.