

FIJI

*A PARADISE ATTRACTING
THRILL SEEKERS AND LOVERS
OF THE NATURAL WORLD.*





TRIP OVERVIEW

Deep in the south pacific, the island nation of Fiji rises from the sea, a paradise attracting thrill seekers and lovers of the natural world. Fiji features famed coral reef wilderness, tropical mountainous jungles, deep rushing rivers and volcanic landscapes. Many flock to Fiji for its beauty and its beaches, but this trip shows you the trails less traveled as you immerse yourself in the culture of native Fijians. Through service opportunities, you'll get to know the people that make this place so special. You'll also explore the more remote wilderness locations of this island paradise from the underwater depths to the mountain peaks.



EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Get PADI Open Water Diver certified and dive deeper down under! As we always say, it's what's below the surface that counts

River ride through volcanic gorges on the Upper Navua River

Make home in a local jungle village and hang with the locals. Give back to their village community

Eat. Sleep. Surf. Repeat.

DAY 1-3

Meet your group in Los Angeles at LAX airport. Fly together to Nadi, Fiji. Upon arriving, orient yourself to the South Pacific, and travel to your first night together in Pacific Harbor.

DAY 4-8

Awaken in the beautiful Pacific Harbor and begin your SCUBA certification training. For the next four days you'll learn to properly and safely take oxygen below the surface and breathe underwater and then try your scuba skills! You'll navigate the deep water dive, earning an all access pass to an entirely different world. The barrier reefs of Fiji are known for their biodiversity, unique coral reef systems and technicolor creatures. Once you have this certification, you'll have the skills to dive all over the world, but you'll always hold a special memory of your first deep diving exploration in Fiji.

DAY 9-11

You'll spend the next few days living in a local village on the banks of the Upper Navua River. Here you'll immerse yourself in the culture of this small and vibrant community as you stay in the village and work on service projects. You'll tend to the matters most pressing, and could be working on anything from painting houses, to repairing gathering places, to playing with school children. You'll have time to connect with the families, explore cooking and culture, and deepen your connection to your group, and to your adventure.

**Itinerary and order of activities subject to variation.*





DAY 12-13

Saying goodbye to the connections you've made. Get on the stunning Navua River. This thrilling waterway features quick rapids, steep volcanic canyons and waterfalls deep in the tropical jungle. One of the most picturesque rivers in the world, this bright blue waterway is also one of the most fun. Navigate the rapids with your team and learn the art of white water travel among amazing scenery.

DAY 14-16

Travel from the inland rivers and tropical jungle back to the southern coast near Namatakula where you'll prepare for days of surfing and island cruising. Professional guides will teach you the art of this ancient south pacific pastime, and you'll learn to paddle and stand up on moving mountains of water.

Surfing is a sacred act in the south pacific, and there is no more idyllic shoreline to learn. In the evenings, try your hand at a stand-up paddle board and get a new vantage point of the clear turquoise waters.

DAY 17

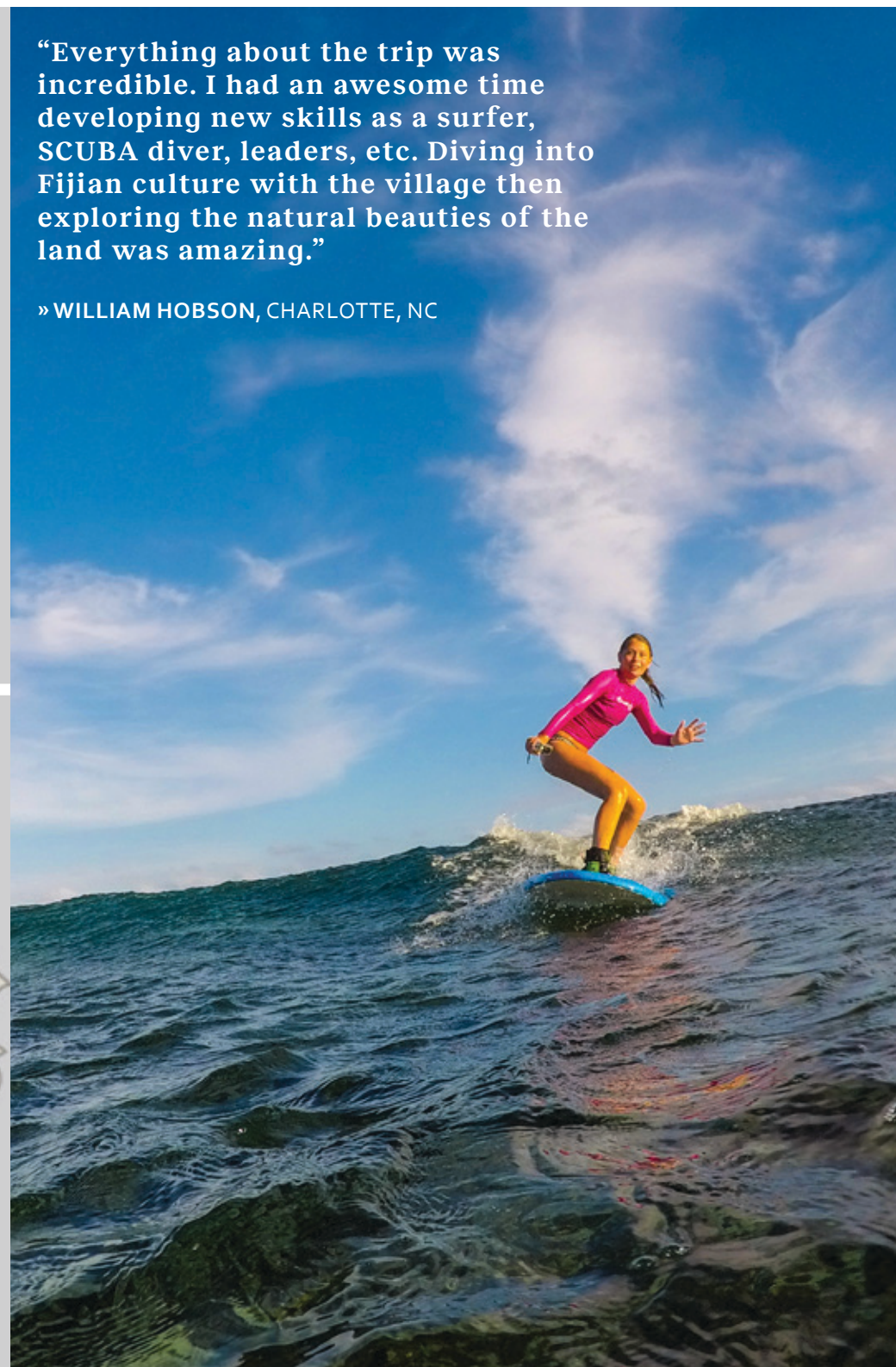
Soak up these last few moments together, enjoy a final celebratory banquet with your team, and make your way back to Los Angeles.





“Everything about the trip was incredible. I had an awesome time developing new skills as a surfer, SCUBA diver, leaders, etc. Diving into Fijian culture with the village then exploring the natural beauties of the land was amazing.”

» WILLIAM HOBSON, CHARLOTTE, NC





TRIP DETAILS

LENGTH	17 Days
GRADE FOR CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR	9th-10th
CHALLENGE LEVEL	Moderate
BEGINS/ENDS	Nadi, Fiji (NAN) <i>Suggested flight details provided upon acceptance</i>
GROUP SIZE	13 Students
AVERAGE AIRFARE FROM EAST COAST	\$1,900

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Two dynamic trip leaders
- Professionally outfitted activities
 - SCUBA Diving
 - White water rafting
 - Community service
 - Surfing
- Accommodations
 - Hotels/Hostels
 - Village Home (as a group)
- Private ground transportation
- All meals
- Photos taken during your trip

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare to and from Nadi, Fiji (NAN)
- Baggage fees
- Personal clothing + equipment
 - Full clothing + equipment list provided upon acceptance
- Personal spending money (\$175 recommended)
- Trip Insurance (Highly recommended)

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