

A stylized illustration of a diver in a blue-green ocean. The diver is shown in profile, swimming downwards and to the right. The water is depicted with light blue and green washes, and several small, dark blue fish are scattered throughout. A coral reef is visible in the background. The text 'Dive in Paradise' is overlaid on the illustration in a dark blue, serif font.

Dive in Paradise

**All activities requiring boats are
subject to time movements and
availability of boats.**

You made it to Beqa!

Welcome to the soft coral capital of the world!

Beqa Lagoon offers over 30 exciting dive sites waiting on you to explore!

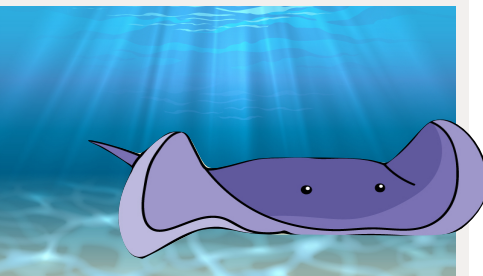
Your dive crew will advise you how you can help to preserve this natural wonder before entering its waters.



Did you know?

That sting rays closest relation is the shark! They belong to the same group of cartilaginous fish.

This means that instead of bones, they're supported by skeletons of cartilage.



How old is snorkelling?

It is recorded in 3000 BC that skin-divers off the island of Crete in the Mediterranean Sea used hollow reeds to allow them to breathe while they collected sea sponges under the water.

DIVING AT BEQA

On Arrival

Please hand your dive registration form and dive card to reception.

Planning Your Dives

Once you have registered please liaise with the dive shop manager to plan your dive itinerary. Please let the dive manager and crew know if you have any special needs.

Some dives will be early in the morning and some in the afternoon. We will do our best to make sure you do not have to miss activities that are important to your stay.

The prevailing weather will be a determining factor as to which site will be selected on any given day, and of course the sites the group may already have visited. This is the prerogative of the captain and dive masters who make their decision based on guests safety and their (the captains) knowledge of the local conditions.

The main white board at the dive shop will advise your boat allocation for the day.

Storing Your Dive Gear

You can request our dive staff to collect your gear from your bure once you have placed it into the dive bag provided, or you may bring it to the dive shop yourself.

Throughout your stay our dive team will take care of your gear, except wetsuits, camera and personal dry bags. They will ensure your dive gear is on the boat ready for your dive trip. If you would prefer to do this yourself then please inform the dive team.

Each diver is assigned their bure number and a letter, A, B, C depending on how many divers are in your bure. This number is put on your BCD strap, weight belt and crate. Place your mask, fins, snorkel and regulator in your crate.

Your gear will be hung in an assigned locker. Your BCD will be hung up with your mesh bag below it. Weight belts are left on the boat unless you have advised the dive master you wish to do a shore dive before the next trip.

Keep your personal items with you. They are your responsibility so please do not leave them on the boat.

Boat Safety

Safety is always our concern and we have our boats surveyed regularly. Our boats have been taking care of our divers, under the guidance of our skilled captains and crew.

Please follow the advice of your boat captain and crew, they have been safely navigating these waters for years.

Check Dive

On arrival a dive master will take you for a check dive so that you are prepared for your first dive on the reef.

I'm alive, what am I?

No gloves are to be worn to any dive sites. Use the one finger rule to maintain your buoyancy when diving around coral and watch where you kick your fins.

Please do not take anything, dead or alive off the reef - Fiji needs it!

Did you know?

Though they may look toothless, goldfish actually do have teeth but they're located in their throats.



What the stripe is that!

Tiger sharks are named that way because of the tiger-like, black stripes that cover the body of the young animals.



Fish - 450 million years old

Fish have been on the earth for more than 450 million years. Fish were well established long before dinosaurs roamed the earth. There are over 25,000 identified species of fish on the earth.



Dining When Diving

Please dry off and put on a t-shirt or garment before coming for a meal in the main dining bure. No swimwear allowed.

Dive Courses and Certifications

Always wanted to learn how to scuba dive or simply haven't had the time to acquire that extra certification? We offer a wide range of courses from a beginners course to dive master and speciality courses.

Some courses can be completed in a very very short time frame while others need that extra attention. At Beqa Lagoon Resort we aim to make learning enjoyable and rewarding, and we can time manage your training if you have other activities you wish to join in.

Prices and courses can be found in the 'Dive Price Menu'.

House Reef Dive

Shore diving and exploring our house reef, under Fijian law requires that your are escorted by a dive master. The dive shop will have a DM on hand on your arrival to test your weights and do your equipment checks. Other House reef dives are a rostered activity that you can book on the main activities board.

Night Dives

Night diving allows you to explore a whole new surreal marine world. Subject to minimum numbers, please register on the activities board in the main dining bure.

Nitrox

For your comfort whilst diving we offer nitrox, which can help serious divers have a more enjoyable time. Nitrox is a special blend of air in which the nitrogen content is reduced and the oxygen content is increased, which can help serious divers have a more enjoyable time. We highly recommend diving with nitrox and having a chat with our friendly dive team to find out more.

Prices

Associated costs for diving and dive services can be found in the 'Dive Prices Menu'.

Reef Dives

With over 30 reef dive sites there is plenty to explore! Each one is unique and offers something special.

Refreshments

Water and light refreshments will be provided for you on the boat.

Rental Equipment

We have dive equipment including regulators, masks, BCD's and wetsuits available for rental. A full list of equipment and prices is located at the dive shop and in the 'Dive Prices Menu'.

Towels

These will be provided for you on the boat. Please do not bring your bure towels.

Safety Briefings

It is essential you attend EVERY safety briefing before EVERY dive! The unique characteristics of the dive site you will be exploring will be explained in full detail.

The correct safety procedures for ascending and descending the dive, boat procedures and equipment handling will be reinforced

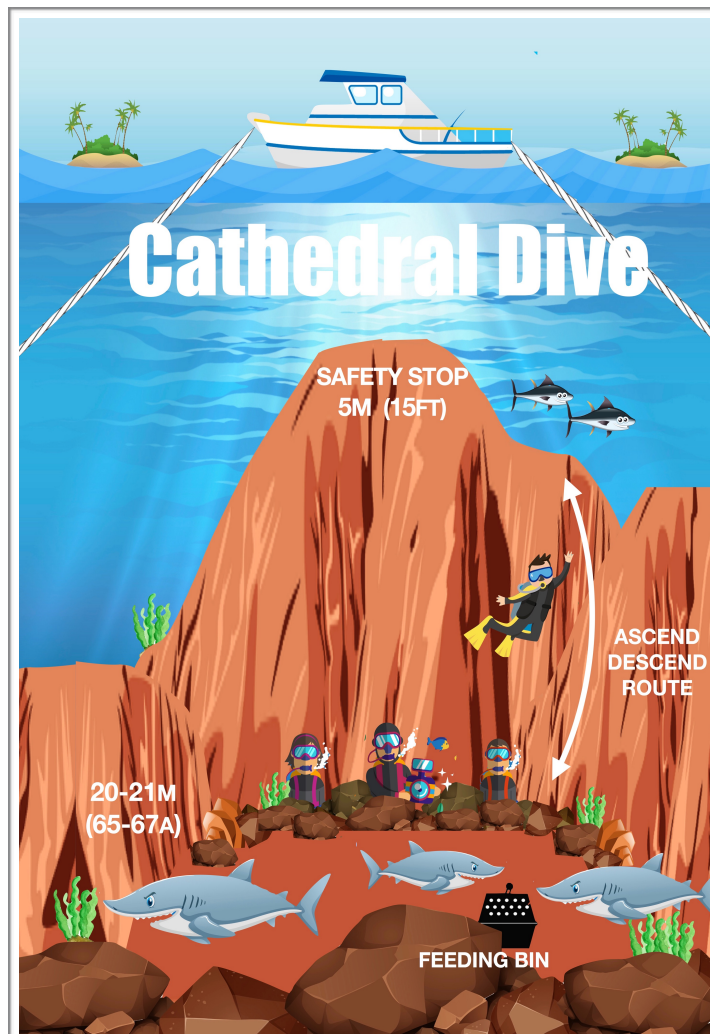
Shark Dives

Shark dives operate Monday, Wednesday and Friday ONLY. Please register your interest on the activities board in the main dining bure. Black wetsuits only, no bright fluorescent colours allowed.

There is one group per dive per day, which includes two dives, each approx. 30-45 mins. These exhilarating dives are limited to 22 people per dive so please book well in advance.

Beqa's Cathedral Dive

World famous, this protected marine reserve is home to the Tiger Shark, Bull Shark, Black Tip, Nurse and Lemon sharks and a huge variety of tropical fish.



BEQA LAGOON

TOP 10 DIVE SITES

1 THE CATHEDRAL SHARK DIVE – 65ft

The Best Shark Dive in the World!

At least 9 different species of sharks - Bulls, Silver, Black Tip, Nurse & regular Tiger shark visits. Shark dive is operated on Mon, Wed, Fri morning and subject to availability. We highly recommend diving with nitrox to obtain optimum performance and enjoyment.

2 FANTASEA - 70ft

Colours, soft coral and lots of Gorgonian Fans in different shapes, sizes and colours.

3 CARPET COVE – 100ft to 110ft

Lots of carpet anemones with clown fish and a 80ft Chinese trawler wreck at 100ft.

4 JOHN'S TUNNEL – 80ft

A tunnel 30ft long, 5ft to 8ft wide lined with soft coral. Also a wreck at 80ft.

5 JOE'S BEST – 90ft

One coral head 40ft x 90ft with a giant swim through in the middle. Teeming with soft coral, fans, antheas, school of barracudas, etc.

6 SOFT CORAL PLATEAU – 90FT

A body of reef sitting right in the middle of the north passage to Beqa Lagoon, Eagle rays, Blue Ribbon eels, and tons of soft coral.

7 SHINING GLORY – 70FT

Three coral head - one of which having a crack at the very top, offers spectacular light refractions.

8 SEVEN SISTERS – 70FT

Seven coral heads lined in a row each with its own unique features.

9 BLUE WALL – 130FT +

The wall on the South East side of Beqa Lagoon rises from 150ft to 15ft. Sharks, Mantas, Eagle rays abound and are always at least 100ft + visibility.

10 FRIGATE WALL – 130FT +

Very similar to Blue Wall – Lots of cracks and alleyways in the wall. Also home of the 'Fiji Pipeline' famous surf spot!

Can I drink the water from the tap?

Yes, It's "Fiji Water" without the cost!

Are the bures air-conditioned?

Yes, all bures are air-conditioned as well as having fans and insect screens.

Can I visit local villages on my own?

Yes, the villages are a short trail from our resort.

Do you accept credit cards?

Yes, we accept Visa, Master Card, and American Express.

Can I change money at the resort?

Yes, you can. But please note that all purchases at the resort during your stay are billed to your room. No money is needed during your stay. Pay by cash or credit card before your departure. The approximate exchange rate is 1.5 Fiji Dollar to the AUS Dollar.

Are there mosquitos?

Being a tropical climate, on occasion we have mosquitos at dusk and dawn. We provide free spray at the lounge and have mosquito deterrents in the bures.

Do you have accommodation for families?

Yes, we have spacious family suites that consist of a living room and two bedrooms.

Do you have baby sitters available?

Yes, the local ladies are lovely sitters and the kids adore them

Do you have a crib?

Yes, advance reservation needed.

What is your power supply?

All electrical power is 240V and the socket is Australian style 3 prong.

Do you have laundry service?

Yes, for a nominal fee.

Do you have internet?

Yes, we have WIFI for a nominal fee. You will need your own device to use the internet.

Do you have telephone and fax?

Yes, for a nominal fee.

Are your bures smoke-free?

Yes. All bures, dining and lounge areas are smoke-free however everyone has their own private outdoor entertainment deck and there are many areas outside of the dining area where you can smoke

Is your pool salt or freshwater?

Our pool is freshwater. We provide pool towels free of charge.

Do you have phones or TV in the bures?

No. The resort's focus is on relaxation, rejuvenation, and adventure.

What meal plan do you provide?

We provide a full meal plan consisting of 3 gourmet meals. Coffee and tea is available free of charge throughout the day and is also available in your bure.

Do you cater to vegetarians or vegans?

Yes, our chef can provide vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free meals as well as for any allergies you might have. Please advise us of your dietary preference when making your reservation so that we can prepare.

Do you have an a la carte restaurant?

All our meals are provided in a meal package that offers 3 choices for lunch and dinner. We offer a buffet breakfast daily and two nights a week we have a themed buffet dinner. We also offer an all-day snack menu featuring hamburgers, toasted sandwiches and the like.

Do you provide kids meals?

Yes.

Does it rain a lot?

Fiji is a tropical, green paradise. Most rain happens during the night unless a weather system is in the vicinity.

Do I need a watch?

No. All activities are announced Fijian style with the rhythmical sound of the lali (wooden drum). We also provide wake-up calls. So just come and relax!

Do you have a doctor on the property?

We have a doctor on call but not on the resort.

Is it ok to bring young children to Fiji?

Yes, it is safe. However, we suggest bringing children 2 years and older.

What language do they speak in Fiji?

English is an official language in Fiji and almost everybody speaks it very well.

Is Fiji safe?

Yes! Fiji is a safe country. However, like everywhere else, you need to exercise caution. Do not wear flashy jewelry and carry large amounts of cash. Our resort is located on an island without roads and is therefore very safe and far from harm.

Where is Beqa Lagoon Resort located situated?

Our resort is located on Beqa Island which is a 45-minute boat ride from the main island where the international airport is. To get to the boat launch, it is a 2.5-hour scenic road trip along the Coral Coast. Please be aware that we do not provide boat transfers at night.

What kind of nightlife to you have at the resort?

We have cultural performances such as the Meke (traditional war dance), Kava Ceremony, Choir, and live local dinner band. In the evening, guests share photos and videos, trade stories, mingle with other guests, or relax with a drink at the bar. If you are looking for discos and fancy nightlife, this is not the resort for you! If you come to Beqa Lagoon Resort, enjoy the unobstructed, most dramatic South Pacific sunsets the world has to offer from the lounge overlooking the beach.

Will there be enough for me to do if I am not a diver?

Yes, we have daily free activities and lessons as well as many activities for a nominal fee. Check out our experiences section. Our resort is ideal for divers with non-diving partners!

How can I pay my bill when I check out?

You can pay in Fiji or US dollars or by MasterCard, Visa, and American Express. We do accept traveler's checks for a nominal bank fee.

Do you have a spa?

Yes. Please check out our full service, beachfront, open-air Lali Spa menu listed under the experiences section featured on our website.

Can I buy souvenirs at the resort?

Yes, we have a boutique that sells souvenirs as well as toiletries, batteries, and snacks.

What about tipping?

Resorts in Fiji typically have what they call a Staff Christmas Fund. The fund is 100% managed by the staff for the staff. Tips are collected throughout the year and disbursed amongst all staff just before Christmas.

Do you have a safe in the room?

Yes, all rooms have a safe.

Can I snorkel from the beach?

Yes, we have a marine protected house reef for snorkeling and diving from shore.

Can I dive if I am not a certified diver?

Yes, if you sign up for the “Discover Scuba” option or take the Open Water Diving Course. You can do as many Discover Scuba Sessions as you like. You will be personally supervised and your depth of diving is limited, but you still get the experience. You also might want to try hookah snorkeling which goes beyond regular snorkeling. See details on hookah snorkeling under our activities section.

What is the water temperature?

Around 27c.

What items do you have available in the boutique?

We have toiletries, batteries and lots of souvenirs. Bula shirts, t-shirts, dresses, shirts, hats, wooden handicraft items, Pure Fiji Products, and lots more.

What is the best time to travel to Fiji?

Fiji is a year-round tropical South Pacific destination. We have two main seasons, which are our drier, cooler months from June to September. At these times our temperatures tend to be around 75-80F(20-25C) while our warmer, more humid months from November to April tend to be around 85F (30C).