



## **TRAVEL & RENDEZVOUS INFORMATION**

### **CHECK-IN**

- Re-confirm your flights 72-hours prior to departure and double check flight times and numbers.
- Check-in two hours prior to your flight. International airport security can be slow.
- Pack carefully. Most airlines strictly adhere to a luggage limit of 70 lbs per piece.
- Lost/delayed luggage problems are usually avoided by personally checking in bags with the carrier taking you to Fiji. If you are connecting from another airline before a Fiji flight, collect your bags from that original flight and check them in again prior to your Fiji departure.

### **ARRIVAL IN NADI**

- To clear customs and immigration in Fiji you must show your valid passport and return ticket.
- As a tourist, you do not need a visa for stays under 120 days.
- Before departing the airport, change some money at the bank in the international terminal (which opens to correspond with flight arrivals).
- Please note: for purchases on NAI'A we accept US dollars, traveler's checks, Visa, Mastercard, American Express.

### **TRANSFER TO NAI'A**

- Your cruise aboard NAI'A begins at the Lautoka Wharf at 2:00 pm on Saturday. We will provide transport from Nadi-area hotels and the airport at about 1:00 pm.
- If you plan to arrive in Fiji one or more days prior to the charter, you should book Friday night in a Nadi hotel or arrive at the Nadi airport from the outer islands by noon on Saturday.
- If you arrive in Fiji Saturday morning, you will probably want to book a day room in Nadi in which to rest until pick-up time at 1:00pm.
- Please make sure to notify our office of your pick-up location well in advance.
- On-board you will receive an orientation while your luggage is taken to your stateroom. Light snacks will be served as we make our way to the afternoon's divesite.

### **VOYAGING**

- NAI'A's precise itinerary is weather dependent, however the first location will provide ideal check-out dive conditions - relatively shallow and calm, but still spectacular.
- No major crossing is made until after the first day - there's plenty of time to get your sea legs.
- Three dives are scheduled for the final full day, as well as time to wash and dry diving gear.

### **DISSEMBARKING & DEPARTURE**

- Flight confirmations and day room bookings are made during the trip via radio to our office.
- On the day the charter ends, continental breakfast will be served before we bid you farewell.
- Air-conditioned vehicles will transfer you to your hotel or to Nadi airport.
- If your flight home departs in the evening, we recommend you book a day room where you can store your luggage while you tour for the day and relax and shower before the flight.
- Be sure to keep \$20 (Fijian currency only) per person aside for departure tax from Nadi airport.

### **WHAT TO BRING**

- Pack a warm sweater and pants - life at sea is cooler than in shore-based resorts, especially after multiple dives each day. We want you to enjoy the starry night sky and the fresh air! For more information on air temperature see our website [www.naia.com.fj/research/weather.html](http://www.naia.com.fj/research/weather.html).
- Most NAI'A divers require at least a 3mm wetsuit or Polartec in our summer months (November-March). We recommend either a one-piece 5mm suit for winter, or the addition of a hood or hooded vest to your 3mm suit. Warm divers stay under longer so don't skimp on protection. For more information on Fiji temperature please see our website [www.naia.com.fj/research/water.html](http://www.naia.com.fj/research/water.html).
- Feel free to bring your choice of music, books or videos for your entertainment. NAI'A has a limited collection of CDs, tapes, paperbacks and movies that you are welcome to use.
- Don't forget your diving certification card!
- Our crew would greatly appreciate current news, science, or other magazines, as they are hard to come by here.
- During your cruise we will visit a Fijian village on a remote island. If you would like to bring a gift to the village, we would suggest toothpaste and tooth brushes, school bags, rain boots and rain coats for the children, second-hand clothing for adults and children, hand soap, preferably biodegradable, solar powered flashlights and radios, basic medical supplies like big bandages, dressings, antibiotic cream and basic antibiotics.