



NEW CALEDONIA - TWO ISLAND ESCAPE

8-days / 7-night Noumea + Ile des Pin Pacific Islands escape

Be Active – go NC hiking



Cost: From **\$3200** per person, twin-share *

Departs: Daily from 1st April 2017 – 31st March 2018 **

Includes: Return economy airfares from Australia to Noumea
7-nights' resort accommodation in Noumea and Ile des Pins, with breakfast
Airfares between Noumea and Ile des Pins with shuttle transfers
Full day excursions to beautiful Amedee Island and the white sand Nokanhui Atoll

Ideal for both active travellers and those who want pure relaxation, Noumea and the Isle of Pines is a wonderful place of great diversity of culture and colour – it's our *must visit* near neighbour in the Pacific Ocean.

Just a 3-hour flight from Sydney (less from Brisbane), New Caledonia is our closest Pacific neighbour. The country comprises of the main island (La Grande Terre) which is about 400km in length, and a myriad of smaller islands (the Loyalty Islands and Isle of Pines being the main two). It is a tropical getaway, but being a French territory it offers a French twist. French is the main language, and you will find exquisite pastries and French wine. It's not all French though – the local Melanesian people, the Kanaks, have been inhabitants for over 3,000 years making New Caledonia an interesting mixture of cultures, tastes and colours.

The islands themselves are very different. The east coast of La Grande Terre has tropical scenery, with mountain ranges covered in lush greenery, ferns and vibrant rainforest. The drive along the coast gives spectacular views of turquoise waters and white sand beaches. Further north there are more traditional Kanak villages, and perhaps the local people are more welcoming, as every person gives a friendly wave and a smile. Going into the centre of the main island you can discover natural springs, waterfalls and incredible views across the countryside down to the huge barrier reef lagoon surrounding the island. The west is more open with pine forests and paperbark trees, an ideal place for a walking holiday.

New Caledonia offers a variety of short day walks from the resorts (transfers can be arranged – at extra cost – to trailheads further away from the resorts). Follow tracks through the Blue River National Park or travel to the north of Yate, towards an area described as the '*Forgotten Coast*', which, as the name suggests, offers wild seclusion with unique and relatively untouched forest clad valleys, cliffs and natural springs.

If you are looking for challenging walking or trekking – again with authentic and cultural encounters – walk the Great North track. This multi-day trek along a magnificent coastline and into the mountains takes you into traditional Kanak villages where you can meet and learn about the indigenous people and culture.

The GR NC1 walking trail (based on the French *Grande Randonnée* routes) crosses the southern province, starting out from Prony, at its southern edge. Over seven stages explore the red soil country - a rich red colour from the oxidized metal-rich earth - of the Great South region, its luxuriant forests, abundant wildlife and the Dumbéa River. Transfers to walking trails are available from both resorts at extra cost.

Call OUTDOOR TRAVEL on 1800 331 582 for details or reservations



NOUMEA + ILE DES PINS – 7-NIGHT HOLIDAY PACKAGE

Property Name:	4 nights' accommodation at 4-star Château Royal Beach Hotel Resort and Spa 3 nights' accommodation at 4-star Oure Tera Beach Resort Hotel, Ile des Pins
From Price:	From Brisbane or Sydney \$3200 per person* , based on twin share Other departure cities available at extra cost
Offer inclusions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Return economy airfares from Brisbane/Sydney to Noumea with Air Calin including 23kg of checked luggage, snacks and beverages, airline taxes and fuel surcharges. * 4 nights' accommodation in a Superior Garden Room at Château Royal Beach Resort and Spa on Anse Vata Beach in Noumea, including buffet breakfast * 3 nights' accommodation in a Tropical Bungalow at Oure Tera Beach Resort Hotel, Ile des Pins, including buffet breakfast * Return economy airfares between Noumea and Ile des Pins (including 20kg checked luggage) * Return transfers by private car between Noumea international airport and Château Royal Resort * Return transfers by private minibus between Château Royal Resort and Noumea domestic airport * Return minibus transfers between Ile des Pins airport and Oure Tera Resort * Full day excursion to Amedee Island, including buffet lunch, island dance show, glass-bottomed boat trip, use of snorkelling equipment, transfers from/to hotel * Full day excursion to Nokanhui Atoll, including gourmet seafood lunch * Free use of snorkelling equipment and canoes at Oure Tera Resort <p>Upgrade to 5-star properties may be available at extra cost, ask when booking</p>
Valid for travel dates:	From 1 st April 2017 to 31 st March 2018 ** ** Not available from 19 th December 2017 to 4 th January 2018

* Prices and inclusions are subject to change - ask for booking conditions.



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