Bora Bora Itinerary and Travel Guide 3-DAY DREAM ITINERARY: BORA BORA (LUXURY ON A BUDGET EDITION)

Hotel: Royal Bora Bora Hotel

FLIGHT #: HOTEL ADDRESS: Route de Ceinture Commune de Nunu'e, 98713

Bora Bora, French Polynesia - Matira Beach

ARRIVAL: DEPARTURE:



DAY 1: MATIRA BEACH

Morning:

• Hotel Check-in & Welcome Drink

• Stroll along Matira Beach (one of the most

beautiful beaches in the world)

• Grab breakfast at Snack Matira (local, cheap &

delicious)

Afternoon: Half-Day Lagoon Tour

→ Snorkeling Coral Gardens

→ Swim with Reef Sharks & Stingrays

→ Small group = affordable luxury (~\$100-\$130 pp)

Evening:

 Sunset Dinner at Bloody Mary's – famous for fresh seafood + sandy floor vibes

• Optional: Grab wine & sit on Matira Beach for sunset

• Jaw-dropping sunset photos guaranteed!



DAY 2:ADVENTURE & AERIAL VIEWS

Morning:

Breakfast at hotel

Mount Otemanu 4x4 Jeep Safari (~\$70-\$100 pp)

→ Explore lush jungle

→ Ancient temples, WWII cannons

→ Multiple panoramic stops for iconic photos

Afternoon:

 Lunch at Chez Ben's Food Truck (budgetfriendly local plate)

• Relax + Swim at Matira Beach

Optional Kayak or Paddleboard Rental

(~\$25/hr)

Evening:

 Sunset Catamaran Cruise with Champagne (~\$100 pp)

 Best views of Bora Bora's colors as sun dips below Mount Otemanu

Dinner back near hotel – Fare Manuia (local hidden gem, good prices, tropical garden



SERENITY

Morning:

- Breakfast
- Private Motu Picnic Experience (~\$150-\$200 pp)
- → Boat picks you up → Take you to a small secluded islet (Motu)
- → Lunch on the beach → Snorkeling → Crystal clear waters
- → Feels like a \$1000 experience without the crazy

Afternoon:

- Back to hotel → Pool time or nap
- Walk Vaitape Town for souvenirs → Buy Black Pearls or handmade jewelry

Evening:

- Romantic Beach Dinner at Matira Beach Restaurant
- → Lagoon-side dining with sunset views
- → Candlelit atmosphere

Optional Night Cap: Lay under the stars on the beach – minimal light pollution makes the Bora Bora night sky breathtaking.

TOTAL ESTIMATED BUDGET BREAKDOWN (PER PERSON FOR 3 DAYS)

HOTEL (3 NIGHTS) \$750 - \$1000

FOOD & DRINKS \$200 - \$300

EXCURSIONS & TOURS \$300 - \$450

TRANSPORT (BIKES, SHUTTLES) \$50

SOUVENIRS

OPTIONAL TOTAL \$1300 - \$1800

WHAT MAKES THIS ITINERARY SPECIAL:

✓ LUXURY FEEL WITHOUT OVERWATER BUNGALOW PRICING

✓ WORLD-CLASS EXPERIENCES: SHARKS, STINGRAYS, LAGOONS, MOUNTAINS, PRIVATE ISLAND TIME

✓ ICONIC SUNSET & SUNRISE LOCATIONS

✓ LOCAL FOOD MIXED WITH ROMANTIC DINING

✓ UNFORGETTABLE PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES EVERYWHERE

INSTAGRAM-WORTHY PHOTO LOCATION GUIDE – BORA BORA EDITION

LOCATION/ BEST TIME TO SHOOT/ WHY IT'S INSTA-PERFECTPHOTO TIP

MATIRA BEACH

SUNRISE & SUNSET

BORA BORA'S MOST FAMOUS BEACH WITH CLEAR TURQUOISE WATER & SOFT WHITE SAND SILHOUETTE SHOTS AT SUNSET OR SITTING ON A SWING WITH THE LAGOON BACKDROP

MOUNT OTEMANU VIEWPOINT (4X4 TOUR SPOT)

MID-MORNING OR GOLDEN HOUR
THE MOST ICONIC MOUNTAIN IN BORA BORA FRAMED BY LUSH GREENERY
WIDE-ANGLE LENS FOR DRAMATIC MOUNTAIN SCALE

CORAL GARDEN SNORKELING SPOT

MIDDAY (FOR WATER CLARITY)

CRYSTAL CLEAR UNDERWATER PARADISE

GOPRO DOME SHOTS FOR HALF UNDERWATER/HALF SKY IMAGES

PRIVATE MOTU (ISLET)

ANYTIME

SANDBAR VIBES + UNTOUCHED NATURE
DRONE SHOTS ARE A MUST HERE FOR TOP-DOWN TURQUOISE MAGIC

VAITAPE DOCK

SUNSET

BORA BORA SIGN + LOCAL BOATS + SUNSET GLOW CANDID WALKING SHOTS WITH BOATS IN THE BACKGROUND

HOTEL POOL WITH LAGOON VIEW

MORNING

INFINITY POOLS OVERLOOKING MOUNT OTEMANU FLOATING BREAKFAST OR POOLSIDE SHOTS WITH REFLECTIONS

SUNSET CATAMARAN CRUISE

GOLDEN HOUR

OPEN WATER, SETTING SUN, CHAMPAGNE IN HAND

HAVE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHER (OR GUIDE) CAPTURE FROM BEHIND FOR THAT "LIVING YOUR BEST LIFE" LOOK

BLOODY MARY'S SIGN

AFTERNOON

ICONIC FOR TRAVELERS & FUN FOR REELS
HOLD YOUR SANDALS + CASUAL ISLAND STYLE PIC

OVERWATER BUNGALOW PIER (MANY HOTELS ALLOW PHOTOS)

EARLY MORNING

CLASSIC BORA BORA SHOT

FRAME WITH LEADING LINES OF PIER POINTING TO MOUNT OTEMANU

NIGHT SKY FROM MATIRA BEACH

LATE NIGHT
CLEAR, STARRY SKIES LIKE A GALAXY ABOVE
LONG EXPOSURE WITH A TRIPOD OR PHONE NIGHT MODE

1. BORA BORA LAGOONARIUM TOURS

- Great for: Shark & Ray snorkeling + Coral Gardens + Motu Picnics
- Price Range: \$100 \$150 pp
- Why: Local guides, authentic feel, small group experience
- IG: @borabora_lagoonarium

2. MOANA ADVENTURE TOURS

- Great for: 4x4 Jeep Safari + Jet Skis + Catamaran Sunset Cruises
- Price Range: \$70 \$120 pp (shared tours)
- Why: Professional, friendly, clean boats
- IG: @moanaadventuretours

3. LAGOON SERVICE BORA BORA

- Great for: Private Motu Picnics + Lagoon Snorkeling Tours
- Price Range: \$130 \$200 pp
- Why: Personalized, romantic setups, budget private options
- IG: @lagoonserviceborabora

4. BORA BORA ROMANTIC TOURS

- Great for: Budget-friendly Sunset Cruises + Combo Packages
- Price Range: \$90 \$150 pp
- Why: Gorgeous boats, champagne vibes, curated experiences
- IG: @boraboraromantictour

BONUS PRO PHOTOGRAPHY TIP:

Ask your tour guide to snap candid photos or short videos of you during excursions. They're often happy to help and know the best angles.

- →Pack these:
- GoPro or waterproof phone case
- Tripod with remote
- Drone (DJI Mini recommended under 250g for easier travel)
- Portable charger (you'll need it)