

Ron Hunter's Dive Expeditions
Swimming with Humpback Whales Tour Vava'u - TONGA
Remote island camping, 09 - 18 October 2012
Tour leader Neil Bunting

TUESDAY 09 OCTOBER 2012

15:20 depart Sydney on DJ183. flying Polynesian Blue,

21:55 arrive Nuku'alofa - Tonga

You will be met and transferred to Royal Tongan airport hotel for 1 Night twin share standard room accommodation

WEDNESDAY 10 OCTOBER 2012

Today you will be transferred back to the airport.

07:00 depart Nuku'alofa on Chatham Airlines flight CP-703

07:50 arrive Vava'u

After breakfast today we transfer to our own island Eua'kafa. Totally uninhabited, Eua'kafa is around 40 minutes by boat out of Neiafu.

This afternoon we will enjoy the first of our great days out with the Whales in Vava'u.

Our campsite is set up for us and for the next nine days and eight nights we will enjoy true wilderness camping. And best of all, we are out where the mother Whales and their calves are resting. It is here we will have the opportunity to Swim with the Whales, particularly early each morning before they start moving around. Each day we will go out to Swim with the Whales as well as enjoying beautiful Scuba diving and snorkelling around the myriad of islands that make up the Vava'u archipelago.



"Cuddles" the calf that hugged people, Pic Mike Cooper © copyright 2009

WEDNESDAY 17 OCTOBER 2012

After Swimming with the Whales, snorkelling or diving and then breakfast, we pack up our camping gear and head back to Neiafu, for one night's standard, twin share, air-conditioned room accommodation. Here we will have an opportunity for a "civilized" shower before heading back home.

THURSDAY 18 OCTOBER 2012

Today you will be transferred back to the airport.

08:10 depart Vava'u on Chatham Airlines flight CP-702

09:00 arrive Nuku'alofa

11:10 depart Nuku'alofa on flight DJ182. Flying Polynesian Blue,

14:30 arrive Sydney



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Inclusions:

- Return international and domestic airfares Sydney / Nuku'alofa / Vava'u
- One nights' twin share accommodation in Nuku'alofa
- One night's twin share standard air-con room accommodation, in Neiafu
- Eight days, seven nights remote island camping, with all meals and camping gear supplied
- Eight days of Whale encounters, and/or Snorkelling and Scuba diving, cylinders, weights and dive guides included
- Traditional Tongan "Umu" feast on Sunday, a total day of rest, by law
- Services of PADI Divemasters and Instructors; World renowned SCUBA diving and Whale guides
- A guaranteed great and memorable time

Costs: SCUBA Diver \$3990, including taxes



The "Flying Whale", this one just to mess with your mind. Pic Ron Hunter Copyright 2009

* Itinerary and costs for 2012 at this time (1st October 2011) are based on current schedules and rates. These will be confirmed or adjusted once new airline fares, schedules and other suppliers' rates are advised.

It is important to note that for international departures check in is no later than two hours prior to departure. Reconfirmation of your flights is essential 72 hours prior to departure. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of your flights. Please ensure that all departure / arrival timings indicated are correct, as these are subject to change without notice. Your passport must have a minimum of 6 months validity from day of departure.

Travel insurance is compulsory: We strongly recommend taking out travel insurance at time of booking for tours, either through our recommended* company "Covermore Australia" or your own company of choice.

* Covermore covers you from the date of taking out the policy, for up to two years, until your tour return date, not just for the period of the tour. Check conditions & cover of any policy you are considering.

Booking agent: Harvey World Travel Tuncurry (Licence No 2TA 5683/5684)

Contact Cameron, HWT for travel insurance info Cameron.Tuncurry@harveyworld.com.au 02 6554 6673

To book onto the tour you will need to supply the following:

A completed booking form and photocopy of your passport together with a \$1000 non-refundable deposit

We have booked out the entire whale watch and diving operation for the height of the whale watch season, early bookings are essential and will ensure your spot on the tour

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