



Vinaka Fiji Yasawa Trust Foundation

Making a difference to the lives of local Yasawa villagers

Fiji's Yasawa Islands are home to **27 villages living below world standards** of health and poverty. The Vinaka Fiji Trust was set up to give something back to the villagers and to say "thank you (vinaka), for welcoming us into their islands."

Through **fundraising and volunteering**, Vinaka Fiji aims to improve the provision of basic needs and amenities, often taken for granted in modern society, yet missing from village life in the Yasawas.

Vinaka Fiji provides **direct aid and acts as a facilitator**, bringing those who can help - companies, Government, aid agencies and volunteers - together with the Yasawa villages.

Everything they do is in close consultation with the Yasawa Ratus (chiefs), administrators and headmen in each village to establish what is needed to achieve an improvement in living conditions. The Trust also has a strong relationship with the Ba Provincial Government.

Vinaka Fiji volunteering programmes cover three key areas: **Education; Sustainable Communities; and Marine Conservation**. The programmes are based in the remote Yasawa Island villages, where assistance is vital and where there is huge scope for the development of a more sustainable life style. The flexible programme length, from 1 to 26 weeks, and the range of opportunities to help means there is something for everyone.

How you can help

Volunteering is all about giving something back and making a difference. Perhaps before or after your Fiji holiday vacation, you could spend some time in the Yasawas, lending a helping hand to people in need.

Here's an idea of the pricing and options available:

Prices are in NZD\$ and indicative only as they are subject to exchange rate changes at any time :

Per Person Prices below are Valid 01 April 2018 – 31 March 2019

CHILDREN & SCHOOLS/EDUCATION *	ONE WEEK 7 DAYS	TWO WEEKS 14 DAYS	THREE WEEKS 21 DAYS
1 Coconut Dormitory	\$1370	\$2467	\$3559
2 Coconut Dormitory	\$1482	\$2697	\$3899
Double/Twin – Bure Ensuite	\$1999	\$3726	\$5439
Single – Bure Ensuite	\$3389	\$6499	\$9599
Triple Share – Bure Ensuite	\$1899	\$3539	\$5159
Compulsory Contribution to Vinaka Project	\$149	\$219	\$299

* Volunteers must provide a Police Clearance check or 'Working with Children' check from their country of residence. Copies must be received along with completed Registration Form at least two weeks prior to commencement on the program. During school holidays in Fiji an alternative holiday education program will be conducted in the village. School terms available on request.

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES	ONE WEEK 7 DAYS	TWO WEEKS 14 DAYS	THREE WEEKS 21 DAYS
1 Coconut Dormitory	\$1370	\$2467	\$3559
2 Coconut Dormitory	\$1482	\$2697	\$3899
Double/Twin – Bure Ensuite	\$1999	\$3726	\$5439
Single – Bure Ensuite	\$3389	\$6499	\$9599
Triple Share – Bure Ensuite	\$1899	\$3539	\$5159
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MARINE CONSERVATION *	ONE WEEK 7 DAYS	TWO WEEKS 14 DAYS	THREE WEEKS 21 DAYS
1 Coconut Dormitory	\$2279	\$4274	\$6267
2 Coconut Dormitory	\$2389	\$4499	\$6599
Double/Twin – Bure Ensuite	\$2899	\$5529	\$8099
Single – Bure Ensuite	\$4297	\$8299	\$12299
Triple Share – Bure Ensuite	\$2815	\$5345	\$7874
<i>Compulsory Contribution to Vinaka Project</i>	\$149	\$219	\$299

* Volunteers must be PADI or SSI certified divers. A full training and certification course (approx. 5 days) is available in Fiji prior to your volunteer weeks. Volunteer weeks (5 days) include all dive and snorkel gear.

GENERAL INFORMATION & BOOKING CONDITIONS:

NOTE: Vinaka Fiji programs will not be available over the Xmas period of 19 Dec 2018 – 08 Jan 2019.

- **Programs are open to people aged 16 years and older**

Volunteers are required to attend a briefing on the Saturday morning prior to departure. This briefing commences 8am at the Awesome Adventures check in counter, Denarau Marina, where you will be met by the program manager.

- **PACKAGE INCLUDES:**

Vessel transfers, Accommodation & Meals. Programs run from a Saturday morning through to the following Saturday morning and are a total of 7 nights in duration (each week) with five days volunteer work each week.

NOTE: Airfares from NZ to Fiji & any Accommodation before or after the program chosen, will be at additional cost (details on application)

- **PRICES & CURRENCY:**

All prices are in NZ Dollars per person and include taxes where applicable. Costs are subject to exchange rate changes at any time, without notification.

The compulsory contribution to Vinaka Fiji Projects will need to be paid in a FJD\$ equivalent at time of check in at Port Denarau, unless alternative arrangements are agreed to. The FJD\$ amount will be confirmed at the time of booking.

- **VISA REQUIREMENTS & TRAVEL INSURANCE:**

Please check at time of booking what these requirements are

- **BOOKING & CANCELLATION POLICY:**

A 10% non-refundable deposit is required to reserve placement on the program with the balance due one month prior to commencement of the volunteer program. Bookings will not be confirmed until full payment has been received.

CANCELLATION FEES apply on the total package price including donation:

- Less than 7 days notice = 100%
- Less than 14 days notice = 50%
- Less than 1 months notice = 25%

We will not regard a booking as cancelled unless & until written notice is received by us.