



Pacific-Pictures.com Launched by South Pacific Author

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All photos in this picture gallery are by David Stanley, who researched and wrote all eight editions of Moon Handbooks South Pacific. He also authored the first three editions of Moon Handbooks Micronesia, plus all editions of Moon's guides to Fiji and Tahiti.

A few of Stanley's photos originally appeared in Moon Handbooks South Pacific, while the rest are published here for the first time. They offer a cross section of the region, with the emphasis on "real island life" rather than the artificial world of tourism. The images are intended to convey the atmosphere of some very special places, and the friendly people who call the Pacific islands home.

Each page of pictures provides an introduction to a specific area, and all photos are fully captioned. Little known destinations like Niue, Tokelau, Tuvalu, and Wallis and Futuna are given equal space with Fiji, Tahiti, Samoa, Easter Island, and the Cook Islands. The site also features a map of the South Pacific, listings of guidebooks, and a selection of travel links. <http://www.pacific-pictures.com> is now open for visitors.

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About Pacific-Pictures.com

David Stanley has been writing travel books since 1979. His pioneering guides embrace the South Pacific islands, Micronesia, Alaska, Eastern Europe, Cuba, and parts of Canada. Stanley researched and wrote the first three editions of Eastern Europe on a Shoestring, Lonely Planet's first guide to Europe, plus the first two editions of Lonely Planet Cuba. His latest titles are on Tahiti and the Cook Islands, Fiji, and the South Pacific as a whole. His personal collection of Pacific travel pictures is now freely accessible at <http://www.pacific-pictures.com>

About Avalon Travel Publishing

The 8th edition of Moon Handbooks South Pacific (ISBN 1566914116) was published by Avalon Travel Publishing of Emeryville, California, in December, 2004. Priced at US\$24.95, the handbook is distributed in the United States by Publishers Group West, in Canada by Publishers Group Canada, in Europe by HI Marketing, London, and in Australia and New Zealand by Bookwise International.

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