



# Explore Paradise With Moon Fiji

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PR9.NET December 14, 2007 - Berkeley, CA - Avalon Travel Publishing announces the release of the 8th edition of Moon Fiji, the original travel guide to the 322-island Fiji archipelago. Since 1985, Moon Fiji has been the leading travel guidebook to Fiji. Author David Stanley began writing about the South Pacific in 1979, and over the years tens of thousands of Pacific travelers have used his guides to Fiji, Tahiti, Tonga, Samoa, Micronesia, and the South Pacific.

In this 8th edition, the introductory material has been moved into Background and Essentials chapters at the back of the book. Background was updated with an account of the recent military coup in Fiji, and there's now a "Tips for Travelers" section in Essentials with information for those with special interests or needs.

A new "blue section" in the front of Moon Fiji includes a five-page Discover Fiji essay with color photos. Then there's "The Lay of the Land" with summaries of Fiji's nine regions, "Planning Your Trip" with advice on when to go and what to take, and "Explore Fiji" with two specific 14-day itineraries titled "The Best of Fiji" and "Island-Hopper Special". Details of sports and recreation, nature reserves, and culture are also included in the blue section.

Unlike the maps in other guidebooks which contain confusing numbered keys, the 52 maps in Moon Fiji are clearly labeled. To allow for detail, three street maps of Fiji's capital Suva are included, and two of the gateway city Nadi. A map of Denarau Island has been added in this edition.

All of the practical information throughout the book has been re-researched and rewritten. New resorts in the Mamanuca Group such as Funky Fish Beach, Walu Beach, Likuliku Lagoon, and Amunuca Island are included for the first time, and the Marriott and InterContinental projects south of Nadi are discussed. Internet and email addresses are embedded in the listings for ease of reference.

Rob Kay of FijiGuide.com has this to say about Moon Fiji: "Packed with great maps it also has resources such as a comprehensive bibliography, and tips on local etiquette. More importantly, Stanley excels at getting accurate information on hotels, inexpensive restaurants and tourist sites. However there is another reason why his guide is valuable. Stanley does not simply list the properties in alphabetical order and expect the reader to determine what's best. Based on personal visits and feedback from visitors, he will actually offer you an opinion and the straight facts."

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## About Moon Fiji

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## About Avalon Travel Publishing

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