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Lust in Paradise

The mysterious beauty of Turtle Island, Fiji

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It is as though your spirit has elevated to a different dimension as Air Pacific lifts its heavy wings into the sky. Is it the anticipation? The relief of leaving it all behind? The once-in-a-lifetime experience, right out of the movies?

Brooke Shields in *The Blue Lagoon*—girls wanted to be her, boys wanted to be with her, and most of us dreamt ourselves right into the sizzling island nights, smelling coconut trees through the screen as the mystery unfolds and becomes alive.

Turtle Island was home to the movie and has been home to many vacationing movie stars, since Richard Evanson, a self-made millionaire, bought the island in 1972. He made it a haven for those

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seeking complete privacy with unparalleled comfort and luxury in the midst of immeasurable beauty, unspoiled by man. Worldly concerns melt away as your seaplane flies over the vibrant sapphire and emerald chain of volcanic lagoons—so beyond belief it brings tears to your eyes.

Throughout your stay on Turtle: freshly caught fish from the sea cooked to your order; organic vegetables from the local garden; the famous hospitality of a doting, native staff, treating you like family from day one. Immerse yourself in the discovery of corals never seen before, or just the sweet pleasure of doing nothing on a private, white sandy beach. Here, you reconnect with nature in its purest form—perhaps as it was intended to be.

As you listen to the waves on a deserted beach—yours and yours alone for your stay—you see nothing except the perfect blue and green merging with the vast sandy shore. The only footprints are yours and your loved one's, both of you soaking up the sun, naked, unnoticed by everyone except the native staff bringing champagne and gourmet delicacies prepared by world-class chefs. Your stay is an experience you will never forget, or find anywhere else.

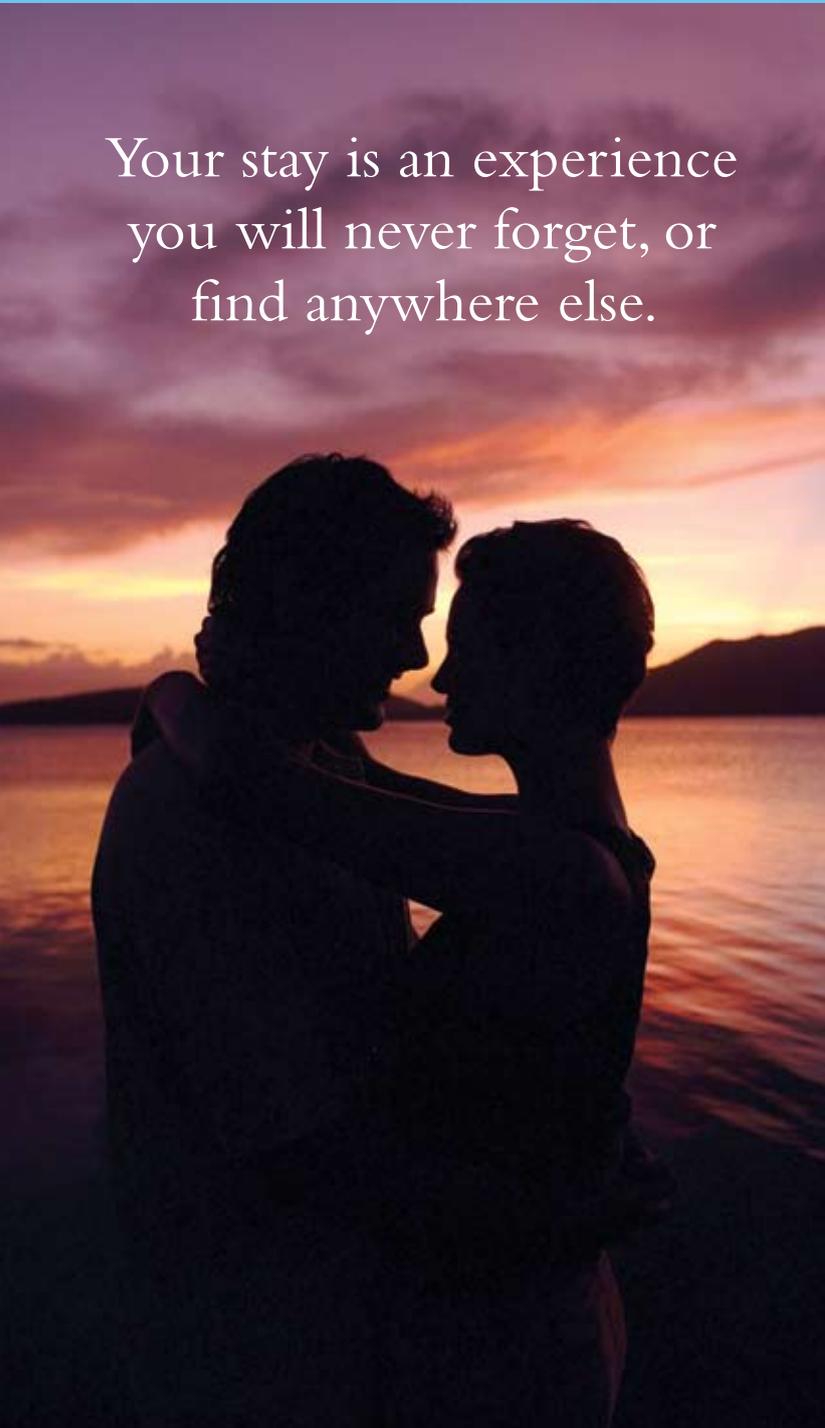
Join the long, candlelit dinner table, dressed to perfection, with 14 other couples, without a care about who should order the next round as it is all inclusive. The investment banker and the lawyer share the same Tanzanian lifestyle by day, ending the night by playing guitar, telling jokes, and sipping kava, the local delicacy.

Romance your partner in front of your private bure—palm-leaf-thatched bungalows with first-class interiors, just 20 feet away from the water. Passion reignites your union with the gift of a lifetime: your time together on an island where the crystal-clear ocean is your only companion. Perhaps that is why Jessica Simpson, Charlize Theron, Ringo Starr, and other celebrities honeymooned and vacationed here. Turtle Island is full of beauty and wonder. 

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