



## NEW CALEDONIA ITINERARY 9 DAYS FOR RELAXERS/ESCAPERS

At the beach, by the pool or in a national park, you like to relax and take a break from the daily hustle and bustle. If swimming in the lagoon, strolling through the local market, getting back to basics while making memories with your loved ones is your idea of the perfect getaway, then look no further, we have the perfect programme for you!

In New Caledonia, enjoy the ultimate luxury of seclusion without having to travel too far. Live life at Pacific pace! Beside the world's largest lagoon and one of the world's richest biodiversity, spend your time relaxing and exploring like you've never done before!

For each day, find out 3 accommodation and cafés/restaurants options classified by price range:

🏠 1 night for 2 : \$ < 10 000 F CFP, \$\$ < 15 000 F CFP et \$\$\$ > 15 000 F CFP  
 🍴 Main : \$ < 2 000 F CFP, \$\$ < 3 000 F CFP et \$\$\$ > 3000 F CFP.



### DAY 1 : ARRIVAL AT THE AIRPORT IN THE AFTERNOON AND DRIVE TO LA FOA

PAÏTA (LA TONTOUTA AIRPORT) > FARINO → 1H

Upon arrival at La Tontouta airport, hire a car and drive north to La Foa, on the west coast of New Caledonia. With vast plains and ecotourism resorts, the region is perfect to switch off from your daily routine. Stop off in Farino, a village also known as the "green lung" of New Caledonia and admire a unique landscape of wide plains towering the turquoise lagoon, and lush green vegetation. In the calm of dusk, listen to the sounds of nature and breathe in the scents typical of the rainforest...

- Discover one of the Grande Terre's characteristic ecotourism destinations
- Immerse yourself in the rainforest

🏠 & 🍴: [Les Bulles de Farino \\$\\$\\$](#) / [Lodge Terre de Soleil \\$\\$](#) / [Refuge de Farino \\$](#)



## DAY 2 : TAKE A BREATH OF FRESH AIR

FARINO → 🚗 15 MIN

Today, you'll delve into the Giant Ferns Park in Farino. Enjoy an escapade into the heart of the forest, a true temple of biodiversity and a haven for New Caledonia's unique fauna and flora. For the morning, book a [bird watching tour](#), guided by an expert of native bird life. Enjoy a picnic in the park, then continue your day amidst nature with a [forest bathing session](#). Learn how hugging trees can be a source of energy and well-being! If you prefer, opt for a [guided tour of the park with a local guide](#) to learn the secrets of the medicinal plants used by the Kanak tribes!

- **Observe New Caledonia's native birds**
- **Soak up some positive energy from the big trees**
- **Discover the secrets of medicinal plants**

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## DAY 3 : EXPLORE NOUMÉA

FARINO > NOUMÉA → 🚗 1H30

After breakfast, leave Farino for Noumea. It's an hour and a half drive but well worth it when you catch your first glimpse of the bays around the capital of New Caledonia. Check into your hotel, then head to the Baie des Citrons (Lemon Bay), one of the town's most beautiful beaches. You will find a large choice of restaurants on the waterfront. Spend your time relaxing in the sunshine and cool off with a dip in the water. In the afternoon, enjoy a [guided tour of Noumea](#)! Photograph the beautiful colonial houses, the views of the lagoon and the town's major landmarks. End your day by climbing (by foot or by car) to the top of Ouen Toro to admire the sunset.

- **Lunch beside the lagoon of Noumea and take a dip in the sea**
- **Admire the town's architecture**
- **Watch in awe as the sun sets over the bays of Noumea**

🏠: [Hôtel Le Méridien \\$\\$\\$](#) / [Hôtel Le Lagon \\$\\$](#) / [Noumea Youth Hostel \\$](#)

🍴: [Le Roof \\$\\$\\$](#) / [Au P'tit Café \\$\\$](#) / [Rimba Juice \\$](#)



## DAY 4 : WELCOME TO OUVÉA AND THE MOST BEAUTIFUL BEACHES IN THE WORLD

NOUMÉA > OUVÉA → ✈️ 40 MIN

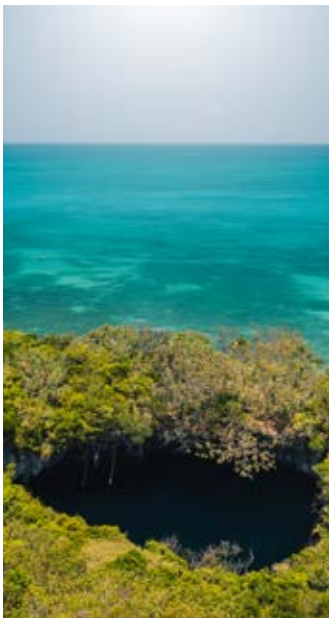
Today, fly to Ouvéa, one of the Loyalty Islands. It's just under a 40-minute flight from Noumea to the island also named «the closest island to paradise». You will understand where its nickname comes from as you walk along the long beach of Fayaoué. Its crystal-clear turquoise water, white sand and lush vegetation makes it the perfect place to relax, a million miles away from your daily routine. In the afternoon, book a guided excursion to the Lékinny Cliffs. At the end of your beautiful hike amongst the high grey cliffs dotted with caves, snorkel in the incredible lagoon and admire the tropical fish! On the way back, stop at Mouli Bridge to capture the stunning view, and Mouli beach for one last swim

- **Admire the cliffs of Lékinny that plunge into the crystal-clear water**
- **Spot Manta rays from Mouli Bridge**
- **Stroll along one of the most beautiful beaches in the world**

🏠: [Paradis d'Ouvéa \\$\\$\\$](#) / [Hôtel Beupré \\$\\$](#) / [Chez Dydice \\$](#)

🍴: [La Part des Anges - Paradis d'Ouvéa \\$\\$\\$](#) / [Hôtel Beupré \\$\\$](#) / [O'Kafika snack bar \\$](#)





## DAY 5 : EXPLORE OUVÉA, THE CLOSEST ISLAND TO PARADISE

OUVÉA → 🚗 30MIN

Continue your exploration of the closest island to paradise! In the morning, hop in the car and drive to the shark nursery. There, with your [local guide Antoine Omei](#), you'll be able to get up close and personal with the sharks! Continue your day with a [guided hike with Dominique Tanghmelen](#) (2 hr) all the way to Anubet cave and its underground galleries. Along the way, you can observe the island's typical fauna and flora, such as the famous Ouvéa parakeet. End your day on a high with a visit to the Trou aux Tortues (Turtle Hole). This pool of deep blue water, also known as Trou Anep exudes inner calm and is perfect for meditation. Sit down for a moment, and you'll gradually spot the turtles popping their heads out of the water. A unique opportunity to truly connect with nature!

- **Get up close with a baby lemon shark**
- **Explore a coral cave**
- **Discover a mysterious water hole**
- **Observe the sea turtles**

🏠 : [Paradis d'Ouvéa \\$\\$\\$](#) / [Hôtel Beauré \\$\\$](#) / [Chez Dydice \\$](#)

🍴 : [La Part des Anges - Paradis d'Ouvéa \\$\\$\\$](#) / [Hôtel Beauré \\$\\$](#) / [Chez Dydice \\$](#)



## DAY 6 : A DAY IN THE LAGOON

OUVÉA > SOUTHERN PLEIADES → ✈️ 1H30

Today, choose from one of three sea excursions and spend an unforgettable day on the Ouvéa atoll:

→ A day in the Southern Pleiades, with [Charly from Gite Moague](#): this outing includes a boat ride in the magnificent Southern Pleiades, a stopover on an islet, a snorkelling trip, a passage through the shark pit, and a picnic on the boat.

→ A day in the Northern Pleiades with [Kaiwatr](#): another wonderful excursion, with fishing, snorkelling among the manta rays and sharks, and a meal on one of the island's beautiful beaches.

→ Visit Fayava islet (3h30) with [Rodolphe Wala](#): discover its village, its chapel, its fields, its water hole and its coconut grove during a hike in the forest and take the opportunity to climb the cliffs of Lékin.

- **Marvel at the beauty of Ouvéa and its Pleiades**
- **Observe the manta rays**
- **Stroll around a secluded islet**

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## DAY 7 : WELLNESS INTERLUDE IN NOUMEA

OUVÉA > NOUMÉA → ✈️ 40 MIN

Your day-to-day routine now feels a million miles away, and it's time to return to Noumea. When you get back to the capital, maintain that 'unplugged feeling' with a full day of relaxation. Two outstanding addresses await in Noumea: the [Deep Nature Spa at the Meridien Hotel](#), which offers a massage and spa package (sauna, hammam and whirlpool), and the Chateau Royal Hotel, where you can enjoy a [massage plus an Aquatonic session](#) (water jets, spa, counter-current swimming). After this interlude of sheer well-being, walk down to Anse-Vata beach for a dip or simply enjoy the sun going down over the lagoon.

- **Switch off for a while with a massage**
- **Get your fill of energy during an Aquatonic session**
- **Enjoy a drink as the sun goes down over the Baie des Citrons**

🏠 : [Hôtel Le Méridien \\$\\$\\$](#) / [Le Lagon \\$\\$](#) / [Noumea Youth Hostel \\$](#)

🍴 : [La Pirogue - Château Royal \\$\\$\\$](#) / [Típico Latino \\$\\$](#) / [L'Équilibre - Nouvata \\$](#)





## DAY 8 : NOUMÉA AND ITS ISLETS

### NOUMÉAW

Tomorrow, you'll be back on the plane, leaving the islands of New Caledonia... But in the meantime, keep on gathering those memories and images of the turquoise lagoon and its natural treasures! From Noumea, it's easy to book a trip out to sea. Take your pick with, for example, [a day on a catamaran with Abaca Croisières](#), stopping off on the most beautiful islets and snorkelling to admire the seabed. Or, treat yourself with a stop at [Duck Island](#), just a 10-minute boat ride from Anse-Vata. There, enjoy another day of sunbathing, snorkelling and swimming. A third option is a trip to Signal Islet, which you can reach in one of the [taxi-boats from the Maison du Lagon](#). This wild islet is highly popular among Caledonians who like to walk around it or swim among the tropical fish.

- **Enjoy a day on a sailing or motor catamaran out on the lagoon**
- **Go snorkelling along the underwater path by Duck Island**
- **Walk around Signal Islet and observe the many fish**

🏠 : [Hôtel Le Méridien](#) \$\$\$ / [Le Lagon](#) \$\$ / [Noumea Youth Hostel](#) \$

🍴 : [Le Bintz](#) \$\$\$ / [Mamma Mia](#) \$\$ / [Bilboquet Plage](#) \$



## DAY 9 : RETURN FLIGHT (9AM OR 12PM)

NOUMÉA > PAÏTA (LA TONTOUTA AIRPORT) → 🚌 45 MIN

If you have a bit of time left before your return flight (especially if you're taking the 12:00 flight), enjoy brunch facing the lagoon by the Baie des Citrons, then browse the shops around Anse-Vata to pick up some souvenirs, and admire the lagoon one last time from Anse-Vata beach... Finally, take your shuttle to La Tontouta International Airport.

- **Have brunch in Nouméa**
- **Pick up a few souvenirs from the shops around Anse-Vata**
- **Enjoy one last time on Anse-Vata beach**

🍴 : [Babar Café](#) \$\$\$ / [Lemon Bay](#) \$\$ / [French Café](#) \$

🚌 : [Arc en ciel](#) \$ / [Les Mouettes](#) \$ / [Go Shuttle](#) \$

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