

Kadavu, Lau & Moala Groups

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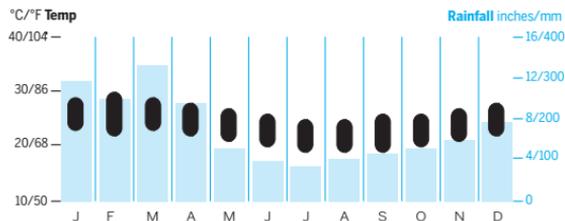
Why Go

This is where you wish you were right now. Remote and authentic yet easily accessed from Viti Levu and home to comfortable, ecofriendly resorts, Kadavu blends Fiji's best assets. As your plane lands on a tiny airstrip surrounded by luminescent sea, volcanic peaks and intense forest, you'll feel like an adventurer. Your flight will be followed by a long, and sometimes bumpy, boat ride to your resort past prehistoric-looking coves chirping with rare birds and fringed by the world's fourth-largest barrier reef.

Meanwhile, the Lau and Moala Groups are for those who have the time and endurance to seek out even more pristine paradises. Think turquoise waters, hardly touched jungle and traditional villages worthy of a BBC documentary. Yet of the group's 30 inhabited islands there are only two humble guesthouses and it takes lots of planning just to figure out how to get there and back.

When to Go

Kadavu



Nov–Apr Ocean and air temperatures are the hottest and there's the highest chance of rain.

Aug & Sep Usually the best time for dive visibility and cooler temperatures.

May–Oct Southeast trade winds over Great Astrolabe Reef can make it difficult to dive the exterior.

Kadavu, Lau & Moala Groups Highlights

- 1 Diving till you can dive no more on the seemingly endless and forever spectacular **Great Astrolabe Reef** (p186)
- 2 Fighting then reeling in the biggest **fish** (p184) of your life on the edge of the Great Astrolabe Reef
- 3 Sea kayaking to remote shores of white sand and friendly villages, all inaccessible by car, with your **Tamarillo Sea Kayaking** (p185)
- 4 Surfing the mystic yet hard-to-get-to break at **Cape Washington** (p184)
- 5 Spottin' yet another noisy but gorgeously scarlet-coloured **Kadavu musk parrot** (p185)
- 6 Visiting villages around your **Kadavu resort** (p185)
- 7 Reaching the turquoise waters of the rarely visited **Lau Group** (p190), and living the slow village life
- 8 Partying like a Polynesian at the **Fara Festival** (p189)

