



*Welcome
To Paradise*

THE WAKAYA CLUB & SPA



Dear Guest,

Allow me to welcome you to Wakaya Island which I first discovered in 1970. Since then, the archipelago and the warm, dignified people of Fiji have become the cornerstone of my life.

I trust that you will recapture sensitivity for time and space on Wakaya. The majesty of this island is omnipresent, as nature has been most gracious with its 600-foot elevations, virgin beaches and abundant exotic flora and fauna.

In 1990, we opened The Wakaya Club & Spa to afford our guests the finest possible accommodations. It is my hope that you will experience and enjoy the magic of Wakaya and all of the amenities we provide for your pleasure and comfort.

With my very best wishes,

A handwritten signature in green ink, which appears to read "David H. Gilmour". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

David Harrison Gilmour
Owner/Founder

P.S. "The last bastion of sanity in a world gone mad"

Guest Information

Wakaya Island

Archaeological digs, conducted by a Fulbright Scholar from UCLA, indicate that Wakaya was inhabited as long ago as 700 B.C. Some of the artifacts are on view in "Rumu Lagilagi" (the recreation room next to Reception) along with 19th century lithographs, paintings and maps.

"Korolevu," which means "large village" in Fijian, is the summit of the island and site of an early Fijian fortification. With its ancient banyan trees, it is a magical place of great spiritual energy. A visit there will put in perspective the breadth, scope and richness of this island paradise.

"Chieftain's Leap" is another wonderful lookout point, where peregrine falcons nest in the cliffs below. Reception will be pleased to make arrangements for a member of our staff to escort you on a nature walk. In order to preserve these sites for future generations, we ask that you refrain from removing any vestiges of former civilizations, like shards of pottery, etc.

The Bures

The *bures* (or bungalows) are named after Fijian flora and are located on the Club grounds. Facing the lagoon, they run from left to right in alphabetical order. Then at the farthest end are Governor's and Ambassador's Bures—which are our most recent additions.

Communications

Domestic and international telephone and fax services are available at Reception. You may be reached at The Wakaya Club & Spa by dialing:

Telephone + (679) 3448 128
Facsimile + (679) 3448 406
E-mail info@wakaya.com.fj

Outgoing calls may be placed at any time from the private telephone room in the Reception Bure; our Reception staff will answer incoming calls from 7:15 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. After 10:00 p.m.,

an answering machine will answer calls and the transcribed message, as well as any incoming faxes, e-mails, etc., will be hand delivered to your *bure*.

Wireless Internet access and iPod connections are available in all accommodations.

Meals and Beverages

The Palm Grove Restaurant (one of the largest *bures* to be found anywhere in Fiji) serves Pacific Rim and island fare. Fish and seafood are locally caught and, as much as possible, fresh fruit and vegetables are harvested from organic island gardens and groves. Breakfast, lunch, and if you wish, dinner are served *al fresco* on the deck overlooking the lagoon. The Fijian drum called the *lali* announces the start of lunch and dinner.

Breakfast: 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Lunch: 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Dinner: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

A complete selection of beverages is available from the bar at the Palm Grove Restaurant throughout the day. Feel free to help yourself at any time to a selection of bottled water, wine, beer, soft drinks, juices and homemade cookies found in the refrigerator in your *bure's* bar.

Picnics

We offer two types of picnics for your enjoyment, available Monday through Saturday:

Private Picnics: You are transported to a secluded beach, along with a picnic hamper, your beverages of choice and a radio telephone, and then picked up at a specified hour. There is not a more romantic outing anywhere on the planet!

Group Picnics: The Wakaya Club & Spa staff will prepare a barbecue lunch on the beach for you and other Wakaya Club & Spa guests.

Traditional Ceremonies

During your stay with us, we hope to introduce you to the excitement of an authentic Fijian dance pageant, or *meke*, performed by the adults and children of Wakaya Village.

Preceding the *meke*, guests will be offered the ubiquitous Fijian beverage, kava, in a traditional ceremony. *Kava* is a non-alcoholic drink made from the *yaqona* or pepper plant. Whilst it is perfectly polite for women to decline, gentlemen, please be adventurous! The correct form of taking kava is to softly clap once just as you are being handed the bowl and twice after you have handed it back empty. Bula! or cheers!

Fitness Bure

While vacationing at Wakaya, you need not skip your daily workout routine. Our fully air conditioned Fitness Bure, located behind Reception next to the wood-carvers, offers a complete range of equipment.

Sporting Activities

There are numerous sporting activities available on Wakaya, and our athletic facilities include a 9-hole golf course with views of Homestead Bay, a Wimbledon-Tex surfaced tennis court that is lighted for play during evening hours and a David Niven Croquet Court.

Massages

To ease into Wakaya life, try our 80-minute "East meets West" therapeutic massage—a combination of Eastern acupressure and European massage. Appointments may be made at Reception via your intercom or in person.

Games, Books, Video, Tapes and DVDs

There is a well-stocked library of books, games, videotapes and DVDs available at the Reception Bure. *Rumu Lagilagi* has a VCR and DVD player.

Kindly return any borrowed items to Reception when you have finished with them.

Electrical Power

Electrical generators on the island provide 220 - 240 volts AC. For your convenience, both vanities in the guest *bures* are equipped with 240-volt hair dryers as well as the more familiar 110-volt power outlets. Adapter plugs and transformers are available from Reception to safely convert and use any 110 volt appliances elsewhere in your accommodation.

Laundry and Pressing

Laundry will be collected from the hamper in your bathroom each day and returned washed and ironed as soon as possible (at no charge). Please take care not to include silks or other delicate fabrics as we do not provide dry-cleaning. An iron and ironing board are to be found in your closet for your use, should you wish to touch-up any garments.

Robes & Slippers

Robes may be found in your wardrobe and are provided for your comfort and convenience during your stay. Please leave them behind when you depart Wakaya. However, the hand-woven slippers are yours to keep.

Beach Towels and Umbrellas

Towels designated for use around the pool and at the beach are located in your wardrobe. Please use the towels found in your bathroom in your *bure* only. Umbrellas are located in the stand on your terrace.

Boutique / Gift Shop

Our gift shop in the Reception Bure sells locally made handicrafts. Wood-carved objects can be engraved at your request. (Ask Reception for directions to the area where our Wakayan

craftsmen can be seen at work.) Photographic film, postcards, *sulus* and other apparel are also available for purchase.

Airline Reservations

Our Reception staff will reconfirm your return airline reservations, both international and domestic, at least 48 hours in advance of your scheduled departure date. Please complete the "Guest Registration Form" on the desk in your *bure* to assist us with this process.

Check-Out

Reception will inform you in writing the day before your departure as to the pick-up time for your Air Wakaya departure flight. Please have your bags packed at least one hour before this specified time. Major credit cards (including American Express, MasterCard and Visa) as well as cash or travelers checks are accepted for payment of your bill. No checks, please.

Gratuities

The Wakaya Club & Spa staff is recruited and trained to provide a very high level of customer service. While tipping is not customary in Fiji, guests may choose to show their appreciation to our staff by contributing to the Wakaya Community Christmas Fund. You will find an envelope in the folder on the desk of your *bure* for this purpose. Please note that staff members are not permitted alcoholic beverages of any kind on Wakaya Island. We appreciate your cooperation in helping to maintain this rule.

Medical Needs and Emergencies

Should any medical need arise, please proceed to Reception for help, or utilize the intercom situated on the bar of your living room. Medical consultation is available at all times from the company physician in Suva, as well as a resident nurse and first-aid medical center that is well

equipped and includes a defibrillator, in case of cardiac emergencies. If necessary, hospital care can be reached by aircraft.

Security

There is no need for door key locks at The Wakaya Club & Spa; however, bedroom and bathroom doors may be bolted from the inside, for your peace of mind. A fireproof safe has been installed in your closet to protect valuables. Please be sure to leave the key in the lock of the safe when you check out, as there are no duplicate keys.

CAUTIONS

Even in Paradise there are a few things of which one must be aware:

It is said in the islands that the humble coconut has "eyes." However, they may sometimes not notice you as they make their fall to earth! Please be aware of this when standing beneath the bountiful coconut palm, especially on windy days.

The tropical sun, source of such pleasure on Wakaya, can also hold dangers for the unsuspecting. So that you may fully enjoy your stay, frequent and ample use of SPF 15-30 sunscreen lotion is highly recommended for all skin types. Sun hats are provided for your added protection. When snorkeling, we would advise wearing a cotton T-shirt as the effects of the sun's rays are greatly magnified by the water.

Topless or nude sunbathing is not encouraged by the pool or on the beach in front of The Club facilities. The many secluded beaches nearby provide ample sites for privacy and freedom.

The staff of The Wakaya Club & Spa are here to make your stay as perfect as possible.

Vinaka Vakalevu!

A few useful Fijian words in order to enhance
your stay on Wakaya:

Bula	(Boo la)	Hello, Welcome, Cheers
Bure	(Boo reh)	Thatched roof building
Meke	(Me keh)	Traditional dance pageant
Kava	(Kah vuh)	Ceremonial beverage made of the Yaqona or pepper plant
Lali	(Lah lee)	Fijian drum used for dance and communication
Vinaka	(Vee nah kah)	Thank you
Vinaka Vakalevu	(Vee nah kah vah kah ley voo)	Thank you very much
Yadra	(Yandra)	Good morning
Moce	(Mo theh)	Goodbye

Website

www.wakaya.com

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