

Apia Highlights & the Robert Louis Stevenson Museum



Approximately 3½ hours



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Apia is the historic capital of Samoa and retains much of its old-world charm. As you set out on a **panoramic drive**, you will cross the Vaisigano River and pass the famous Aggie Grey's Hotel. Aggie ran a hamburger joint and pub during World War II, which became a home-away-from-home for American service personnel and, from there, her business grew into a famous hotel. Watch for the town clock-a memorial to Samoan servicemen killed in World War II-and the adjacent Pulenu'u fale which is a traditional meeting place for the village mayors. Stop at the **fish market** and the Mulinu'u burial ground-final resting place of the former Kings of Samoa. Explore the **produce market** where local fruit, produce and handicrafts are available. Finally, you will visit the **Robert Louis Stevenson Museum** to learn about the famous author and his life in Samoa, before your tour concludes with a kava ceremony and island entertainment.

Apia Private Touring - Half Day (Car)



Approximately 4 hours - Price is per vehicle, not per person. See additional NOTES below.



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Notes:

Private cars are ordered per vehicle (not per person), so only one person in the party needs to order the vehicle. The price shown is the total cost for the vehicle, driver, and English-speaking guide. Entrance fees for attractions are not included. In many destinations, the number of vehicles available is extremely limited, so guests are encouraged to secure their private vehicle reservation as early as possible.

Apia Private Touring - Half Day (Minivan)



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Le Vasa Village Resort



Approximately 6 hours



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Leave the ship at the pier and travel along the west coast road through the industrial zone, where most of Samoa's factories are located. You'll stop at the Malua Theological College's **turtle farm**. After the Turtle Farm, you will visit the Museum of Fine Arts for about 30 minutes. Next, your tour takes you to the Levasa Resort. The bus ride goes past the Faleolo International Airport and the Mulifanua wharf. Travel along the villages of Manono Uta and

Apolima. On arrival at Le Vasa Resort swim and relax before a light lunch is served. A 1-hour shopping stop will be made at a local market before returning to your ship.

Manu Sina Beach



Approximately 6 hours



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Your bus departs Apia wharf for a drive along the East Coast Road, passing through colorful villages along the way. Watch for the only retirement home in Samoa run by the Catholic Church. The road winds along the coast, giving you a chance to savoring the fresh ocean air. You will view villages where the occupants of the homes are either working in the town or in plantations nearby. Head into the hills and up to Le Mafa Pass, where a brief stop at **Falefa Falls** offers a photo opportunity from the top of the pass. As you drive through the village of Lalomanu, your guide will explain how it has been rebuilt to its original condition after the devastating tsunami of 2009. **Swim** and relax at **Manu Sina Beach** with its white sandy beach and clear waters. **Lunch** here will consists of freshly cooked taros, palusami, fish and a selection of fruits. A cool coconut drink is served before you return to the ship.

Notes:

Wear your swimsuit under your clothing; bring a towel, aqua shoes, sunscreen and a hat.

Vailele Village & Museum of Samoa



Approximately 4 Hours



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Enjoyed it?



5 out of 5

Value



5 out of 5

1 out of 1(100%) reviewers would recommend this product to a friend.

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Fifteen minutes from Apia you will enter the 'real' Samoa at **Vailele Village**. Once a plantation town and important commercial center, Vailele now simply offers an interesting glimpse of village life. During your 1½-hour stay in Vailele, you will be welcomed with a **kava ceremony** inside the Catholic Mission Compound. Once that is completed guests will watch entertainment and the making of a *umu*, Samoan food cooked Samoan style over hot stones covered with banana and breadfruit leaves. Don't miss the chance to **taste this delicious cooked food**. The women's committee will teach you a bit of **basket weaving**, and show you how to make sun visors and picnic mats made from coconut leaves. There are also stalls selling handicrafts and *lava lavas* (island sarongs) for sale. The funds generated are used for village projects such as schooling and potable water. Returning to Apia you'll visit the **Museum of Samoa**. On display are some remarkable early photographs, traditional clothing, carvings, tools, weapons and artifacts. Spend 45 minutes browsing at this small but interesting facility. Finally, you will head to the **Mulinuu Peninsula**, offering a lovely view of the capital city and the harbor; then head back to the ship.

Notes:

Tour does not operate on Fridays or Sundays.