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Aitutaki Lagoon Resort & Spa (upon Motu Akitua)

Aitutaki Lagoon Lagoon

Akalami Tapuaetai
(One Foot Island)

Aitutaki Lagoon Resort & Spa
(Flying Boat Beach Bar & Grill)

Overwater Bungalows
PRIVATE ISLAND, PRIVATE BEACH, PRIVATE VIEWS

• 5 Star Resort
• Adults-only (aged 16+)
• Multi-million dollar resort-wide makeover!
• Named one of the World’s 12 Best Private Islands (USA’s ISLANDS Magazine)
• Named as one of the World’s Top 50 Resorts (Australia’s GETAWAY show)
ONE FOR YOUR BLISS LIST

- The ONLY resort set directly on the World’s Most Beautiful Lagoon, Aitutaki
- The ONLY Overwater Bungalows in the Cook Islands
- The ONLY private island resort in the Cook Islands
- The world’s best lagoon views, champagne sand beaches
- All this only a 2min ride by private ferry from the main island of Aitutaki, 45min flight from Rarotonga!
• Recent multi-million dollar resort-wide upgrade
• Total of 36 fully upgraded bungalows
• New bathrooms include open-air showers
• WiFi resort wide
• 14 Beachfront Bungalows
PREMIUM BEACHFRONT BUNGALOW

RIGHT ON AITUTAKI LAGOON

• 9 new Premium Beachfront Bungalows
• On absolute beachfront, on your own private island
• Aitutaki’s best lagoon views
DIRECTLY ON AITUTAKI LAGOON

• 5 Deluxe Beachfront Bungalows

• On absolute beachfront, on your own private island
• Aitutaki’s best lagoon and sunset views
• Extra spacious, split level
OVERWATER BUNGALOW

- The ONLY Overwater Bungalows in the Cook Islands (7)
- Right on the World's Most Beautiful Lagoon - the world’s best lagoon views
- Quintessential South Seas Overwater Indulgence
- Intimate adults-only 5 Star - perfect for wedding, honeymoon, anniversary and romantic escape couples
ROYAL HONEYMOON
POOL VILLA TE ARAU

WHERE CELEBRITIES HONEYMOON!

• **Completely private luxury retreat** for couples
  **Incomparable facilities** - private pool, poolside daybed pavilion, poolside spa, 4-poster super-king master bed, open-air coral-lined shower temple, separate kitchen/dining pavilion, room service

• Set within a **private island resort** - named as one of the World’s 12 Best Private Islands. Enjoy all services+facilities at Aitutaki Lagoon Resort & Spa

• Villa accepts up to 2 couples (4 adults) at no extra charge
Motu Akitua (Akitua Island)

Aitutaki was first discovered in the 12th century by Chief Ru. With him on his voyage was a double-hulled canoe called Nga-Pu-Ariki, containing his wives, his brothers and their wives, and 20 young royal maidens. A violent storm struck during the voyage. While his crew feared for their lives, Ru prayed to the God of the Sea, Tangaroa, to subside the storm. Lo and behold, an island lay ahead, gleaming in the light. Ru named the island Uta-taki-enua-o-Ru-ki-te-moana ("the-land-of-Ru-glimmering-at-sea"), believing that his God guided him there. Today the island is called Aitutaki.

After hauling their canoe ashore through a channel, Ru named the islet beside it, Uritua-o-Ru-ki-te-moana (the place where Ru turned his back on the sea), signifying Ru's momentous decision to settle in Aitutaki permanently and never to voyage again. The islet is alternately called A'aki-te-tua, also having the same meaning, i.e., "to turn one's back (Ru's)...." It is from the latter that the present day name of the islet is derived: "Akitua".

Uritua Beach. In ancient times Akitua was also called Uritua which means "turning Ru's back to where he came from".

O'otu (Full Moon) Channel and O'otu (Full Moon) Bay. According to legend it was a night of the full moon when Ru came upon Akitua, an event remembered in this name. This area provides particularly good snorkeling.

Bligh's Beach. Captain William Bligh was the first European to discover Aitutaki in 1789, just 17 days before the infamous Mutiny on the Bounty. Our Bounty Restaurant is also named in honour of this historic discovery. Captain Bligh is also credited with bringing the pawpaw (papaya) to the Cook Islands.

Kuriri Point. Named after the Wandering Tattler, a pretty shore bird whose musical cry sounds exactly like its name, ku-ri-ri.

Sunset Beach. Akitua's glorious tropical sunsets are best viewed from here, and this is Aitutaki's best swimming area. The world's most beautiful lagoon, Aitutaki Lagoon, is also best viewed from here. On a typical clear day, the panoramic views of this majestic lagoon are guaranteed to take your breath away.

Taputapu (Butterfly Fish) Beach. Taputapu is the Cook Islands Maori name for the beautiful and inquisitive yellow and black-striped butterfly fishes found in the Cook Islands. The Rau'i or traditional marine reserve around Akitua is where many reef fish come to spawn.

Kotuku (Heron) Cove. The kotuku or reef heron can often be seen out fishing in this area as well as around the Overwater and Deluxe Beachfront Bungalows. Usually it is the blue heron which is seen (actually more of a slate grey colour) but occasionally the rarer and very elegant white heron can also be sighted. Kotuku Cove is a great place to view the sunrise on yet another beautiful day in paradise!

Araura Beach. Aitutaki itself was historically known as Ara Rau Enua O Ru Ki Te Moana (shortened to Araura) meaning "the path which Ru had travelled across the horizon in search of new land."
FLYING BOAT BEACH BAR & GRILL

THE LUSCIOUS TROPICS

- Drink in the **best dining views on Aitutaki**
- Named after the historic **flying boats** which used to land on Aitutaki Lagoon during the glamorous Coral Route era
- Beautiful **Pacific inspired cuisine**, extensive menus, divine cocktails, lunches, dinners, beach dining

- Stunning wedding reception venue
- Managers Sunset Cocktail Party
MUTINY ON THE BOUNTY

- **H.M.S Bounty** made landfall at Motu Akitua just 17 days before the famous mutiny
- **Succulent seafood**, delectable meat dishes, fresh island produce, spacious dining venue, evening entertainment, friendly team
- **Room service**, in-room dining
PRIVATE DINING UNDER THE STARS
WITH THE SAND BETWEEN YOUR TOES

FOR INCURABLE ROMANTICS…

- Aitutaki’s best private dining experiences, just the two of you on the beach under the stars
- Stunning degustation menus and seafood platters to share, served by your personal waiter
- Idyllic for wedding, honeymoon or anniversary candlelit dinners
AITUTAKI’S MOST ROMANTIC WEDDING BACKDROP

‘Lagoon of Love’ Wedding Packages,
sunset beach weddings

**Stunning wedding locations** - Sunset Beach, Kuriri Point, Beach Gazebos, Oneroa Beach Chapel

**NEW! DREAMTIME ALL-INCLUSIVE WEDDING PACKAGES**
(accommodation for couple + wedding + reception group dinner & beverages)
RELAX, REFRESH, RENEW IN PARADISE

- **Spa complex** includes couples spa bath & sauna
- **Extensive spa menu** - facials, manicures, pedicures, body wraps, body scrubs, massages and spa packages
- **Professional therapists**
EXPERIENCE AITUTAKI

- Extensive complimentary activities include stand-up paddleboarding, snorkelling, kayaking, learn to dance the hula, make a lei, play the ukulele, husk a coconut

PRISTINE LAGOON PLAYGROUND... AT ALL TIDES

- 2 swimming pools, poolside spa
- Air-conditioned gym
- Truly authentic Cook Islands atmosphere