

# Suva, Viti Levu, Fiji

Fiji's capital is a proper city — a colonial waterfront, a world-class Fiji Museum, a bustling market, and lush rainforest trails just minutes from the dock. Warm, wet, and wonderfully alive.

Docked (Kings Wharf) Typical call: 7–9 hrs Fijian Dollar (FJD) Fijian · Hindi · English

## 👉 MY DAY IN PORT

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| Ship/Date: _____ | Arrive: _____ | All aboard: _____ |
| Excursion: _____ | Notes: _____  |                   |

## GETTING ASHORE

**Docking:** Kings Wharf, Suva Harbour

**Walk to center:** 10–15 min on foot

**Best For:** Culture · Rainforest · Markets

**Don't Miss:** Fiji Museum, Thurston Gardens

Getting around: **Taxi** FJ\$8–15 (short city rides)

## TOP THINGS TO DO

- Fiji Museum & Thurston Gardens** — The finest museum in the Pacific, housed in a colonial building inside the beautiful Thurston Gardens.
- Colo-i-Suva Forest Park** — A cool rainforest reserve 11 km north of the city with marked trails, natural swimming holes, and waterfalls.
- Suva Municipal Market** — One of the most vibrant markets in the South Pacific — produce, root vegetables, tropical fruit, kava roots, fresh fish, and handicrafts all under...
- Pacific Harbour & Arts Village** — About 45 km west of Suva, Pacific Harbour is known as the adventure capital of Fiji.
- Colonial Suva Walking Tour** — Explore Suva's colonial heritage — the Grand Pacific Hotel (opened 1914, visited by royals), Government House, the Holy Trinity Cathedral, and the...

## BEST WALKS

- Waterfront to Fiji Museum** ~2 km · 1–1.5 hrs · easy — Walk the waterfront road from Kings Wharf past the seawall toward the city centre, then cut inland through Thurston Gardens to the Fiji Museum.
- Downtown Suva market loop** ~2.5 km · 1.5 hrs · easy — From the wharf, walk into the city grid to Suva Municipal Market for kava, tropical produce, and crafts.

## WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

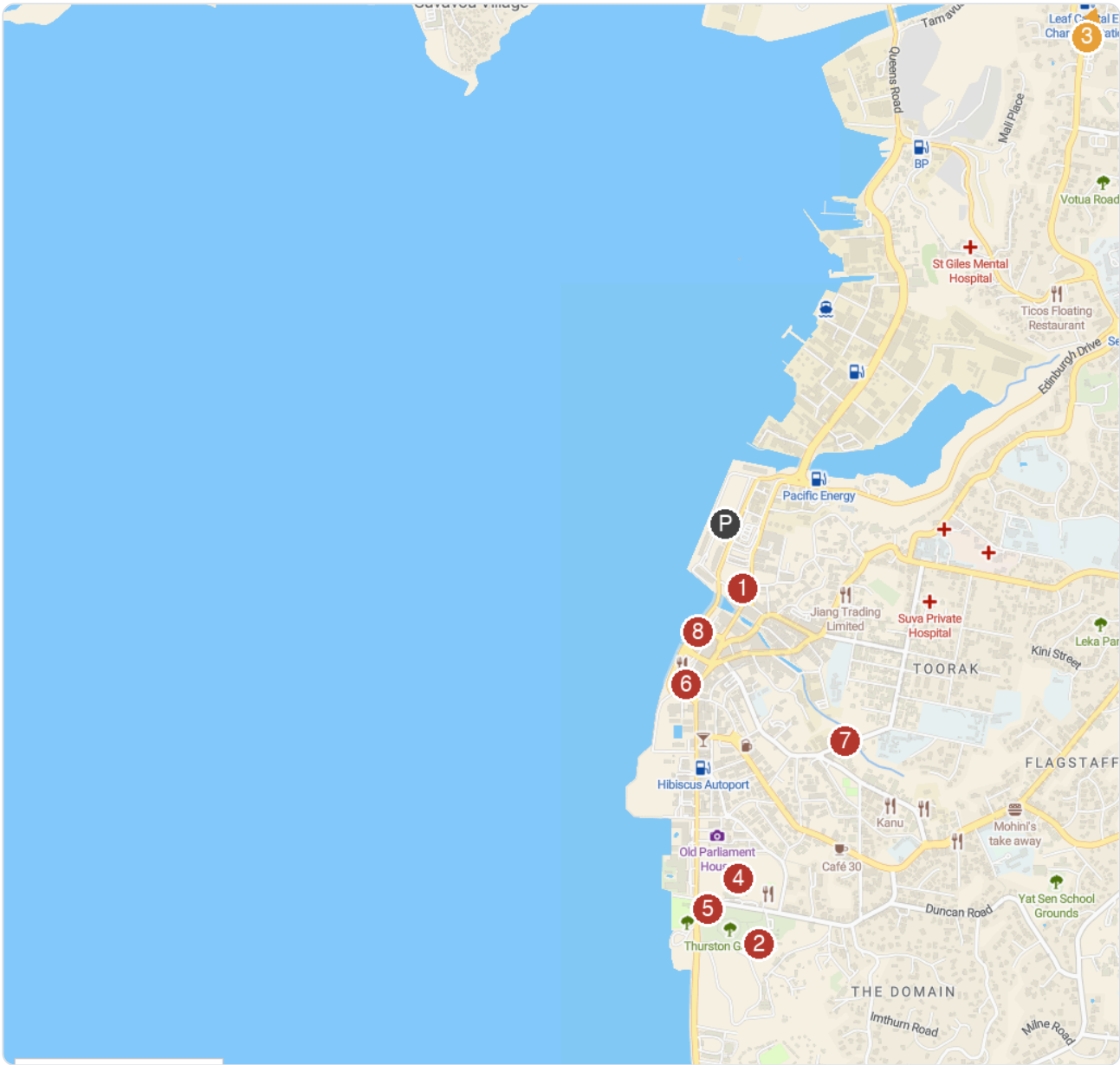
| CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS) |      |     |      | DAYLIGHT &  MONEY                                                                                 |  |
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| Mon                           | High | Low | Rain | Apr 6:15AM–5:56PM · Jun 6:35AM–5:37PM · Aug 6:26AM–5:55PM · Sep 6:02AM–6:01PM · Oct 5:37AM–6:06PM |  |
| Apr                           | 82°  | 74° | 23d  |                                                                                                   |  |
| Jun                           | 78°  | 72° | 17d  |                                                                                                   |  |
| Aug                           | 76°  | 70° | 18d  |                                                                                                   |  |
| Sep                           | 78°  | 71° | 19d  |                                                                                                   |  |
| Oct                           | 79°  | 72° | 22d  |                                                                                                   |  |

## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Pack a rain layer. Suva is the wettest capital city in the Pacific — short downpours are common year-round. A compact umbrella or light poncho is a must.
- Try kava. Fiji's ceremonial drink is sold in the market and offered on village tours. It's earthy and mildly numbing — say 'bula!' and drink the whole bilo in one go.
- Use FJD. Fijian Dollars are the local currency. ATMs are available in central Suva. USD is sometimes accepted in tourist spots but at poor rates — change money at the port or a bank.
- Negotiate taxis upfront. Taxis are cheap and plentiful but meters aren't always used. Agree on a fare before you get in, especially for longer trips like Colo-i-Suva or Pacific Harbour.
- Cover up for villages and temples. If you join a village tour or enter a Hindu temple, cover shoulders and knees. Remove hats when entering a village — it's a sign of respect.
- Suva ≠ Nadi. The famous Sri Siva Subramaniya Hindu temple is in Nadi on the west coast — about 3.5 hours away and not a realistic day trip from Suva's port. Enjoy what Suva itself offers.

# Suva, Viti Levu, Fiji — Port Map

Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b> Suva Municipal Market   | Bustling market for fresh produce, seafood, and local goods.        | <b>2</b> Fiji Museum                 | National museum showcasing Fiji's rich history and culture.        |
| <b>3</b> Colo-I-Suva Forest Park | Rainforest park with natural pools, waterfalls, and walking trails. | <b>4</b> Albert Park                 | Historic sports ground and public park in city center.             |
| <b>5</b> Thurston Gardens        | Historic botanical gardens with native plants and colonial trees.   | <b>6</b> Ratu Sukuna Park            | Waterfront park with bandstand, memorial, and harbor views.        |
| <b>7</b> Laxmi Narayan Mandir    | Colorful, prominent Hindu temple for worship and cultural insight.  | <b>8</b> Municipal Handicraft Centre | Center for authentic Fijian handicrafts, souvenirs, and local art. |
| <b>P</b> Cruise port / terminal  |                                                                     |                                      |                                                                    |