

Wallis and Futuna Islands, South Pacific, France

A French overseas territory of three traditional kingdoms, Wallis and Futuna is one of the rarest cruise stops in the South Pacific — unspoiled, unhurried, and deeply authentic. Expect cathedral singing, volcanic crater lakes, and tapa cloth, not tourist kiosks.

- Tender (no cruise pier)
- Typical call: 6–8 hrs
- CFP Franc (XPF) — bring cash
- French & Wallisian/Futunan
- Remote expedition destination

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to Mata-Utu Wharf (Wallis) or Leava Wharf (Futuna)

Best For: Cultural immersion, crater lakes, rare Polynesian authenticity

Walk to center: 0–2 min from tender pier to Mata-Utu cathedral & palace

Don't Miss: Lake Lalolalo crater, Mata-Utu Cathedral, Talietumu ruins

Getting around: **Taxi** Negotiate locally · **Rideshare** not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Lake Lalolalo Crater** — Wallis's crown jewel — a near-perfect circular volcanic crater lake ringed by sheer 30-metre red cliffs.
- Talietumu Archaeological Site** — A restored 15th-century Tongan fortified settlement in southern Wallis, with basalt stone platforms, defensive walls...
- Kava Ceremony & Stick Dance (Futuna)** — On Futuna calls, cruise lines typically arrange a traditional kava ceremony and soke stick dance at a local fale...
- Mata-Utu Cathedral at Sunday Mass** — If your call falls on a Sunday, attend mass at the imposing blue-volcanic-stone Cathédrale Notre-Dame-de-l'Assomption.
- Lagoon Motu Beach Day** — The best beaches on Wallis are on uninhabited sandy islets (motus) inside the barrier reef — Luaniva and Fugalei have...

BEST WALKS

- Mata-Utu Waterfront Loop** 0.5 km · 15 min · Easy · Free — From the tender wharf, walk to the blue-stone Cathédrale Notre-Dame-de-l'Assomption, then to the adjacent white-painted Palace of the...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				DAYLIGHT & MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 5:50AM–5:38PM · Jun 6:04AM–5:25PM · Aug 5:59AM–5:39PM · Sep 5:39AM–5:40PM · Oct 5:19AM–5:41PM	
Apr	83°	80°	24d		
Jun	82°	80°	20d		
Aug	81°	79°	20d		
Sep	81°	79°	20d		
Oct	82°	79°	23d		

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring CFP Francs (XPF) from your last major port — Noumea, Tahiti, or Fiji. ATMs exist in Mata-Utu but routinely reject foreign cards or run out of cash. USD and EUR are rarely...
- Sundav = everything closed. Wallis and Futuna are deeply Catholic. If your ship calls on Sundav, shops and restaurants will be