

YAP, MICRONESIA

Perfect add-on to any *Palau Aggressor II* and *Rock Islands Aggressor* vacation

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Fully discover Yap on any of our customized tours, from the island's unique historical culture, to experiencing what life as a Yapese native is like, to kayaking thru its beautiful mangroves and hiking thru forests where the island's flora and fauna hold special healing powers.

Our concierge team will ensure that you fully engross yourself in their island by providing you insight into their world that only a local would know.

LAND TOURS

A land tour provides you the opportunity to sight-see around the island and visit cultural sites within functioning villages to see such things as Yap's famous stone money banks, traditional men's houses, community houses, and walk on stone paths built centuries ago. Yap's history includes occupation of various nations and to this day some of their influences are still seen around the island as well as in the native language. The island did not remain unscathed during the second World War and remnants of the war can be seen in the relics around the island.

Yap consists of four islands: Rumung to the farthest north; Maap, Gagil-Tomil, and the largest portion which is called 'Mar-baa'-consisting of six municipalities (villages).

Our land tours are customized to fit your interest so that we can fully quench your curiosity of our island. These land tours are offered as either a **Half Day Island Tour of 4 hours** or as a **Full Day Island Tour of 8 hours**. A Full Day Island Tour also includes a packed lunch. The tours come with a tour guide, driver, air-conditioned transportation and bottled water.



HIKING TOURS

Yap's natives to this day still rely on what the land and ocean has to offer in order to survive. In fact, western medicines co-exist with the local medicines of the natives; and this is only possible with the various plant life that can be found on the island.

One of our hiking tours takes you across the center of the largest of the four islands comprising Yap to its western part, through the jungle providing you with a hands-on educational tour about the bird and plant life of Yap.



Scientific Name: *Scaevola taccada*
Local Name: Thoeth
Medicinal Uses: Natural eyewash



Scientific Name: *Monarcha goedffroidi*
Local Name: Gigy
Yap's State Bird

The hike is not for the faint-hearted and can generally take up to 2 hours with a beautiful view at the halfway point of the island valley. You can also opt to doing a shorter tour up to what is known as the 'lookout' for a panoramic view of Yap's main town and bay, as well as seeing a few of the WWII relics and hideouts along the hillside.



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VILLAGE TOURS

Pasan Tour

A full immersion into the culture can only be accomplished with time spent with the locals and sharing some of their day-to-day responsibilities.

You can choose between learning more about the local medicines from one of the island's renowned local doctors, with a chance to taste some of the local cuisine prepared by him or learn traditional skills such as coconut rope making. Or spend time learning about the methods and skills of building the local canoes, as well as the option of experiencing a ride in one with the village locals.

This tour also gives you the opportunity to enjoy some of the beautiful northern beaches of the Maap Municipality.



Danup Tour

You can also choose to spend time on the southern part of the island in the Kanifay Municipality with a local family in their traditional home and learn about the special traditions used in building their home. The family is more than happy to take you taro patching or fishing if you so wish or just sit with you telling stories of their ancestors and history.



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FISHING TOURS

Try your luck at catching a yellowfin tuna or wahoo on our specially designed custom fishing boat. Spend an afternoon relaxing on the ocean with the Yap Angler team.



For those who want to bring back fish, Yap Anglers also offers full and half day trolling charters aimed at catching Wahoo, Yellowfin Tuna, Bigeye Tuna, Mahi Mahi, Marlin and Sailfish. Again, we have special boats designed with outriggers, rod holders and we use the finest equipment – Penn International reels and rods.

Imagine being on a boat 20 yards from the edge of the reef, looking across the turquoise colored lagoon to the verdant, green tropical island in the background.

You cast your lure into the surf breaking on the edge of the reef and then BOOM!! A huge black Giant Trevally comes from the surf line and attacks your wooden bait. *The fight is on!*

KAYAK TOURS

See the island where only a kayak can go and learn about the eco-system, history and traditional culture of Yap. Tour the deep inner lagoon mangrove rivers stopping at a traditional men's house and visiting a fruit bat nest while learning about the fauna and its many traditional uses to the natives.



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KAYAK TOURS (continued)

Discover Yap by kayak and enjoy a *half or better yet a full day*, unique experience in the diverse mangrove systems of Yap. This is the perfect way to explore one of the few ecosystems on this planet that remains untouched by man.

Among the mangroves, you will go where none can go but by kayak. There are no roads, no way to bring a powered boat in, and no habitation, there is but you and nature.

See some of the wild bird life endemic to Yap. See some of the wild bird life endemic to Yap with our knowledgeable Concierge staff. The staff will not only share with you their wealth of knowledge about the Yapese people and their folklore but as well as the uniqueness of the Yapese culture. If you **bring a snorkel**, you might even get a chance to observe the archerfish as it spits jets of water several feet into the overhanging vegetation to knock down insects.

SUNSET TOURS

End your day in paradise where the sky explodes in a kaleidoscope of color over the Philippine Sea lagoon. Fresh coconut cocktails served up by the coastline or a bottle of our home brew from the Stonemoney Brewing Company.

