

# Fiji

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## Introduction

Fiji was chosen as a destination on the basis of our world ticket. (New Zealand, Fiji, California). We decided some tropical warmth was welcome after three weeks in wintery New Zealand. On arrival at the airport we tried to find tickets for a flight to Kadavu during our stay. To our disappointment this proved impossible due to combination of full flights, high prices and inconvenient flight times. We should have arranged these beforehand. So we went to a hotel, found some food in Nadi and made new plans. We decided to visit the Raintree lodge and then travel to one of the beach resorts and try some snorkeling. Since this trip report was finally written in May 2015, some details may be lacking.

## Itinerary

Day 1	19-07-2010	Nadi (arrival 16:00)
Day 2	20-07-2010	Nadi – Suva – Raintree lodge
Day 3	21-07-2010	Raintree lodge (Colo-I-Suva Forest) - Nadi
Day 4	22-07-2010	Raintree lodge - Nadi
Day 5	23-07-2010	Yasawa flyer to Korovou lodge on Naviti Island
Day 6	24-07-2010	Naviti Island
Day 7	25-07-2010	Naviti Island – Nadi - Airport

## ANNOTATED SPECIES LIST

We have tried to accurately indicate the proper subspecies for all our observations, usually based on geographic locations based on the IOC World Bird List version 5.1. Not a complete checklist of all sighting, species mostly only written down on first day of sighting.

1. Pacific Reef Heron – *Egretta sacra sacra*  
23-07: Several seen near resort
2. Lesser Frigatebird – *Fregata ariel ariel*  
23-07: Several seen from ferry

3. Brown Booby – *Sula leucogaster plotus*  
23-07: Several seen from ferry
4. Fiji Goshawk – *Accipiter rufitorques*  
20-07: Common Viti Levu and Naviti
5. Swamp Harrier – *Circus approximans*  
20-07: Viti Levu and Naviti
6. Wandering Tattler – *Tringa incana*  
23-07: 2 seen from ferry near Denarau
7. Brown Noddy – *Anous stolidus pileatus*  
23-07: Common, seen from ferry
8. Black Noddy – *Anous minutus minutus*  
23-07: Several seen from ferry
9. Greater Crested Tern – *Thalasseus bergii cristatus*  
20-07: Common along coast
10. Bridled Tern – *Onychoprion anaethetus anaethetus*  
23-07: 1 seen from ferry, quite close to Viti Levu
11. Black-naped Tern - *Sterna sumatrana sumatrana*  
23-07: Common, seen from ferry.
12. Many-colored Fruit Dove – *Ptilinopus perousii mariae*  
20-07: Several seen near Raintree lodge
13. Golden Fruit Dove – *Ptilinopus luteovirens*  
20-07: Several seen near Raintree lodge
14. Barking Imperial Pigeon – *Ducula latrans*  
20-07: Common near Raintree lodge
15. White-rumped Swiftlet – *Aerodramus spodiopygius assimilis*  
20-07: Common
16. Collared Kingfisher – *Todiramphus chloris vitiensis*  
20-07: Several near Raintree lodge
17. Collared Lory – *Phigys solitarius*  
21-07: Viti Levu
18. Masked Shining Parrot – *Prosopiea personata*  
21-07: Viti Levu
19. Wattled Honeyeater – *Foulehaio carunculatus procerior*  
20-07: Common
20. Giant Honeyeater – *Gymnomyza viridis brunneirostris*  
21-07: Several near Raintree lodge

21. Sulphur-breasted Myzomela – *Myzomela jugularis*  
21-07: Several near Raintree lodge
22. Fiji Woodswallow – *Artamus mentalis*  
20-07: Common
23. Polynesian Triller – *Lalage maculosa pumila*  
21-07: Colo-I-Suva Forest
24. Fiji Whistler – *Pachycephala vitiensis optata*  
21-07: Colo-I-Suva Forest
25. Streaked Fantail – *Rhipidura verreauxi layardi*  
21-07: Colo-I-Suva Forest
26. Slaty Monarch – *Mayrornis lessoni lessoni*  
21-07: Colo-I-Suva Forest
27. Fiji Shrikebill - *Clytorhynchus vitiensis vitiensis*  
21-07: Colo-I-Suva Forest
28. Vanikoro Flycatcher – *Myiagra vanikorensis rufiventris*  
21-07: Colo-I-Suva Forest
29. Azure-crested Flycatcher – *Myiagra azureocapilla whitneyi*  
21-07: Colo-I-Suva Forest
30. Pacific Swallow – *Hirundo tahitica subfusca*  
20-07: Common
31. Fiji Bush Warbler – *Horornis ruficapilla badiceps*  
21-07: Colo-I-Suva Forest
32. Fiji White-eye – *Zosterops explorator*  
21-07: Colo-I-Suva Forest
33. Silvereye – *Zosterops lateralis flaviceps*  
21-07: Colo-I-Suva Forest
34. Fiji Parrotfinch – *Erythrura pealii*  
20-07: Common