

# INABURRAYEAR10 GLOBALEDUCATION PROGRAM

## FIJI AND YASAWA ISLANDS

The Fiji and Yasawa Islands program combines elements of social welfare and conservation work.

Students will partner with the Global Learning Foundation (GLF) and local leaders to help support remote villages. Students will be involved in welfare and education programs in schools as well as some marine conservation work at the direction of local foundations.



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#### **SAMPLE PROGRAM**

ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
Marine Conservation	<ul> <li>Students have the opportunity to participate in the following marine activities:         <ul> <li>Marine Conservation – Join your Marine Biologist and learn about the local reef, marine life and the unique challenges that exist in the Yasawa Islands.</li> <li>Sustainability – Understand sustainable fishing practices that are vital to ensure that food sources remain for generations to come. In the afternoon learn to snorkel and participate in the identification and counting of various fish species in a selected reef grid.</li> <li>Reef Check – Your fish ID and fish count results will contribute data to the Reef Check monitoring program which is helping to maintain the protected areas of the reef.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Education	Visit a local school in the Yasawa Islands to work with the children, helping them with their English, reading and writing skills. Activities may include facilitating the 1:1 reading program and assisting with literacy and numeracy at the local school.
Navala Village – Ba Highlands	Day tour of the Navala Village in the Ba Highlands of northern-central Viti Levu, Fiji. This area is well known for its round, thatched roof houses and is one of few settlements in Fiji that has retained its traditional architecture. Navala is a dramatically beautiful village surrounded by mountains and ridges. Students will take a hike through the mountains and end at the village to enjoy a traditional Fijian lunch, including a 'lovo', which is meat slowly cooked in the earth with hot coals.
Nadi	<ul> <li>Students have the opportunity to enjoy activities and some of the attractions in Nadi including:</li> <li>'Fiji Survivor' Tribe Team for an action-packed morning taking part in the 'Bilibili Raft Building' event.</li> <li>Tifajek Mud Pools - one of Fiji's hidden jewels. The mud pools provide an opportunity to indulge in a therapeutic natural spa. They are the ideal remedy for self-cleansing and naturally beautifying yourself. If you have never been covered in mud from head to toe, it's quite an experience! Whilst we are covered in mud, we'll have group team building activity through fun games such as sack races, tug-of-war and other lawn games.</li> <li>Sleeping Giant Zip Line - Enjoy a world class zip line course where you will glide at up to 60km per hour over beautiful rainforest, rivers, and rapids.</li> </ul>

#### **TRAVEL**

Students will fly economy class on Virgin or Qantas Australia. Transit around and between islands is via chartered coach and by catamaran ferry. Travel arrangements for Fiji & Yasawa Islands are made by Global Learning Expeditions (GLE), the logistics arm of GLF

#### SAFETY AND SECUDITY

Students will be supervised by Inaburra staff as well as fully qualified and experienced GLF leaders and local project guides. Students will be expected to adhere to the Inaburra School Code of Conduct at all times. GLF and GLE have 25 years of experience in providing safe and sustainable environments for youth work and have developed and maintained significant risk assessments over time. Students will be briefed on particular aspects of safety in preparation for the program and will also have an orientation session upon arrival in the region.

#### MAXIMUM NUMBERS AND TEACHER/STUDENT RATIOS

This program has a target maximum of 25 students. There will be an approximate teacher/student ratio of 1:8.

#### ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation is based on 3-star hotel in Nadi and multi-share bure in Drawaqa Island (up to 4 students per bure-shared facilities). Accommodation is an enclosed compound for additional security and service.

#### **COST AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

The cost of the Fiji & Yasawa Islands Global Education program is estimated to be \$6800. The final cost of the program is dependent on several variables including (but not limited to) student numbers and currency fluctuations. This amount will be communicated at a later date and includes: Return International economy class airfares (Virgin Australia), airport transfers (Fiji) & private air-conditioned coach during sightseeing trips (sightseeing as per itinerary), Yasawa Island transfers & boat transfers to Community Service Project location, local project manager in Fiji, travel insurance, all meals, minimum tips for driver and guides, Project Pack including backpack, 2 x t-shirts. The final amount does not cover: Passport application fees, spending money, additional money for tipping and vaccinations if applicable.

Inaburra and GLE require this program to be paid in instalments. Instalment amounts and due dates will be outlined in detail, along with other key information about the program, once itineraries and total costs are determined.

This program also requires certain documentation (eg. passport information) to be provided at particular times in order to book transport and accommodation. Details of dates for this will also be conveyed in due course. Please be aware that due to the nature of travel and accommodation, payment deadlines for this program will be very tight and must be strictly adhered to.

