Restaurant Suggestions
Tahiti, Moorea and Bora Bora

Tahiti

*The island of Tahiti itself offers quite a diverse selection of cuisine. Tahitian, French, Chinese, Japanese, American, Italian, and the list goes on... it's really all there... and all wonderful! The specialty remains fish raw or prepared various ways. Please check with your hotel, pension, or concierge for more information.*

**Casa Bianca**
Tel. 011-689-40 43 91 35
Marina Taina, Punaauia, West Coast
Website: [http://www.casabianca-tahiti.com](http://www.casabianca-tahiti.com)
This casual Italian restaurant is very popular with local residents, especially on weekends. They offer a variety of dishes, from couscous to local seafood, such as a shrimp in a banana and curry sauce. Happy hour in the gardens is also a nice moment to enjoy as well as sunset time! The little plus: a stroll in the marina where some of the most amazing mega yachts are anchored. $$$

**Pink Coconut**
Tel. 011-689-40 41 22 23
Marina Taina, Punaauia, West Coast
Website: [http://www.tahitipinkcoconut.com](http://www.tahitipinkcoconut.com)
Schedule: 10AM to Midnight
Ideally located by the water, a great restaurant option featuring international cuisine with a strong French – Polynesian touch. Happy Hour is a delight as you enjoy views of the island of Moorea in the sunset light. Live music on some evenings. $$$

**Blue Banana**
Tel. 011-689-40 41 22 24
Punaauia, West Coast
Located by the water, Blue Banana offers a nice outdoor dining area above the water. Their specialties include tuna carpaccios and tartars, of course variations of the famous Tahitian “poisson cru”. Pizzas are also available but you definitely want to enjoy some of their fish specialties. If you are staying at the Manava Suite Resort, you can walk to the restaurant (about 10 minutes). Reservations recommended if you want to dine in the outside area. $$$$ 

Coco’s
Tel. 011-689-40 58 21 08
Punaauia, West Coast
Website: http://www.lecocostahiti.com/?lang=en
Schedule: 12PM – 2:30PM & 5:30PM – 10PM
This lagoon side restaurant shares top rank as one of Tahiti’s most romantic places to dine, especially the tables out on the lawn, where you will have stunning views of Moorea. Other tables shaded by a thatch cabana also share the view. The cuisine is light in the French nouvelle cuisine tradition, with island influences such as shrimp marinated in lime juice and coconut milk. Arrive early enough for a drink or glass of fine champagne while the sun sets over Moorea. Reservations recommended. $$$$$

Restaurant “Chez Jimmy”
Tel. 011-689-40 43 63 32
Rue des Ecoles, Papeete
Website: https://www.restaurant-jimmy.com
Schedule: 11AM to 2PM & 6PM to 9:30PM
If you are craving some Asian food, “Chez Jimmy” is the ideal place for you! From Thai, Vietnamese to Chinese specialties, this restaurant will soon become one of your favorites. $$$$
On a par with Lou Pescadou but with more street noise, this restaurant in a grove of trees across from the waterfront has been serving among the best pizzas and pasta for many years. Our suggestion: ask for a table outside under the trees. $$$

Le Retro
Tel. 011-689-40 42 86 83
Vaima Centre, Papeete
Schedule: 9AM to Midnight
Very central, right at the Vaima Centre, Papeete’s main shopping area. Cuisine is international with Polynesian influence. Their salads and tuna sahims, carpaccios or tartars are good, and portions are large! Live bands entertain during weekends. $$$

L'O à la Bouche
Tel. 011-689-40 42 29 76
Passage Cardella, Papeete
Website: http://www.loalabouchetahiti.com
Schedule: 11:30AM to 1:30 PM
French with a Tahitian splash.... but, mostly French, and one of the top restaurants in Tahiti. Delicious cuisine, great wine list! Try their fish selections and be sure to keep room for desserts. Located in a small street in downtown Papeete, the restaurant’s interior is sophisticated bistro-like and offers a nice cozy atmosphere. Reservations recommended. $$$$

Le Mandarin
Tel. 011-689-40 42 16 33
Rue des Ecoles, Papeete
Website: http://www.restaurantlemandarin.pf/index.php
Schedule: 10AM to 11:30PM
Great Chinese food! One of their specialties is “Chevrettes au Sel” (Shrimps fried with salt, it does sound simply but it is absolutely delicious). $$

**Le Velvet**
Tel. 011-689-40 46 38 99
_Avenue du Prince Hinoi, Papeete_
One of the best restaurants in Tahiti, located in Hotel Tahiti Nui. Exquisite French cuisine beautifully combined with local products. The “Chocco Latte” lounge bar will be a great place to meet before dinner or enjoy a late night cap. _Reservations recommended._ $$

**O Belvédère**
Tel. 011-689-89 40 34 03
_Route de Belvédère, Pirae, East Coast_
Schedule: 9AM to 10PM - Wednesday through Saturday & 9AM to 3:30PM on Sunday
French, très français... Beautifully located on the mountain side of Mount Aorai (one of the highest peaks in Tahiti) with gorgeous views over the valley and Papeete. Their specialty is fondue and truly the setting could not be more perfect than that. They do arrange pick up upon request. _Reservations recommended._ $$$

**Le Royal Tahitien**
Tel. 011-689-40 50 40 40
_Princesse Heiata, Pirae, East Coast_
One of the rare beach side restaurant on the East Coast of Tahiti. The restaurant offers a nice outdoor dining area boasting views on the lagoon and the volcanic black sand beach. Cuisine is French using a lot of local produce. Try the Mahi Mahi in Tahitian “rea” ginger sauce and the banana tart for dessert is to die for! _Reservations recommended._ $$$
Les Roulottes  
**On the Waterfront, Papeete**  
Schedule: 7PM to 10PM  
This area has recently been completely renovated and looks wonderful. The roulottes, or dining cars, offer a variety of food: French, Tahitian, Chinese, pizzas and not-to-be- missed the “crepes”. “Crepes” in Tahiti are made the French way and the Nutella – banana is a popular option. Locals love going to the Roulottes and on weekends especially, there are chances there will be live music or shows. Portions can be quite large so it’s actually nice to share some courses and desserts.  
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Le Relais de la Maroto  
Tel. 011-689-40 57 90 29 or 011-689-87 24 08 46  
Email: relaismaroto@hotmail.fr  
**Papenoo Valley, Papenoo, East Coast**  
Located in the heart of the Island of Tahiti, seat at a table surrounding by the wild nature, deep inside the Papenoo Valley. This unique hotel-restaurant is reachable only by a 1-hour 4WD ride. Offering International Cuisine. Reservation needed

La Saigonnaise  
Tel. 011-689-40 42 05 35  
**Prince Hinoi Avenue, Papeete**  
Schedule: 11:30AM to 1:30PM & 7PM to 9:30PM  
Located downtown Papeete, La Saigonnaise is known as one of the best restaurant in Tahiti offering Vietnamese specialties. They also organise Tahitian *bringue* on last Friday of every month. $$$$

Le Soufflé  
Tel. 011-689-40 57 00 17  
**54 rue Gauguin, Papeete**  
Located just in front of the Cityhall of Papeete and close to *Le Marché*, this French Bistrot alike has an original concept: all main dishes are all made
around the *Soufflé*.
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**Terre-Mer**
Tel. 011-689-40 57 08 57  
Taravao – pk 58.8 seaside  
Schedule: 11AM – 9:30PM  
Located inside the Phaeton Bay in Taravao, you choose a table inside or outside on a wooden terrace and enjoy the bay view. Offering French cuisine with Tahitian inspiration.
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**Vahinerii Tea House**
Tel. 011-689-40 45 30 00 or 87 29 88 88  
Avenue du Commandant Destremau, Papeete  
Schedule: 6AM to 4PM – Monday through Saturday  
Located at the entry of Downtown Papeete, this Tea House offers international cuisine with *Plats du jour* and fish specialty. It is one of the best restaurant for its sushi in Tahiti. Enjoy a French Tea time with its selection of great Mariage Frères.