

The Pacific Islands

Cook Islands, Easter Island, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Hawaiian Islands, Marshall Islands, Samoa/American Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga

A Virtual Tour

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Have a great time “visiting” these countries!

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Cook Islands

<http://www.larrythetravelguy.com/cookislands.html> (8:45) Tour the Cook Islands.

Easter Island

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MWHw_1q4n6E (3:24) Maori Statues at Easter Island

Federated States of Micronesia

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c0InivQt8ZU> (7:20) Yap Day Festival, Traditional dances and crafts.

Fiji

<http://www.lonelyplanet.tv/Clip.aspx?key=CFB6B66D68BE1F76> (1:57) Fiji travel video

French Polynesia

http://www.dailymotion.com/relevance/search/french%2Bpolynesia/video/x43b0b_french-polynesia-society-islands_travel (2:35) French Polynesia – Scenery with background music

Hawaiian Islands

http://gohawaii.about.com/cs/hawaiiphotopros/a/hawaii_pictures.htm (varying lengths) Links to several different Hawaiian Islands videos and still pictures.

<http://www.bluehawaiian.com/bigisland/video/> Take a helicopter tour of the big island of Hawaii – link from here to 5 other island tours. Pretty cool.

<http://video.about.com/gohawaii/Hawaii-Volcanoes-National-Park.htm> (2:56) Hawaii Volcanoes National Park

<http://www.adventurepics.com/IBE/video1.aspx?VF=LavaLuau.wmv> (41:25) Learn about Mount Kilauea...videographer goes hiking on the edge on an active volcano.

http://www.ehow.com/video_4396480_symbolic-moves-hula-dancing-beginners.html (1:22) Basic hula moves.

Marshall Islands

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hwrls9hL28U> (8:56) Overview of the Marshall Islands.

Samoa/American Samoa

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-W4cbOkWW34> (3:48) Samoa Landscape footage with background music.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v7UVuMC2oS4&feature=related> (2:11) Travel pics from Western Samoa

<http://video.yahoo.com/watch/149649/905462> (3:40) American Samoa Marine Preserve

Solomon Islands

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=40oTJbqLsCk> (9:00) Bamboo music and dance of the Solomon Islands

Tonga

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/newsvideo/?bcpid=4464161001&bctid=16942122001> (1:31) Footage of an undersea volcano erupting near Tonga.

Bonus Links

The rest of these links are not videos, but nonetheless interesting.

Easter Island

http://www.mysteriousplaces.com/Easter_Island/index.html Info and pictures of Easter Island and the mystery surrounding the statues there.

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/easter/> Easter Island interactive site

Vanuatu

<http://www.mangoesresort.com/vanuatu/gallery/index.cfm?pluginAction=slideshow&slideshowID=2&categoryID=1> (slideshow) Vanuatu – beautiful scenery

Don't forget to try some local food flavor!

<http://australianfood.about.com/od/discoveraussienzfood/u/EasyAustralianNZRecipes.htm> Pacific Island food recipes

<http://www.recipegoldmine.com/worldocean/ocean.html> More Oceania recipes

Music

<http://www.scu.edu.au/schools/sass/music/musicarchive/PacificMusic.html> - Traditional and contemporary music and instruments.