



Mitiaro – A unique homestay holiday experience

Mitiaro is one of the Cook Islands most ruggedly beautiful, yet relatively unknown and remote islands of the South Pacific, previously only accessible to those who ventured off the beaten track. But for travellers keen to experience traditional island culture in an intimate setting, Mitiaro offers a unique travel experience for those dreaming of an authentic island escape away from all the tourist trappings and is only a 45 minute flight from



Rarotonga.

A unique first of its kind “Homestay” programme has been launched on Mitiaro, dubbed the *Itiki* experience, named after the eel for which Mitiaro is known. Sleeping in simple woven pandanus tree Kikau huts and listening to the waves breaking nearby, guests are hosted by local Mitiaro families and can experience first-hand the customary lifestyle and hospitality of the Mitiaroans who embrace visitors with warmth and kindness.

Once the Air Raro flight lands on the sandy airstrip, you’ll be greeted by the entire island (all 180 of them including the children) at the airport shed and then taken by the only van that exists on the island to your host and Kikau hut accommodation, which features a bedroom, shower and toilet facilities and a relaxing porch area. You’ll receive a Nei (the Mitiaro version of a Lei) upon arrival with a warm-hearted greeting and hugs all around, so you’ll immediately feel part of the Mitiaroan family.

Before too long you’ll feel very much like a local.

Other than offering an idyllic escape for those dreaming of getting away from it all in a safe and welcoming environment, a stay in one of the “Homestays” provides full benefits to the locals themselves, while conserving the very core of its appeal – nature untouched!

For “Things to Do” on Mitiaro check out this link : <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/rarotonga-and-the-cook-islands/mitiario/things-to-do>



Mitiaro Packages

3 night package

Valid 01 April 2017 - 31 March 2018

\$399 per person share twin

Extra nights **\$120** per person share twin

3 night package includes :

- 3 nights accommodation in a traditional Kikau hut with private en-suite bathroom
- 3 meals a day during your stay on Mitiaro
- Return airport transfers on Mitiaro
- The company of your Mitiaro host family

NOTE : Airfares to Mitiaro from Rarotonga are an additional cost. Checkout <http://www.airraro.com/en> for information on fares to Mitiaro

