

06/07/10 @ 9:00 PM local time (3 hours different then yours) Hi guys, We're in Rangaroia. It's one of the largest atolls in the Tauamotos. It's at 14degs58'S X 147degs38'W. We've been here for 5 days and are leaving for Tahiti tomorrow. We went over to the Blue Lagoon yesterday, its on the other side of the atool (about 17 miles away. We tried to anchor, but the wind came up so we pulled up the anchor. It was caught on a couple of coral heads, so we had a tough time of getting it up. We finally did and then went about 5 miles Northerly to another anchorage. We tried to go ashore, but couldn't find a passage thru the coral. We spent the night there, very calm and no one else around.

This morning we went back to the Blue Lagoon (after having the anchor getting stuck again) and found a different spot to anchor, no problems this time. We went ashore and walked thru the lagoon area. It was very pretty, but the water wasn't very clear for snorkeling. After spending about 3 hours there, we went back to our original anchorage.

We will leave here about 3:00 PM (local) to be able to go thru the entrance of the atoll at "slack" tide. The entrance is kind of narrow, but is pretty deep.

We will have an approximate 2 day sail to Tahiti. All of the festivities begin on the 18th for us, but we need to get the batteries when we get there. Rob is "jumping" ship as soon as he can (in Tahiti).

That's about all for now and we will get skype when we get to Tahiti.