



# New look of paradise on Fiji's Denarau Island

**A**T many luxury resorts in Fiji, the sound of traditional island music can be heard throughout the day and night.

Local musicians play the guitar and sing around the reception area, swimming pool and bars.

At the Westin Resort and Spa on Denarau Island, they spend the day singing in the shade of a bure beside the pool.

The Westin, formerly known as the Sheraton Royal Denarau, underwent a \$15 million facelift to all the rooms, restaurants and pool to make it one of Fiji's most luxurious hotels, opening in April 2006.

However, some links with the past have been retained. For example, each room has a superb cloth tapestry above the bedhead, a remnant from the old Royal.

The Westin is situated on Denarau Island alongside the Sheraton Fiji Resort and Sheraton Denarau Villas, located only a half-hour drive from Nadi international airport. The hotels are part of the integrated resort complex operated by Starwood Hotels, along with the nearby Denarau Golf and Racquet Club with an 18-hole championship golf course and 10 tennis courts.

On arrival guests are welcomed by the beating of the traditional Lali drum. The Westin has 271 spacious rooms that feature timber panelling and high Fijian-style ceilings.

Rooms have a king-size bed and a bed full of pillows (the Westin has turned pillow choice into an art form). Facilities include a flat-screen TV and a DVD entertainment system.

The bathroom is located behind a timber divider with see-through blinds.

Each suite has a desk, lounge, table and a verandah with a couple of chairs.

The Westin has a spectacular two-tier swimming pool made up of irregular shaped sections surrounded by bures and palm trees to give it a truly Fijian flavour.

The resort has four restaurants including the Steakhouse bar and grill situated next to the beach.

In addition, Westin guests can use any of the restaurants, bars and shops at the other Sheraton resorts and charge it to their hotel account.

A free bula shuttle bus operates between the three resorts throughout the day.

Each evening at the Westin, a troupe of fire dancers enthrall with a routine that includes twirling sticks of fire and demonstrations of fire eating.

Activities at the resort include canoeing, windsurfing, sailboarding and sailing, plus tennis and golf at the championship course.

For more information visit  
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**Spacious suite at the Westin.**



**Relaxing at Denarau Island.**



**The main swimming pool at the Westin Resort and Spa on Denarau Island, Fiji.**