

Keep Port Resolution Beautiful

Take all rubbish and bottles with you
Do not burn rubbish on the beach
Do not throw cans into the bay

Important Points

- The volcano entrance fees support a community fund to help the people after cyclones and other disasters.
- Villagers need money to send their children to secondary school.
- Fuel is very expensive.
- Often gardens are far from villages but all the fruit and vegetables belong to someone so please do not help yourself.
- When walking around, keep to roads and tracks.
- Remember you are the guest on their ancestral land. Ask permission to pass through the villages, snorkel, spearfish, have dinner on the beach, or take pictures.
- The nakamals are male only after 4 pm. Women must stay away and not look if passing by. They must use the bypass route at this time.
- Do not enter the Tabu areas.
- Maintain modesty in dress and behavior. Ladies, cover swimsuits when ashore and wear knee-length shorts or skirts. Bare shoulders okay.
- It is customary for visitors to speak first and polite to introduce yourself and say where you are going.
- If leaving the immediate area of Port Resolution, you may be accompanied by a guide. It is the custom and an offer of friendship.
- If you are asked to pay a fee to visit an area, know it is a payment towards the future. The people nurture the environment for the next generation.
- Gift giving and receiving is a complicated social event. Giving small gifts to anyone is fine. Larger gifts are best given to the village as a whole through Stanley, Werry or Thomas, headmaster of the school. Beware of anyone asking for gifts. Consider the rubbish your gift may create.
- Trading, as long as the trade is equal, is fine.

Services

Port Resolution Yacht Club

Werry, manager phone: 5416989
Laundry – 500 vatu per medium sized bag
Water is available, see Werry
Beer and soft drinks anytime, ring the gong

Community Market House

Local crafts, baskets, fruit and vegetables
If closed, ask a lady when it will be open. Most likely she will find someone to open the door. English and French are spoken.

Restaurants

Avoca Restaurant – Tanna coffee anytime, breakfast, lunch or dinner with reservation. Ask for Serah.

Ianiuia White Beach Restaurant – Book one day in advance for lunch or dinner.

Call Lea 5474990 or Susan 561155

Port Resolution Yacht Club – by arrangement

Truck rides

See Stanley

Lenakel – Check in or out, or visit the market. Market days are Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Usually tomatoes, avocados, grapefruit, tangerines and more are available. Fresh bread. Bank. Internet.

Volcano – Most evenings. Fees for entrance and driver

Jon Frum Village – listen to the music on Friday nights
This information is to acquaint you with Port Resolution and to help keep it the wonderful, honest, friendly place it is today. Think about the effect you have on the people so future visitors will find the same sincere welcome.

If you do not wish to keep this brochure, please return it to the yacht club to be reused.

If you wish to print additional copies to help the people of Port Resolution contact Werry at PRYC.

Welcome to Port Resolution Tanna, Vanuatu



Welcome! The people of Port Resolution are very happy to see you. We hope you enjoy your stay here. Yachties, please see me about anything you would like such as transportation to the volcano or to Lenakel, trading items for fruit and vegetables, or learning about our history and culture.

Stanley, yachtie liason

Points of Interest

- **Mt. Yasur Volcano**

A stromboli type volcano, Mt. Yasur consistently puts on an amazing show. See Stanley for transportation.

- **Hot Springs**

Located in southwest corner of bay. Take a walking tour to the steam vents. The small charge is used for school fees. Exploring the fumaroles along the west side of the bay by dinghy or kayak is interesting but first ask permission at Mainsori Village.

- **Walking Loop through Irepuow Village**

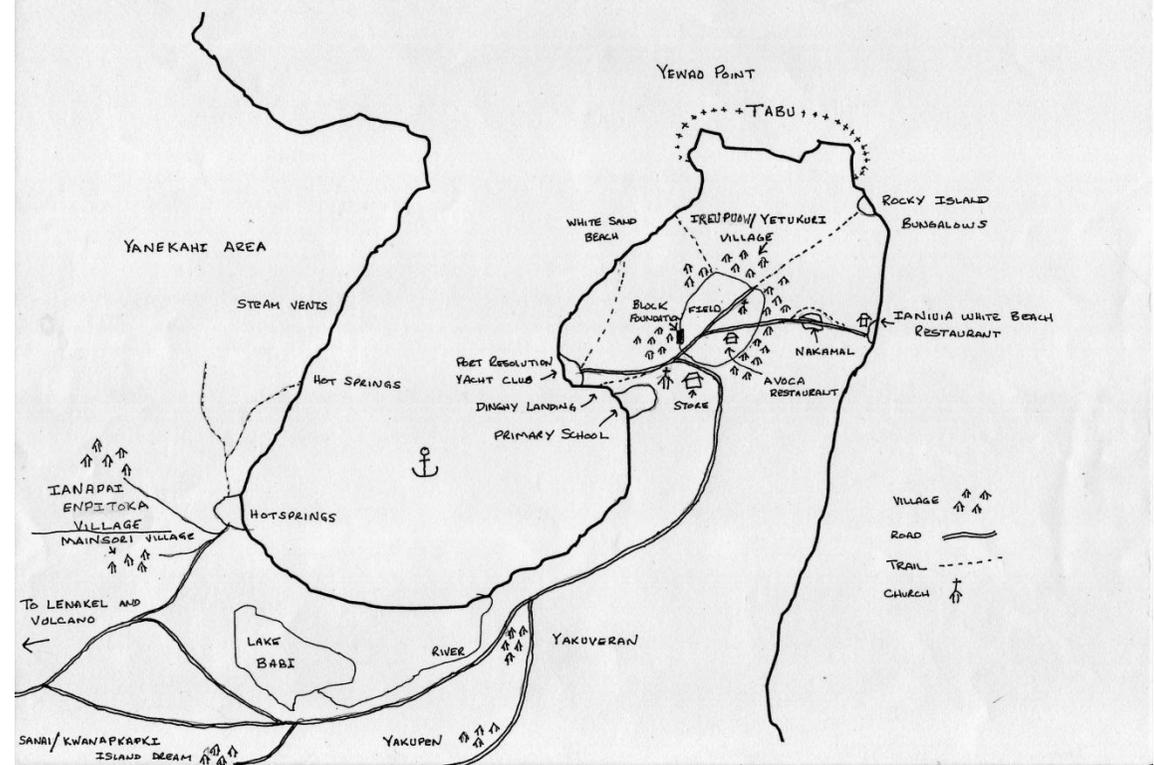
Follow the road past Avoca Restaurant to the nakamal named Yatukuri and on to Surf Beach. Follow the white sand beach north to the black rocks jutting out into the sea. Turn in at Rocky Island Bungalows and walk along the pretty path back to the village.

- **Community Store**

Colorful baskets, mats, bow and arrow sets, shells, tusks and fruit are available.

- **Dinghy to the White Sand Beach**

Located at the northeast part of the bay. There is good snorkeling off the beach. Respect the Tabu (forbidden) area from Yewao Point to the black rocks near Rocky Island Bungalows.



The story of Mount Yasur

In the beginning there was only Matiktiki. He was a great hunter and fisherman. Naweng came along and became his wife. They lived on the highest point of land, Mt. Melon, and were very happy. After a while they decided to have a child. Matiktiki said "I would like to have a son" and Naweng said "I would like to have a daughter."

They had a son and named him Yasur. Matiktiki taught Yasur to hunt and fish and he became very good at it. When Yasur was 15 years old he asked his father if he could go hunting alone. Matiktiki said yes and Yasur began to look for animals. He traveled all over Mt. Melon with his bow and arrow and finally spotted a big bird. He fired an arrow and thought he hit it.

He went to the place where it should have fallen, in some wild cane. He did not see it, but out of the wild cane came two women. They were Mownga and Sapai and the place became known as Pang Niwing. The women wanted to go home with Yasur. He was not at all sure about that, but the women persisted. He returned to his father's house with the women. His father greeted them and told Yasur that he was a man now and must go build his own house with his two wives.

They moved to the bottom of the mountain and Yasur built a nice house. One day Yasur went out hunting for meat for dinner. He told his wives to prepare laplap. While his wives were preparing laplap they needed water and left to get some. Yasur returned home with the meat but his wives were not there and the laplap was not ready.

He got very angry. He was very hungry. He got so mad that he turned himself into a pig. When his wives returned they found a large pig sitting by the laplap. They began to club it. Yasur, the pig, exploded and created a cave in the mountain. This cave is now called Napang Kasawa.

At the end of the cave is a large lava tube. Yasur's spirit took the spirits of his wives, which were killed in the explosion, through the underground lava tube towards the shore where they made a new home. The home became Mt. Yasur. The three fiery cauldrons in the crater are Yasur, Mownga and Sapai.

Help the community

- The primary school can use supplies, books and money.
- If you are handy, there are always generators, sewing machines and other things needing repair.
- Useful items include rope, nails, screws, fishing equipment, diesel, petrol and sewing supplies.
- The Yacht Club needs a VHF radio, 12 volt batteries, solar charger and electric cable to run lights to the dinghy landing area. See Werry if you can help.
- Most local people have never visited a yacht. Inviting men, women and children aboard is a wonderful experience for both you and them. Before asking anyone from a canoe aboard, it is best and safest to talk with Stanley or Werry.