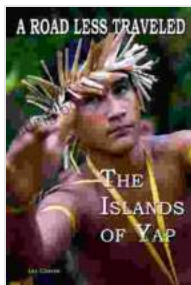


The Islands of Yap: A Road Less Traveled

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Yap is a group of four islands in the Federated States of Micronesia, located in the western Pacific Ocean. The largest island, also called Yap, is about 100 miles long and 20 miles wide. The other islands are Gagil-Tomil, Maap, and Rumung.



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History

The Yapese people are believed to have migrated to the islands from Southeast Asia around 1000 BC. They developed a unique culture and society, which was based on a matrilineal system. In this system, women owned and inherited property, and they had a say in all matters of importance.

The Yapese people were also skilled navigators and traders. They traveled throughout the Pacific Ocean, and they established trade relationships with other islands and cultures.

In the 16th century, the Portuguese arrived in Yap. They were followed by the Spanish, the Germans, and the Japanese. The Japanese occupied Yap from 1914 to 1945. After World War II, Yap became a part of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, which was administered by the United States.

Yap became a part of the Federated States of Micronesia in 1986.

Culture

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The Yapese people have a strong sense of community, and they are always willing to help each other. They are also very proud of their culture and traditions.

The Yapese language is a Micronesian language that is spoken by about 7,000 people. The language is tonal, and it has a rich vocabulary. The Yapese people also have a unique system of writing, which is called the Yapese script.

Economy

The economy of Yap is based on tourism, agriculture, and fishing. The island is a popular destination for scuba diving and snorkeling. The Yapese people also grow crops such as taro, yams, and sweet potatoes. They also raise livestock such as pigs and chickens.

The Yapese people are also skilled fishermen. They fish for tuna, mackerel, and other fish. The fish is then sold to local markets or exported to other countries.

Tourism

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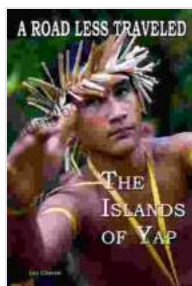
Yap is a popular destination for scuba diving and snorkeling. The island has a number of dive sites that are home to a variety of marine life. The Yapese people are also skilled fishermen, and they can take visitors on fishing trips.

Other popular tourist activities on Yap include hiking, kayaking, and bird watching. The island is also home to a number of historical sites, such as the Spanish Fort and the German Cemetery.

Getting There

Yap is accessible by air and by sea. The island has an international airport, which is served by flights from Guam and other destinations. Yap is also a popular destination for cruise ships.

The Yapese people are a proud and welcoming people. They are proud of their unique culture and traditions, and they are always willing to share them with visitors. Yap is a beautiful island with stunning beaches, lush rainforests, and towering limestone cliffs. It is a popular destination for scuba diving, snorkeling, and other outdoor activities. Yap is also a great place to learn about the unique culture and traditions of the Yapese people.



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