



Papua New Guinea

A MILLION DIFFERENT JOURNEYS

# MILNE BAY PROVINCE

On the eastern tip of mainland Papua New Guinea, this beautiful province encompasses more than 160 named islands and 500 cays and atolls, including the Trobriand and De'Entrecasteaux groups. The provincial capital Alotau and its busy harbour are spectacularly sited on the edge of Milne Bay. The mainland is extremely rugged and most people live around the coast. The province's many islands are fringed with beaches, crystal clear lagoons and coral reefs, and there are many good diving sites. Bird watching and caving are other adventure options.



## Things to do

- ▶ Diving: Places to dive are innumerable in Milne Bay and around the islands and are the best enjoyed from a live aboard dive boat. The local exoerts Milne Bay Marine Charters also do day trips.
- ▶ Bird watching
- ▶ Fishing
- ▶ Snorkelling and Swimming

## Things to see

- ▶ WWII battle sites
- ▶ War canoes
- ▶ Caves
- ▶ Waterfalls
- ▶ Fergusson Island's active thermal region with natural hot springs, bubbling mud pools, spouting geysers and volcanoes
- ▶ Alotau's Kenu and Kundu Festival and Milamala's Yam Harvest Festival on the islands of love.
- ▶ Dramatic underwater drop-offs and overhangs scattered with WWII wrecks

## Wharf/ Port Information

Alotau has a series of wharves catering for different sizes and types of vessels, and these are:

- a) PNG Ports Corporation Ltd. (PNGPCL) Overseas or international wharf-located in Bottom Goilanai was constructed in 1973, and was refurbished, strengthened and upgraded in 2013 to accommodate larger vessels and cruise liners. PNGPCL owns the facility and being operated by Alotau Stevedoring and Transport Ltd. The terminal has two main wharves, the overseas and coastal wharves. The overseas wharf can accommodate cruise liners and freight vessels including palm oil tankers and petroleum products tankers. The coastal wharf handles vessels from about 20 meters to 70meters in length and between about 100 tonnes and 5,000 DWT.
- b) Provincial Small Vessels Wharf and Dinghy Wharf-To the north of the Provincial Wharf is a public wharf constructed from gabions catering to smaller island vessels up to about 10 meters in length. There is a covered area for unloading and loading passengers and cargo. There are currently no mooring fees. At the head of the bay there is a low sea wall which is used for mooring open fiberglass workboats about 5 meters LOA, powered by outboard motors and known locally as dinghies.
- c) Private wharves-On the east shore of Sanderson Bay, there are a series of private wharves handling vessels mainly between 10meters and 20meters LOA and providing maintenance, repairs and bunkering.

### Port Details:

<b>Location</b>	LAT: 10° 19.05'S LONG: 150° 27.23'E
<b>Chart Reference</b>	AUS 629/628

### Wharves:

Berth	Length	Width	Water Depth (Below LAT)	Deck Height (Above LAT)
Berth 1 Overseas Wharft	93m	18.02m	10.0m	2.4m
Berth 2 Coastal Wharf	56m	9.8m	4.9m	2.1m
Barge Ramp	Width 8m. Grade 1 in 12			

## Tourism Office

### For More Information please contact:

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Opening Hours			
Monday	08:00 - 17:00	Thursday	08:00 - 17:00
Tuesday	08:00 - 17:00	Friday	08:00 - 17:00
Wednesday	08:00 - 17:00	Saturday	09:00 - 12:00

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