

Weather delays - Tropical Cyclones Yasa & Zazu

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Dear Valued Customers,

Over the past 5 days Tropical Cyclone Yasa has been creating very poor weather conditions in the region of Vanuatu & Fiji, and Tropical Cyclone Zazu has been the prevalent weather system in the Tonga & Samoa's region.

Tropical Cyclone Yasa has a projected trajectory in the direction of Fiji and we are expecting deteriorating conditions there towards the end of the week. The necessary measures are being taken at our facilities on land but also with the vessels currently at sea in the region.

- Capitaine Quiros is currently working an extra day in Nauru to load empties rather than sailing in the direction of Fiji which will delay her arrival into Funafuti.
- ➤ Capitaine Wallis is currently sheltering the storm North of Fiji and prior to calling Port Vila and this will have some impact to the forward schedule back to Fiji and onto Wallis & Futuna.
- Capitaine Dampier is currently working in Nuku'alofa and once cargo operations are complete, will have to head north around the Cyclone thereby delaying her arrival into Suva.
- Southern Trader and Kokopo Chief currently operating in the Samoa's are likely to experience high swells on their return legs to Auckland and Melbourne respectively.
- Southern Moana will be working in Noumea later today, but may experience some congestion through Port Vila and Fiji.

We will be including the estimated delays in this week's schedules and providing a further update at the end of the week. Some port congestion is expected in Fiji once the cyclone has passed through.

Thank you for your continued support.

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