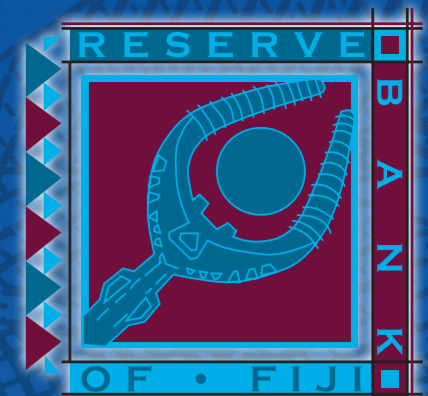


FIJI BANKNOTES

NEW FLORA AND FAUNA SERIES



"Leading Fiji to Economic Success"



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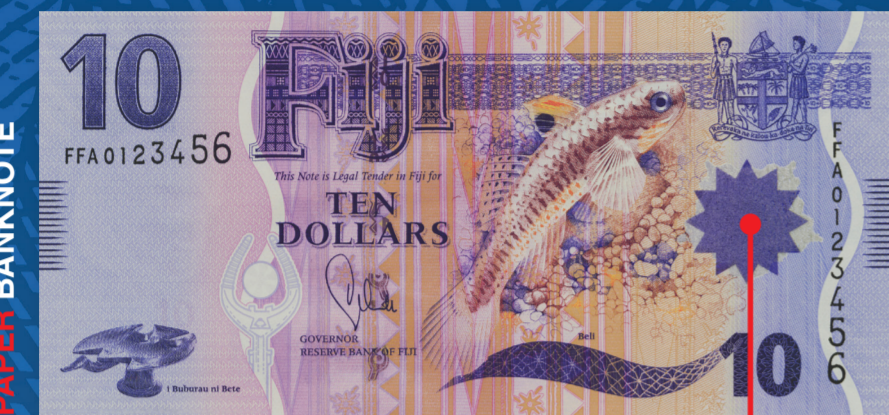


\$5-GREEN. Size: 136 x 67mm

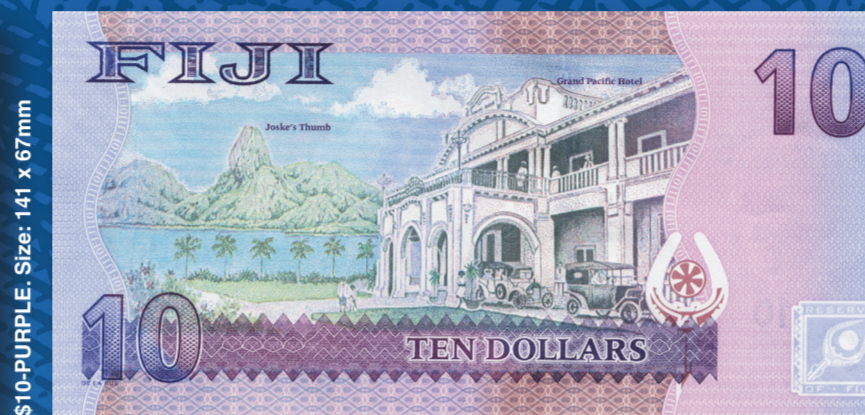
Front design features Fiji's endemic *Kulawai* (Red-throated Lorikeet), our smallest member of the parrot family. Predominantly green, the *Kulawai* is a very rare inhabitant of the mountain forest canopy which feeds on nectar and pollen. *Kulawai* has only been recorded from Viti Levu, Vanua Levu, Taveuni and Ovalau. The last confirmed sighting was in 1993 and searches in the last few years have failed to find it. The arboreal ship rat *Rattus rattus*, a common rat in Fiji's forest is an aggressive predator of small nesting birds, and is believed to be the major culprit in the demise of the *Kulawai*.

A clear window with an image of an *i-Taukei* man is featured on the note. An image of a *Kato ni Masima* (salt basket) is also featured on the front of the note.

Back design features Fiji's endangered Crested Iguana, endemic *Balaka* Palm, *Masiratu* flower and Mount *Valili* in Vanua Levu.



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\$10-PURPLE. Size: 141 x 67mm

Front design features Fiji's endemic *Beli* (Lever's Goby). *Beli* is one of few true freshwater fish, living all its life in fast-running fresh water as it flows over stones to which they often attach. *Beli* are widespread and found in mid reaches of clear streams on all the high islands, sometimes over a hundred metres above sea level. They are generally absent from muddy water and are threatened by alteration in either water flow or water quality. Their presence in any river is an indicator of good habitat quality and minimal catchment disturbance.

An image of *i Buburau-ni-bete* (duck dish) is also featured on the front.

Back design features the Grand Pacific Hotel in Suva in 1914 and the Joske's Thumb in the background.



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\$20-BLUE. Size: 146 x 67mm

Front design features one of the world's iconic rare birds, the *Kacau ni Gau* (Fiji Petrel) which is known to nest only on Gau Island in Fiji. Experts believe that no more than 50 pairs survive. For much of its life, the *Kacau ni Gau* is a true ocean bird and remains at sea probably well outside Fijian waters for months on end. Adults return to Gau only to breed in a burrow in the upland forests, and do so only at night and leave for the ocean before dawn. The *Kacau ni Gau* is almost never seen on the island, except when individuals are blinded by light and become grounded in villages. Research over many years has failed to find the nesting sites but this activity is continuing. The *Kacau ni Gau* has a very distinctive flight style which helps to make it stand out.

An image of a *Foa* (Rotuman coconut scraper) is also featured on the front.

Back design features fishing, forestry, sugarcane and mining industries of Fiji. Mount *Ulunabukelevu* in Kadavu is also featured in the background.



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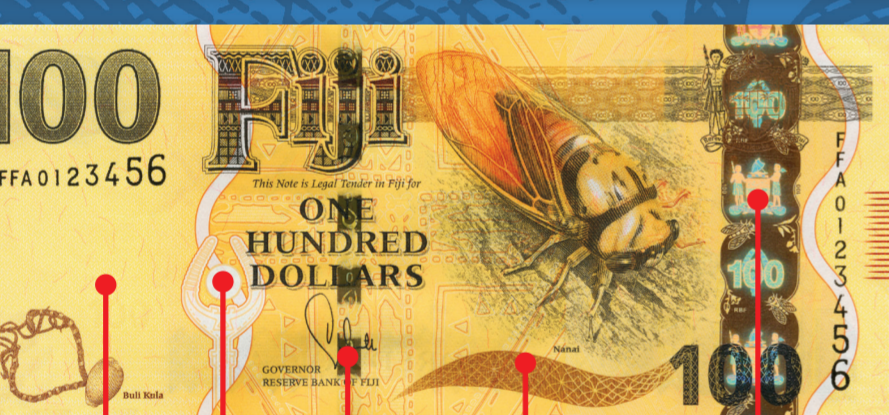


\$50-ORANGE. Size: 151 x 67mm

Front design features the *Tagimoucia* (*Medinella waterhousei*) flower which is perhaps Fiji's best known flower and has, in the past, been recommended as the national flower. It is the subject of songs, stories and folk lore. *Tagimoucia* is a liana of the upland forest and where it occurs it often flowers profusely in bunches of vivid scarlet petals contrasting with the pure white centres. The name *Tagimoucia* is synonymous with the plant in its home in upland Taveuni around the lake with the same name, but *Medinella waterhousei* also occurs on Mount *Seatura* in Bua.

An image of a *Wasekaseka* (Whale's tooth necklace) is also featured on the front.

Back design features a culture and heritage theme with descriptions of a traditional *Tabua* and *Yaqona Vakaturaga* ceremony.



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\$100-YELLOW. Size: 156 x 67mm

Front design features Fiji's *Nanai* (Cicada). Fiji has the richest fauna of cicadas in the south west Pacific with 19 species, all of which are endemic. Cicadas are well known for their loud calls, some of which resound through Fiji's forests. Larval cicadas live underground and feed on the sap from roots of forest trees. They then emerge, shed their larval skins and enjoy a short, noisy adult life in Fiji's forests. *Maka* is the common Fijian name for cicadas in general, but the *Nanai* is unique due to its striking appearance. *Nanai* is extremely well known to the inland communities of Viti Levu as it emerges in enormous numbers once every eight years and is not otherwise seen.

An image of a *Buli kula* (Golden Cowrie) is also featured on the front.

Back design features the map of Fiji with 180° Meridian Line marking the dawn of a new day, smiling faces representing Fiji's friendliness, a cruise boat for island hopping and tourists snorkelling.

Watermark Intaglio bars See-through Thread Hidden text Holographic Stripe

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LOOK



Watermark (\$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100 only)
Hold the note up against the light to see a watermark of an *i-Taukei* man and the denomination.



Polymer Clear Window (\$5 only)
Hold the note up against the light to see the clear window with an outline of an *i-Taukei* man.



See-through Feature
Hold the note up against the light and you will find that the white circle inside the *tagaga* on the front of the note is neatly filled in with the patterns on the back of the note.



Security Threads (\$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100 only)
Hold the note up against the light and you will find the thread appearing as a continuous line with the letters RBF, RBF logo *tagaga*, and the denomination numeral clearly written on the thread. When viewed normally, the thread will appear as metallic dashes.

FEEL



Raised Print (\$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100 only)
Run your finger across the front of the note and you will feel raised print across the front of the note.



Raised Intaglio Bars (\$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100 only)
The left and right edges on the front of these notes have raised line prints. Fold the note so that you can rub the two edges together. You will find that when the edges are rubbed together, the raised line prints will grind against each other and give a crackling feel.

TILT



Hidden Text (\$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100 only)
Tilt the note at an angle to see the word "FIJI" on these notes.



Foil (\$10 only)
The \$10 note features a foil with a star printed over it. Tilt the note to see a movement inside the star.



Hologram (\$20 only)
Tilt the note at different angles to see the image of the bird *Kacau ni Gau*, letters RBF, RBF logo *tagaga* and the number 20 inside the hologram. You will also be able to see different colours in the hologram as and when you tilt the note.



Holographic Stripes (\$50 and \$100 only)
The front of the \$50 and \$100 feature a new design dual image holographic stripe. Tilt the note at different angles to see the Fiji Coat of Arms, the letters RBF, RBF logo *tagaga*, the denomination numeral and flora and fauna design decorations. You will also find that the thread displays bright colours as and when the note is tilted.

Colour Changing Thread (\$100 only)
Tilt the note at different angles and you will find that the new 4mm thread changes colour from red to green.

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