

# Welding

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Located in the village of Viatape. Recommended by SV Capall Mara Reported to do some SS welding

## Alunox

Island: **Raiatea**

☎ GPS decimal degrees: Lat -16.723333, Lon -151.456388 [GoogleMaps](#) [OpenStreetMap](#)

Alunox For more information, see Aluminum (Fabrication, Bending, Welding)

## Marinalu

Island: **Raiatea**

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Marinalu For more information, see Aluminum (Fabrication, Bending, Welding)

## Raiatea Usinage

Island: **Raiatea**

Raiatea Usinage For more information, see Machine Shops

# Direct Production Metals - Taravoa

Island: **Tahiti**

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Taravoa ☎ [www.facebook.com/DPM.tahiti](http://www.facebook.com/DPM.tahiti)

7-23 Extremely satisfied with the installation of my mainsheet rail with reinforcement tubes on the cap. Renaud is very professional, very serious, punctual, and solved technical problems specific to my needs with inventiveness. All in good humor. I absolutely recommend his services.

4-24 Super nice chap, quite far from Papeete but will come to you if the job warrants it

## Girault (Portable Rig)

Island: **Tahiti**

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Located near Marina Taina

12-2017 Irene We had a crack in the combined bimini support and wind generator mast, which needed welding by TIG in situ. When we were moored at Marina Taina last December I asked advise from the Taina's director Philippe Olite on a suitable welder and a place where the welding could be done. He recommended Father Son team Philippe and Damien Girault and the work dock of Marina Taina. Philippe Olite was kind enough to call the Girault brothers as I was afraid that I will have communication difficulties. We had to wait a few days because of very wet weather, and then took Irene to the work dock. Philippe Girault came as agreed with a van where he had the argon gas tank with a long enough hose to reach the work dock from the parking lot. Electricity was readily available from the work dock. The crack in the wind generator mast was quickly welded and Philippe repaired also our swimming ladders. He did not speak any English, but we had no communication problems. We were very satisfied with the quality of the work and price.

7-2018 Kyory Franz also reported excellent results from some SS welding and polishing he had from Girault. We called them and they came down to Taina marina to pick up the items to be welded. They were returned all welded & polished.

8-2018 Avatar Communication was no problem as Phillips had a translator on his phone. On time did a great job in two hours covering multiple cracks at joints in the arch for solar and davits. Would absolutely recommend them and use them again. Painless job at the work dock at the Marina. Marina charged \$2000 francs for the dock which was fair App: Girault charged 7500F per hour

## Inov inox

Island: **Tahiti**

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Inov inox ☐ [+68987788399](#) They have a very high end plasma cutter which can make chain plates or tangs. They recently made a set of titanium tangs for a customer who provided the plate material. They are in the Tipaerui Valley.

10-2020 SV Clair de Lune I used this service to manufacture new 316L stainless chain plates. They are a high end decorative metal fab shop and they use a water jet cutting table which can pattern. So they just chucked up my old chain plates, turned on the cutter and manufactured new plates with thicker stainless. The jet cutting was so good, I didn't even have to touch any of the eleven plates with a file. They just dropped right in. Everything happened as they said it would. I was very satisfied.

11-2019 SV Maluhia Here's the info on Inov Inox. Brought SS bar stock from the US. Went to Inov Inox in the Tipaerui Valley on Monday. Showed them the original chain plates which had a slight bend at the top and had two welded washers, one on each side to increase bearing surface for the rigging pin. They said it was no problem to make, would be done by the end of the week. On Thursday I called and left a message. Friday I called again and left another message. On the following Monday I went to the shop and was told that it would be ready maybe Wednesday. On Wednesday I called and was told maybe Thursday. On Thursday I went to the shop, and they said it would be done that afternoon and that they would deliver them to the fishing harbor near the airport as I was anchored near there. I said that would be great and to call me and I would meet them at the harbor. At 3:00 pm I called and left a message. No return call was ever made. The next morning I went to the shop. Yes, here were the chain plates. When I asked why they didn't come or call they said they were busy and couldn't make it. Unfortunately the mounting holes did not line up with the originals. The material I brought was now wasted. They apologized and said that they would make new ones and have them ready that afternoon. They had the correct material and said they would deliver them. Not trusting this I said no, I would come back to pick them up. I came back in the afternoon. The plates were done. The mounting holes were aligned. Unfortunately the hole for the rigging pin was oblong and too big. They apologized and said it was difficult to find

good [workers](#).I was finished with Inov Inox and left with the plates but they did not charge me. For more information, see Stainless Steel – Fabrication and Welding

# Metalinox

Island: **Tahiti**

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☐ [+68987770277](#) Specialize in Stainless steel railings and balastrades but can also fabricate bimini and dodger frames. Owner is Stephane Wong speaks good english. They have MIG and TIG and a pipe bender. They are approx 1.5 km up the road which goes north from the Pirea Maria. Be sure to call before you go. It is accessible via the small Hamuta or Arue bus. Get off at the Pirea Marie then walk to Intermat. It is the building behind Intermat.

11-2020 SV Moggy We had Metalinox manufacture a 1.5 metre long swim ladder from 42.4mm x 2mm wall, 316 stainless steel tube. We supplied drawings and had phone conversations with Dan about the manufacture and in particular the bends required. Overall we are happy with the result and we recommend Metalinox. Potential customers should have realistic expectations. Efficiency 5 out of 5 He got back to us in a very timely manner and answered all emails and phone calls promptly. Speed of Manufacture 5 out of 5 It was to be finished with a time frame for delivery to us in the Tuomotus and he met that schedule easily. Materials Used 5 out of 5 Exactly as requested Welds 3 out of 5 The welds are strong but are rough. Many are undercut so Dave cannot polish them out. We understand that other people have asked for them to be tidied up and he has done this willingly. Unfortunately we did not collect the ladder ourselves and did not have this opportunity. Bends 2 out of 5 These are a disappointing result. This could be due to communication error, but they are not in accordance with the drawings or our understanding of subsequent conversations. Overall finish 3 out of 5 We knew when we ordered that he would not polish the ladder. To polish to mirror finish, a weld needs to be proud rather than undercut. As a result we cannot achieve a result that is commensurate with other stainless finishes on the boat. Value for money 3 out of 5 It was a very expensive job for a strong, functional finish. If you want something pretty, this is not the guy. We did ask him to quote for hinge fittings and the quote was around US\$90. We decided to import things from the USA for \$14 We understand that he is probably the best welder of this type in Tahiti. He is also very easy to deal with.

11-2020 SV SV Mat-Lau III Metalinox are commercial and industrial fabricators specialising in sheet metal and stainless steel. They do a lot of decorative stainless steel fabrications for buildings and houses, but very little work in the marine industry. We had Metalinox fabricate a stainless steel frame for the installation of 4 x 340 watt solar panels across the stern of our Lagoon 500. The end result was very impressive and we are 100% satisfied with their work. I should stress that we supplied very detailed fabrication drawings, and Metalinox followed them exactly as specified - they got it right the first time and we had no rework. They delivered the frame to the boat and even helped with the installation at no additional cost. Metalinox will not polish stainless steel to a polished mirror finish, but their 320 grit polished finish is very pleasing to the eye. The Manager,

Dan, speaks English and communicates by email with the assistance of Google Translate. He is a very likeable and helpful young man.

## Ader

Island: **Tahiti**

Moana Taxi Reported to be able to do some SS welding For more information, see  
Disinfestation/Anti-termite

## Norbert

Island: **Tahiti**

welder in valley of Tipearui, right after the Karcher-shop, (Norbert-87747093, speaks fluent French  
Recommended By Diesel-Clinic owner Adrian Pataki for aluminum welder of heat exchanger

## Pacific Productions

Island: **Tahiti**

📍 GPS decimal degrees: Lat -17.526809, Lon -149.568108 [GoogleMaps](#) [OpenStreetMap](#)

Marine aluminium welding, bending, solar panels etc. Good quality, professional, quick and reasonably priced. Fare Ute, next to Technimarine

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## Pascal Maurin ("Paco")

Island: **Tahiti**

Pascal Maurin ("Paco"): Teaches stainless and alu welding, rigger, un-stepping and stepping of masts, hydraulics, general mechanical work (windlass, etc...). Thorough, precise and patient. 📞

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He may also be affiliated with Sailtec

8-2022 SV Konbreo So just used Paco for a small alloy job. All good. Happy with work and price. But it was a very small job.

11-2019 Recommend by Olivier on Mary Ann

08-2018 Jacaranda - used Paco to build a SS riser for our Yanmar. He did a nice job and it was done on price and on time.

## Sailtech

Island: **Tahiti**

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Located near Customs. Turn right at the road across from Customs and its about 100 meters on the right. ☐ [+68940582142](#) Vini : 87 38 36 96 They have a sail loft upstairs and a rigging shop downstairs. They also have use of a dock (extra fee) at the back of their shop For welding ask for Guy (pronounced Gee) he will arrange with Pacco Pacco does welding. Jacaranda had a new SS riser welded by Pacco and he did a nice job. We supplied all the SS material but they can as well Bryce is the Canvas foreman both speak English.

## Tura Ora

Island: **Tahiti**

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Had our polyethylene (can't glue to polyethylene) water tank welded here at the TYC. Just took it into the club where the mobile team of two came and welded on site. Very professional, did extra welding work for further reinforcement, total cost 100,086 xpf. For more information, see Tanks

## Techinmarine

Island: **Tahiti**

Technimarine address is the end of Fare Ute but to haul out you must approach from the pass east of Papeete due to the low bridge between Fare Ute and Muto Uta. [✉ technimarine@mail.pf](mailto:technimarine@mail.pf) tel [✆ +68940430222](tel:+68940430222)

Manager speaks english. Have two travel lifts one is 75 metric tonnes, the other 300 metric tonnes. The smaller may not be appropriate for the width of some cats. The haul-out price for our 32 ft sail boat including the power wash was 39276xpf (\$353.48). Lay days were 6473xpf (\$58.25). Not sure if the per foot rate is different for the larger travel lift. You can do any amount of the work yourself you wish. It is very convenient to all marine suppliers available in FP. Electric and water are metered. They have welders including TIG and MIG welding. They can spray in the yard (depending of wind conditions) including polyurethane. Staff are friendly and the facilities looked good for toilet and shower blocks. [✆ +68940430222](tel:+68940430222) located at the north east end of Fare Ute. [✉](#)

[technimarine@mail.pf](mailto:technimarine@mail.pf) Can TIG and MIG, Have tubing bender. Can work on your boat at dockside. There is also a substantial aluminium operation. If they don't stock stainless tubing try Ocean 2000. Can do portable welding. Danish boat just had them come to the city marina and weld a dinghy davit that had a crack in it.

9-18 Lady A For more information, see Haulout

## VGI

Island: **Tahiti**

[✉](#) GPS decimal degrees: Lat -17.532492, Lon -149.570748 [GoogleMaps](#) [OpenStreetMap](#)

Motu Uta 40 82 34 35. can do stick welding no TIG. see machine shops

## Welding

Island: **Tahiti**

The Yacht Club was able to source a TIG welder for our boat. He took away our bow pulpit and did a fine job. He apparently was not available to weld anything dockside. The price was maybe half of the cost for similar work in the eastern Caribbean. The machine shop mentioned in another section can do stick (arch) welding. Check Dynacier.

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