



# Fiji thru a lens

**“I have travelled to Fiji no less than four times and it is easily my favourite destination in the South Pacific,” says the Gold Coast-based Australian photographer, Michael James Brown.**



orking with a Fuji GX617, Brown’s preferred format is the panoramic image and Fiji’s natural scenery provides him with plenty of photographic opportunities as presented on these pages.

“My favourite part of Fiji would have to be the islands, and I have stayed on three islands in the Mamanucas, being Treasure, Mana, and Matamanoa,” he says.

“Matamanoa was a favourite as it was perfect for me as a photographer

to get images at sunrise and sunset due to the size of the island.”

Brown discovered Matamanoa using Google Earth. “From the satellite images, you could tell there would be amazing photo opportunities,” he says.

“I also spotted the jetty at nearby Mana Island and as it turned out, ‘Into the Blue’ my image of the jetty at Mana Island is my favourite image of Fiji so far.”

Of Fiji as a travel destination, the

award-winning lensman says: “The ocean is pristine blue with beautiful reefs to enjoy amazing snorkelling and the Fijian people are some of the friendliest people anywhere in the world.”

“I hope to return again in the near future and discover another part of Fiji I have not yet visited.”



• For more on the photographer Michael James Brown, visit [www.michaeljamesbrown.com](http://www.michaeljamesbrown.com)



*Into the blue...Mana Island jetty.*



*Heaven on earth...Matamanoa.*

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*The perfect image...Matamanoa.*



*Sunset at Matamanoa.*



*Matamanoa reef.*