

The Breaks...a relatively good selection in pretty close proximity!

Ral is about a 20-minute boat ride from the Retreat and tends to be a bit of a swell magnet. It picks up any swell that's about and almost always has a wave when conditions are tiny. It is a right-hand reef break off the front of a tiny, picturesque atoll that usually has a couple of take-off points on the peaky, racy walls.

Nago Rights is a fast, hollow, long walling right hander off the south western side of Nago Island. It requires a bit of swell & tide to get in on the reef to make it workable. This wave is for more experienced surfers, being one of the more demanding breaks in the area.

On the other side of Nago Island is **Nago Lefts** - a wrapping left hander that grows as it runs down the line. It is a fun, user friendly wave with a workable wall and a hollow section through the inside. It's a bit of a wave magnet and is reasonably consistent.

Across the channel, at the back of Nusa Lik Island is **Long Longs**. Everyone likes to get a taste of this long, walling right hander that is often described as a Bells Beach like wave, but without a wetsuit. It's not as intense or as intimidating as some of the other breaks, but has a great bowling end section when it's on. This wave is suited to Longboards or Fish/Funboards and you can draw multiple clean lines of your choice as you make your way down this long, peeling wave.

Nusa Lefts is a short boat ride from the Retreat to the mouth of the harbour. It's a great left hander that comes out of deep water, hits the shelf, has a great take off, then it forms up into a short intense wall. An exit strategy is a must as the reef comes up very quickly at the end. You'll need to keep an eye out for sneaker sets also, as sitting too far inside can bring you undone and no one likes getting a set on the head over sharp, shallow coral. Across the channel is the premier right-hand reef break in the area.

Pikininis is often compared to a mini Kirra. It's a hollow, quick and intense wave with no room for error. It is a bit like a relationship, there is no pulling back once you're committed and the reef is shallow and will punish board and body if mistakes are made, but the rewards can be great. This is where the locals surf and communication is a must. They have a great attitude and are only too happy to share their waves when a little bit of respect is shown. Nusa Retreat Surf Guide, & multiple PNG champion, Titima Mange calls this place home. He is a surfer of the highest calibre and it is a pleasure to watch him take the place apart. In simple terms, "he rips" and does so with a grin from ear to ear. There are a few other mysto breaks in the vicinity that can turn on from time to time given the right conditions. We also access a few spots down on the East Coast of the mainland of New Ireland should wind direction and swell size suit.