

TORBA

TORBA province is Vanuatu's happiest province and home to the country's friendliest people with an array of unique, untouched and unspoilt tourism attractions. Tourism, fisheries and manufacturing opportunities are but some potential investment activities that are calling you to invest in Torba today!



PROVINCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Boasts Vanuatu's largest marine boundary.

Unique, untouched natural resources.

Home to the friendliest people in Vanuatu.

Home to the biggest lake in the South Pacific.

Areas of opportunity

Tourism

Ecotourism – Torba province is Vanuatu’s northernmost province and is one of the few islands that remains untouched by foreign influence. Many of its islands feature the idyllic tourism destination setting of white sandy beaches set against a lush vegetation backdrop with clear crystal blue waters. The potential to host an ecotourism project on any of the province’s big islands is key in the Torba Tourism Plan with established natural attractions such as the Lake Letas and Siri Waterfalls on Gaua Island. Special importance is given towards ecotourism projects by the Torba Provincial Council in its Tourism Plan to uphold the beauty and natural state of its unique attractions.

Continued flight regularity to the province signals positive development in the tourism sector that should encourage and uphold tourist visits both by air and through yachts.

A local Tourism Association established by local business men and women involved in the tourism industry is assurance of the skills and know how available in the province. Further development through upgrade of any accommodation type would be an exciting opportunity for any investor.

Fisheries

Owning Vanuatu’s largest marine boundary Torba province has great potential in the fisheries sector. The aquaculture industry is a source of cash income for local fish farmers through farming of water fish such as tilapia and prawn. There is great room for an expansion of such a project due to its current market limited being to the local communities of Torba. Fresh water fish (tilapia) and prawn farming are two of the main aquaculture fish products farmed by the locals. Local skills and know how is readily available with a Torba Fisherman’s Association already in place.

Renovation and construction of wharves and the setting up of processing plants are two key investments that will guarantee the major success in the fisheries sector from Torba Province. Market opportunities are available within the domestic market for supply due to the increased need for protein intake by locals. Vanuatu. Processed fish products also have the potential for the international markets of the Asian region.

Coconut industry

Although small in size and capacity in development of its current coconut sector, Torba Province produces a high number of copra compared to the country's provinces. Total value of production in 2007 showed that Torba Province alone produced 8,038,000VT worth of coconut produce. 20% of good agricultural land is used for planting coconut trees with great potential for replanting.

Potential is hidden in the value adding sector of the coconut industry and key investments in technology will unleash the endless possibilities for value addition of high grade organic coconut and its by-products. The skills, manpower is readily available in this sector with well over half of the population engaged in copra production.

Advantages of Investing in Torba Province

Key Features

Untapped Resources

EXTENSIVE INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES AWAIT.

Torba Province is by far one of the most untouched corners of Vanuatu. It hosts pristine natural wonders that have not experienced the foreign touch and can be kept this way through ecotourism potential. From the twin waterfalls to the magnificent coral reefs of Gaua Island, soft adventure tourism has strong potential.

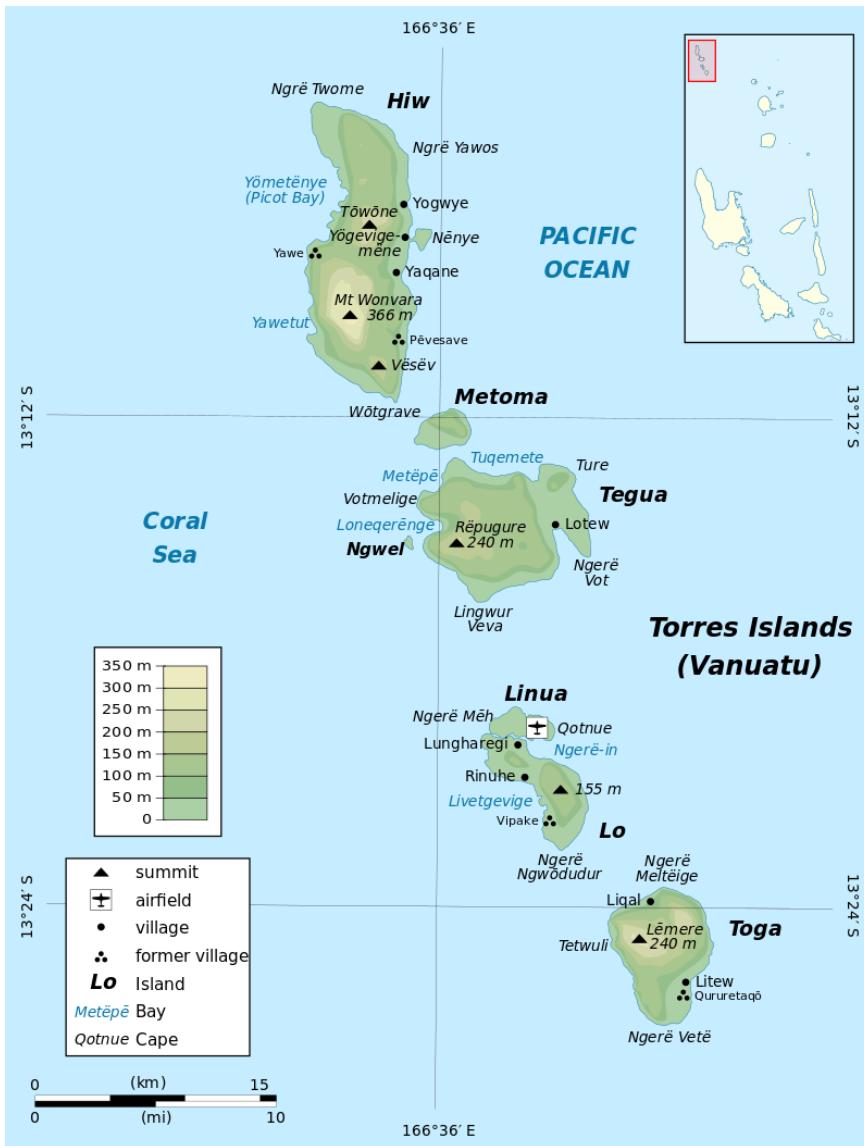
Strong support by the community for foreign investment and the need to develop the province further is evident through policies and programs aimed at encouraging inward investment to Torba. Infrastructure has improved and is still growing. Running water is accessible on the island of Mota Lava and Vanuatu's electricity supplier, UNELCO, has recently established power lines operated through bio fuel, on Vanua Lava, the provincial administrative headquarters.

Any foreign investor with the vision for great development through available opportunities should look into Torba Province as a gold mine for investment potential and growth in the future.

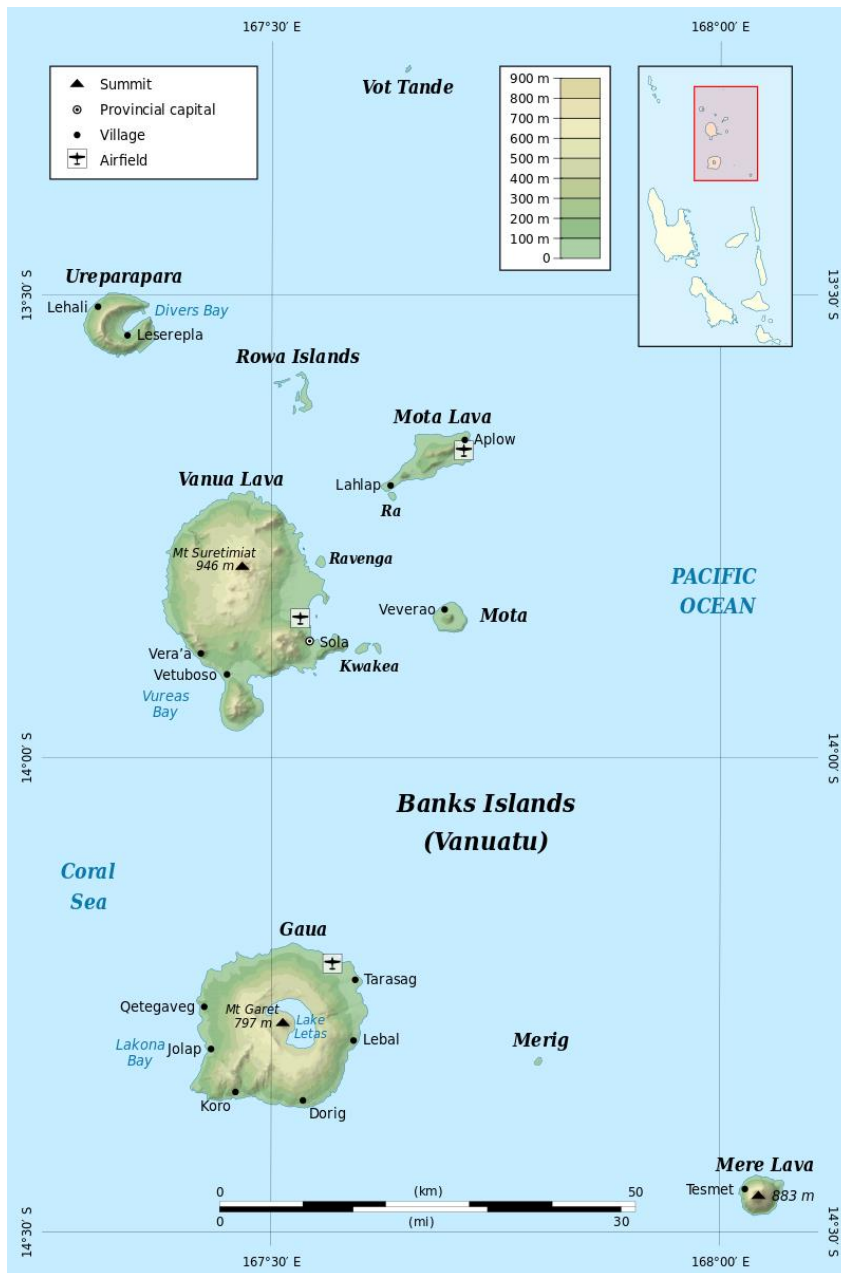
INVESTING IN A SAFE AND SECURE ENVIRONMENT

Torba province is one of the safest provinces with a strong community judicial system ensuring a safe living environment for all. Torba province has also been targeted by the national government through Vanuatu Police Force as the province to spearhead the Community Policing initiative.

Torres Islands



Banks Islands



Take the Opportunity to Invest!

Untouched and full of potential Torba Province awaits your investment. Seize the opportunity to discover and explore the province and plan how you can invest in Torba especially in tourism related activities.

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