



# Volcano study ship in Suva

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The American Research ship Roger Revelle docked at the Kings Wharf in Suva yesterday. Photo: Navneet Narayan

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Marine students, journalists and staff of the United States Embassy were treated to a one-off tour of a visiting American research ship called the Roger Ravelle yesterday.

Berthed at the Kings Wharf in Suva, the ship with a crew of more than thirty scientists is in Fiji on an expedition to explore the Lau basin.

The research vessel from San Diego, USA has been away from home for the past seven years studying underwater volcanic activity between Fiji, Tonga and Samoa.

Chief scientist Joseph Resing said they always looked forward to days when they would come into contact and witness an erupting underwater volcano.

"We study its chemistry and biology and what's formed from it. This is my first time on the ship and it has a really good reputation and we've been all around the Pacific. It's a lot of fun to see an erupting underwater volcano," Mr Resing said.

He said volcanic eruptions in extremely deep ocean settings do not pose a risk to land habitat.

"This part of the world has a lot more complicated geology and a lot more eruptions take place here."

The ship berthed at the Suva Wharf on September 5, 2012 and is expected to leave our shores early today.

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