

Best, Funniest and Worst by Melanie Dennis

Best

AS ALWAYS COMING TO FIJI...5TH TIME THIS YEAR AND EACH TIME NOW GETS HARDER TO LEAVE. I SO LOVE IT HERE - THE PEOPLE ARE ABSOLUTELY AWESOME. ONE LADY WAS SO HAPPY THAT WE HAD COME TO SEE AND HELP THEM SHE NOT ONLY FORGOT TO TAKE HER BLOOD PRESSURE TABLETS BUT ALSO BURNT THE PORRIDGE!! THE SMILES AND HUGS YOU GET ARE AMAZING AND THE GRATITUDE!! LOVE IT.

ANOTHER BEST - BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS - IT WAS THE ENTIRE DAY FROM BREAKY TO SAYING GOOD BYE TO THE KAVA BOWL AT NIGHT. DANCING WITH THE LOCALS, BALLOONS AT THE BREAKY TABLE - EVEN CATHS RE GIFTED PRESSIE....ALL SOO SPECIAL AND SO APPRECIATED THE EFFORT EVERYONE WENT TO.

ANOTHER BEST - GREG'S HOSPITALITY AT COUSTEAS'S RESORT....AND CAN U BELIEVE I FOUND OUT AS WE WERE LEAVING WE HAVE HELPED HIM SELL A HOUSE IN MALVERN!! SMALL WORLD!

Funniest

WHERE DO I START - IS IT HAVING AUNTY IN FITS OF LAUGHTER (AND NEARLY ONE A DAY THIS TRIP!!) OR MAYBE ANIMESH'S WEDDING.....OR THE ONCE UPON A TIME STORIES AROUND THE KAVA BOWL IN LOMALAGI (THANK YOU ELLA FOR THE PUNCH LINE OF ME TURNING INTO THE FROG AND NOT THE FROG TURNING INTO A PRINCE!)

Worst

PERHAPS SEEING THE HOSPITALS AGAIN....OR MAYBE BEING REMINDED OF THE LACK OF EDUCATION THE FIJIANS HAVE ABOUT THEIR BASIC HEALTH....LIKE WHEN YOU RUN OUT OF BLOOD PRESSURE TABLETS...YOU SHOULD GET SOME MORE.....OR LIKE YOU SHOULD DRINK RUM AT 10 IN THE MORNING TO WARM YOU UP...OR LIKE GETTING TO 45, HAVING 5 CHILDREN (WITH DIFFERENT PARTNERS) AND NEVER HAD A PAP SMEAR....OR LIKE YOU NEED TO TAKE YOUR CHILDREN TO HOSPITAL TO MEND THEIR BONES WHEN THEY BREAK!!!