



Kiwi Delight!

11 Nights/12 Days

Auckland – Waiheke – Waitomo – Hobbiton – Rotorua – Christchurch – Mount Cook – Queenstown – Milford Sound – Glacier Region – Christchurch

DAY 1: AUCKLAND

Upon arrival in Auckland, 'The City of Sails', seat-in-coach passengers will meet our local representative and will be transferred to the hotel. Self-drive passengers will collect the rental car at the airport and drive to the hotel.

Afternoon - Explore Auckland on your own or try your luck at the Sky City casino! Overnight in Auckland

Meals: None

DAY 2: AUCKLAND - WAIHEKE - AUCKLAND

After breakfast this morning, you will be introduced to Waiheke on the 'Taste of Waiheke Tour' – a picturesque 40-minute boat trip followed by a guided tour of three vineyards and tastings at the Stonyridge, Wild on Waiheke and Mudbrick. Cruise to Waiheke through the glorious Hauraki Gulf and on arrival an experienced guide will give you an insight into the culture and history that make up the diverse island of Waiheke.

Your tour includes - Open Waiheke return ferry ticket, guided tour of three vineyards, all tastings, and a light lunch at Stonyridge, and olive oil tastings at Rangihoua Estate.

On conclusion of the tour, avail the complimentary 'All Day Bus Pass' to either return to a destination visited on the tour or explore the island further on scheduled public bus services. Overnight in Auckland

Meals: Light lunch & breakfast.

DAY 3: AUCKLAND - WAITOMO - HOBBITON - ROTORUA

After breakfast, travel South through the fertile Waikato region and arrive at Waitomo. Enjoy a guided tour of the world famous Waitomo Glowworm Caves including an underground boat ride while viewing millions of glow worms on the cavern roof.

This is followed by a picnic lunch and a visit to the Hobbiton Movie Set Tour. On completion continue over the forested Mamaku Ranges to reach the 'Thermal City' of Rotorua.

Why not try the very relaxing - Polynesian Spa, New Zealand's leading international day spa, providing a unique thermal spa experience on the shores of Lake Rotorua. In a picturesque, tranquil setting overlooking Lake Rotorua, visitors can enjoy a wonderful fusion of relaxing hot spring pool bathing, sumptuous spa, massage therapies and picturesque lake views.

Hot pools and hot springs: 26 hot mineral spring pools are offered in four areas – simply choose an area to suit your requirements: deluxe, adult, private or family hot pools.

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DAY 4 - ROTORUA

Visit the Rainbow Springs Kiwi Wildlife Park - a favourite destination with tourists since 1932. Rainbow Springs offers a truly unique experience and is a must-see for anyone who wants to enjoy New Zealand's wonderful environment and wild life before continuing to the Agrodome. Agrodome offers visitors an experience like none other – seeing through the eyes of a true New Zealand farmer. Visit the Agrodome Farm Show, an exciting and informative insight into the world of New Zealand's agriculture, featuring 19 breeds of sheep, sheep shearing, cow milking, lamb feeding and dog demonstrations.

The afternoon is at leisure.

Te Puia is the premier Māori cultural center in New Zealand - a place of gushing waters, steaming vents, boiling mud pools and spectacular geysers. The Maori traditional experience continues at Te Whakarewarewa, with guided tours and attractions of Māori culture and National Carving and Weaving Schools of New Zealand. Te Pō is Te Puia's evening cultural experience. It is a feast of storytelling, entertainment and Māori Cuisine. (*Special requests for dietary requirements can be made in advance*). Later enjoy the illuminated thermal valley. Overnight in Rotorua Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 5: ROTORUA - CHRISTCHURCH

Depart on your domestic flight from Rotorua to Christchurch (Airfare is NOT included). Transfer to the hotel & enjoy rest of the evening at leisure. Overnight in Christchurch We suggest a visit to the International Antarctic Centre. Meals: Breakfast

DAY 6: CHRISTCHURCH - MT COOK - QUEENSTOWN

Travel across the fertile Canterbury Plains to Lake Tekapo and the 'Church of the Good Shepherd' before continuing on to New Zealand's highest mountain - Mt Cook. Depart from Mt Cook and follow the shores of Lake Pukaki south through the historic Central Otago region to the 'Alpine Resort' of Queenstown.

Overnight in Queenstown Meals: Breakfast

DAY 7: MILFORD SOUND

Onboard a luxury glass-roofed coach in Queenstown, travel along the shores of Lake Wakatipu and through the rolling countryside to Te Anau. The coach driver provides a commentary and interpretation material is available in foreign languages. After a morning tea break in Te Anau, the coach continues along the spectacular Milford Road through impressive alpine scenery. There is time for photo stops and short walks along the way.

On reaching Milford Sound, enjoy a full length cruise of the fjord in modern, purpose built vessels. The vessels offer excellent viewing of waterfalls, rainforest, mountains and wildlife with large windows, spacious decks and comfortable lounges. Commentaries are provided in several languages and interpretation handouts are available in eight languages. A range of lunch options and complimentary tea and coffee is available on all vessels.

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After the cruise, return to Queenstown onboard a luxury coach.

Lunch (at additional cost and must be pre-ordered): Buffet, Indian Lunch Box, and Picnic Lunches

Overnight in Queenstown Meals: Breakfast

DAY 8: QUEENSTOWN

A free day to explore the endless optional attractions available.

No visit to Queenstown is complete without 'Catching the Canyons' with award winning Shotover Jet, 'the World's most exciting Jet Boat ride' and the only company permitted to operate in the spectacular Shotover River Canyons. Since 1970 over 2 million passengers have been thrilled by the unique Shotover Jet experience. It is a thrilling ride - skimming past rocky outcrops at close range in your Shotover Jet 'Big Red', twisting and turning through the narrow canyons at breath taking speeds. And the ultimate highlight - hold on tight for the world famous Shotover Jet full 360° spins!

Overnight in Queenstown Meals: Breakfast

DAY 9: QUEENSTOWN

Queenstown offers bungee jumping, sky diving, jet boating, white water rafting, gondola rides and much more. Optional activities not included in the tour price. Overnight in Queenstown Meals: Breakfast

DAY 10: QUEENSTOWN - GLACIER REGION

Depart Queenstown and travel via Lake Wanaka through the historic Haast Pass, gateway to the World Heritage Westland National Park. Continue up the West Coast past spectacular mountain ranges, native forests and lakes to the glacier region of Franz Josef and Fox Glaciers. Meals: Breakfast

DAY 11: GLACIER REGION - CHRISTCHURCH

Travel north to Greymouth today and board the TranzAlpine train (seat-in-coach passengers only). Ascend through lush beech forests past the alpine village of Arthur's Pass before crossing the spectacular Southern Alps. Travel over Canterbury Plains to Christchurch. Meals: Breakfast

DAY 12: DEPARTURE DAY

Your arrangements conclude today with a departure transfer or the return of your rental car. Meals: Breakfast

End of Services

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