

BEST OF NEW ZEALAND

Day 1: Home Pick-Up to Auckland

You will be picked up from your home for your flight via Sydney to Auckland. On arrival you'll have time at leisure for relaxing or exploring. This evening meet your Travel Director for a Welcome Reception at your hotel.

Hotel: The Cordis.

Day 2: Auckland – Bay of Islands

Travel through Northland's lush farmland, arriving this afternoon in the stunning Bay of Islands. Experience spectacular scenery as you cruise through game-fishing waters to the rugged Cape Brett Peninsula.

Hotel: Copthorne Resort Bay of Islands, Water View Rooms, 2 nights B, DW

Day 3: Bay of Islands – Included Choice

Today, choose one from a range of Included Choice sightseeing experiences. Go sailing aboard a historic tall ship or take a mini tour of historic Russell. Explore the Waitangi Treaty Grounds or enjoy a relaxing tour of Kerikeri and sample organic wines and taste delicious chocolates! **B**

Day 4: Bay of Islands – Auckland

Enjoy time at leisure before returning to Auckland. Your journey takes you to Whangarei and then Parry Kauri Park to walk among New Zealand's native forest giants. Enjoy a Highlight Dinner at Eight restaurant at The Cordis.

Hotel: The Cordis B HD

Day 5: Auckland – Rotorua

See the sights of Auckland and then head south to the Waitomo Caves, where you'll glide through the twinkling Glowworm Grotto.

Hotel: Millennium Hotel, Rotorua, 2 nights B

Day 6: Rotorua Included Choice

This morning embark on one of your Included Choice sightseeing experiences. Unwind at the Polynesian Spa, tour the Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve, visit the Hobbiton movie set, explore Rotorua and its sparkling lakes in an amphibious WWII-era Duck or take an ancient forest zipline adventure with Canopy Tours. Tonight enjoy a Highlight Dinner and concert at the Tamaki Māori Village, where you can wander through the traditional settlement and enjoy an authentic Māori Hangi meal. **B HD**

Day 7: Rotorua – Wellington

Say Haere Ra (goodbye) to Rotorua this morning and journey out through pine forests and farmland to a hidden little spot, Huka Falls. From here the road unfolds into a broad panorama of Lake Taupo, New Zealand's largest lake. Journey south over the Central Plateau and along the Kapiti Coast to New Zealand's capital city, Wellington. Enjoy an exclusive after-hours guided tour of Te Papa Museum of New Zealand. Before leaving there, top off the night with a Highlight Dinner.

Hotel: James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor. B, HD

Day 8: Wellington – Blenheim

Discover more of Wellington this morning. Later, cruise the Cook Strait into tranquil Queen Charlotte Sound then travel to the villages of Picton and sunny Blenheim. Tonight, enjoy a Highlight Dinner prepared

from local produce and matched with fine Marlborough wines.

Hotel: Chateau Marlborough B HD

Day 9: Blenheim – Christchurch

Travel to Kaikoura, where sperm whales can often be seen not far from shore (an optional whale-watching flight is available). On arrival in Christchurch see the extensive work carried out to rebuild the city after the earthquake of 2011.

Hotel: Distinction Christchurch Hotel B

Day 10: Christchurch – Twizel

Visit Morelea, the home of Angie and Stan Taylor, on the shores of Lake Tekapo. Enjoy a Be My Guest barbecue lunch in their garden and gain an insight into a lifetime of farming. This afternoon view the famed Church of the Good Shepherd on Lake Tekapo.

Hotel: MacKenzie Country Hotel B BGL DW

Day 11: Twizel – Dunedin Included Choice

Head to Oamaru, with its celebrated white limestone buildings. Then make your way to New Zealand's southernmost city, Dunedin. Choose one from a range of Included Choice sightseeing experiences. Tour stately Larnach Castle, ride the historic Taieri Gorge Railway, take a wildlife cruise or an interactive tour of Speight's Brewery.

Hotel: Scenic Hotel Southern Cross. B DW

Day 12: Dunedin – Te Anau

Today, travel through lush green sheep grazing country on your way to Te Anau.

Hotel: Distinction Te Anau Hotel and Villas. B, DW

Day 13: Te Anau – Queenstown

Experience the magnificence of Fiordland National Park. Explore Milford Sound on a Nature Cruise. Learn about the history of the region and benefit from the knowledge of your specialist nature guide.

Hotel: Millennium Hotel, Queenstown, 2 nights. B

Day 14: Queenstown Included Choice

Today, choose one from a range of Included Choice sightseeing experiences. Ride the Shotover Jet, take a gondola to Bob's Peak for thrilling luge rides, visit Kiwi Birdlife Park or take a 4WD minibus through Skippers Canyon. Enjoy a cruise this evening across Lake Wakatipu aboard the TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm for a gourmet barbecue Highlight Dinner **B, HD**

Day 15: Queenstown – Franz Josef

Stop to visit the faithfully-restored gold mining settlement of Arrowtown and enjoy the tastes of stone fruit at Cromwell. You will then travel over Haast Pass and view Thunder Creek Falls on your way to Franz Josef Glacier.

Hotel: Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier (Douglas Wing) B DW

Day 16: Franz Josef – Punakaiki

Explore the glacier this morning, then travel to Hokitika, home of New Zealand's famous greenstone, then on to Punakaiki. You'll spend the night in an eco-friendly resort right on the waterfront.

Hotel: Punakaiki Resort B, DW

Day 17: Punakaiki – Christchurch

Board the iconic TransAlpine train this afternoon and embark on one of the world's most scenic rail journeys. Back in Christchurch, join your Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner.

Hotel: Distinction Christchurch Hotel B, FD

Day 18: Farewell from Christchurch

Say farewell to your fellow travelers when your holiday comes to an end this morning after breakfast.

Day 19

You will be transferred to the airport for your overnight flight via Sydney to home. You will be met upon arrival and transferred home.

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19 DAYS | AUCKLAND - CHRISTCHURCH

26 October to 12 November 2019 | 15 February to 03 March 2020 | 14th March to 31 March 2020
Helloworld Travel LAURIETON – Group Departure Including Home Pick Up/Drop Off*

HIGHLIGHTS

- Cruise through 'Hole in the Rock' in the Bay of Islands
- Discover Waitomo & its Glowworm Grotto
- Immerse yourself in Māori culture at the Tamaki Māori Village
- Journey through Mt. Ruapehu Tongariro National Park
- Explore Te Papa Museum of New Zealand
- Savour a BBQ at Morelea
- Travel past magical glaciers, mountains & rainforest en route to Milford Sound
- Taste Central Otago stone fruit at a orchard
- Discover Franz Josef Glacier
- Visit a jade factory & see artists at work
- Walk around Punakaiki Pancake Rocks
- Travel aboard the Tranz Alpine Train
- Included Choice experiences
- New Zealand wines with all hotel dinners
- Experienced Travel Director and Driver Guide

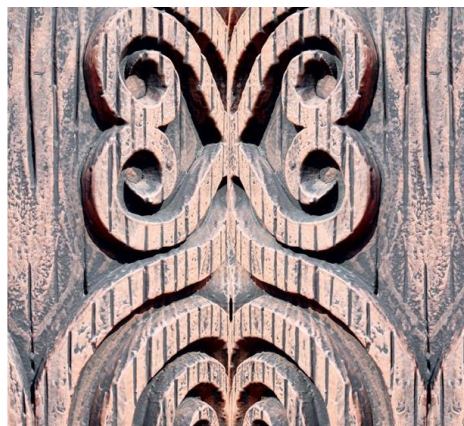
INCLUSIONS

- Home Pick up & drop off*
- Return Flights Ex Port Macquarie
- Quality accommodation
- Travel by luxury coach
- Experienced Travel Director and Driver Guide
- Airport transfers
- 17 Full buffet breakfasts
- 1 Be My Guest lunch
- 6 Dinners with wine
- 5 Highlight Dinners
- 1 Farewell Dinner

from **\$8599** per person twin share*

Single Supplement \$2799-00

*Must book & deposit by 31 JULY 2019



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