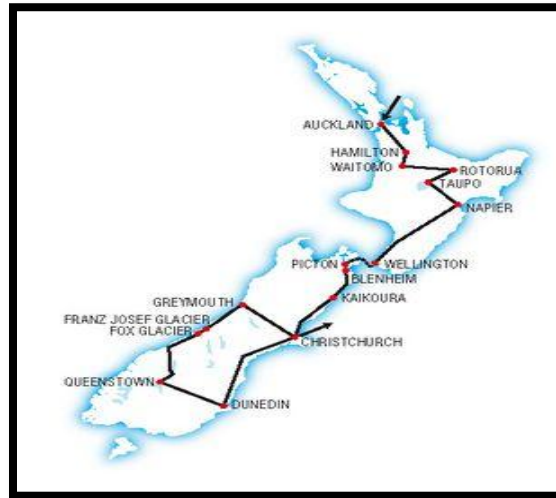


STUNNING NEW ZEALAND

12 NIGHTS / 13 DAYS

New Zealand is a country in the southwestern Pacific Ocean consisting of 2 main islands, both marked by volcanoes and glaciations. Capital Wellington, on the North Island, is home to Te Papa Tongarewa, the expansive national museum. Wellington's dramatic Mt. Victoria and the South Island's Fiordland and Southern Lakes stood in for mythical Middle Earth in Peter Jackson's "Lord of the Rings" films.



DAY 1 - ARRIVE AUCKLAND

Check in at the Airport for your flight to Auckland.

On arrival in Auckland, 'The City of Sails', you will have to collect your rental car at the airport and drive to the hotel

You would be booked in the hotel at Auckland for 1 night.

Overnight at Scenic Hotel Auckland or similar

DAY 2 - AUCKLAND - WAITOMO – ROTORUA



After breakfast travel south through the lush green Waikato region to arrive at Waitomo. Enjoy a

guided tour of the world famous Waitomo Glowworm Caves and underground boat ride followed by lunch. Continue to Rotorua and visit Agrodome Farm Show on arrival followed by a guided tour and Maori Cultural Performance at Te Puia Thermal Reserve.

You would be booked in the hotel at Rotorua for 1 night.

Overnight at Ibis Rotorua or similar

DAY 3 - ROTORUA – NAPIER



Morning is at leisure. You can visit Rainbow Springs to complete your Rotorua sightseeing (optional activity not included). Depart for Napier this afternoon. Travel south through the Wairakei Geothermal area and arrive at Lake Taupo, New Zealand's largest lake. Continue over the mountain ranges and fertile farmland to arrive in the 'Art Deco' city of Napier.

On arrival in Napier check in at the hotel for 2 nights.

Overnight at Scenic Hotel Te Pania Napier or similar.

DAY 4 – NAPIER



This morning you can explore Napier on your own; in the afternoon depart for wine tour which includes tastings at 3 local wineries.

Overnight at Scenic Hotel Te Pania Napier or similar.

DAY 5 - NAPIER – WELLINGTON



After breakfast check out of the hotel and depart for Wellington. Pass through the Manawatu Gorge and Takapau Plains to Palmerston North which is well-known for its agricultural university. Continue south to arrive at New Zealand's capital city, Wellington.

Check in at the hotel for 2 nights.

Overnight at Copthorne Hotel Wellington Oriental or similar.

DAY 6 – WELLINGTON



Enjoy breakfast at the hotel and depart for a morning sightseeing tour of Wellington and a short guided tour of Te Papa (the 'Museum of New Zealand')

Afternoon is at leisure. You can explore Wellington by yourself.

Overnight at Copthorne Hotel Wellington Oriental or similar.

DAY 7 - WELLINGTON – CHRISTCHURCH



Check out of the hotel in Wellington after breakfast.

Travel across Cook Strait, which separates the North and South Islands of New Zealand and into the Marlborough Sounds with its radiant clear waters and lush green forests, before arriving in Picton. Continue south through Blenheim and Kaikoura and reach the 'Garden City' of Christchurch. Check in at the hotel in Christchurch for 1 night.

Overnight at Novotel Christchurch or similar.

DAY 8 - CHRISTCHURCH – DUNEDIN



Depart for Dunedin after breakfast. Travel south across the Canterbury Plains to reach Scottish influenced Dunedin which is renowned for the local wildlife and Otago University.

Overnight at The Victoria Hotel Dunedin or similar

DAY 9 - DUNEDIN – QUEENSTOWN



This morning is free for optional activities.

Leave Dunedin this afternoon and travel through South Otago, the historic mining town of Clyde and now the centre for the Otago Rail Trail, into Cromwell and through the Kawarau Gorge to arrive in Queenstown for 2 nights.

Overnight at Millennium Hotel Queenstown

DAY 10 – QUEENSTOWN



Today is a free day to enjoy and explore the endless optional attractions available. Queenstown offers white water rafting, jetboating, gondola, bungee jumping rides and much more. Optional activities are not included in the tour price.

Overnight at Millennium Hotel Queenstown

DAY 11 - QUEENSTOWN - GLACIER REGION



After breakfast depart Queenstown and travel via Lake Wanaka and through the historic Haast Pass, doorway to the World Heritage Westland National Park. Continue up the West Coast past magnificent mountain ranges, inhabitant forests and lakes to the glacier region of Franz Josef and Fox Glaciers.

Check in at the hotel for 1 night.

Overnight at Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier or similar

DAY 12 - GLACIER REGION - GREYMOUTH – 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.

Overnight at Novotel Christchurch or similar.

DAY 13 - DEPARTURE DAY

Your arrangements conclude today with a departure transfer or the return of your rental car. We trust you enjoyed your Vacation!

Come home with wonderful memories of the tour!!

Inclusions:

- Accommodation for 12 nights (3 Star Category)
- Daily breakfast
- Lunch at Waikoto
- Rental cars (Europcar – CDAR Compact)
- All sightseeing entry fees included (as mentioned in the above itinerary)