

New Zealand Discovery

19 Days of fully escorted luxury touring at a relaxed pace

DEPARTING THURSDAY 30TH OCTOBER TO MONDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2025

SUPERIOR HOTEL ACCOMMODATION



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HIGHLIGHTS

PRE PAID ATTRACTIONS INCLUDE

- Kauri Museum
- Waitangi Treaty Grounds
- Dolphin / Hole in the Rock Cruise
- Hobbiton Movie Set Tour
- Skyline Rotorua Gondola & Luge Ride
- Agrodome
- Thermal mud pools & geysers
- Te Puia traditional Maori Hangi & Concert
- Te Papa National Museum
- Hawke's Bay Express
- Cruise on the Interislander Ferry
- International Antarctic Centre
- Christchurch Tram
- TranzAlpine Rail Journey
- Cruise Lake Wakatipu on the TSS Earnslaw
- Lakes District Museum
- Milford Sound Cruise & Lunch
- Larnach Castle
- City sights tour of Auckland, Napier, Wellington, Christchurch & Dunedin

DAY 1: THUR 30TH OCTOBER D **HOME TO AUCKLAND**

After pick up from your home we travel to Tullamarine for our flight to Auckland with our Brendan's Australian Tours tour leader, on arrival in New Zealand we will be met by a Grand Pacific Tours representative and transferred to our hotel.

Accom: Crowne Plaza Auckland.

DAY 2: FRI 31ST OCTOBER B.D **AUCKLAND - BAY OF ISLANDS**

We depart Auckland and travel to the Parry Kauri Park to see a magnificent example of a Kauri Tree. Enjoy a visit and informative talk at the Kauri Museum in Matakohē, then travel via Whangarei to Paihia, situated in the heart of the beautiful Bay of Islands. Enjoy a guided tour of the Waitangi Treaty Grounds, the location of the signing of the treaty between the Maori tribes and the British.

Accom: Scenic Hotel Bay of Islands. 2 nights

DAY 3: SAT 1ST NOVEMBER B. **BAY OF ISLANDS**

Today is a free day. Choose from the many optional activities available, including the Cape Reinga coach trip via Ninety Mile Beach or a spectacular scenic flight. This evening is also free, maybe enjoy a dinner cruise.

DAY 4: SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER B. **BAY OF ISLANDS - AUCKLAND**

This morning cruise through the beautiful Bay of Islands aboard a luxury catamaran to Cape Brett and the famous Hole in the Rock. Keep an eye out for bottlenose and common dolphins before returning to Paihia. Travel south via Whangarei to Auckland. This evening is free to explore the variety of eateries surrounding the hotel.

Accom: Crowne Plaza Auckland.

DAY 5: MONDAY 3RD NOVEMBER B.L.D **AUCKLAND - ROTORUA**

This morning, enjoy a city sights tour before departing Auckland. Journey through the picturesque countryside to Hobbiton for a buffet lunch. A guided tour of the 12-acre set, will take you past whimsical Hobbit Holes, the Mill and into the Green Dragon Inn. You can now venture beyond the door and into an authentic Hobbit Hole interior for a fully immersive experience.

Accom: Pullman Rotorua. 2 nights

DAY 6: TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER B.SD **ROTORUA**

Today begins with a Gondola ride and breakfast at Skyline Rotorua. There is also time for a luge ride.

Next stop is the Agrodome for an action packed hour of farming entertainment and education that is unlike anything you have seen before. Enjoy some free time this afternoon before travelling to Te Puia to see the boiling mud pools and awesome Geysers that Rotorua is famous for. This evening experience an entertaining Maori Hangi and Concert.

**DAY 7: WEDNESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER B.D
ROTORUA - NAPIER**

Depart Rotorua and travel along the Thermal Explorer Highway to Huka Falls and Lake Taupo. Continue to Napier known as 'The Art Deco Capital', where the most comprehensive collection of art deco buildings in the world can be found. Board the Hawke's Bay Express and hear informative commentary on the city's fascinating history. Enjoy some free time this afternoon to explore the city.

Accom: Scenic Hotel Te Pania.

**DAY 8: THURSDAY 6TH NOVEMBER B.D
NAPIER - WELLINGTON**

Travel south this morning into Wellington for a city tour of the nation's capital which will highlight the history and culture on show here. At Te Papa, New Zealand's National Museum, there is time to explore Gallipoli: A Scale of War exhibition. Cutting edge technology brings these stories to life through the eyes of New Zealanders who found themselves in extraordinary circumstance.

Accom: James Cook Grand Chancellor.

**DAY 9: FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER B.D
WELLINGTON - CHRISTCHURCH**

This morning board the Interislander Ferry and enjoy the scenery as you travel through the Marlborough Sounds to Picton. Board your coach and travel south to the seaside village of Kaikōura before continuing onto the garden city of Christchurch.

Accom: Distinction Christchurch Hotel. 2 nights

**DAY 10: SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER B.
CHRISTCHURCH**

Today visit the International Antarctic Centre, designed to provide an informative account of life in Antarctica. This is followed by an introductory city tour of Christchurch. This afternoon includes a journey on board the Christchurch Tram at leisure. This evening is free to explore the local cuisine.

**DAY 11: SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER B.D
CHRISTCHURCH - FRANZ JOSEF**

This morning we board the TransAlpine, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world. Travel over massive viaducts, river valleys and spectacular gorges as we ascend to Arthur's Pass located in the centre of the Southern Alps. Board your coach and travel to Hokitika, famous for its Greenstone before continuing to Franz Josef where time is available to experience a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the spectacular glaciers.

Accom: Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier.

**DAY 12: MONDAY 10TH NOVEMBER B.
FRANZ JOSEF - QUEENSTOWN**

See the snow capped peaks of the Southern Alps as you travel south along the West Coast to Fox Glacier. Continue via the Haast Pass, an area of stunning beauty before arriving into picturesque Queenstown, a year round resort situated on the shores of magical Lake Wakatipu. This evening is free and you may choose to dine out at one of the many fine restaurants.

Accom: Millennium Hotel Queenstown. 2 nights

**DAY 13: TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER B.SD
QUEENSTOWN**

Today is a free day. There are plenty of sightseeing options and your Tour Guide and Coach Captain is available to assist. You may wish to enjoy the thrill of a jet boat ride, a heritage tour of the scenic Skippers Canyon or get up close to a Kiwi bird. This evening board the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw and cruise across Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak Station. On arrival sit back relax, and enjoy a gourmet BBQ dinner featuring a menu of seasonal fresh and locally sourced food at the Colonel's Homestead. After dinner enjoy a short farm tour then reboard the TSS Earnslaw for a sing along by the piano as we cruise back to Queenstown.

**DAY 14: WEDNESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER B.D
QUEENSTOWN - TE ANAU**

We enjoy a leisurely start this morning before travelling to Arrowtown, an old gold mining village where we visit the Lakes District Museum. Continue to Te Anau, the gateway to Fiordland. This afternoon you may like to visit the Te Anau Glow Worm Caves (optional).

Accom: Distinction Luxmore Hotel. 2 nights

**DAY 15: THURSDAY 13TH NOVEMBER B.L.D
TE ANAU - MILFORD SOUND**

Depart Te Anau for a fascinating drive to Milford Sound where you board your launch for a cruise on this magnificent fiord. See the spectacular Bowen Falls and towering Mitre Peak as you enjoy a picnic lunch onboard. This afternoon return to Te Anau where some free time is available. You might like to cap off your fiordland experience by watching the breathtaking film, Ata Whenua-Shadowland which screens at the Fiordland Cinema (optional).

**DAY 16: FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER B.D
TE ANAU - DUNEDIN**

Travel via Gore and Balclutha to Dunedin known as the "Edinburgh of the South" and enjoy an informative city tour. We travel along the Otago Peninsular to Lanach Castle where we hear the tragic and scandalous history on our guided tour. There is time to wander around this Garden of International Significance followed by a delicious Devonshire tea.

Accom: Scenic Hotel Southern Cross.

**DAY 17: SATURDAY 15TH NOVEMBER B.D
DUNEDIN – MT COOK - TWIZEL**

Farewell Dunedin and travel to Oamaru famous for its limestone. Follow the Waitaki River and see Lake Benmore as you continue to marvel at Mt Cook, New Zealand's highest peak. The opportunity is available to enjoy a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the Southern Alps. Travel to Twizel for our overnight stay.
Accom: Distinction MacKenzie Country.

**DAY 18: SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER B.SD
TWIZEL - CHRISTCHURCH**

The tour continues to Lake Tekapo and a view of the brilliant turquoise water, visit the Church of the Good Shepherd and see the Sheep Dog Statue before arriving into Christchurch . This evening we will enjoy a pre dinner drink and farewell dinner with the tour group.
Accom: Distinction Christchurch Hotel.

**DAY 19: MONDAY 17TH NOVEMBER B.
CHRISTCHURCH - HOME**

It's time to say goodbye. We will be transferred to the airport for our flight home to Tullamarine after a memorable 19 Day New Zealand holiday. Upon arrival at Tullamarine you will be returned to your home.

PRICE: \$11,750.00 per person
SINGLE SUPP: \$2690.00
All prices include GST

PLEASE NOTE:

1. The above price includes the compulsory departure taxes associated with this tour.

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Return airfares from Tullamarine flying Air New Zealand
- Luxury coach travel with 32 Seats on a Full Size Coach, 2 door access, restroom, on board Wi-Fi
- Personalized Meet & Greet on arrival
- 18 nights 4 Star hotel accommodation
- 5 two night stays
- Hotel portorage
- 1 Rail Journey
- 4 Cruises
- All sightseeing and pre-paid attractions

MEALS

- 18 cooked breakfasts including a specialty breakfast at Stratosfare Restaurant, Rotorua
- 14 sumptuous dinners including 3 specialty dinners:
 - Maori Hangi & Concert - Rotorua,
 - Walter Peak Homestead - Queenstown,
 - Farewell Dinner - Christchurch
- 2 lunches including 1specialty lunch: Shire's buffet lunch, Hobbiton & Milford Sound Cruise
- 1 delicious Devonshire Tea: Larnach Castle.

• All Meals as Specified.

• B: Breakfast, L: Lunch,

• D: Dinner, SD: Specialty Dinner

• Pick up & return to your home.

• Travel Insurance is highly recommended and is the responsibility of each passenger.

• Please note: This itinerary if necessary, may be subject to change.

• Passengers travelling to New Zealand are required to hold a current passport.



Brendan's Australian Tours associating with Grand Pacific Tours gives you the chance to explore both the South and North Islands of New Zealand over 19 magical days.





Enjoy 19 days of fully escorted luxury as we tour beautiful New Zealand, travelling in style on a full size Coach with just 32 seats designed for ultimate comfort.

