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16 Day Highlights of New Zealand Tour

for **\$5,474** per person twin share
Price includes airport taxes levies

This is a great price for this scenic destination as all of the following are included:

- Air fares from Sydney into Christchurch and out of Auckland with Air New Zealand. Flights out of Melbourne and Brisbane are also available.
- A wonderful 16 day tour of New Zealand, touring both North & South Island, with city sights tours of Christchurch, Dunedin, Wellington and Auckland.
- Quality 3 to 3½ star accommodation, luxury coach travel & hotel portorage.
- 15 cooked breakfasts and 12 sumptuous dinners, 1 picnic lunch and a delicious Devonshire tea.
- A 400 page New Zealand Eyewitness Travel Guide (1 per household).
- Four cruises, including a Milford Sound Cruise.
- Tranzalpine rail journey, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world.
- Professional services of a 'Coach Captain' and a tour guide.



If you don't have a travel partner but wish to travel at twin share rates we will do our best to assign you with another person, but this is not guaranteed. For a single room there will be an extra charge of \$1550.

**Tour departs Australia 8th February
and returns 23rd February 2020**

We try harder to find you the best travel deal

Itinerary for Highlights of New Zealand Tour – February 2020

Included meals are indicated as B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

08.02.20 Australia – Christchurch, New Zealand

- (D)** Depart Sydney at 9.35am on Air New Zealand flight NZ 884, arriving in Christchurch at 2.45pm.
Depart Melbourne at 9.15am on Air New Zealand flight NZ 898, arriving in Christchurch at 2.40pm.
Depart Brisbane at 5.40pm on Air New Zealand flight NZ 804, arriving in Christchurch at 00.10am (please note the Brisbane passengers will miss the included dinner this evening due to the late night flight arrival).
All passengers are met in Christchurch and conveyed to the hotel for an overnight stay. This evening enjoy an included dinner and meet our travelling companions.
Accommodation: Quality Hotel Elms or similar

09.02.20 Christchurch - Omarama

- (B/D)** After an introductory city tour we depart Christchurch and travel through the southern Canterbury Plains to Lake Tekapo. See the brilliant turquoise water, visit The Church of the Good Shepherd and view the Sheep Dog Statue. Marvel at the spectacular mountain ranges including Mt Cook, New Zealand's highest peak. The opportunity is available (time and weather permitting) to enjoy an optional scenic flight over the Southern Alps before travelling to Omarama. Dinner this evening is included.
Accommodation: Heritage Gateway Hotel

10.02.20 Omarama - Dunedin

- (B/D)** Depart Omarama and see Lake Benmore, before following the Waitaki River to Oamaru, famous for its limestone. Continue south to Dunedin and enjoy a city sights tour followed by some free time. Tonight a Scottish evening will be presented including bagpipes, great food, a special Haggis Ceremony and a gift.
Accommodation: Mercure Leisure Lodge

11.02.20 Dunedin - Te Anau

- (B/D)** This morning travel out along the Otago Peninsula to Larnach Castle where we hear the tragic and scandalous history on a guided tour. Enjoy time to wander around this garden of international significance, followed by a delicious Devonshire Tea. Farewell Dunedin and travel through Balclutha and Gore to Te Anau, the gateway to Fiordland for our overnight stay. Tonight you may like to visit the Te Anau Glow Worm Caves (optional). Dinner this evening is included.
Accommodation: Distinction Luxmore Hotel (Superior Rooms)

12.02.20 Te Anau - Milford Sound - Queenstown

- (B/L)** Depart Te Anau for a fascinating drive to Milford Sound where we board our launch for a cruise on this magnificent fiord. See the spectacular Bowen Falls and towering Mitre Peak as we enjoy a picnic lunch. This afternoon travel to Queenstown, overlooking magical Lake Wakatipu. Spend the next two nights at this year round resort which offers a wide range of activities and attractions. This evening is free and you may choose to dine at one of the many fine restaurants.

Accommodation: Hotel Mercure Queenstown Resort

13.02.20 Queenstown

(B/D) Today is a free day for you to explore Queenstown. Our Coach Captain and tour guide are available to assist with the many sightseeing options available, whether it be the thrill of a jet boat ride, a heritage tour to Skipper Canyon or get up close to a Kiwi bird. This evening we board the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw and cruise across Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak Station. On arrival sit back and relax as we enjoy a gourmet BBQ dinner which the chef will prepare in front of us 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.
Accommodation: Hotel Mercure Queenstown Resort

14.02.20 Queenstown - Arrowtown – Fox Glacier

(B/D) Travel to Arrowtown, an old gold mining village and visit the Lakes District Museum. Continue via the Haast Pass to the mighty West Coast, an area of stunning beauty. See the snow capped peaks of the Southern Alps as we travel to Fox Glacier. Time is available to experience an optional scenic flight (weather permitting) over the spectacular glaciers, before continuing to our hotel. Dinner this evening is included.
Accommodation: Heartland Hotel Glacier Country or Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier

15.02.20 Fox Glacier - Arthur's Pass - Christchurch

(B/D) Travel to Hokitika and visit the Greenstone Factory. Continue into Arthur's Pass and board the Tranzalpine, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world. View rivers and valleys as we travel through the Waimakariri Basin, over massive viaducts and through the patchwork farmlands of the Canterbury Plains to the elegant city of Christchurch. On arrival our coach will be waiting to transfer us to our hotel. Dinner this evening is included.
Accommodation: Quality Hotel Elms or similar

16.02.20 Christchurch - Picton - Wellington

(B/D) Travel along the East Coast to the seaside village of Kaikoura. Enjoy the spectacular scenery as we travel through Marlborough Country, famous for its food and wine. Then continue to Picton, where we board the Interislander Ferry for our journey through the Marlborough Sounds and across Cook Strait to Wellington, where we have a two night stay. Dinner this evening is included.
Accommodation: Hotel Ibis Wellington

17.02.20 Wellington

(B) A highlight this morning will be time to explore Te Papa, New Zealand's National Museum, with exhibits that embrace both Maori and European views. This is followed by an extensive city tour which explains the history and culture on show in New Zealand's capital, Wellington. Enjoy some free time to explore at leisure this afternoon. This evening is also free and you may choose to dine at one of the many fine restaurants.
Accommodation: Hotel Ibis Wellington

18.02.20 Wellington - Taupo - Rotorua

(B/D) Depart Wellington and view the snow capped peaks of Mt Ruapehu and Mt Tongariro as we travel to Lake Taupo. Visit the spectacular Huka Falls then travel along the Thermal Explorer Highway to the geothermal wonderland of Rotorua, where we have a two night stay. Dinner this evening is included.
Accommodation: Sudima Hotel Lake Rotorua

19.02.20 Rotorua

(B/D) Today begins with a Gondola ride and breakfast at the Skyline Rotorua. There is also time for an included luge ride. Our next stop is the Agrodome for an action packed hour of farming entertainment and education that's unlike anything we've seen before. Visit Te Puia to see the boiling mud pools and awesome geysers that Rotorua is famous for. Enjoy some free time this afternoon. This evening experience an entertaining Maori Hangi and Concert.
Accommodation: Sudima Hotel Lake Rotorua

20.02.20 Rotorua - Auckland - Bay of Islands

(B/D) This morning depart Rotorua and travel north to Auckland. Continue via Whangarei to Paihia, situated in the heart of the beautiful Bay of Islands. Enjoy an introduction to the Bay of Islands, location of the signing of the treaty between the Maori tribes and the British. Dinner tonight is included.
Accommodation: Kingsgate Hotel Autolodge

21.02.20 Bay of Islands

(B) This morning cruise through the beautiful Bay of Islands on board a luxury catamaran to Cape Brett and the famous Hole in the Rock. Keep an eye out for Bottlenose and common dolphins before returning via Russell to Paihia for a free afternoon.
Accommodation: Kingsgate Hotel Autolodge

22.02.20 Bay of Islands - Auckland

(B/D) Depart the Bay of Islands this morning and travel via Whangarei and Dargaville to Matakoho. Enjoy a visit and informative talk at the Kauri Museum before continuing to Auckland for a city sights tour. This evening we will be treated to a farewell dinner with our new found friends.
Accommodation: Rydges Auckland

23.02.20 Auckland - Australia

(B) Time to say goodbye to New Zealand. We'll be transferred to the airport for our flight home.
Sydney passengers depart Auckland at 1.00pm on NZ 109, arriving in Sydney at 2.35pm.
Melbourne passengers depart Auckland at 3.25pm on NZ 125, arriving in Melbourne at 5.30pm.
Brisbane passengers depart Auckland at 4.00pm on NZ 739, arriving in Brisbane at 4.35pm.

Note: The ground operator for this tour is Grand Pacific Tours



Conditions for Macleay Valley Travel's Highlights of New Zealand Tour

Deposits and Payments - A non-refundable deposit of \$400 per person is payable within 7 days of booking. This deposit is not refundable should you later cancel. The balance is payable in full 10 weeks prior to departure. Melbourne and Brisbane passengers may be required to pay a higher deposit of approximately \$900 as the airfares will need to be issued soon after booking. Macleay Valley Travel often has to adhere to strict payment deadlines and your booking on the tour may be cancelled if final payment is not received by the due date, with no refund applicable.

Refunds and Cancellations - Cancellations after final payment and more than 7 days prior to departure will result in a refund limited to whatever we can recoup from the airline. Cancellations 7 days prior to departure or less will result in no refund.

Airline Tickets - Please note that any changes made to airline tickets once they have been issued will likely incur high cancellation and/or reissue fees. These fees are typically set by the airline and are outside of our control.

Insurance - Adequate travel insurance is essential. We can arrange this for you if desired. Macleay Valley Travel offers Suresave Travel Insurance. Please note that we can only process your travel insurance when we have received full payment for the insurance and the signed Suresave Travel Insurance application form, located on the last page of the Suresave Travel Insurance information booklet. Until this time the travel insurance cannot be processed and will not be valid. Macleay Valley Travel will bear no responsibility for any consequences that may occur as a result of an incomplete insurance application.

Passports - All travellers require a current passport with at least 6 months left on it at the end of the tour. Non-Australian passport holders require a re-entry visa for Australia.

Visas are not required for New Zealand if travelling on an Australian passport.

Basic Tour Price and Taxes - Air taxes and fuel levies are included in the basic tour price if the tour is paid in full on or before the due date on the final invoice. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to charge for any increase in air taxes and fuel levies if the tour is not paid in full by the due date.

Not Included in the Cost - All items of a personal nature such as telephone calls, drinks, excess baggage, tips, meals, (except those specified in the itinerary), etc. Also travel insurance and departure taxes. Similarly, credit card payments (Visa/MasterCard) can only be accepted if 1% is added to the price to help defray the heavy merchant fees charged to us by the credit card companies. There is a 2.75% surcharge for payments made using American Express.

Accreditation - Macleay Valley Travel is a fully accredited travel agency under the AFTA (Australian Federation of Travel Agents) ATAS - AFTA Travel Accreditation Scheme. As such, you are assured of a consumer focused and quality assured business, ensuring professional conduct and ethical business practices. We are happy for any prospective traveller with us to check us out with your local Consumer Affairs (Fair Trading) department.

Breakaway Fee - All fully inclusive prices are based on group travel and any deviation from the set itinerary will incur a breakaway fee. Please inquire with our office for specific prices on any extensions.

Twin Share Bookings - If you do not have a travel partner, but wish to travel at twin share rates, we will try and assign you with another traveller but this is not guaranteed. We assign passengers by their gender, on a first come, first served basis and do not assign twin share passengers according to their age, profession, interests etc. There are risks with sharing a room with a person you do not know, and Macleay Valley Travel accepts no responsibility if you are incompatible with your assigned room mate. Additionally, if you are assigned a travelling companion to share with and they cancel off the tour prior to making the final payment, then you will either be required to pay the single room supplement or we will try our best to assign you with another twin share passenger, if one is available.

Health and Fitness - Macleay Valley Travel recommends that the passenger is reasonably healthy and/or fit to participate in this tour. Persons with a disability requiring special assistance must be accompanied by a companion. Macleay Valley Travel and their representatives cannot provide this service. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to accept/decline or terminate a passenger's participation in the tour under certain circumstances. Macleay Valley Travel is legally not permitted to provide medical advice as to vaccinations/injections which you may require for this tour and advise you to consult your local medical practitioner for specific medical advice. There are no compulsory injections required for this tour.

Limitation of Liability - As Macleay Valley Travel acts only as agent for the Airlines, Hotels, Coach Companies etc., providing accommodation, transportation and other services, Macleay Valley Travel shall not be liable or responsible for death or injury to any person or loss or damage to any property including baggage arising out of or connection with any transportation, accommodation or other services, or resulting directly or indirectly from acts of God, fire, breakdown in machinery or equipment, acts of Government or other authorities, de jure or defacto wars, whether declared or not, hostilities, civil disturbances, strikes, riots, thefts, epidemics, quarantines, medical or customs regulations, delays or cancellations caused by changes in schedules or itinerary, or over bookings or defaults or for any causes beyond Macleay Valley Travel's control or any loss or damage resulting from improper or insufficient passports, visas or other documents and neither Macleay Valley Travel, and its servants or employees shall be or become liable or responsible for any additional expenses or liability sustained or incurred by the tour member as a result of the foregoing causes. Additionally you must meet the entry requirements for each country you visit. Macleay Valley Travel will not be liable if you are denied entry to a country for any reason, including a past criminal history. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to decline bookings made for any group tour. Any tour booking confirmation is conditional, contingent on our view of the ability of a person to be able to participate in a tour without the likelihood of conflict between members of a tour whether perceived or actual.

Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to modify the itinerary or the accommodation if circumstances make this necessary, provided that the amended itinerary is of equal value or greater value than that of the original program.

MACLEAY VALLEY TRAVEL - BOOKING FORM

PLEASE PRINT DETAILS CLEARLY IN BLOCK LETTERS AND ALSO

A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PASSPORT MUST BE SENT WITH BOOKING FORM

Name of Tour : _____ Departure Date: _____

Passenger 1 (as written in passport) _____

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Passenger 2 (as written in passport) _____

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

_____ **PostCode** _____ **Email** _____

Telephone / Fax Number: _____ **Mobile** _____

Passport Number: _____ Expiry Date: _____

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Passport Nationality: _____ Preferred Name (Passenger 1) _____

Passport Nationality _____ Preferred Name (Passenger 2) _____

(Passport must have 6 months validity from the time of tour completion)

Single Room / Twin beds / Double bed: (Room type is subject to availability)

Circle which airport you wish to depart from: SYDNEY / MELBOURNE / BRISBANE

Any existing medical conditions? – Passenger 1: _____ Passenger 2: _____

Special Dietary Needs - Passenger 1: _____ Passenger 2: _____

Optional Extensions: _____

Would you like to receive details of our travel insurance?: YES / NO (Please Circle)

In case of emergency, please notify :

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please return this sheet with your non-refundable deposit of \$400 per person.

DECLARATION. I have read and understand fully the booking conditions and I accept them.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

A copy of passport is required to verify spelling of name; If this is not provided and the information we have for the airline is incorrect and ticket is issued, then the airline will charge a reissue fee.