

NEW ZEALAND AT LEISURE
10 Nights / 11 Days - SIC BASIS

Auckland * Rotorua * Christchurch * Franz Josef * Queenstown

Highlights:

- Kelly Tarlton's Antarctic Encounter and Underwater World in Auckland.
- Glowworm Caves Guided Tour at Waitomo Caves.
- Rainbow Springs, Agrodome Sheep Show, Te Puia Thermal Reserve and New Zealand Maori Arts & Crafts Institute in Rotorua.
- International Antarctic center in Christchurch.
- Tranz Alpine scenic train from Christchurch to Greymouth.
- Stunning glacier of Franz Josef.
- Full day Excursion to Milford Sound
- Queenstown to Christchurch via Mt Cook.

Day 01 Auckland – “the city of sails”

Arrive at Auckland International Airport. Transfer to Hotel by private vehicle. Rest of the day is at leisure. Dinner at an Indian restaurant. Overnight at Hotel in Auckland.

Day 02 Auckland – City Tour

After American breakfast, we take you on a half day city tour of Auckland, where we see the main commercial area, the Harbour Bridge, the famous Kelly Tarlton's Antarctic Encounter and Underwater World. Evening is free at leisure. Dinner at an Indian restaurant. Overnight at Hotel in Auckland.

Day 03 Auckland – Waitomo - Rotorua

After cooked breakfast, transfer by coach to Waitomo where we visit the Glowworm Caves guided tour. We visit Woolshed where we see the extraction of wool. Arrive Rotorua, check in at Hotel. Dinner at an Indian restaurant. Overnight at Hotel in Rotorua.

Day 04 Rotorua

This morning, after breakfast visit Rainbow Springs of Rotorua. See the trout pool and a magnificent aviary where you will find the famous Kiwi – New Zealand's flightless native bird. We also visit the Agrodome Leisure Park and enjoy Sheep Show – an exciting show staging the different breeds of New Zealand sheep. We visit Te Puia Thermal Reserve and New Zealand Maori Arts & Crafts Institute. Dinner at an Indian restaurant. Overnight at Hotel in Rotorua.

Day 05 Rotorua - Christchurch

After cooked breakfast, transfer to the Rotorua airport for your flight to Christchurch. Arrive Christchurch, we take you for a panoramic city tour of Christchurch in a private vehicle, including entrance to International Antarctic Centre. Check-in to Hotel in Christchurch. Dinner at an Indian restaurant. Overnight at Hotel in Christchurch.

Day 06 Christchurch – Glacier Region

Early cooked breakfast, transfer to the railway station for the scenic Tranz Alpine Train – rated to be one of the top six scenic train journey's in the world. Then travel from Greymouth to Franz Josef Glacier by coach. Overnight at Hotel in Franz Josef. Continental dinner with return transfers.

Day 07 Glacier Region - Queenstown

After breakfast, travel by coach to the spectacular resort town of Queenstown. Journey over the Canterbury plains and the wide expanse of the Mackenzie Countryside. Arrive late afternoon into this „Alpine Resort“ of Queenstown. Evening return transfers to local restaurant for dinner. Overnight at Hotel in Queenstown.

Day 08 Queenstown – Milford Sound - Queenstown

Today after breakfast, we go for a full day trip to Milford Sound. Travel along the shore of Lake Wakatipu beneath The Remarkable Mountain range before crossing the Southland Plains to Te Anau, the gateway to the Fjordland National Park, now proclaimed a World Heritage Park. Drive through beech forests and glaciated valleys before descending the steep gradient Homer tunnel to the magnificent Milford Sound itself. Take a cruise (weather permitting) out to the Tasman Sea and return in time to enjoy the cascading waterfalls. We drive back to Queenstown via the same route. Dinner at an Indian restaurant. Overnight at Hotel in Queenstown.

Day 09 Queenstown

Breakfast in hotel. Queenstown offers Doubtful Sound, Bungee Jumping, Shotover Jet Boat ride, Skyline gondola, White water rafting or Sky Diving at an optional tour price. Dinner at Indian Restaurant. Overnight at Hotel in Queenstown.

Day 10 Queenstown – Mt Cook -- Christchurch

After breakfast, we drive to New Zealand's highest mountain - Mount Cook and enter the National Park surrounded by 15 peaks towering to a height of over 3000 meters. Optional scenic flights by ski planes or by helicopter are available over these mountains. Evening we reach the “garden city” into Christchurch. Dinner at an Indian restaurant. Overnight at Hotel in Christchurch.

Day 11 Christchurch – Next Destination

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to take the flight to your next destination.