



discover
New Zealand

A place that never leaves you!

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A New Zealand vacation is like no other. Its spectacular beauty is as unique as the huge range of fun and varied activities it has to offer. It is my distinct pleasure to share with you the magnificence of this land down under known as Aotearoa or the “Land of the Long White Cloud”.

Day 1 & 2



Depart the USA for your flight to Houston where you will embark on your international non-stop flight from Houston to Auckland on Air New Zealand, ranked one of the top airlines in the world. Cross the international dateline and lose one day. This overnight non-stop flight is approximately 14 1/2 hours.

Day 3 Auckland



New Zealand



After settling in at our accommodations in Auckland, you'll spend the day on the Hop-On Hop-off bus that takes you to 14 of the "City of Sails" major points of interest. Visit the Sky Tower, New Zealand's highest man-made structure, Kelly Tarlton's Antarctic Encounter and Underwater World, take a sail in the harbor or visit any of the other major attractions in this great city.

Day 3 Auckland



The 5-star *Sky City Grand Hotel* is sophisticated and elegant and close to numerous city attractions. The hotel offers a range of facilities and services unparalleled in Auckland. Rooms are luxurious and comfortable, with all the extras that you would expect from a 5-star hotel. They offer magnificent views of Auckland Harbor and the city skyline.

Day 3 Auckland



Enjoy an included welcome dinner at the Sugar Club on the 53rd floor of Sky City. With sky-high views overlooking the harbor and sparkly city and high-end interiors, the Sugar Club could run the risk of being a special-occasion-only dining experience. But guided by the deft hand of chef Peter Gordon, whose culinary influence has had a significant impact on London's dining scene, that's not the case. Asian fusion has always been his hallmark—you'll find South East Asian and Middle Eastern flavors on the menu, but there's nothing confused about their execution. With the menu structured to encourage diners to sample an array of dishes and flavors, Gordon has the culinary skill to tickle taste buds into a new level of consciousness.



A truly memorable day awaits you! You'll have the chance to experience the real Middle-Earth on the Hobbiton Movie Set Coach Tour. On the way there, you'll enjoy a scenic drive across the Kaimai Ranges to the picturesque 1,250 acre farm near Matamata where scenes from the *Lord of the Rings* and *The Hobbit* movies were filmed. The set was completely rebuilt for *The Hobbit* and has remained as it was seen in these films. During your tour you will see the 44 Hobbit Holes, have a delicious lunch at The Green Dragon Inn, view The Mill, double arched bridge and other structures and gardens built for the films.

Day 4 – Auckland – Matamata – Waitomo - Rotorua



Then its on to Waitomo to visit the world-renowned Waitomo Glowworm Caves - a must see for any traveler to New Zealand. The glow worm, *Arachnocampa luminosa*, is unique to New Zealand. Thousands of these tiny creatures radiate their unmistakable luminescent light as expert guides provide informative commentary on the caves' historical and geological significance.

During the famous non-motorized boat ride, you will journey underground on a subterranean adventure in complete darkness with just the glowworms shining like a starry night. The hardy little glowworms are oblivious to the huge number of admirers they have been receiving over the past 100 years and they keep glowing to attract their food in the caves. Then on to Rotorua, the geothermal region of the country rich in Maori culture.



Day 5 Rotorua



New Zealand



Take morning optional sightseeing tour around 3 of Rotorua's iconic visitor attractions. Visit the cultural centre at Te Puia and gain an insight into Māori traditions and ways of life before entering a geothermal wonderland of impressive geysers and boiling mud pools. Explore Rainbow Springs, a nature park which showcases native flora and fauna including the famous New Zealand kiwi and tuatara. Then see New Zealand's agricultural industry in action with an entertaining sheep-shearing display along with sheep dog trials at the famous Agrodome.

Day 5 Rotorua



Complete your day in Rotorua with a trip to the Tamaki Maori Village where your local guide will escort you on a cultural journey to the "marae" (Maori village), the life force of New Zealand's indigenous people. In this authentic Maori village nestled in the Rotorua forest, you'll discover Maori art forms, ancient rituals and traditions, experience thrilling song and dance, and then share in a 3 course "hangi" feast with your Maori hosts. Before you indulge in your feast, you'll see how your meal is cooked in the traditional underground pit on top of heated volcanic rocks.

Day 6 Rotorua - Wellington



Depart Rotorua in the morning for a short plane ride to Wellington, the capital of New Zealand since 1865. Situated at the southern end of the North Island, Wellington was recently named "the coolest little capital in the world" by Lonely Planet. Nestled between a sparkling harbor and rolling green hills, New Zealand's capital city is renowned for its arts, heritage, culture and native beauty.

We begin the afternoon taking the Wellington Cable Car, one of Wellington's oldest & most popular tourist attractions to the Wellington Botanic Gardens. The cars run from Lambton Quay in the heart of the central business district and within 5 minutes whisk you from under the corporate towers of The Terrace past Kelburn Park and Victoria University to the top entrance of the Botanic Gardens.

Day 6 - Wellington



Next we visit Te Papa - New Zealand's bold and innovative national museum and a recognized world leader in interactive and visitor-focused museum experiences. New Zealand's geology and natural environment and the stories of New Zealand's indigenous people, the Māori, are celebrated in Te Papa's permanent exhibitions, while Te Papa's Marae is a vibrant contemporary meeting house and a living communal centre, unique in a museum. An exciting range of exhibitions display New Zealand's diverse art and visual culture and top-rating international exhibitions tour regularly. Te Papa also features entertainment, performances, floor talks, lectures, and more.

Day 7 Wellington – Picton – Marlborough - Nelson



In the morning, we are transported to the ferry terminal where we take the 3 hour ride across Cooks Strait. The Interislander travels between the North and South Islands of New Zealand and has been described as "one of the most beautiful ferry rides in the world". With 57 miles of breathtaking views, the three-hour journey between Wellington and Picton really is one of New Zealand's most iconic tourism activities. Once you're on your Interislander journey, you can take a stroll on the decks, enjoy a meal, a drink or even catch the latest movie releases. Or just relax and take in the breathtaking view. Once we arrive in Picton, we are met by the representatives of the Sound Connection Winery Tour for an award-winning tour of some of the most popular wineries in the Marlborough Region.

Day 7 Wellington – Picton – Marlborough - Nelson



After disembarking the Interislander ferry, Sounds Connection will pick us up at the port and take us on an in-depth wine tour around the stunning Marlborough region to taste the best of the best – Sauvignon Blanc, Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Pinot Gris, Gewurztraminer, Riesling and more. They've been working with the local wine industry for over twenty years and their guides are professional, knowledgeable and fun! A delicious lunch is included at one of the winery restaurants in a beautiful garden setting. From the green plains growing endless rows of vines, to the majestic Richmond Ranges and the dry Wither Hills, you can sit back and drink in the gorgeous scenery as you learn more about your favorite wines, and discover some new favorites along the way. Then on to Nelson in the Sunshine Region of the country.

Day 8 Nelson



New Zealand



Situated at the top north-western part of the South Island, Nelson is the sunniest region in New Zealand. Nelson's diverse geography captures everything from the long golden beaches to untouched forests and rugged mountains. Perhaps it's the sun, perhaps it's the location, but Nelson, New Zealand, has long been a magnet for creative people. There are more than 350 working artists and craftspeople living in Nelson, traditional, contemporary and Maori. Visit their studios and find a unique piece to take home with you, marvel at the Christ Church Cathedral or just relax, sit in the sun, sip a wine from one of the local vineyards, and dine on the famous Nelson Bay scallops or take the optional Abel Tasman National Park Scenic Cruise and hike.

Day 8 Nelson - Abel Tasman National Park



Full Day optional Cruise and Hike through Abel Tasman National Park

Early morning pick up at hotel where you will be transported from Nelson to Kaiteriteri.

Cruise: Relax aboard the Abel Tasman Sea Shuttle for a full scenic cruise from Kaiteriteri to Awaroa. See the split Apple Rock along the way. Learn about the history of the park and let the experienced skippers take you along a string of beautiful beaches.

Hike: After lunch, relax on the beach and enjoying breath-taking views as you walk the scenic trails throughout the park before returning to Kaiteriteri for your coach ride back to Nelson.

Day 9 Nelson - Christchurch



In the morning, depart Nelson by air for Christchurch. Upon arrival, we go *Punting on the Avon*. Your Edwardian Punter will give an informative commentary while guiding you quietly past trailing willows, woodlands and leafy banks as you absorb the beauty of Christchurch's Hagley Park.

Then take the 30-minute bus ride to Lyttelton for the optional Christchurch Gondola Ride with stunning views of the surrounding mountains and harbor.



Spend the entire day at leisure in the “garden city”, the South Island’s largest and most innovative. This is thanks to a resilient and enterprising community determined to forge a bright future for the city. Intriguing shops, businesses and buildings are continually popping up as the city rebuilds. The original Christchurch Cathedral was badly damaged in the February 2011 earthquake and has been replaced by another remarkable effort by the emergency architecture guru Shigeru Ban – the **Cardboard Cathedral**, made substantially of cardboard! Along with Christchurch's rich history and heritage, colorful gardens and lively recreation, and you'll find plenty to entertain and inspire. Or take the optional Whale Watch Kaikoura tour.

Day 10 Kaikoura



Take the optional full day tour to Kaikoura, located on the east coast of the South Island just 2 hours north of Christchurch. Kaikoura is a base for wildlife experiences of all kinds, especially whale watching and it's also known for being a great place to eat crayfish. Kaikoura's whales, fur seals and dolphins live permanently in the coastal waters. Whale watching trips leave the town several times a day and the local seal colony is always entertaining. Whale Watch Kaikoura is New Zealand's only vessel based whale watching company offering an exciting up-close encounter with the world's largest toothed predator the Giant Sperm Whale in their natural environment at all times of the year. There are also plenty of great cafés, restaurants and shops to explore in this charming town.

Day 10 Christchurch

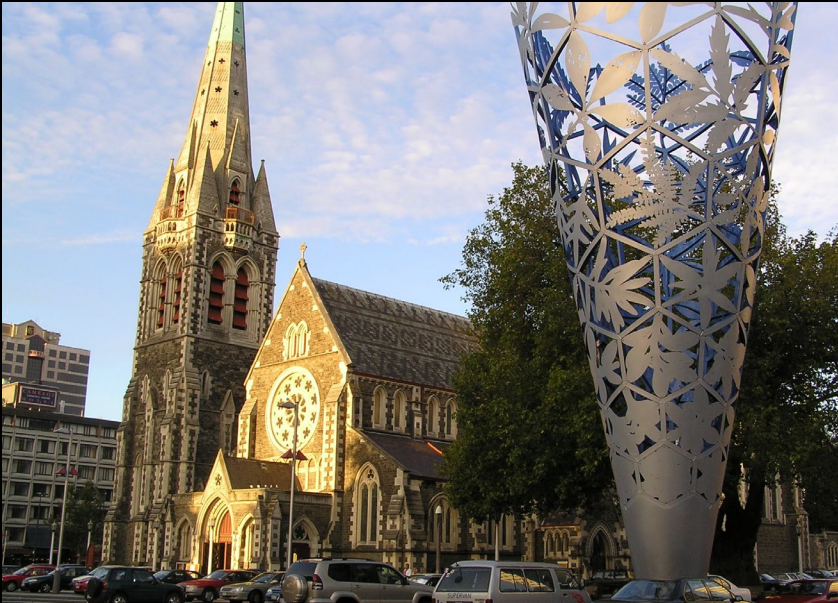


The February 22, 2011 Christchurch 6.3 magnitude earthquake severely damaged New Zealand's second-largest city, killing 185 people and destroying 10,000 homes in one of the nation's deadliest peacetime disasters.

The total cost to insurers of rebuilding was originally estimated at NZ\$15 billion. At that point it was already predicted to be by far New Zealand's costliest natural disaster, and the third-costliest earthquake (nominally) worldwide. But by April 2013, the total estimated cost had ballooned to \$40 billion. Some economists have estimated it will take the NZ economy 50-100 years to completely recover.

"Be courageous! Whatever setbacks America has encountered, it has always emerged as a stronger and more prosperous nation. -Thomas Edison

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After the early 2011 earthquakes left the picturesque city in ruins, Christchurch has been revamped and revived through creative innovation & sustainable modern architecture that's put fashion and design back into the city. The signs of resilience of the Canterbarians are all there for everyone to see in the funky creations with a temporary 'pop up' twist that has sprung up like the **Re:Start** where shipping containers make up for a shopping precinct, a coffee shop **Crafted Coffee Company** or **Smash Palace Bar** out of two buses and a shipping container.

Day 10 Christchurch



Christchurch has a history of involvement in Antarctic exploration—both Robert Falcon Scott and Ernest Shackleton used the port of Lyttelton as a departure point for expeditions. The International Antarctic Centre provides both base facilities and a museum and visitor centre focused upon current Antarctic activities.

Day 11 Christchurch - Queenstown



Depart Christchurch in the morning by air for Queenstown. Arrive in Queenstown in the late morning, one of New Zealand's top visitor destinations. While there you'll understand why. The town sits on the shore of crystal clear Lake Wakatipu among the dramatic Remarkable Mountain ranges.



The lake and mountain landscape make Queenstown suited to all kinds of adventure. There's skiing in the winter and activities such as bungee jumping, jet boating, golfing, horse trekking and river rafting all year round.

AJ Hackett International is the most recognized and respected of all adventure brands. Started by AJ and Henry Van Asch, Bungee Jumping was a vehicle to push each other and their friends to the limit.

Day 11 – Queenstown



After a walking city tour, join an optional afternoon scenic afternoon cruise to Walter Peak on board the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw. During the cruise, the ship's pianist entertains with a variety of old favorites and you are encouraged to join in sing-a-long around the piano. Upon arrival at the Colonel's Homestead, you will enjoy high tea and then you can wander through the beautiful lakeside gardens, take a farmyard walking tour, viewing the livestock including sheep, highland cattle, deer and goats. Your hosts will work the sheep dogs and demonstrate sheep sheering and the art of wool spinning. After your farm tour, return to Queenstown across the lake aboard the TSS Earnslaw.

Day 12 – Optional Milford Sound Tour



In the morning we take the optional full day tour to Milford Sound checking out the most amazing scenery in New Zealand along the way. The day includes a two hour boat cruise and a delicious hot buffet luncheon. See the Homer Tunnel, gigantic waterfalls and amazing fiords. One of the highlights of the cruise is the stunning Mitre Peak, an iconic mountain and one of the most photographed peaks in the country. The distinctive shape of the peak gives the mountain its name, after the miter headwear of Christian bishops. Part of the reason for its iconic status is its height – it rises to just over a mile from the water of the sound.

Day 12– Optional Milford Sound Tour



Milford Sound is a fjord in the south west of New Zealand's South Island, within Fiordland National Park, a World Heritage site. The beauty of this landscape draws thousands of visitors each day. It has been judged the world's top travel destination in an international survey by TripAdvisor and is New Zealand's most famous tourist destination, even with its remote location and the long journey from the nearest population centers. Kipling had previously called it the eighth Wonder of the World. With a mean annual rainfall of 6,813 mm on 182 days a year, a high level even for the West Coast, Milford Sound is known as the wettest inhabited place in New Zealand and one of the wettest in the world. The rainfall creates dozens of temporary waterfalls cascading down the cliff faces, some reaching a thousand meters in length. Whatever the fiord's mood – brooding and wet, or tranquil in the sunshine – this 2 hour cruise of the fiords will inspire you.



Day 13 – Queenstown



Join an optional scenic tour to Skipper's Canyon where you'll discover exciting *Lord of the Rings* film locations. The Wakatipu Basin tour takes you to The Remarkables, which were used as various mountains throughout the trilogy including the Misty Mountains. Travelling part way up this beautiful mountain range you get a view of Deer Park Heights, which was used for the refugees of Rohan and the Battle of the Wargs scenes. Then head to the Kawarau Gorge where the filming took place for the Argonath. Leaving the Kawarau Gorge, the trip heads to Arrowtown where the loss of The One Ring at Gladden Fields was filmed. Near Arrowtown you will experience some true off road adventure. Following a historic gold mining road up the Arrow River you will cross the river to get to the Ford of Bruinen. Indulge in morning tea and try your hand at a spot of gold panning. From Arrowtown you will travel to the entrance of Skippers Canyon where you will be offered spectacular panoramic views of the Wakatipu Basin.

Day 13 – Queenstown



New Zealand



End our New Zealand journey by enjoying an evening at Queenstown's most spectacular location. Reputed to be the steepest lift in the Southern Hemisphere, the gondola carries visitors high above Queenstown to the Skyline complex. The Skyline Stratosphere Restaurant, an out of this world dining experience, serves up a mouthwatering *Taste of New Zealand* buffet of legendary proportions every night of the year. Feast on South Island salmon, seafood, salads, roast meats and delicious desserts - and feast your eyes on the most spectacular scenery in the country. Tiered seating guarantees stunning views from every table.

Day 14 - Flight from Auckland to the USA



Spend the morning at leisure or shopping for souvenirs in some of the lovely shops in this resort town. Depart after lunch for your flight back to the Auckland and then onto the USA on Air New Zealand, ranked one of the top airlines in the world. Cross the international dateline and gain one day. This overnight non-stop flight is approximately 14 ½ hours. Or join the optional tour to Sydney for 3-4 days.

\$2995 Land Package includes the following :

- A delightful combination of Deluxe and Standard accommodations
- All airport transfers within New Zealand
- Services of Certified New Zealand Specialist Guide throughout tour
- Welcome dinner at renowned Sugar Club on 53rd floor of Sky City
- World renowned Hobbiton Tour with Lunch
- Waitomo Cave Tour
- Tamaki Maori Village Tour with Hangi Dinner Feast
- Wellington Cable Car and Botanic Garden Walk
- Award-winning TePapa Museum Tour
- 3 hour Interislander ferry ride between North and South Island
- Award Winning Winery Tour of Marlborough Region
- Punting on the Avon
- Christchurch Tram Tour
- Walking City Tour of Queenstown
- Skyline Gondola Ride over Queenstown
- Farewell Dinner at the Skyline Stratospere – an out of this world experience
- Roommate matching service (if needed)

14 Reasons You Should Visit New Zealand in 2020



The sublime landscapes

Even if you haven't seen the *Lord of the Rings* or *The Hobbit* films, you'll know New Zealand is incredibly scenic. The South Island is lined with exquisite mountain ranges, glaciers, and lush forestry while the North is renowned for its breathtaking coastlines, geothermal treasures, and remarkable glowworm caves. But you need to see the majestic landscape from up close to truly appreciate its beauty.



The value of the US dollar is more favorable than it has been in years

The exchange rate has become more favorable for the US Dollar recently, so even though this country is more expensive than most around the world, you'll be able to stretch your dollar now and make it last longer.



No long bus rides!

This year we have replaced the long bus rides with inter flights, so you can spend more time enjoying each city and less time traveling to them. For the longer distances, we fly Air New Zealand, ranked one of the top airlines in the world. In less the 90 minutes, we'll be at our next destination!



The remarkable Maori culture

There aren't many places in the world which have made as big of an effort to preserve and respect their indigenous culture as New Zealand has. You'll have a chance to visit a traditional Maori Village to learn about their culture and traditions. You'll also experience a *Hangi* feast while being entertained by the warm and friendly Maoris.



Enjoy upgraded hotels

This year we have upgraded our hotels to mostly 4 and 5 star hotels. Our first night we will be staying at the Auckland's Sky City Grand Hotel, one of the premier hotels in the entire country.

The Kiwi hospitality is hard to beat

Hospitality is New Zealand's middle name. In the smaller cities, it's not uncommon for people to smile at passing strangers and say hello. Enter just about any hotel, bar or restaurant and nine times out of 10 you'll be greeted with a smile. New Zealanders are just naturally polite and friendly — and that alone is a bonus for travelers visiting this lovely country.



The world-famous vineyards

New Zealand's temperate climate and soil diversity have helped the country stamp its place in the global wine stage. The whites tend to be the best renowned, though a dedicated network of vineyards in Central Otago bring plenty of red grape varieties to the forefront. Marlborough is the country's leading wine producer, and there are many others scattered around the North and South Islands too.



New Zealand is clean and safe

Obviously, the usual precautions apply: always lock up your valuables, and so forth. Still, comparably speaking, New Zealand is much safer than most places around the world. For the most part, you can walk comfortably at night in all the major cities and solo travelers can enjoy all the best attractions without worrying about their safety. It's slogan 100% PURE refers to it's commitment to keep the country clean, green and free of toxins.

It's jam-packed with adventure activities



New Zealand is the perfect playground for adrenaline junkies and sports enthusiasts of all kinds. If that's the kind of thing you're into, you'll definitely be spoiled for choice when it's time to map out your must-dos. If not, you can be well entertained as a spectator!



Hikers will relish the Great Walks

Known for their challenging terrains and breathtaking backdrops, New Zealand's great walks have become a favorite among local and visiting hikers of all abilities.



An incredibly diverse wildlife awaits

Birds, prehistoric reptiles, rare dolphins and many other marine creatures — a trip to New Zealand will bring animal-lovers a trove of wildlife to discover. The famed kiwi birds can be seen at selected reserves and zoos, particularly in Auckland, Rotorua, and Wellington. There are various tours that will expose you to New Zealand's abundance of dolphins, whales and other marine life as well.



Enjoy all things Tolkien

Not just Hobbiton, either. The Department of Conservation keeps a handy list of places that enabled Peter Jackson to turn Middle-earth into a reality. Even without the visual effects, orcs and fantastical creatures, the landscapes are magical in their own right.



You'll be escorted by a friendly New Zealand Specialist

Janet Blair, our tour organizer and guide has visited New Zealand 8 times and in 2013 received the designation of New Zealand Specialist by the New Zealand Tourism Board. You'll be in great hands with a tour leader than has the passion, expansive knowledge and experience of the country as Janet does.

Day 14 - Optional Sydney Extension
Flight from Queenstown to Sydney



Transfer from the Queenstown hotel to the airport for departure to Sydney on Virgin Australia. This 3 hour non-stop flight is only \$199 with our group booking. Upon arrival in Sydney, transfer to our accommodations. Evening is at leisure to explore this gorgeous harbor city.

Day 15 - Optional Sydney Extension



Take the Sydney Harbor Explorer ferry tour where you will be able to hop-on and hop-off at the major stops along the world's most beautiful harbor. The ferry pass includes re-boarding at Darling Harbor, Circular Quay (The Rocks & Opera House), Taronga Zoo, Watsons Bay, Luna Park, Manly, Fort Denison & Shark Island. Pass includes entry into *Sydney Tower Eye* where you will enjoy breathtaking views of Sydney and its surroundings from the tallest structure in the city. Standing on the Observation Deck, perched 820 feet above the ground, you'll soak up 360-degree panoramic views across Sydney Harbor, the skyline and the Pacific Ocean.

Day 16 - Optional Sydney Extension



Take the Sydney and Bondi Beach hop-on, hop-off bus tour which allows you to see the very best of this remarkable city – choose what you want to see and how long you wish to see it for on 2 fantastic routes; the Sydney Route and the Bondi Beach Route. Relax on the open-top bus while listening to an informative commentary and enjoy the wonderful views, or hop on and off as often as you wish for a more in-depth look at the major Sydney attractions. This evening enjoy an included Sunset Dinner Cruise along the world's greatest harbor.

Day 17 - Optional Sydney Extension



After breakfast, take the Sydney Opera House Walking Tour where you will venture under the sails and into the heart of Australia's greatest building. Your guide will uncover the stories, history and magic of the Sydney Opera House. Designed by Danish architect Jørn Utzon, beginning with Utzon's 1957 selection as winner of a design competition, the Opera House was formally completed in 1973, having cost \$102 million. The original estimates in 1957 projected a cost of 7 million dollars and completion date of January, 1963 . The project was completed ten years late and 1,357% over budget. In June 2007 the Sydney Opera House was included on the UNESCO World Heritage List, placing it alongside the Taj Mahal, the ancient Pyramids of Egypt and the Great Wall of China as one of the most outstanding places on Earth.

Day 17 - Optional Sydney Extension



Spend the afternoon exploring the city on your own or consider taking the climb of your life at the optional Sydney Bridge Walk. Absorb a 360 degree panorama of Sydney as you journey to the summit of the Climb experience. Like an exposed spine, the outer rim delivers you to the peak, as the sky remains just beyond your outstretched fingertips. Latching on in the Climb Base below the Bradfield Highway, you will walk on catwalks below the road-deck until you reach the South-East Pylon. Here you will ascend 4 ladders to the start of the upper arch, surrounded by the hum and buzz of Sydney's traffic. With the summit in your sight, your journey continues along the Bridge's outer arch on the Opera House side until you hit the top. After a summit celebration with your group, you cross the spine of the Bridge to the Darling Harbour side to make your descent to our Climb Base.

Day 18 - Sydney - USA



After breakfast, transfer to the airport for our international flight back to the US. Cross the international dateline and gain a day.

PASSPORT GUIDELINES

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YOU MUST HAVE A VALID PASSPORT TO LEAVE THE U.S.!

This passport **MUST** meet these 4 requirements:

- # 1-- Passport must be **VALID**... expired passports aren't good for anything!
- # 2-- Passport must be good for at least **SIX MONTHS** **AFTER** your return date home from your trip... if it expires before then, you won't be going! (Passports "unofficially" expire 6 months before their actual expiration, so don't let that catch you by surprise!)
- # 3-- Passport must be in **YOUR LEGAL NAME** & passport must match the name you put on your ticket/travel documents... no matching names, no leaving the country!
- # 4-- Passport must have at least **ONE BLANK PAGE** left in the passport... this is for when they stamp your passport upon arrival in the foreign country. Your passport is invalid if it doesn't have at least 1 blank page for use!

VISA GUIDELINES



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NZeTA expiry date: [REDACTED]

Your New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA) has been issued.
When you travel to New Zealand, you must check in with the passport listed here.
When arriving in New Zealand, you must declare any biosecurity risk items.

Now your NZeTA has been issued, what next?

- It is your responsibility to ensure that the passport details in this NZeTA exactly match the details of the passport you will travel on. If these details do not match, you will be prevented from travelling to New Zealand. You can use our [online form](#) to correct some details, such as your passport number, otherwise you must request a new NZeTA.
- You must ensure that your passport expiry date complies with the [rules](#) about how long it must be valid for at the time of travel.
- You must ensure that you meet all other [requirements](#) to travel to New Zealand, including holding outward passage (either a return ticket to your home country, or an outward ticket to a destination that you have the right to enter) before travelling to New Zealand, and having sufficient funds for your stay. It is also strongly recommended that you hold travel insurance. When you arrive in New Zealand, Immigration New Zealand must be satisfied that you are a genuine visitor.
- This NZeTA does not guarantee that you will be allowed to travel to or enter New Zealand. Immigration New Zealand will continue to assess your [eligibility](#) to travel, including using information provided by your carrier relating to your travel booking.
- You must apply for entry permission and a visa on arrival in New Zealand.

For information on what to see and do in New Zealand, visit <https://www.newzealand.com/ie/>.

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Both New Zealand and Australia now require an e-visa for entry into their countries. Both can be applied for online for a small fee. Processing time takes only a few days. No need to send your passport to the consulate office. Be sure to fill out the application ahead of time and bring the visa with you on the trip.

WHAT TO PACK

New Zealand is well known for having '4 seasons in one day' – In other words, you should expect almost any type of weather at any time of day.

The following is a guide as to what you should pack for you to enjoy your New Zealand trip.



Baggage Allowance for Economy Class Air New Zealand International Flights

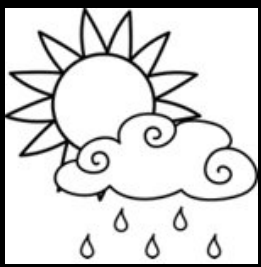
Checked luggage: 1 piece weighing no more than 50 lbs. Additional bag charge of \$50.

One piece of cabin baggage with a maximum weight of 15lbs and maximum total dimensions 46.5".

- 1 thick sweater
- 1 Warm jacket
- 1 Rainproof jacket
- Umbrella
- 1 or 2 pairs of Jeans
- 1 or 2 Shorts
- 2 or 3 Casual shirts or tops
- 1 or 2 T-shirts
- 1 or 2 eveningwear outfits
- 1 or 2 Warm-up suit
- Socks
- Underwear
- 1 or 2 Nightwear
- Swimwear and towel
- Thongs/flip flops/sandals
- Going out shoes
- Comfortable walking shoes (for outdoor activities)
- Toiletry bag and contents
- Sun tan lotion
- Insect repellent
- Aspirin/Medicines, etc.
- Travel Documents
- Passport (carried on, not in checked baggage)

New Zealand's agricultural industries are free of many insect pests, and plant and animal diseases common elsewhere in the world. They put a lot of effort into minimizing the risk of these being introduced at ports and airports.

Heavy fines may be imposed on people caught carrying prohibited materials. On arrival visitors should place any questionable items, particularly fruit, in the bins provided.



NEW ZEALAND CLIMATE



New Zealand does not have a large temperature range, lacking the extremes found in most continental climates. However, the weather can change unexpectedly, as cold fronts or tropical cyclones quickly blow in. Because of this, you should be prepared for sudden changes in weather and temperature if you're going hiking or doing other outdoor activities.

- Spring - September, October, November
- Summer - December, January, February
- Autumn - March, April, May
- Winter - June, July, August

New Zealand has a largely temperate climate. While the far north has subtropical weather during summer, and inland alpine areas of the South Island can be as cold as -50 degrees in winter, most of the country lies close to the coast, which means mild temperatures, moderate rainfall, and abundant sunshine.

Because New Zealand lies in the Southern Hemisphere, the average temperature decreases as you travel south. The north of New Zealand is subtropical and the south temperate. The warmest months are December, January and February, and the coldest June, July and August. In summer, the average temperature ranges between 65-80°F and in winter between 50-60°F.

NEW ZEALAND CUISINE



Occupying an island nation with a primarily agricultural economy, New Zealanders enjoy quality local produce from land and sea. Typical New Zealand favorites are lamb, pork, venison, seafood, sweet potato, kiwi fruit, tamarillo, and pavlova, the national dessert - a meringue cake with a light, delicate, crisp crust and a soft sweet marshmallow center. Similar to the cuisine of Australia, the cuisine of New Zealand is a diverse British-based cuisine with Mediterranean, Pacific Rim and Indian influences.

Like other Polynesian people, Māori cooked their food in earth ovens known as hāngi. Stones are heated by fire and food parcels, packed in leaves, are placed on top. The packs are further covered with foliage and cloth, or, nowadays wet sacks, then earth. Other cooking methods included roasting and, in geothermal areas, boiling or steaming using natural hot springs and pools. Māori were one of the few people to have no form of alcoholic beverage.

NEW ZEALAND SHOPPING

- Sheepskin Coats
- Sheepskin Slippers
- Lanolin Skin Care
- Thermal Mud Skin Care
- New Zealand Soaps
- All Blacks Rugby Gifts
- Paua Shell Gifts
- Greenstone Jade
- Bone Carvings
- Maori Wood Carvings
- Wool products
- Possum Knitwear
- Merino Knitwear
- Hokitika Glass
- Maneuka Honey
- Wine
- Tea
- Biscuits



PROTECT YOUR INVESTMENT

Our goal is to ensure that you enjoy your hard-earned vacation! With the price of vacation and air travel skyrocketing, it's vital to protect your investment. *While travel insurance is not required, it is strongly encouraged!*

Here are 10 very valid reasons why you should purchase travel insurance:

1. You become ill or injured causing you to cancel your trip.
2. An immediate family member becomes ill or passes away and you have to cancel your trip.
3. Unforeseen weather conditions causing your flight to be delayed so long that you miss your tour departure.
4. Your house or business has a flood, fire or other natural disaster and you can't travel and have to cancel your trip.
5. You are in an auto accident on the way to the airport and have to cancel the trip.
6. You or a traveling companion have an accident or become ill while traveling and have to return home.
7. Someone at home becomes ill and you need to return home.
8. You experience travel delays from inclement weather conditions and have incurred additional expenses.
9. You arrive at your destination, but your luggage does not and you need to purchase replacement items.
10. Your personal belongings get stolen while on your trip and you need to replace them.

Contact World Travel Together to arrange your policy.



Thank you for attending. I hope you'll decide to join us on this wonderful journey to the land down under that is a food and wine lovers paradise, known for it's warm, friendly hospitality with stunning scenery that will take your breath away, where there are exciting adventures every where you turn....Leave the pressures of your world behind and escape with us to a place that feeds your soul!