

10 Day Self-Drive tour of the North and South Islands of New Zealand

note: meals included indicated by B, L, D

this tour can be taken as a coach trip; daily departures.

DAY 01 WELCOME TO NEW ZEALAND

Met on Arrival. This afternoon enjoy a private car and driver tour of New Zealand's largest city including panoramic views over the two harbours from the Skytower, a Fullers Coffee Cruise, Kelly Tarlton's Underwater World and Antarctic Encounter.

ACCOMMODATION: (A) HILTON HOTEL (Waterview room)
(B) HERITAGE HOTEL (Superior room)

DAY 02 AUCKLAND / WAITOMO / ROTORUA

(B) Collect a Toyota Camry or similar automatic rental vehicle. Travel south across the Bombay Hills and through the Waikato Valley to Waitomo. Enjoy a guided tour of the famous limestone caves including the Glowworm Cave. Afterwards continue across the Mamaku Ranges to Rotorua.

ACCOMMODATION: (A) NOVOTEL ROTORUA LAKESIDE (King Suite)
(B) NOVOTEL ROTORUA LAKESIDE (lakeview)

DAY 03 ROTORUA

(BD) Morning sightseeing includes a tour of Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve and the Maori Arts & Craft Institute and the popular Agrodome sheep show. Evening hangi dinner and concert of Maori song and dance.



DAY 04 ROTORUA / CHRISTCHURCH

(B) Fly to Christchurch. Afternoon is free to explore the Garden City.

ACCOMMODATION: (A) THE GEORGE HOTEL (Premium executive room)
(B) MILLENNIUM HOTEL

DAY 05 CHRISTCHURCH / FRANZ JOSEF

(B) Board the TranzAlpine for a scenic train ride through the Southern Alps to Greymouth. Collect a Toyota Camry or similar automatic rental vehicle and drive south to Franz Josef. On arrival visit the glacier, a huge river of snow and ice flowing from vast snowfields high in the Alps almost to sea level.

ACCOMMODATION: (A) TE WAONU LODGE FOREST RETREAT
(B) FRANZ JOSEF HOTEL (Douglas wing)

DAY 06
(B)

FRANZ JOSEF / QUEENSTOWN

Travel south through to the magnificent rainforests of the Haast Pass. Descend past glacial lakes Hawea and Wanaka and cross the Central Otago sheep country to Queenstown.

ACCOMMODATION: (A) HOTEL ST MORTIZ (1 bedroom lakeview)
(B) NOVOTEL QUEENSTOWN (lakeview room)

DAY 07 **QUEENSTOWN**

(BD)

Free day for your own choice of activities. Cruise across Lake Wakatipu on the 1912 vintage steamer TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak for dinner and a farm show.



DAY 08
(BL)

MILFORD SOUND DAY TOUR

Full day touring by coach. Travel around Lake Wakatipu, through Te Anau and stunning Fiordland National Park, with high mountains and deep valleys carved out by ice age glaciers. Cruise Milford Sound past Mitre Peak to the open sea. Picnic lunch included. Return to Queenstown early evening.

DAY 09
(B)

QUEENSTOWN / MT COOK / CHRISTCHURCH

Travel north through Central Otago and the Lindis Pass in to Mt Cook Village. There are 17 peaks over 10,000 ft in Mt Cook National Park. Opportunity for a scenic flight (own cost). Travel past Lakes Pukaki and Tekapo, through Burkes Pass, crossing the Canterbury Plains in to Christchurch.

ACCOMMODATION: (A) THE GEORGE HOTEL (Premium executive room)
(B) MILLENNIUM HOTEL

DAY 10
(B)

DEPART CHRISTCHURCH

Morning sightseeing tour includes the Cathedral, Town Hall, Arts Centre, Museum, University, Avon River, and the Botanic Gardens. Free until your flight home or extension to Australia or Fiji.

PRICES USD PER PERSON VALID 30APR2010

(A) HOTEL –USD \$3,150 pp. (B) HOTEL – USD \$2,656 pp.

based on double occupancy. Prices subject to changes in the exchange rate.

NOTE: can be taken as a coach trip for several hundred less dollars. Daily departures.

INCLUDES:

- Meet and greet on arrival at Auckland International Airport
- Transfers by private car and driver as specified
- 9 nights hotel accommodation on share twin/double basis with breakfast (non-smoking rooms)

- 9 x 24 hours hire of a Toyota Camry or similar automatic vehicle with unlimited kms and daily insurance (non-smoking fleet)
- Touring on a seat in coach basis as specified (non-smoking services)
- Wellington/Picton Interislander ferry – passengers only
- Sightseeing activities and admissions as specified
- Meals as specified
- GST at 12.5% (costs subject to increase should GST % change)

DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Meals except as specified
- Use of rooms before/after normal check in/out times
- Items of a personal nature eg laundry, phone calls, liquor etc
- Petrol/oil/CDW insurance for rental vehicle (airport and ferry fees/bond/excess applies - pay direct)
- Additional sightseeing and arrangements
- All car parking charges
- Airfares
- Surcharges that may apply over special events and/or public holidays.
- Airport Departure Tax at NZ\$25.00 per person ex Christchurch

Quote only - no reservations are held. Subject to availability of the accommodation and other services upon which this quote is based when travel dates are set and confirmation is received by this office to proceed with booking.

Please note: The luxury lodges/guesthouses have strict booking and cancellation conditions – which effectively means that they will charge cancellation fees for bookings cancelled inside 30 days of an intended stay. You may want to check their individual websites for details. Travel insurance is recommended.

Tranz Scenic Train Excursion - Cancellations and amendments 14-8 days prior to travel date incur 25% fee, 7-2 days incur 50% fee. Less than 48hrs, after departure and no shows incur 100% fee.

When travelling by self drive rental vehicle you will need to give a credit card Security Bond at the time the vehicle is collected (NZ\$150.00), which is voided if the vehicle is returned undamaged, on time to the pre-arranged depot with a full tank of fuel. Additional insurances are available – please discuss with rental company when hire is initiated. Budget Rentals have a standard excess of NZ\$2500.00 + GST (NZ\$2812.50) for which the hirer is responsible for vehicle damage regardless of who is at fault. This excess liability can be reduced to NZ\$225.00 + GST by payment of an additional NZ\$25.00 + GST of hire a day direct to Budget Rentals on collection

Drivers will be required to present a full and valid driver's licence in English

GPS units are now available with rental vehicles at extra cost – recommend pre-booking. Pay direct. Travel Time will be pleased to reserve these if requested - but the customer **must pay for the unit hire direct to Budget Rentals at the time of collection.** Costs are NZ\$11.20 per day, or NZ\$56.20 per week, or NZ\$112.45 per month incl GST. If a customer returns a unit to a location that is not the same city as it was hired and that depot is not one of the GPS participating depots, a one way fee of NZ\$56.25 incl GST will be charged. Where continuous multiple hires are involved, the customer is to take the unit with him/her to use with the second vehicle. Where hires are not continuous the unit must be returned and a new unit hired at the start of the next rental period - a one way fee applies to each hire where applicable.

Payment Terms - once booking is confirmed, prepayment is required 30 days before arrival in New Zealand. Can be made by International Money Transfer or credit card. Credit Card fees apply in addition to the nett amount quoted above (2% Visa/MasterCard and 3% American Express).