



Highlighter

9 or 14 Days Fully Escorted

Auckland Waterfront



Day 1 Arrive Auckland

On arrival, be met and transferred to the hotel. **Accommodation:** Auckland, SKYCITY Hotel.

Day 2 Auckland / Waitomo / Rotorua

Travel south through Waikato farmland to the Waitomo Caves. Glide silently by boat on an underground river through a magical grotto lit by Glow Worms. Continue to Rotorua, a geothermal wonderland rich in Maori culture. Tonight enjoy a feast and Maori performance. **Accommodation:** Rotorua Heritage for two nights. (B,D)

Day 3 Rotorua Personalized Touring

Rotorua is New Zealand's oldest and best-known thermal region. Marvel at its geothermal activity and experience Maori culture. Today you choose the activity and we'll include it. Perhaps a soak in a thermal mineral pool, a 4WD excursion or a sheep show and shearing display. **Country Homestay option available tonight.** (B,D)

Day 4 Rotorua / Wellington

Journey south to Lake Taupo. We stop to view the mighty Huka Falls then to Wairakei Steam Valley. Continue to Wellington, New Zealand's capital city. **Accommodation:** Wellington, James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor. (B,D)

Day 5 Wellington / Blenheim

Enjoy a brief city sightseeing tour before visiting Te Papa, the National Museum of New Zealand. This afternoon, sail through the Wellington Harbour, across Cook Strait and through the breathtaking natural beauty of Marlborough Sounds to Picton. Rejoin the coach and travel to Blenheim. **Accommodation:** Blenheim, Blenheim Country Hotel. (B,D)

Day 6 Blenheim / Christchurch

9 day passengers join today in Christchurch. Travel south to the unique fishing town of Kaikoura, a renowned whale watching area, and then to Christchurch, New Zealand's "Garden City." **Accommodation:** Christchurch, Copthorne Central Hotel. (B,D)

Day 7 Christchurch / Franz Josef

Join the TranzAlpine train to travel through the Southern Alps and across the South Island. Travel to the rugged West Coast. At Franz Josef, enter World Heritage-listed Westland National Park and view the magnificent glaciers. **Accommodation:** Franz Josef, Franz Josef Glacier Hotel. (B,D)

Day 8 Franz Josef / Queenstown

View magnificent scenery, traveling from the rugged West Coast to Haast Pass. This evening choose a "special" dining experience. Cruise to Walter Peak for a candlelight dinner at the Colonel's Homestead, ride the Queenstown gondola to the Skyline Restaurant or dine at a local restaurant. Select one and we will include it! **Accommodation:** Queenstown, Novotel Gardens for two nights. (B,D)

Day 9 Queenstown Personalized Touring

Queenstown is perfect for adventurers and leisure-seekers alike. Choose an activity and we will include it! Perhaps a tour of Queenstown's local gardens or local wineries, a jetboat ride or a double decker bus tour—the choice is yours. (B)

Day 10 Queenstown / Milford Sound / Te Anau

Travel through Eglington Valley and Homer Tunnel, gateway to the mighty fiord of Milford Sound (weather permitting). See spectacular waterfalls and the grandeur of mile-high Mitre Peak during our cruise. **Accommodation:** Te Anau, Village Inn. (B,D)

Day 11 Te Anau / Dunedin Personalized Touring

Travel across the South Island to Dunedin. This afternoon choose the activity and we'll include it. Perhaps a harbor cruise or a visit to either the Royal Albatross Center or a yellow-eyed penguin colony. **Accommodation:** Dunedin, City Hotel. (B,D)

Day 12 Dunedin / Mt Cook

Journey north to Moeraki Beach with its unusual boulders. Stop at historic Oamaru, then continue inland past beautiful glacier-fed lakes of incredible color en route to Mt Cook National Park, home to New Zealand's highest mountain. Enjoy a scenic flight over this awe-inspiring alpine region (own expense, weather permitting). **Accommodation:** Mt Cook, Hermitage Hotel. (B,D)

Day 13 Mt Cook / Christchurch

Travel through Burkes Pass and the Canterbury Plains before returning to Christchurch. **Accommodation:** Christchurch, Copthorne Central Hotel. (B,D)

Day 14 Personal Touring / Depart Christchurch

Discover Christchurch with your choice of activity before a transfer to the airport for an onward flight. (B)

Price Includes

- 13 nights first class accommodation
- Fully escorted in New Zealand with Tour Director and Coach Captain
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Tour by modern air-conditioned coach
- Ferry between North & South Islands
- Admission Fees
- Auckland, Rotorua, Christchurch, Queenstown and Dunedin Personalized Sightseeing - you choose the activity and well in clude it

Highlights

- Rotorua: Maori Hangi & Concert, Waitomo Glow Worm Caves
- Wellington: Te Papa National Museum
- Christchurch: TranzAlpine Express Train Journey
- Franz Josef: Franz Josef Glacier, Haast River Safari
- Queenstown: Milford Sound cruise



TranzAlpine Train

14 DAY TOUR DEPARTURE DATES

2007 Apr 3, 10, 17, 24; May 1, 8, 22; Jun 12; Jul 17; Aug 7, 21; Sep 4, 11, 18, 25; Oct 6, 9, 13, 16, 23, 27, 30; Nov 3, 6, 8, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27; Dec 1, 4, 11, 18, 25

2008 Jan 1, 5, 8, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26, 29; Feb 5, 7, 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28; Mar 1, 4, 8, 11, 18, 22, 25

9 day tours depart five days after 14 day departure dates.
9 day and 14 day tour itineraries are also available in reverse.

CODE: NCC14 & NCC9

	Room Only + Special Meals	Breakfast + Special Meals	Breakfast, Dinner + Special Meals
	1 Apr 07- 16 Sep 07-	1 Apr 07- 16 Sep 07-	1 Apr 07- 16 Sep 07-
Price Per Person	15 Sep 07 31 Mar 08	15 Sep 07 31 Mar 08	15 Sep 07 31 Mar 08
14 day Twin share	\$2540	\$2990	\$2690 \$3165
14 day Single	\$3260	\$3835	\$3410 \$4010
9 day Twin share	\$1730	\$2035	\$1830 \$2155
9 day Single	\$2110	\$2480	\$2210 \$2600

Itinerary effective 1 April 2007. Itineraries prior to this follow different route.
Country Homestay on Day 3 must be prebooked.