

# 12 DAYS NEW ZEALAND WINTER HIGHLIGHTS



## DAY-01: ARRIVE IN CHRISTCHURCH.

"Kia Ora" Arrive at Christchurch International Airport in South Island, New Zealand!

You will be meet & greet at the airport and you will be transfer into your Christchurch City hotel. Check in to your hotel. The remainder of today is yours to explore. By walk only from your hotel, enjoy your Dinner at Tramway Restaurant. Overnight at the hotel.

**Meal:** 4-Course Dinner

**Hotel:** Crowne Plaza Hotel Christchurch or similar

## DAY-02: TRANZALPINE

### CHRISTCHURCH – GREYMOUTH.

Early breakfast at hotel restaurant.

The train journey described as one of the great train journeys in the world, the TranzAlpine travels through vast patchwork plains, past aqua blue rivers and across the mountainous spine of the South Island.

**Note:** Operates only Mon-Fri. If train is unavailable, SIC transfer as a replacement in this journey.

Punakaiki Pancake Rocks and Blowholes are located 40 minutes north of Greymouth. The stunning Pancake Rocks can be easily accessed on a 20-minute loop track from the main highway. Explore a limestone landscape of pancake-shaped rock

formations, blowholes and surge pools on a short, paved walk. The blowholes are best seen at high tide and are impressive if the wind is blowing in from the sea. Includes pick up/drop off from selected Greymouth accommodation.

**Meal:** Hotel Buffet Breakfast

**Hotel:** Ashley Hotel Greymouth or similar

## DAY-03: GREYMOUTH – GLACIER REGION.

Enjoy your breakfast at hotel restaurant.

Explore the majestic rainforest as you discover the Franz Josef Glacier valley, one of the lowest-lying and most unusual glaciers in the world. This tour is beautiful in blue skies or magical misty rain - you will feel like you are in Narnia or Lord of the Rings. Wander past gorgeous glacial rivers and streams through beautiful podocarp forests.

Discover hidden natural treasures such as wild mushrooms and dozens of species of orchids. Relish the sound of the native bird songs and waterfalls with the towering snow-capped mountains above. Includes a hot drink and biscuits. Complimentary pick up/drop off from Central Franz Josef accommodation.

**Meal:** Hotel Buffet Breakfast

**Hotel:** Franz Josef Glacier - Te Waonui Forest Retreat Hotel or similar

**Optional Tour:** 30mins Glacier Heli Flight: US\$ 240.00 per person

## DAY-04: GREYMOUTH – QUEENSTOWN.

Enjoy your breakfast at hotel restaurant. Enjoy the spectacular mountain ranges and rugged scenery on the journey south. At the Gates of Haast, a series of rapids creates a waterfall effect as the racing glacial waters thunder below the road. Pass picturesque lakes and rivers as you arrive into Queenstown, one of New Zealand's most exciting destinations. Buzzing with adrenaline, Queenstown delivers a smorgasbord of outdoor activities.

Take a cable car ride to the summit of Bob's Peak. The best views are found here spread out in a 220-degree panorama. Enjoy a buffet dinner at one of Queenstown's most spectacular locations.

**Meal:** Hotel Buffet Breakfast, Buffet Dinner

**Hotel:** Novotel Queenstown Lakeside Hotel or similar

## DAY-05: QUEENSTOWN HIGHLIGHTS.

Breakfast at hotel restaurant.

This tour offers the benefits of experienced local guides. With great knowledge of the best views, fascinating history, wine-tasting, adrenaline spectator spots and genuine insight into the region.

Enjoy a quintessential Kiwi experience - a delicious gourmet BBQ buffet meal and a farm demonstration in a stunning lakeside setting. Departing from Queenstown wharf, cruise across Lake Wakatipu onboard the historic, motorized vessel.

Enjoy lakeside dining in the elegant Colonel's Homestead at Walter Peak High Country Farm. Be entertained by the farm demonstration or explore the beautiful gardens before the return cruise to downtown Queenstown.

**Meal:** Hotel Buffet Breakfast, BBQ Lunch

**Hotel:** Novotel Queenstown Lakeside Hotel or similar

**Optional Tour:** Nomad Safaris 4WD and Shotover Jetboat Ride - US\$ 225.00 per person

#### **DAY-06: MILFORD SOUND EXPERIENCE.**

Enjoy your breakfast at hotel restaurant.

Depart from Queenstown on a luxury glass-roofed coach to spectacular Milford Sound where sheer granite cliffs tower into the sky and plunge into the depths of clear water. Depart Milford on a full-length cruise with views of waterfalls, rainforest and wildlife watching out for dolphins, seals and penguins. Allow 12 hours. Complimentary pick up from central Queenstown accommodation with return to Queenstown.

**Meal:** Hotel Buffet Breakfast, BBQ Lunch

**Hotel:** Novotel Queenstown Lakeside Hotel or similar

#### **DAY-07: QUEENSTOWN – MT. COOK – CHRISITCHEURCH.**

Breakfast at hotel restaurant.

Depart on a luxury coach through the rugged Kawerau Gorge that leads into the Cromwell region and its fruit orchards. Cross the vast Lindis Pass dotted with tawny tussocks.

Continue on this spectacular scenic drive through the dramatic and vast landscape to a rugged land of ice and rock, home to New Zealand's highest mountain, Aoraki, Mt Cook. Explore the village and embrace the majestic views. A short stop is made at picturesque Lake Tekapo where the Church of The Good Shepherd, sits solitary at the edge of the vivid blue lake before flat, green farmlands signal your arrival into Christchurch. Includes complimentary pick up from select Queenstown hotels and drop off at select Christchurch hotels.

**Meal:** Hotel Buffet Breakfast

**Hotel:** Crowne Plaza Hotel Christchurch or similar

#### **DAY-08: CHRISTCHURCH - ROTORUA.**

Breakfast at hotel restaurant. Prepare to check out from your hotel. You will be transfer to Christchurch Airport for your flight into Rotorua.

"Haere Mai" Welcome to Rotorua. You will be met by our local representative and privately transfer to your accommodation.

**Note:** Internal air ticket is included in this part of the itinerary on Air New Zealand with 7kg hand carry and 23kg checked luggage.

Just seven minutes from central Rotorua lies the geothermal valley of Wakarewarewa Thermal Reserve and Pohutu geyser. Enjoy a mouth-watering buffet designed with local sourced cuisine and an authentic Maori twist overlooking the valley's geothermal vista with sweeping views of the geyser, followed by a 40-minute cultural performance in the beautifully carved meeting house with traditional welcome (powhiri), song (waiata), poi and haka.

The evening culminates with hot chocolate and pudding surrounded by steam and the geyser terrace bathed in coloured light. Complimentary transfers are provided from central Rotorua accommodation. Return transfer to hotel will be provided by Te Puia.

**Meal:** Hotel Buffet Breakfast, Hangi Buffet Dinner

**Hotel:** Millennium Hotel Rotorua or similar

#### **DAY-09: ROTORUA HIGHLIGHTS.**

Breakfast at hotel restaurant.

Wai-O-Tapu Thermal Wonderland - General Admission - self guided. Sculptured out of volcanic activity and thousands of years in the making, Wai-O-Tapu is considered to be New Zealand's most colourful and diverse geothermal sightseeing attraction. You are introduced to a uniquely different natural landscape - the key to what you see lies below the surface - one of the most extensive geothermal systems in New Zealand.

Clearly defined tracks provide you with the opportunity to enjoy the diversity of this area through a series of different walks taking from 30 to 75 minutes or more, each with their own unique volcanic vistas to fascinate all ages.

The nature of the reserve being an active volcanic area and the undulating terrain may present some difficulties for people with various disabilities.

Agrodome is just a 10-minute drive from Rotorua city centre, in the heart of a real 350-acre working New Zealand farm. You'll hear amazing facts and have a few laughs as you're introduced to 19 breeds of sheep. Witness a live sheep shearing demonstration and the remarkable farm dogs as they demonstrate their ability to respond to commands and keep those sheep in line. Your visit includes access to the Farmyard Nursery, home to the smallest, cutest animals at the Agrodome. Pet and have your photo taken with cute lambs and other baby farm animals. Then pop across to the herding area to watch a free live dog trial after the show.

A 700-metre walkway made up of 28 suspension bridges and platforms high

amongst giant Redwood Trees. Enjoy extraordinary, majestic beauty by day or the mesmerising and magical forest illuminated with lanterns at night.

The Skyline Complex is situated high on the side of Mt Ngongotaha, just nine minutes from Rotorua central. Step onboard a gondola cabin and enjoy a gentle, scenic ride high above Rotorua for spectacular views of the city and lake. Enjoy a delicious meal featuring a stunning array of freshly prepared dishes highlighting locally sourced ingredients, amongst the surrounding panoramic views.

**Meal:** Hotel Buffet Breakfast, BBQ Buffet Lunch, Buffet Dinner

**Hotel:** Millennium Hotel Rotorua or similar

#### **DAY-10: ROTORUA – MATAMATA – WAITOMO – AUCKLAND.**

Enjoy your breakfast at hotel restaurant.

Depart Rotorua on a journey through Middle-earth for a Hobbiton Movie Set Tour. Visit 44 hobbit holes, the Mill and the Party Tree before a visit to the Green Dragon Inn for a drink and a sumptuous buffet lunch. The tour continues to Waitomo for a guided tour of the Glow Worm Cave and iconic boat ride through the magical glow worm grotto. Continue on to Auckland for 6.30pm arrival.

Situated at the top of Auckland's Sky Tower, Orbit offers a modern dining experience in a relaxed, open atmosphere with a kiwi-inspired menu. The Orbit dining room completes a 360-degree rotation each hour, providing a truly unique experience with amazing panoramas of the city, harbour and beyond.

**Meal:** Hotel Buffet Breakfast, Buffet Lunch, Western Dinner

**Hotel:** Sky City Hotel or similar

#### **DAY-11: AUCKLAND CITY TOUR & FREE DAY.**

Enjoy your breakfast at hotel restaurant.

This morning tour showcases the highlights of Auckland city. Travel through Auckland's central business district, an inner-city park and through picturesque suburbs.

Head over the Harbour Bridge and stroll on a beautiful white sand beach with views out across the harbour to the Hauraki Islands and back across the city.

Your driver guide will also provide an insight into the Māori history of the area on this small group tour. Complimentary pick up and drop off from central Auckland accommodation.

Free time at your own. This is the ideal time for "Pasalubong Shopping".

**Meal:** Hotel Buffet Breakfast

**Hotel:** Sky City Hotel or similar



## DAY-12: FAREWELL FROM AUCKLAND.

Your trip ends after breakfast in Auckland.

You will be transfer to Auckland International Airport for your International flight bound home taking with you the unforgettable and lasting memories of a wonderful New Zealand.

**Meals:** Breakfast

*End of our service, hope to welcome you again!*

## TOUR DATES & PRICES:

**Valid: Winter Season from June 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025 Departures (Min of 2 guests)**

### Tour Cost Per Person

02 + 0 Twin share	PHP 282,600.00	US\$ 4,710.00
Triple room reduction	PHP 12,600.00	US\$ 210.00
Single room supplement	PHP 118,800.00	US\$ 1,980.00

**Note.** \*Tour price is *not* valid during Christmas, New Year, Easter, New Zealand National and International Events.

**\*\*Extra night/s in Christchurch and Auckland are available upon request.**

## INCLUSIONS:

- New Zealand Goods and Services Tax
- Air New Zealand air ticket with 7kg hand carry and 1 checked bag (23kg)
- Seat-in-coach touring with English speaking driver guide
- Accommodation with daily breakfast inside the hotel
- Attractions as specified in the itinerary
- Meals as included in the itinerary
- Free travel insurance
- Travel Kit

## NOT INCLUDED:

- International airfares
- Any extra meals
- Drinks (soft drinks/juices/wine/beers ordered during meals)
- Optional tours and activities are not mentioned in the itinerary.
- Air New Zealand excess checked bag other than 1 piece
- New Zealand Airport Departure Tax if any. (At the moment there is none)
- Items of a personal nature such as phone calls, pay movies, room services, mini bars laundries, or other expenditures during the tour.
- Daily tipping (Approx NZ\$ 8.00 per person per day)

## HOTEL SELECTIONS:

### 4-STAR:

In Christchurch – **Crowne Plaza Christchurch** or similar - <https://www.ihg.com/crowneplaza/hotels/us/en/christchurch/chccs/hoteldetail>

In Greymouth – **The Ashley Hotel Greymouth** or similar - <https://www.hotelashley.co.nz/>

In Franz Josef – **Te Waonui Forest Retreat Hotel** or similar - <https://www.scenichotelgroup.co.nz/franz-josef/te-waonui-forest-retreat/>

In Queenstown – **Millennium Hotel Queenstown** or similar - <https://www.millenniumhotels.com/en/queenstown/millennium-hotel-queenstown/>

In Rotorua – **Millennium Hotel Rotorua** or similar - <https://www.millenniumhotels.com/en/rotorua/millennium-hotel-rotorua/>

In Auckland – **SkyCity Auckland** or similar - <https://skycityauckland.co.nz/>

## CHILD POLICY:

### \*Note: Child = 2 – 11yrs inclusive

- Infant under 2 years of age: FOC
- Child share room with 1 adult: Upon request
- Child share room with 2 adults with bed: Upon request
- Child share room with 2 adults not occupying a bed: Upon request
- **\*\* For 2 children sharing one twin room, both child will be charged at: Upon request**

## CHILD POLICY:

- Upon confirmation of all services, we require US\$ 500.00 tour deposit per person.
- Full payment is payable four (4) weeks prior to commencement of service.
- For bookings less than four (4) weeks prior to commencement of service and during peak seasons and block out periods shall be considered as "book & buy". Full payments has to be made immediately upon confirmation of all services.

## SURCHARGE:

- Surcharge may apply for tours traveling during New Zealand public holidays and special events period.
- The quoted price is subject to sudden price increases or surcharges imposed by our suppliers that are beyond our control. (e.g. room surcharge, peak seasons surcharge if the original quoted price is not available).

## CANCELLATION POLICY:

We will endeavour to minimize any cancellation charges imposed. However, our general cancellations policy is as follows:

- 61 days or more - Deposit
- 60-30 days prior to arrival - 50% of the tour fare
- 29-2 days - 80% of tour fare
- 1-0 days prior to arrival - 100% of tour fare

**Contact us:**

**Please note:** Information concerning tour inclusions and resort/hotel facilities has been compiled as accurately as possible. However, there may be times when certain amenities, facilities and/or inclusions are not available. Such situations may be dictated by weather conditions, maintenance/ refurbishment, local regulations and national or religious holidays. While we will endeavor to advise clients of any changes to itinerary inclusions, we cannot accept responsibility for any such situations which are outside our control.