



New Zealand & Australian
Luxury Travel

TWIN ISLAND TOUR

New Zealand



The most
spectacular way
to celebrate the
Chinese New Year
2016.

7 Day - Twin Island Luxury
New Zealand

February 10th – 16th February
Small group of 8 - 16 travellers; Fully Guided

PRICING SUMMARY

**Rate per person NZ\$
Twin/Double share room**

8 Pax NZ\$17,100

16 Pax NZ\$15,620

Single Supplement NZ \$3,744

Rates are Nett, per person and in NZ\$

Minimum 8 passengers

Maximum 16 passengers

ITINERARY OVERVIEW

- Day 1** Auckland
- Day 2** Auckland - Kauri Cliffs - Matakana
- Day 3** Waitomo Caves - Taupo
- Day 4** Taupo - Volcanic Plateau
- Day 5** Queenstown
- Day 6** Milford Sound - Queenstown
- Day 7** Queenstown - Cromwell - Auckland

INCLUSIONS

Accommodation:

- Sofitel hotel, Auckland, 2 nights
- Huka Lodge, Lake Taupo, 2 nights
- Matakauri Lodge, Queenstown, 2 nights

Transportation:

- Luxury transportation throughout the tour, with private guide
- Airport transfer by helicopter on arrival
- Flight to Queenstown (commercial)
- Flight to Auckland (commercial)

Activities & Excursions :

- Private helicopter flight to Kauri Cliffs golf course.
- 18 holes golf game at Kauri Cliffs, including a cart and clubs
- Exclusive vineyard visit at the Matakana region and gourmet lunch
- Private Waitomo Glowworm caves experience
- Wai-O-Tapu Geothermal Wonderland
- Private and exclusive scenic flight over the Volcanic region of Central Plateau and White Island
- Private Lake Taupo cruise to Maori Rock carving
- Huka Falls
- Shotover Jet boat ride
- Private scenic flight to Milford Sound, followed by a cruise on the Milford Sound (cruise is not private)
- Private 4WD guided tour to Queenstown's Backcountry & Lord of the Rings sites
- 'Fast Lap' motorsport experience

AUCKLAND

Day 1 - 10th February

Welcome to New Zealand.

Your guide will welcome you on arrival at the airport and will transfer you to the helipad to take your helicopter flight across the spectacular harbour city before arriving at your hotel.

Auckland is New Zealand's largest city and is nestled on a narrow isthmus between the Tasman Sea and the Pacific Ocean. The city itself is built on a field of fifty volcanoes, and the steep hills and craters that form part of the city's picturesque geography are a reminder of this volcanic past. The sapphire-coloured waters of the Hauraki Gulf are a popular place for Aucklanders to enjoy a range of leisure activities, especially yachting which gave rise to the epithet: 'City of Sails'.

After settling into your inner city hotel, your guide will take you through Auckland's fashionable and exciting Viaduct area. Bustling with bars and restaurants, the Viaduct is also home to the Maritime museum, the Auckland marina and is home to frequent festivals and live performances.

Your day concludes in style with dinner at a gourmet restaurant. A post-dinner private room at the casino can be arranged if required (Additional cost)

Inclusions

- Private scenic transfer from Auckland airport by helicopter
- Guided walk through Auckland's CBD and marina

Accommodation & Meals

- Accommodation: Sofitel Auckland
- Gourmet dinner

GOLF AT KAURI CLIFFS & NORTHLAND WINERY



Day 2 - 11th February 2013

Your day begins with breakfast before embarking on a helicopter flight to the renowned Kauri Cliffs Resort featuring 6500 acres of magnificent coastal farmland and a par-72 championship golf course with breathtaking views to the outlying Cavalli Islands and the Pacific.

Your heli flight sees you soaring above the scenic landscapes of subtropical Northland and landing at the coastal paradise of Matakauri Bay. Nestled in the sheltered east coast, with crystal-clear azure water and over a kilometre of white sandy beach, this historical settlement is quite rightly known as one of the most beautiful places in New Zealand.

After your 18 hole round, board your helicopter for a superb wine tasting experience at one of Matakauri's Award-winning vineyards. The beautiful rural surroundings also encompass a sculpture park and galleries, in the tranquil setting of lakes, crystal-clear streams and bush clad hills. Vineyard gourmet lunch is included.

For those not wishing to partake in the golf and wine tasting we will arrange alternative experiences. Options include a Kauri Cliffs Spa visit, a guided Northland sightseeing excursion, a sailing adventure on the harbour or a day's shopping excursion that showcases Auckland's boutique and designer couture. Featuring both international and New Zealand designers, the vibrant and eclectic mix of styles is sure to entice even the most discerning of shoppers.

Gourmet dinner at a specially selected restaurant

Inclusions

- Private helicopter flight to Kauri Cliffs, return.
- 18 holes golf at the renowned Kauri Cliffs, including green fees, cart and clubs
- Exclusive vineyard tasting and gourmet lunch
- Alternative tours if required

Accommodation & Meals

- Accommodation: The Sofitel Auckland
- Breakfast
- Winery lunch and tastings
- Dinner at award winning Orbit Restaurant

WAITOMO CAVES & LAKE TAUPO



Day 3 - 12th February

Today you will head southwards, travelling to Waitomo via the picturesque rural landscape and rolling, green hills of the Waikato district. The magnificent and fertile farmland belies the fact that 30 million years ago this was the seabed at the bottom of a vast ocean and contains a fascinating subterranean world.

The morning provides the opportunity to explore the surreal underground environment of the breathtaking limestone caves, with a knowledgeable local guide. Learn about the rich history and incredible geology that surrounds these revered caves.

After a nourishing lunch, you will travel to one of New Zealand's truly unique destinations, the incomparable geothermal wonderland of the Volcanic Plateau. At Wai-O-Tapu, you will feel as if you are looking below the earth's crust into a primeval world of bubbling mud, erupting geysers and steaming thermal pools. Visitors to this fascinating region never fail to be impressed.

Our accommodation tonight is the iconic Huka Lodge, consistently rated as one of the world's best lodges and sited magnificently on the mighty Waikato River with superbly manicured, park-like surroundings. Built in 1924 as a fishing lodge, the setting is idyllic, exuding serenity, and the rooms are luxurious with an understated elegance and charm.

Gourmet dinner at the lodge.

Inclusions

- Private guided tour of Waitomo Glowworm Caves
- Wai-O-Tapu Geothermal Wonderland

Accommodation & Meals

- Accommodation: Huka Lodge or TreeTops Lodge
- Breakfast at Sofitel Auckland
- Lunch at Waitomo
- Lodge gourmet Dinner

TAUPO - VOLCANIC PLATEAU



Day 4 - 13th February

After breakfast in the peaceful surroundings of your luxury lodge, today takes a spectacular turn as you embark on an awe-inspiring, scenic flight to explore the Volcanic region from above. The Central North Island has a cluster of live volcanoes, including the recently active Mt Ruapehu and Mt Tongariro – which we will fly above. Off the eastern coast sits White Island, a consistently rumbling volcano and our journey this morning sees us view these incredible forces of nature, including their beautiful crater lakes, from the vantage point of the air. An exclusive tour has been designed especially for this tour by the owners of White Island.

Upon your return from the scenic flight, a relaxing afternoon cruise awaits, aboard a luxury vessel, exploring New Zealand's largest lake by surface area, Lake Taupo, itself a water-filled crater of a dormant volcano. The explosion that formed this crater in the year 181AD was the most violent eruption on the planet in the last 5000 years. With a large catchment area, Taupo is a deep, cool lake, containing a massive volume of water, and is well stocked with Rainbow and Brown trout.

No visit to Taupo would be complete without a visit to the spectacular Huka Falls, where Lake Taupo drains into the mighty Waikato River and the water is forced between a narrow rock crevice resulting in an incredible 220,000 litres of water gushing over the falls per second.

If the weather is fine, the day culminates in a private forest dinner prepared by a personal chef (In the unfortunate event of rain, the dinner will be held indoors).

Inclusions

- Private and exclusive White Island-Tongariro volcanic area scenic flight
- Private Lake Taupo cruise

Accommodation & Meals

- Accommodation: Huka Lodge
- Breakfast and lunch
- Forest dinner

QUEENSTOWN

Day 5 - 14th February

Your journey today begins with a flight to the incredible destination that is Queenstown. Deserving of all the accolades it receives, and known as the adventure capital of the world, Queenstown is one of the most naturally beautiful places on earth and has something to offer every visitor.

An action-packed day will see you on an exclusive tasting tour of an international award-winning local vineyard where you will experience the unique flavours of the Central Otago terroir, accompanied by a delicious lunch.

With the local landscape featuring prominently in the film series, Lord of the Rings 4WD tour is always high on the priority list and the exclusive Four Wheel Drive tour takes you to the sites of Isengard, the Lothorien Forests, Itilien Camp, Amon Hen, and the Misty Mountains as well as locations used in other feature films. A late afternoon trip on the exhilarating Shotover Jet boat closes out a fantastic day and adds an adrenalin rush, whilst experiencing the amazing river environment.

Tonight we are welcomed to the superb Matakauri Lodge, a luxurious alpine retreat, positioned spectacularly on the shores of Lake Wakatipu. This modern lodge with its stylish contemporary design and incredible location offers sumptuous comfort and relaxation, and a superb base from which to explore Queenstown and its surroundings.

Dinner will be held at the lodge.

Inclusions

- Flight Rotorua - Queenstown
- Wine tasting and lunch at premier Amisfield vineyard and winery.
- Private Back Country and Lord of The Rings guided tour
- Shotover Jet Boat ride

Accommodation & Meals

- Accommodation: Matakauri Lodge
- Breakfast – Huka Lodge
- Lunch – Amisfield Vineyard
- Dinner - Matakauri Lodge

MILFORD SOUND

Day 6 - 15th February

After breakfast you will fly from Queenstown to the Milford Sound by fixed wing aeroplane, crossing an incredible alpine environment that features ancient glaciers and spectacular mountain lakes.

Arrival in the Sounds sees you embark upon a cruise on the tranquil Milford Sound, part of the Fiordland National Park and a designated World Heritage area. Carved by glaciers in an ancient ice age, the majestic sheer cliffs rise almost vertically from the deep water and spectacular Mitre Peak, at a height of 1692m, is an iconic feature of the Milford Sound landscape.

The scenery is breathtaking, with the bush-clad cliffs, cascading waterfalls and pristine waters of this fjord being home to a range of bird and marine life including dolphins, seals and even, occasionally, whales. Returning to Queenstown, the afternoon is yours to spend a relaxing few hours exploring the enthralling township, independently or with your informative and helpful guide. In town, exclusive boutiques and galleries showcase the best designers and artisans in New Zealand, and there are almost unlimited opportunities to enjoy New Zealand's 'adventure capital' and the stunning local landscapes.

Alternatively, Matakauri Lodge offers luxury spa treatments if an afternoon of pampering and relaxation appeals.

Inclusions

- Private scenic flight to Milford Sound, return to Queenstown
- Milford Sound Cruise

Accommodation & Meals

- Accommodation: Matakauri Lodge
- Breakfast
- Gourmet picnic lunch
- Dinner at Matakauri Lodge

QUEENSTOWN - CROMWELL - AUCKLAND



Day 7 - 16th February

After a wonderful breakfast, you take a drive through the picturesque Central Otago countryside to Cromwell, situated alongside the mighty Clutha River, the longest river in the South Island. Established in 1862 when gold was discovered in the local rivers, Cromwell is now known as the 'fruit bowl of the south' with horticulture a prominent local industry.

At the Motorsport Park you will take part in one of the ultimate motorsport experiences, 'fast laps' around the circuit in a racing Porsche.

You will be dressed and helmeted in full race gear just like your driver, before a safety briefing and then being strapped firmly into the co-pilot's seat. This is followed by three of the most exhilarating, high-speed laps you can imagine where you are subject to formidable G-forces and an incredible adrenalin rush.

Once the adrenalin subsides, and after a gourmet lunch, you return to Queenstown, where you can take advantage of a last minute shopping or absorbing the sights of the lake and mountains before taking the late afternoon flight to Auckland and the connecting evening flight to Shanghai.

Inclusions

- Motorsport Experience: 'Fast Lap' and return transfers
- Flight Queenstown - Auckland

Accommodation & Meals

- Breakfast at Matakauri Lodge
- Lunch at the Motor Sport park in Cromwell