

BEST OF THE SOUTH ISLAND

8 days/7 nights. Commences Christchurch every Saturday

Day 1. Saturday	Arrive Christchurch. Transfer to hotel
Day 2. Sunday	Christchurch – Mt Cook – Queenstown
Day 3. Monday	Day tour to Milford Sound-including cruise and lunch
Day 4. Tuesday	Morning tour of Queenstown
Day 5. Wednesday	Queenstown to Fox or Franz Josef Glaciers
Day 6. Thursday	Glaciers – Hokitika
Day 7. Friday	Hokitika – Punakaiki – Christchurch
Day 8. Saturday	Christchurch depart

Tour cost per person

Hotel	2 per room \$2,990	3 per room \$2,850	Single \$3,600
Backpackers	Dormitory \$1,990	2 per room \$2,390	Single \$2,670

Tour cost includes:

All travel from Christchurch to Christchurch, 7 nights' accommodation (breakfasts at hotels only), Milford Sound tour and cruise, Puzzling World, Shantytown.
Please Note: (Travel on days 5-7 will be with our MAGNIFICENT NEW ZEALAND tour)
Travel on day 2 may be in a Great Sights 'big bus'
Travel on day 3 may be with Real Journeys in a big bus.

BEST OF NEW ZEALAND

13 days/12 nights. Depart Auckland 7.30am every Monday

Combine days 1 to 5 of our MAGNIFICENT NEW ZEALAND tour with our BEST OF THE SOUTH ISLAND tour. Stay Rotorua Friday night and fly to Christchurch Saturday, air fare included.

Tour Cost per person

Hotel	2 per room \$4,980	3 per room \$4,740	Single \$5,990
Backpacker	Dormitory \$3,580	2 per room \$4,180	Single \$4,660

TOP OF THE SOUTH ISLAND 4 days/3 nights

Depart Christchurch by Tranz Alpine Train every Friday
or link from our MAGNIFICENT NEW ZEALAND tour at Punakaiki

Day 1. Friday. CHRISTCHURCH – PUNAKAIKI – NELSON OR TAKAKA

Travel by Tranz Alpine train from Christchurch to Greymouth. Continue to visit Punakaiki Pancake rocks and on to Nelson or Takaka.

Day 2. Saturday GOLDEN BAY (B)

Visit the amazing Pupu Springs and on through Collingwood to visit Cape Farewell, northernmost point in the South Island. On to spectacular Wharariki Beach for a 1 hour walk to enjoy the sea caves, seal pups, wind swept sand dunes and coastal rock formation. A 30 minute walk to Pillar Point will give spectacular views of Farewell Spit and Golden Bay. Overnight in Takaka.

Day 3. Sunday ABEL TASMAN NATIONAL PARK – NELSON (B)

Drive through part of the Abel Tasman National Park to Totaranui with a visit to the Abel Tasman memorial en route. Join your scenic cruise along the shores of the Abel Tasman National Park. Drop in to Tonga Quarry, Medlands Beach, Anchorage and Apple Tree Bay before arriving Kaiteriteri. Option to land at Tonga Quarry for a 2 hour walk over a forested saddle and around the coast to Medlands Beach to rejoin your cruise. Transfer to Nelson after your cruise.

Day 4. Monday. NELSON DEPART (B)

Visit the Cathedral, Høglung glass blowing studio, World of Wearable Arts Museum and classic cars museum this morning and our arrangements end.

Cost per Person	2 per room	3 per room	Single
4 days Ex Christchurch including Tranz Alpine	\$1,690	\$1,630	\$1,970
4 days Join Greymouth or Punakaiki	\$1,550	\$1,490	\$1,830

5 days Commence Blenheim/Picton every monday \$1,920 \$1,870 \$2,200

This tour also operates in the opposite direction commencing Blenheim or Picton monday – see Day 8 MAGNIFICENT NEW ZEALAND tour . 5 days/4 nights.

GRAND SOUTH ISLAND TOUR 15 days/14 nights

Depart Wellington every Monday. End Wellington Monday evening 15 days later
Commence Christchurch every Tuesday. End Christchurch Tuesday 15 days later
Tour cost per person 2 per room \$5,290 3 per room \$4,990 Single room \$6,240

MAGNIFICENT NEW ZEALAND

PART TOUR POSSIBLE

You may join and leave anywhere en route provided a minimum of 2 consecutive nights on tour are included.

Stayover anywhere for a week and join our next tour.

Part tours end at check out on the final day except day 6 end Taupo or Tongariro.

A minimum of 2 passengers are required on any segment.

For triple hotel room prices deduct \$20 per person for each night.

Most popular options – for others please ask for a quote.

Depart Auckland 7.30am every Monday		Hotel		Backpacker			
		2 per room	Single	Dorm	Twin	Single	
3 days. Northland	Days 1- 3	\$990	\$1,140	\$710	\$790	\$960	
6 days. End Taupo	Day 6	\$1,990	\$2,390	\$1,590	\$1,790	\$1,990	
8 days. End Wellington	Day 8	\$2,580	\$3,140	\$2,160	\$2,440	\$2,720	
10 days. End Christchurch	Day 10	\$3,280	\$3,640	\$2,740	\$3,100	\$3,460	
13 days. End Dunedin	Day 13	\$4,380	\$5,340	\$3,660	\$4,140	\$4,620	
17 days. End Queenstown	Day 17	\$5,950	\$7,230	\$4,165	\$4,805	\$5,445	

Depart Auckland 8am every Thursday						
3 days. End Taupo	Day 6	\$1,160	\$1,320	\$990	\$1,070	\$1,150
5 days. End Wellington	Day 8	\$1,750	\$2,070	\$1,430	\$1,590	\$1,750
7 days. End Christchurch	Day 10	\$2,450	\$2,930	\$1,980	\$2,220	\$2,460
10 days. End Dunedin	Day 13	\$3,500	\$4,220	\$2,780	\$3,140	\$3,800
14 days. End Queenstown	Day 17	\$4,900	\$5,940	\$3,860	\$4,480	\$5,010
17 days. End Christchurch	Day 20	\$5,990	\$7,300	\$4,490	\$5,100	\$5,840

Depart Wellington 8.30am every Monday						
3 days. End Christchurch	Day 10	\$990	\$1,150	\$830	\$910	\$990
6 days. End Dunedin	Day 13	\$2,100	\$2,500	\$1,700	\$1,900	\$2,100
10 days. End Queenstown	Day 17	\$3,500	\$4,220	\$2,780	\$3,140	\$3,500
13 days. End Christchurch	Day 20	\$4,550	\$5,510	\$3,590	\$4,070	\$4,550

Depart Christchurch 11am every Wednesday						
4 days. End Dunedin	Day 13	\$1,400	\$1,740	\$1,160	\$1,160	\$1,300
8 days. End Queenstown	Day 17	\$2,800	\$3,360	\$2,240	\$2,520	\$2,800
11 days. End Christchurch	Day 20	\$3,850	\$4,650	\$2,990	\$3,390	\$3,790

Commence Dunedin city 1pm every Thursday						
7 days. End Queenstown	Day 17	\$2,450	\$2,930	\$1,970	\$2,210	\$2,460
10 days. End Christchurch	Day 20	\$3,150	\$3,870	\$2,430	\$2,790	\$3,150

Commence Invercargill every Saturday						
8 days. End Christchurch	Day 20	\$2,800	\$3,360	\$2,240	\$2,520	\$2,800

Commence Queenstown every Sunday with Milford tour and cruise Monday.						
7 days. End Christchurch	Day 20	\$2,400	\$2,900	\$1,950	\$2,150	\$2,400

Depart Queenstown 8am every Wednesday						
4 days. End Christchurch	Day 20	\$1,400	\$1,640	\$1,160	\$1,280	\$1,400

Deposits and Payments

A non-refundable deposit of 10% is due on making your reservation.
The balance is due 30 days prior to departure.

Cancellation Fees

Up to 30 days prior to travel your deposit is forfeit	
30-15 days prior to departure	50% of your tour cost
14 days- 48 hours prior to departure	75% of your tour cost
Less than 48 hours prior to departure	90% of your tour cost

After tour has started no refund for any unused parts.

We strongly recommend having cancellation insurance.

Tour Conditions

New Zealand Discovery Tours reserves the right to substitute any hotels for those listed should circumstances necessitate. Should itineraries by altered by weather, transport cancellation or delays, strikes, mechanical breakdown, or other factors beyond our control no liability will be accepted by New Zealand Discovery Tours for any additional costs incurred. All tickets and vouchers are issued by them as agent for attractions and travel en routes on the express condition that New Zealand Discovery Tours will not be liable for any accident, damage, loss, delay, or irregularity, which may be occasioned either by reason of any defect in any vehicle through the acts or defaults of any person or company engaged in conveying the passengers and/or their baggage or in carrying out the arrangements of the tour, or of any accommodation proprietor or servant. Payment of deposit signifies acceptance of these conditions. Baggage and personal goods are at owner's risk, at all times.

NEW ZEALAND DISCOVERY TOURS

MAGNIFICENT NEW ZEALAND

Small Group Tours

20 days Auckland to Christchurch
Guaranteed weekly departures
(minimum 2 passengers required)

- * Auckland
- * Kauri Museum and Forest
- * Hokianga Harbour
- * Cape Reinga
- * Bay of Islands Cruise
- * Russell
- * Otorohanga Kiwi House
- * Waitomo Glowworm Cave
- * Hobbiton Movie Set
- * Rotorua
- * Taupo
- * Wellington
- * Blenheim
- * Christchurch
- * Mount Cook
- * Dunedin
- * Catlins
- * Invercargill
- * (Stewart Island option)
- * Te Anau
- * Milford Sound
- * Queenstown
- * Wanaka
- * West Coast Glaciers
- * Punakaiki Pancake Rocks



Part tour possible

Join or leave anywhere en route, provided a minimum of 2 consecutive nights on tour are included.

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MAGNIFICENT NEW ZEALAND ITINERARY

Day 1. Monday AUCKLAND – KAURI MUSEUM AND FOREST (L) – HOKIANGA - BAY OF ISLANDS (L)

7.30am. Depart Auckland. Drive north to the Matakoho Kauri Museum and learn of the history of the early settlement of Northland and our amazing kauri trees. Continue through Dargaville into the Waipoua Forest and visit “Tane Mahuta” giant kauri tree – reputed to be some 2,000 years old. Enjoy our included lunch on the shores of the Hokianga Harbour and learn of our early European history with a guided tour of the Waitangi Treaty House and grounds and visit to the Waitangi museum. Accommodation in Paihia at Paihia Pacific Hotel or similar for 2 nights.

Day 2. Tuesday CAPE REINGA (BL)

Full day tour to Cape Reinga at the top of New Zealand by special coach. Visit Gumdiggers Park on the site of a buried kauri forest, and Kauri Kingdom workshop. Drive along Ninety Mile Beach with the opportunity to boogie board on the huge sand dunes. Visit Cape Reinga lighthouse and see the meeting of the Pacific Ocean and Tasman Sea and the Three Kings Islands in fine weather. Lunch included.

Day 3. Wednesday BAY OF ISLANDS – AUCKLAND (BL)

Morning cruise around some of the 144 islands in the Bay of Islands and through the ‘Hole in the Rock’ – weather permitting. Stopover in beautiful Otehei Bay for a barbecue lunch and to explore the island. Usually dolphins are to be seen during this cruise. Tour historic Russell. Visit Flagstaff Hill and see the oldest church in New Zealand. Return to Auckland mid evening.

Day 4. Thursday AUCKLAND – WAITOMO – HOBBITON – ROTORUA (BL)

8am. Depart Auckland and drive south to the Otorohanga kiwi house to see our unique native birds at feeding time. Continue to Waitomo Caves for a guided tour through the main limestone cave and cruise in the glowworm grotto. Enjoy a barbecue buffet lunch at Roselands Farm and visit beautiful Lake Karapiro en route to the Hobbiton Movie Set for your 2 hour tour with specialist local guide. Drive through part of the 500 hectare sheep and cattle farm to the Movie Set. See the Hobbit Holes, Gardens, Bag End, Party Tree, Lake, Mill, and enjoy a cold drink at the Green Dragon Inn. Continue to Rotorua late afternoon for 2 nights.

Day 5. Friday WAIOTAPU – ROTORUA (BD)

Travel south to the Waiotapu thermal area, most colourful in New Zealand. Explore the coloured terraces and see Lady Knox Geyser play. Return to Rotorua and tour the Te Puia thermal area to see the bubbling mud pools, famed Pohutu geyser, and the Maori carving and weaving school. Ride the Skyline gondola for a panoramic view over the lake and city with luge and lunch options (own expense). Enjoy the Agrodome farm show for a fun introduction to our farming industry. *You have time to relax in the soothing hot thermal waters of the Polynesia Spa if you wish (own expense).* This evening thrill to the sights and sounds of a Maori cultural presentation and enjoy the hangi steam cooked dinner.

Day 6. Saturday ROTORUA – TAUPO – TONGARIRO – WELLINGTON (B)

Drive south to Lake Taupo. Visit the Honey Hive, Huka Waterfall, bungy site, and lakefront. *You have time for an exciting jet boat ride on the Waikato River if you wish (extra expense)* before travelling along the shores of Lake Taupo into the Tongariro National Park. *Time for an optional scenic flight over the active volcanoes of the central North Island (weather permitting and extra expense)* or visit the Top of the Bruce base to the ski fields with the option to see Mordor and Mount Doom. Continue to National Park township to join the “Northern Explorer” train for the scenic ride to Wellington arriving early evening. Transfer to hotel.

Day 7. Sunday WELLINGTON (B)

Morning tour of the capital city includes the summit of Mt Victoria for a panoramic view over the city, South Coast beaches, Botanic Gardens, Parliament Buildings, a ride on the cable car, and Te Papa, Museum of New Zealand. Free afternoon for your own explorations.

Option: Full day Lord of the Rings tour including Weta Cave tour and sites from Lord of the Rings and Hobbit movies – extra cost \$100

Day 8. Monday WELLINGTON – PICTON – BLENHEIM (B)

Cruise across Cook Strait and through the scenic Marlborough Sounds to Picton. Visit the “Edwin Fox” ship restoration project (oldest merchant ship in the world), Peter Jacksons Aviation Heritage Centre, and a local winery for tasting. Overnight in Blenheim.

Day 9. Tuesday BLENHEIM – CHRISTCHURCH (B)

Drive to Kaikoura with time for an optional Whale Watch cruise or flight before continuing to Christchurch. (Travel will be by Intercity coach via Lewis Pass until the road through Kaikoura re-opens late 2017 – no whale watch options).

Day 10. Wednesday CHRISTCHURCH – MOUNT COOK (B)

Sightseeing in the Garden City includes Summer Beach, Port Hills for a panoramic view over the city, central city, Avon River, and Botanic Gardens. Drive across the Canterbury Plains to Lake Tekapo. See the sheep dog monument and Church of the Good Shepherd. Continue along the shores of Lake Pukaki into the Mt Cook National Park. Accommodation at the Hermitage Hotel, Mt Cook View Rooms. Admission to Sir Edmund Hillary center included.

(Some tours may need to stay at Twizel but dinner will be included).

Optional ski plane or helicopter flight to land on the snows of the glacier (weather permitting) or Glacier Explorer cruise (November-May) among the icebergs at the base of the Tasman Glacier.

Day 11. Thursday MOUNT COOK – DUNEDIN (B)

Drive down the Waitaki River Valley to visit the Benmore Hydro Dam, the historic center of Oamaru (*ride a penny farthing cycle if you dare – extra expense*), the little Blue Penguin colony, then explore the unique Moeraki Boulders before arriving Dunedin for 2 nights. Tour the city including “Olveston” historic homestead, Dunedin Chinese Gardens, Knox Church, The Octagon, and the world's steepest street.

Day 12. Friday DUNEDIN (B)

Enjoy a ride on the privately operated “Taieri Gorge Railway” excursion train deep into the gold rush territory in central Otago. This afternoon explore the Otago Peninsula including Larnachs Castle, Royal Albatross Centre and see the local wildlife including seals and yellow eyed penguins.

Day 13. Saturday DUNEDIN – CATLINS – INVERCARGILL (BD)

Drive through the scenic Catlins including Nugget Point lighthouse, Cannibal Bay, Owaka, Curio Bay, local forests, waterfalls, petrified forest, and beaches. 1 night in Invercargill. Dinner included.

Day 14. Sunday INVERCARGILL – TE ANAU (B)

Visit Bluff at the bottom of the South Island and explore Invercargill. This afternoon we take the scenic back roads via Riverton and Tuatapere to Te Anau. Accommodation at Distinction Te Anau hotel or similar.

Optional evening cruise to Te Anau Caves. Extra cost \$85

STEWART ISLAND OPTION

Half day. Cruise across Foveaux Strait and enjoy a 1.5 hour tour of Stewart Island including Oban and surrounding bays. Fly back to Invercargill for your drive to Te Anau. Extra cost \$260

Full day: (November – April only) Cruise across Foveaux Strait to Stewart Island. Local cruise on Patterson Inlet with guided walk on Ulva Island Bird sanctuary and picnic lunch. 90 minute tour of Oban. Fly back to Invercargill. Extra cost \$290

Day 15. Monday TE ANAU – MILFORD SOUND – QUEENSTOWN (BL)

A day of magnificent scenery as we travel through the Eglington and Hollyford Valleys and Homer tunnel into magnificent Milford Sound. Visit the Mirror Lakes and Roaring Chasm. Enjoy a leisurely nature cruise to the head of the Sound under majestic Mitre Peak and see Bowen Falls. Picnic lunch included. Retrace our steps through Te Anau and on along the shores of Lake Wakatipu to Queenstown. Accommodation at Heartland Hotel or similar for 2 nights.

DOUBTFUL SOUND OPTION

Doubtful Sound day cruise may be substituted for Milford Sound. Extra cost \$150.

Overnight cruises on Milford Sound or Doubtful Sound are available during the summer arriving Queenstown Tuesday afternoon. Extra cost \$350 share twin.



Day 16. Tuesday QUEENSTOWN (B)

Morning tour includes Queenstown Hill for a panoramic view over Lake Wakatipu. historic gold mining centre of Arrowtown, Bungy Bridge, and Gibbston Valley winery. *Free afternoon for optional activities:*

(A). Fabulous Shotover Jet Boat Ride. Extra cost \$145

(B) Afternoon tour along Lake Wakatipu to Glenorchy in the Mt Aspiring National Park and visit the sites of Isengard, Wizards Vale, Lothlorien Forest, Amon Hen, Misty Mountains, Ithilien etc from Lord of the Rings. – Extra Cost \$160

Day 17. Wednesday QUEENSTOWN – WANAKA – GLACIERS (B)

Drive north to visit Lake Wanaka. Admissions to fascinating Puzzling World included. Continue over the Haast Pass with many stops to see the forest, waterfalls, and beaches including Lake Moeraki, Ship Creek, and Knights Point lookout. Visit beautiful Lake Matheson. Overnight Fox or Franz Josef Glacier townships.

Day 18. Thursday GLACIERS – HOKITIKA (B)

Free morning for helicopter or ski plane flights, heli hike on the glacier, or bush walk.

Drive to Hokitika, setting for the award-winning novel, “The Luminaries” to see jade carvers, and maybe glassblowers at work.

Options:

Okarito Lagoon White Heron Cruise and tour. November - early March. Extra cost \$140.

Visit to Hokitika National Kiwi Centre and Hokitika Museum. Admissions extra.

Day 19. Friday HOKITIKA – PUNAKAIKI – CHRISTCHURCH (B)

Visit the recreated gold mining village of Shantytown to pan for gold and ride the steam train. Tour Greymouth and explore the beautiful Punakaiki Pancake Rocks before driving across Arthurs Pass and across the Canterbury Plains to Christchurch.

Optional Tranz Alpine train from Greymouth to Christchurch. Extra cost \$150.

Day 20. Saturday CHRISTCHURCH DEPART (B)

You will be transferred to the airport for departure.



Tour cost per person in New Zealand dollars valid to 30 September, 2018

2 per room \$6,930 3 per room \$6,550 Single room \$8,450

Tour Cost Includes:

- ** All travel from Auckland to Christchurch by mini bus, train, interisland ferry and coach
- ** Arrival and departure transfers at all points
- ** 19 nights’ accommodation and buffet breakfast, mostly at 4 star hotels
- ** 5 lunches and 2 dinners
- ** Sightseeing admissions to Matakoho Museum, Waitangi Treaty Grounds and Museum, Cape Reinga tour by special bus, Bay of Islands cruise, Russell tour, Otorohanga Kiwi House, Waitomo Glowworm cave, Hobbiton Movie Set, Waiotapu thermal area, Te Puia thermal area, Skyline Gondola, Agrodome farm show, Maori concert. Wellington tour, “Edwin Fox” ship restoration, Peter Jacksons Aviation Heritage museum, Sir Edmund Hillary centre, Oamaru penguin colony, Olveston House, Larnachs Castle, Royal Albatross Centre, Yellow eyed penguin colony, Milford Sound cruise, Puzzling World, Shantytown.

BACKPACKER SPECIAL Just \$5,200

Travel with us and we will drop you off at a friendly Backpacker hostel for the night. Your choice of dormitory or twin or single rooms. All travel and sightseeing admissions as above are included. Breakfasts and dinners are not included in this option except for hangi dinner in Rotorua. Twin and Single rooms have shower and toilet.

Dormitory \$5,200 per person 2 per room \$5,960 Single room \$6,710

PLEASE NOTE:

We guarantee to operate this tour every week year-round for a minimum of 2 passengers. For 6 passengers or more you will have our exclusive vehicle and driver/guide from Auckland to National Park (except Cape Reinga tour by special bus) and from Christchurch back to Christchurch. Travel from National Park to Christchurch may be by scheduled train, coach, and ferry. With less than 6 we may change vehicles and drivers along the way and use a selection of the best local operators. Everything in the itinerary is still included.