



## **North Island Discovery**

**Note:** Price printed on this PDF is valid until **02-05-2025** and is subject to change without notice due to Partner changes and currency fluctuations

**Visit:** Auckland - Rotorua - Napier - Wellington

### **Escorted Experience**

- Fixed Dates
- Modern Airconditioned Vehicle
- First Class Hotels

### **Tour Vehicle**

Multi Seater AC van

### **Detailed Itinerary**

### **Day 01: Day 1 Saturday Arrive in Auckland**

On arrival into Auckland, you will be transferred to your city hotel. This afternoon meet your local tour representative who will provide a tour briefing and confirm tomorrow's departure details. Hotel: Grand Chancellor Auckland City

### **Day 02: Day 2 Sunday Auckland**

Following breakfast join your group for a morning sightseeing tour of Auckland City. You will explore the City's beautiful waterside setting, travel to the beach side neighbourhoods to the east of the city and take advantage of great views at Bastion Point. A highlight of the tour will be a visit to the Sky Tower where you will ascend 220 metres above the ground to view the vast Auckland Skyline. The morning tour will conclude at Auckland's Viaduct Harbour, formally the commercial hub of Auckland's waterfront – but now a pedestrian friendly development of apartments, restaurants and open spaces for the public to enjoy. Dinner is included this evening. B,D

### **Day 03: Day 3 Monday Auckland to Rotorua via Waitomo**

Leaving Auckland this morning your tour travels towards the south Waikato region of Waitomo, where much of the area's natural wonders can be found below the earth's surface as rolling hills and unspoilt native bush gives way to subterranean limestone caverns. Millions of years in the making, Waitomo's (wai meaning water and tomo meaning hole into the ground in Maori) visually awe-inspiring cave network draws people looking for adventure and those looking for a sense of wonder. Enjoy an intimate guided tour of a glow worm cave. Then onto Rotorua, a volcanic wonderland where the ground steams, mud and waters bubble and geysers erupt high into the sky and a place rich in New Zealand's Māori culture and history. Dinner is included this evening. Hotel: Distinction Rotorua Hotel. B,D

### **Day 04: Day 4 Tuesday Rotorua**

This morning enjoy a City Tour including a visit to Te Puia - Whakarewarewa geothermal valley where you will have the opportunity to see native kiwi birds, learn about Maori history & culture and explore the 60 hectare Geothermal Valley, showcasing the famous Rotorua mud pools and over 500 geothermal wonders, including the Pohutu Geyser, the Southern Hemisphere's largest active geyser. A ride on the Gondola to Skyline Rotorua is also included to experience spectacular views of lake Rotorua, the city and steaming geothermal landscapes. The afternoon is yours to explore Rotorua, or perhaps you would like to take in a scenic flight (additional cost) over Rotorua City, the Geothermal Parks or Mt Tarawera to view spectacular craters and domes formed by the 1886 eruption. This evening you may choose to join a local Maori Cultural show with a Hangi influenced meal (additional cost). Your Coach Captain will assist you with your booking.

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**Day 05: Day 5 Wednesday Rotorua to Napier via Taupo**

Travel to Taupo to explore this picturesque lakeside town. Time will be allowed for shopping and lunch (own expense). On route you will stop at Wairakei and Huka Falls on the mighty Waikato River. In the afternoon continue south on State Highway 5 through to the Hawkes Bay and the Art Deco city of Napier. Dinner is included this evening at your hotel. Hotel: Scenic Te Pania Hotel. B,D

**Day 06: Day 6 Thursday Napier**

Napier, on the eastern coast of the North Island is surrounded by the fabulous and award winning Hawkes Bay wine region. The city was rebuilt in the 1930's following a devastating earthquake in 1931. The result is one of the best collections of Art Deco architecture in the world. You will have a chance to explore the buildings in detail with a morning walking tour in the city centre. This afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure. You may choose to take a local wine tour or visit some of the retro antique stores in the town centre. Your Coach Captain will assist you with any tour bookings you would like to make. B

**Day 07: Day 7 Friday Napier to Wellington**

Head south today, along State Highway 2. The tour will pass through the towns of Dannevirke, with it's strong Scandinavian heritage and Mangatainoka with its famous Tui Brewery building. In the afternoon visit Pukaha National Wildlife Centre at Mt Bruce in the Wairarapa. Here you will learn about their conservation work with native New Zealand wildlife including rare birds such as Kiwi, Kokako and Takahe. Continue to Wellington . Hotel: Distinction Hotel Wellington. B

**Day 08: Day 8 Saturday Wellington**

This morning enjoy a Wellington City Sightseeing tour and see the New Zealand Houses of Parliament including the iconic Beehive building. You will also head up Mt Victoria for spectacular views over Wellington City and it's Harbour. This afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure – you may choose to visit the National Museum – The Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, or enjoy a walk along the well laid out waterfront. Enjoy a farewell dinner this evening. B,D

**Day 09: Day 9 Sunday Depart Wellington**

Your tour will conclude today following breakfast and your transfer to the Airport. B

**Inclusion**

**Auckland, Waitomo, Rotorua, Taupo, Napier, Wellington**

Auckland Airport to City Hotel Transfer

Eight nights in excellent centrally located accommodation including Breakfast Daily (B)

Modern air conditioned vehicle as per Itinerary outline

Meals as stipulated in Itinerary include 4x Dinners



Sightseeing includes

- Auckland Sightseeing Tour including Sky Tower
- Waitomo Caves
- Te Puia Whakarewarewa Geothermal Valley
- Rotorua Skyline Gondola Ride
- Huka Falls
- Napier Art Deco Walking Tour
- Pukaha Wildlife Centre
- Wellington Sightseeing Tour

Wellington City Hotel to Airport Transfer

### **Exclusion**

Domestic Air Fares

Additional /Optional Tour Costs

Hotel Mini Bar

Sightseeing/Meals not stated in Itinerary

### **Note**

**Valid for guaranteed departures between 26 Sep 2020 and 10 Apr 2021**

Minimum 6 passengers to guarantee departure on a few dates only as below

03 Oct 2020

07 Nov 2020

21 Nov 2020

30 Jan 2021

20 Mar 2021

03 Apr 2021

Cost for rental car options, private driver options or exclusive group travel is available on request

Child supplement is available on request

Supplement cost for Optional tours is available on request

### **Hotels included or similar**

Grand Chancellor Auckland City, Distinction Rotorua Hotel, Scenic Te Pania Hotel, Distinction Hotel Wellington

## **Tour Dates & Pricing**

