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New Zealand: *Maori Marvels*

October 25 - November 9, 2024

\$10,995 per guest (double) \$13,195 per guest (single) + Air

Tour includes:

- 4 nights north isle New Zealand
- 9 nights south isle New Zealand
- Air within New Zealand (and Australia if you choose that option) but NOT air to & from the U.S. so we can customize your flights to your liking
- Private motor coach & local guides; fully escorted by Chris McCool
- On board beverages & snacks
- All meals, full menu where available
- All attractions, local guides & scheduled activities
- Fully escorted by Globe Treks tour manager
- Home pick up service
- All baggage handling
- Tour limited to 11 guests

Australia extension:

November 9-16

Doubles add \$4,641 per guest

Singles add \$5,569 per guest

Truly the tour of a lifetime! You will have the option of a layover in Hawaii for a night to ease the challenge of the long flight to Auckland (both ways). We will start in the capital Auckland, the “City of Sails.” Set on the shores of the Waitemata Harbour (meaning “sparkling waters” in the Maori language), New Zealand’s largest city boasts a diverse Pacific Rim and European cultural mix. After a total of five days on the north island exploring the Maori culture, agriculture bounty and geothermal wonders, we fly to Christchurch for ten days on the spectacular south island. Highlights will include Dunedin and the penguins, albatross and other wildlife of the Otago Peninsula, a private boat tour of Milford Sound, the Trans Alpine train journey to Greymouth and the Tasman Sea, Franz Josef, glacier hot pools, the southern Alps and Lake Wakatipu, and the Queenstown Gondola. Wow!



If you choose, continue to Australia for a week of down-under highlights. We will play with Koalas in Brisbane and visit the Crocodile Hunter zoo, spend a day on the Great Barrier Reef, take a train into the rainforest and explore Sydney with a harbor cruise and of course tour the famed Opera House.

(Prices and itinerary subject to change)

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New Zealand Day by Day Itinerary

Day 1-3 (Oct 25-27) Departures: Depart western North Carolina for your flight to Auckland, NZ. After crossing the international date line, late afternoon arrival in Auckland. "City of Sails" set on the shores of Waitemata Harbour (meaning "sparkling waters" in the Maori language).

Day 4 (Oct 28) Vineyards: Quick Cat ferry to Waiheke Island for a deluxe vineyard tour with premium tastings at 3 of Waiheke's finest vineyards: Mudbrick, The Goldie Room and Te Whau Vineyard.

Day 5 (Oct 29) Day Tours: Rotorua is surrounded by steaming lakes, bubbling hot pools and bursting geysers, host to some of the world's most incredible natural forces. We will also visit the original Hobbiton village from the Lord of the Rings movie trilogy.

Day 6 (Oct 30) Maori Day Tours: First a visit to the Agrodome, located in the heart of a real 350-acre working farm. Then on to Te Wairoa buried village, overcome by a volcanic eruption just 120 years ago. We shall end our day with the Te Puia Experience - a feast of storytelling, entertainment and Maori Cuisine.

Day 7 (Oct 31) South Island: Flight to Christchurch on the south island - "A City Rebuilding" as we glimpse this jewel as they recover from recent seismic disaster.

Day 8 (Nov 1) South Island: Rated one of the top six scenic train journeys in the world, the famous Tranz Alpine train takes you deep into the heartland of the South Island, a coast to coast journey through some of the world's most extreme, beautiful scenery and Franz Josef glacier.

Day 9 (Nov 2) Lake Matheson: a reflection of perfection. One of New Zealand's great scenic icons lies just 6km from Fox Glacier. On a still, clear day it reflects the unforgettable image of New Zealand's highest peaks, Aoraki (Mount Cook) and Mount Tasman. We will also have a chance to soak in the famous hot pools!

Day 10 (Nov 3) Alps Drive: Enjoy the stunning drive from Franz Josef to Wanaka, a wonderful travel experience in itself (approximately 4 hours 30 minutes drive). This beautiful drive takes us through the Southern Alps' Haast Pass with forest and mountain views.

Day 11 (Nov 4) Cruise: Another stunning drive to our private boat cruise in Milford Sound - the most northerly fiord indenting the southwest coastline, it occupies the trunk portion of a former glaciated valley system cut deeply below the surrounding mountains. Moody, dramatic and stunning - it offers what is probably the most spectacular fiord scenery in the southern hemisphere.

Day 12 (Nov 5) Glenorchy & Lake Wakatipu: Historic Glenorchy, gateway to Paradise! For over a century musterers, miners and hunters have ought to create an endearing little settlement in the wilderness, tracks meander through the bush and over the alpine passes. We end the day with the Queenstown gondola for amazing views of The Remarkables mountain range and Lake Wakatipu.

Day 13 (Nov 6) Dunedin: We make a 4-hour drive to Dunedin "Edinburgh of the South," gateway to the Otago Peninsula with its marine life of penguins, seals, albatross and historic Lanarch Castle & Gardens.

Day 14 (Nov 7) Wildlife Cruise: Today we enjoy a Monarch Wildlife Cruise to see the famous Otago Penguins, mighty Northern Royal Albatross and the inaccessible cliffs of Taiaroa. These escarpments are alive with eight other species of birds nesting above families of Fur Seals. Close offshore, huge flocks of Sooty Shearwaters feed among other Shearwaters, Petrels and species of Albatross.

Day 15 (Nov 8) Oamaru: Nestled on the South Island's east coast, Oamaru is the ideal destination for anyone keen to experience the real New Zealand. With friendly locals, a compact town center and a variety of attractions such as the Blue Penguin Colony and bizarre Moeraki Boulders.

Day 16 (Nov 9) Flights home or continue on to Australia.

Day 16 · Nov. 9 If you choose down under, we will have time to visit the National Zoo, made famous by the "Crocodile Hunter", the late Steve Irwin and hold the koalas at the Lone Pine Koala sanctuary in Brisbane after flight arrival.

Day 17 · Nov. 10: We will get to cuddle some Koalas at the Lone Pine Koala sanctuary before we catch our flight to Cairnes, gateway to the Great Barrier Reef.

Day 18 · Nov. 11: Full day excursion to the Great Barrier Reef.

Day 19 · Nov. 12: Kuranda Scenic Rail and Rainforest.

Day 20 · Nov. 13: Flight to Sydney followed by city tour and the Sydney Opera House.

Day 21 · Nov. 14: Sydney harbor cruise, "indigenous tour" at the Sydney Botanic Gardens.

Day 22 · Nov. 15: Sydney leisure time then flights to Hawaii or a full day of leisure before heading directly home the next day.

Day 23 Nov. 16: Return by our comfortable car service to your home's door.