16 Days Ultimate Highlights

Day-by-Day Itinerary

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DURATION	FROM PRICE	TOUR TYPE	TOUR CODE
16 Days	**$11,279**	**Coach Tours**	**GPT**

Overview

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Itinerary

1

Arrive Christchurch

Meals: Two Course Dinner

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Christchurch - Mt Cook

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

Travel through the southern Canterbury Plains to Lake Tekapo. See the brilliant turquoise water, the Church of the Good Shepherd and the Sheep Dog Statue. Marvel at the spectacular mountain ranges including Aoraki/Mt Cook, New Zealand’s highest peak. The opportunity is available to enjoy a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the Southern Alps. Hotel The Hermitage Hotel

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Mt Cook - Dunedin

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

Depart Mt Cook and see Lake Benmore, before following the Waitaki River to Oamaru, famous for its limestone. Continue south to Dunedin and enjoy a city tour followed by some free time. Optional activities to consider include a wildlife excursion or a guided tour of Olveston Historic Home, containing a wealth of treasures of a bygone era. Hotel Distinction Dunedin Hotel

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Dunedin – TE Anau (B,D)

This morning, travel along the Otago Peninsula to Larnach Castle where you will hear of the tragic and scandalous history on a guided tour. Enjoy time to wander around this Garden of International Significance followed by an Ultimate High Tea in the Grand Ballroom. Farewell Dunedin and travel through Balclutha and Gore to Te Anau, gateway to Fiordland and your overnight stay. Today you may like to visit the Te Anau Glowworm Caves (optional) or the Fiordland Cinema, specially constructed to sc...

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TE Anau – Milford Sound – Queenstown (B,L)

Depart Te Anau for a fascinating drive to Milford Sound where you board your launch for a cruise on this magnificent fiord. See the spectacular Bowen Falls and towering Mitre Peak as you enjoy lunch. This afternoon travel to Queenstown, overlooking magical Lake Wakatipu. Spend the next two nights at this year-round resort which offers a wide range of activities and attractions. This evening is free, you may choose to dine at one of the many fine restaurants. Hotel Millennium Hotel Queenstown ...

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Queenstown (Free Day) (B,SD)

Today is a free day to explore Queenstown. Your Coach Captain and Tour Leader will assist with the many optional activities available. You may wish to enjoy the thrill of a jet boat ride or a heritage tour of the scenic Skippers Canyon. This evening board the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw and cruise across Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak Station. Sit back, relax and enjoy a delicious gourmet barbecue dinner featuring a menu of seasonal, fresh and locally sourced food at the Colonel's Homestead....

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Queenstown – Franz Josef (B,D)

Travel to Arrowtown, an old goldmining village and visit the Lakes District Museum. Continue via the Haast Pass to the West Coast, an area of stunning beauty. See the snow-capped peaks of the Southern Alps as you travel north to the township of Fox Glacier. Next you visit Franz Josef, where time is available to experience a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the spectacular glaciers before arriving at your hotel. Hotel Legacy Te Waonui Hotel, Franz Josef

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Franz Josef - Arthur's Pass - Christchurch

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

Travel to Hokitika and visit the Greenstone Factory. Continue to Arthur's Pass and board the TranzAlpine, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world. View rivers and valleys as you travel through the Waimakariri Basin, over massive viaducts and through the patchwork farmlands of the Canterbury Plains. On arrival into the elegant city of Christchurch, your Ultimate Coach will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. Hotel The George

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Christchurch - Picton - Wellington

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

Travel along the East Coast to the seaside village of Kaikōura. Enjoy the spectacular scenery as you travel through Marlborough Country, famous for its food and wine. Continue to Picton, where you will board the Interislander Ferry for your journey through the Marlborough Sounds to Wellington. Hotel James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor (2 nights)

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Wellington (B)

A highlight this morning will be time to explore Gallipoli: A Scale of War exhibition at Te Papa, New Zealand's National Museum. Cutting edge technology brings these stories to life through the eyes of New Zealanders who found themselves in extraordinary circumstances. Reboard your coach for an extensive city tour which showcases the history and culture on show. Enjoy free time this afternoon and this evening is also free to choose your own dining arrangements. Hotel James Cook Hotel Grand Ch...

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Wellington - Taupo - Rotorua

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

Depart Wellington and view the snowcapped peaks of Mt Ruapehu and Mt Tongariro as you travel to Lake Taupo. Visit the spectacular Huka Falls then travel along the Thermal Explorer Highway to the geothermal wonderland of Rotorua. Hotel Pullman Rotorua (2 nights)

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Rotorua

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

Today begins with a gondola ride and breakfast at Skyline Rotorua. There is also time for a thrilling luge ride! Next stop is Agrodome for an action-packed hour of farming entertainment and education that is unlike anything you've seen before. Enjoy some free time this afternoon before visiting Te Puia to see the boiling mud pools and awesome geysers that Rotorua is famous for. This evening experience an entertaining Māori Hāngi and Concert. Hotel Pullman Rotorua

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Rotorua - Bay Of Islands

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

This morning depart Rotorua and travel north through Whangarei to the Bay of Islands. This afternoon enjoy a guided tour of the Waitangi Treaty Grounds, the location of the signing of the treaty between the Māori tribes and the British. Hotel Scenic Hotel Bay of Islands (2 nights)

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Bay OF Islands (B)

Today you will cruise through the beautiful Bay of Islands to Cape Brett, where a historic lighthouse keeps watch over Piercy Island, or as it is popularly known, the ‘Hole in the Rock’. Keep an eye out for dolphins and other marine life before returning to Paihia for a free afternoon. A range of optional activities are available, or you may choose to relax and enjoy the pleasant atmosphere of the waterfront. This evening is also free, you may like to enjoy a relaxing dinner cruise (optional)...

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Bay Of Islands - Auckland

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

Depart the Bay of Islands this morning and travel via Whangarei to Matakohe. Enjoy a visit and informative talk at the Kauri Museum before continuing to Auckland for a city sights tour. This evening enjoy a pre-dinner drink and reminisce on memories shared with your new friends at the farewell dinner. Hotel Sudima Auckland City

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Depart Auckland

Time to say goodbye. You will be transferred to the airport for your flight home after a memorable New Zealand holiday. (B) Breakfast. (L) Lunch. (D) Dinner. (SD) Specialty Dinner. dates & pricing

Inclusions

PREPAID ATTRACTIONS • Larnach Castle and Ultimate High Tea • Milford Sound Cruise and Lunch • Cruise Lake Wakatipu on the TSS Earnslaw • Lakes District Museum • TranzAlpine Rail Journey • Cruise on the Interislander Ferry, Premium Lounge • Te Papa, NZ's National Museum • Skyline Rotorua Gondola and Luge Ride • Agrodome • Thermal mud pools and geysers • Te Puia traditional Māori Hāngi and Concert • Waitangi Treaty Grounds • Hole in the Rock Dolphin Cruise • Kauri Museum • Christchurch City Sights Tour • Dunedin City Sights Tour • Wellington City Sights Tour • Auckland City Sights Tour COACH FEATURES • 20 Business Class seats on a full-size coach • 2 door access; dedicated seat side storage with tray table; cup holder • Restroom; daily onboard Wi-Fi allowance EXPERIENCE • Personalised Meet and Greet on arrival • Return airport transfers in New Zealand • Professional Coach Captain • 15 nights 4.5 star accommodation • 4 two night stays • Hotel porterage • 1 rail journey • 4 cruises • All sightseeing and prepaid attractions • Extensive Optional Activities • Ultimate Documentation Pack MEALS • 15 cooked breakfasts including a specialty breakfast: Stratosfare Restaurant, Rotorua • 12 sumptuous dinners including complimentary pre-dinner drink at the Welcome Dinner and 3 specialty dinners: Walter Peak Homestead, Queenstown; Māori Hāngi and Concert, Rotorua; Intimate Farewell Dinner, selected beverages, Auckland • 1 lunch: Milford Sound Cruise • 1 Ultimate High Tea: Larnach Castle • Enjoy GPT Wine Time (discounted drinks) • Day 1: Dinner not included for anyone arriving later than 8pm.

Ready to Book?

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