



New Zealand *your way*

Itinerary Type: Seat in Coach touring itinerary for the independent traveller.

Seat-in-coach touring offers a cost competitive way of travelling around the country by using a mixture of daily tourist coach services and the point to point national bus network. Commentary is usually available on the tourist coach services. All transfers to and from hotels are included. Itineraries are suitable for the Independent Traveller. Travellers who prefer to be part of one group with an escort and guided services should book a set departure Escorted Coach Tour.

14 Days North & South Island

Tour Code: AK25 SC

Highlights:

- ❖ Meet & Greet Service
- ❖ Scheduled seat-in-coach transportation throughout
- ❖ 13 night's accommodation
- ❖ Te Puia – Maori Arts & Crafts Institute
- ❖ Rainbow Springs Kiwi Wildlife Park
- ❖ Agrodome Sheep Show
- ❖ Maori Hangi Dinner & Concert
- ❖ Interislander Ferry crossing
- ❖ Tasman Glacier Cruise
- ❖ Coastal Pacific Train – Blenheim to Christchurch (01 Apr-01 May & 24 Sep-31 Mar only)



Day 1 Arrive Auckland

On arrival at Auckland Airport you will be transferred to your accommodation.

Day 2 Auckland - Rotorua (235 km)

Travel through farmland, lake land and forest until the distinctive smell of sulphur and constant steam drifts let you know you are in tempestuous, geothermal Rotorua.

Day 3 Rotorua D

Experience Māori culture at Te Puia and take a tour through a thermal valley full of forceful geysers and bubbling mud pools. View woodcarving and weaving schools and see how these ancient arts are being passed on to a new generation. Explore Rainbow Springs Kiwi Wildlife Park, where you can get up close to the native flora and fauna. Then see New Zealand's agricultural industry in action at the Agrodome, a working farm where you can view a sheep shearing display and sheep dog trials. This evening enjoy a memorable night of culture, song and dance followed by dinner cooked the traditional Maori way on hot stones underground.

Day 4 Rotorua - Napier (219 km)

Travel south-east today towards Napier, known as the fruit bowl of New Zealand and a well known wine region.

Day 5 Napier

Day at leisure.

Day 6 Napier - Wellington (315 km)

Travel to Wellington - the capital city of New Zealand. Wellington is compact, cultured and full of character. Nestled between harbour and hills, the downtown area is ideal for explorations on foot. Wellington is noted for its live theatre, art galleries, restaurants and cultural activities. On the Waterfront is Te Papa Tongarewa, New Zealand's National Museum, one of the best interactive museums in the world.

Day 7 Wellington – Picton - Blenheim (28 km)

Transfer to the Ferry depot this morning before boarding the Interislander Ferry for your journey across Cook Strait to Picton. On arrival in Picton you will be transferred to Blenheim.

Day 8 Blenheim - Kaikoura - Christchurch (316 km)

Take the Coastal Pacific Train journey down the coast past the towns of Kaikoura (famous for whale watching) and on to Christchurch. Note the train does not operate over winter and travel during this time will be by scheduled seat-in-coach.

Day 9 Christchurch – Aoraki, Mt Cook (332 km)

This morning travel to Aoraki, Mount Cook, New Zealand's tallest mountain to explore the village and soak up the view. This afternoon's tour includes an amazing encounter with Tasman Glacier and its terminal lake. Your guide will take you to the Tasman Valley for a 30 minute alpine walk through the National Park. Board your custom built MAC boat, and enjoy the ever changing scenery, viewing the Tasman Glacier ice face from a safe distance and icebergs of all shapes and sizes with the opportunity to touch and taste the 300-500 year old ice crystals.

Day 10 Mt Cook - Queenstown (262 km)

This morning travel south over the Lindis Pass and through the Kawarau Gorge to Queenstown.

Day 11 Queenstown

Day at leisure to enjoy the many sights and activities on offer.

Day 12 Queenstown - Dunedin (286 km)

Depart this morning through the Kawarau Gorge to Cromwell, following the Clutha River down through Alexandra via the rich farmlands of South Otago to Dunedin - the "Edinburgh of the South". This afternoon in Dunedin time is available to explore - you may like to visit the Otago Peninsula - home of the Royal Albatross Colony, the Yellow Penguins or historic Larnach Castle.

Day 13 Dunedin - Christchurch (363 km)

Depart this morning, heading north to Moeraki to view the unique outdoor beach boulders. Continue via Oamaru and Timaru across the Canterbury Plains to Christchurch.

Day 14 Christchurch

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight.

VALIDITY: 01 APRIL - 30 SEPTEMBER 2017

	BUDGET	STANDARD	SUPERIOR
AK25 SC			
SINGLE	4594	5200	5703
TWIN / DOUBLE	3007	3310	3534

VALIDITY: 01 OCTOBER 2017 - 31 MARCH 2018

	BUDGET	STANDARD	SUPERIOR
AK25 SC			
SINGLE	4960	5734	6334
TWIN / DOUBLE	3211	3598	3898

Rates are per person in New Zealand Dollars

Package rates may not be applicable over special events and during Public Holidays - rates are subject to confirmation at the time of booking. The rates quoted include a charge for our services of facilitating and arranging ("Facilitation Services") the tour for you and the provision of information about aspects of the tour.

All travel to be completed within date periods specified above.

Twin rooms may not be available at all properties. If a twin room is required extra costs may apply.

Triple room rates are available on application.

Child rates are available on application.

Location	BUDGET CLASS	STANDARD CLASS	SUPERIOR CLASS (or best available)
Auckland	Auckland City Hotel	Copthorne Hotel Auckland City	Grand Millennium
Bay of Islands	Kingsgate Hotel Autolodge Paihia	Kingsgate Hotel Autolodge Paihia	Scenic Hotel Bay of Islands
Blenheim	Colonial Motel	Scenic Hotel Marlborough	Chateau Marlborough
Christchurch	Ibis Christchurch	Chateau on the Park	Novotel Christchurch Cathedral Square
Coromandel - Pauanui	Pauanui Pines Motor Lodge	Pauanui Pines Motor Lodge	Grand Mercure Puka Park
Coromandel - Whitianga	Aotearoa Lodge - Standard Studio	Aotearoa Lodge - Superior Studio	Oceans Resort Whitianga
Dunedin	Kingsgate Hotel Dunedin	Mercure Dunedin Leisure Lodge	Distinction Dunedin
Franz Josef	Punga Grove	Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier – Graham Wing	Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier – Douglas Wing
Hokitika	Beachfront Hotel – Driftwood Sup	Beachfront Hotel – Oceanview Room	Beachfront Hotel – Oceanview Room
Invercargill	Balmoral Lodge Motel	Kelvin Hotel	Ascot Park Hotel
Kaikoura	The White Morph	Quality Suites Kaikoura	Fairways at Ocean Ridge
Mt Cook	Aoraki Court Motel	Hermitage Aoraki Mount Cook – Superior Room	Hermitage Aoraki Mount Cook - Premium Room
Napier	Quest Napier	Scenic Hotel Te Pania	The Crown
Nelson	Quality Inn	Trailways Hotel	Rutherford Hotel Nelson
Punakaiki	Punakaiki Resort	Punakaiki Resort	Punakaiki Resort
Queenstown	Aspen Hotel	Copthorne Hotel Resort Lakefront	Millennium Queenstown
Rotorua	Ibis Rotorua	Sudima Hotel Lake Rotorua	Millennium Rotorua
Te Anau	Kingsgate Hotel Te Anau	Distinction Luxmore	Distinction Te Anau Hotel & Villas
Tongariro NP	Skotel Alpine Resort	Skotel Alpine Resort	Chateau Tongariro Hotel
Wanaka	Mercure Oakridge Resort – Standard Room	Mercure Oakridge Resort – 1 Bedroom Apartment	Edgewater
Wellington	Ibis Wellington	Hotel Grand Chancellor James Cook	Rydges Wellington

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