

3 Days – Nelson Abel Tasman

Valid Till: 30 Sep 17



Nelson

Benefiting from a sunny, maritime climate, the picturesque valley vineyards of Nelson yield some of New Zealand's most freshly scented, intensely flavoured sauvignon blanc and chardonnay, as well as vibrant, supple pinot noir. The famously creative local culture extends to wine making in a multitude of privately owned boutique vineyards. Nelson winemakers are recognised for crafting wonderfully drinkable wines that stand apart from the typical commercial styles. Wines from Neudorf Estate have found their way onto the wine lists of several great European restaurants, and Kaimera Estate wines are exported to the UK, Ireland, Singapore and the USA.

If you're driving around the region, keep your eye out for eating opportunities. A variety of artisan food producers will tempt you with breads, chocolates, pesto, chutneys, honey and jams, fine meats and salami. At Mapua there's a smokehouse with an adjacent café - the menu includes fish, mussels and vegetables delicately hot smoked on site. In Motueka you'll find great organic café food.

The city of Nelson is known for its waterfront restaurants. Golden Bay scallops take pride of place among a wide selection of fresh local ingredients. The culinary approach throughout the region is perhaps best described as 'slow food'. It's about creating rather than producing, and savouring rather than consuming.

Marlborough

Long, hot, sunny days are the secret of Marlborough's wine growing success. With 85% of the country's sauvignon blanc plantings, Marlborough is New Zealand's (some say the world's) sauvignon blanc capital. With robust aromas and crisp flavours of gooseberry and capsicum, this varietal has been a glittering success for New Zealand. The

region's second VIP grape is pinot noir. Acclaim is mounting for Marlborough's fragrant, mouth-filling reds which are richly flavoured and supple. Other Marlborough wine specialties include fresh, vibrantly fruity chardonnays and crisp rieslings. Scores of vineyards rub shoulders along the Wairau and Awatere Valleys. These vast flat areas are ideal for a gentle gourmet cycle tour. From the small township of Renwick, there are 30 great wineries within a 24 kilometre circuit. Bike hire is easy to arrange.

Lunch menus at favourites such as Allan Scott Wines, Clifford Bay Estate and Wairau River Wines feature local delicacies like smoked salmon and blue cod. Talented chefs, from New Zealand and around the world, are drawn to Marlborough's high quality ingredients and outdoor lifestyle. The Herzog winery and restaurant offers exquisite fine dining in the evening. For something a bit different, their 'kitchen confidential' experience allows you to mingle with the chefs in the kitchen. In the region's capital, Blenheim, succulent mussels from nearby Havelock can be savoured in a pleasing array of restaurants and cafés.

Package includes

2 nights accommodation

Return transfers ex Nelson hotel to Kaiteriteri, Able Tasman National Park

3 hour cruise to Totaranui viewing idyllic bays and golden sand beaches seperated by picturesque bush headlands

Return airport transfers are included - private transfer on arrival and shuttle transfer for departure.

You may add extra nights to this package or perhaps add a rental car to give you more freedom to explore this region.

Activities Included in this Package:

1. Able Tasman Scenic Cruise

Seat in coach

	Standard	Superior	First Class
Single	\$690	\$869	\$869
Double	\$447	\$547	\$543
Triple	\$430	\$474	\$486

All prices are per person in New Zealand dollars.

Accommodation Selections

We have carefully selected a range of preferred hotels in each region for all three categories offered, using the below 'star' ratings:

Standard

Standard is equivalent to a good 3-star tourist hotel. These hotels represent excellent value for money and usually have a licensed restaurant and bar on the premises.

Superior

Superior describes hotels in the 3½ to 4-star category. More often than not, these will be centrally located and offering a wide range of services and facilities.

First Class

First Class are central city or resort location hotels at the top end of the scale rating 4 to 4½ stars. All hotels at this level have excellent facilities, bars and restaurants etc, full services, and many feature swimming pool, spa baths, and a fully equipped gymnasium for the enjoyment of guests.

All accommodation is subject to availability at the time of booking. We will endeavour to provide accommodation of a similar standard as requested in the event your choice is not available. However as the choice of accommodation is limited in remote areas, we will use the next best available option for you.

Rooms with a seaview/lakeview or suite rooms attract supplements - please ask our consultant for assistance.

Why not spend an extra day or two to relax and unwind?

All our Package Touring itineraries can have additional nights added anywhere you like.



Auckland City Hotel



Heartland Hotel Cotswold, Christchurch



Punakaiki Rocks Hotel



Hermitage Hotel Mt Cook

Standard

NORTH ISLAND	Bay of Islands	Tanoa Hotel Paihia
	Auckland	Auckland City Hotel
		Scenic Hotel Auckland
	Rotorua	Sudima Hotel
		Ibis Rotorua
	Coromandel	Aotearoa Lodge
	Taupo	Lakeland Resort
	Tauranga	Hotel Armitage
	Napier	Scenic Hotel Te Pania
	National Park	Skotel
Wellington	West Plaza	
SOUTH ISLAND	Nelson	Grand Mercure Nelson Monaco
	Blenheim	Scenic Hotel Marlborough
	Greymouth	Kingsgate Hotel Greymouth
	Kaikoura	Kaikoura Gateway Motor Lodge
	Punakaiki	Punakaiki Resort
	Christchurch	The Ashley Hotel
		Heartland Hotel Cotswold
	Mt Cook	Hermitage Hotel
	Queenstown	Heartland Hotel Queenstown
		Goldridge Resort
Wanaka	Wyndham Vacation Resorts	
Te Anau	Village Inn	
Dunedin	Victoria Hotel	
Glacier Region	Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier	
Invercargill	Ascot Park Hotel	
Stewart Island	Bay Motel	



Scenic Hotel Auckland



Scenic Hotel Marlborough, Blenheim



Sudima Hotel, Rotorua



Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier



Victoria Hotel, Dunedin



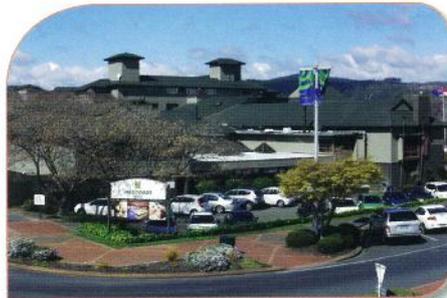
Rydges, Auckland



Distinction Rotorua



Scenic Hotel Dunedin City



Millennium Hotel, Rotorua



Hermitage Hotel Mt Cook (premium room)



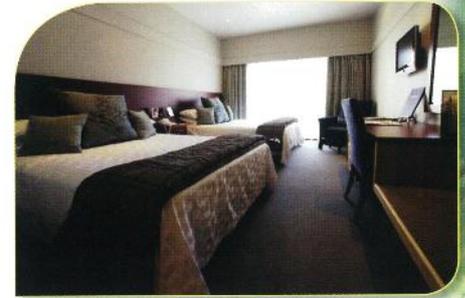
Sky City Hotel, Auckland

Superior

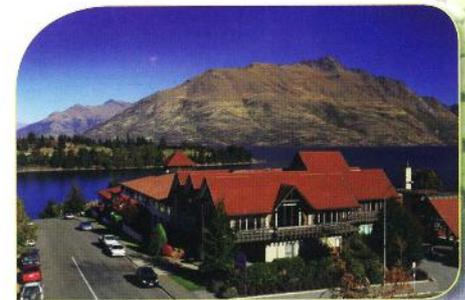
NORTH ISLAND	Bay of Islands	Scenic Hotel Bay of Islands
	Auckland	Heritage Auckland
		Rydges Auckland Hotel
	Rotorua	Holiday Inn Rotorua
		Distinction Rotorua
	Coromandel	Pacific Harbour Lodge
	Taupo	Wairakei Resort Taupo
	Tauranga	Trinity Wharf Tauranga
	Napier	Scenic Hotel Te Pania
	National Park	Chateau Tongariro Hotel
Wellington	James Cook Grand Chancellor Hotel	
SOUTH ISLAND	Nelson	Trailways Hotel
	Blenheim	Chateau Marlborough
		Kingsgate Hotel Greymouth
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	Kaikoura	The White Morph
	Punakaiki	Punakaiki Resort
	Christchurch	Chateau on the Park
		Sudima Hotel Christchurch Airport
	Mt Cook	Hermitage Hotel
	Queenstown	Copthorne Hotels
		Rydges Queenstown
	Wanaka	Grand Mercure Oakridge Resort
	Te Anau	Distinction Luxmore Hotel
	Dunedin	Scenic Hotel Dunedin City
	Glacier Region	Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier
Invercargill	Ascot Park Hotel	
Stewart Island	Bay Motel	



Heritage Hotel, Auckland



James Cook Grand Chancellor Hotel, Wellington



Copthorne Resort Lakefront, Queenstown

First Class

NORTH ISLAND	Bay of Islands	Copthorne Bay of Islands
	Auckland	Sky City Hotel
		Rendezvous Hotel Auckland
	Rotorua	Millennium Rotorua
		Novotel Rotorua Lakeside
	Coromandel	Pacific Harbour Lodge
	Taupo	Millennium Manuels Taupo
	Tauranga	Trinity Wharf Tauranga
	Napier	The Crown Hotel
	National Park	Chateau Tongariro Hotel
Wellington	Copthorne Hotel Oriental Parade	
SOUTH ISLAND	Nelson	Rutherford Hotel Nelson
	Blenheim	Chateau Marlborough
		Kingsgate Hotel Greymouth
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	Kaikoura	The White Morph
	Punakaiki	Punakaiki Resort
	Christchurch	Novotel Cathedral Square
		Rendezvous Hotel
	Mt Cook	Hermitage Hotel
	Queenstown	Millennium Queenstown
		Novotel Queenstown Lakeside
	Wanaka	Edgewater Resort
	Te Anau	Distinction Te Anau Hotel and Villas
	Dunedin	Scenic Hotel Southern Cross
	Glacier Region	Distinction Fox Glacier Hotel
Invercargill	Ascot Park Hotel	
Stewart Island	Stewart Island Lodge	



Novotel Queenstown



Scenic Hotel Southern Cross, Dunedin



Millennium Queenstown

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