

5 DAYS NORTH ISLAND TOUR (ROTORUA & WELLINGTON)



Day-01 Arrive in Auckland (D)

Arrive at Auckland International Airport. Meet & greet on arrival and airport seat-in-coach transfer to your hotel for check in. Tonight, walk along to a buffet dinner at Fortuna Restaurant (inside Sky City Auckland). Enjoy free time on own leisure. Overnight at hotel.

Day-02: Auckland-Waitomo-Rotorua (BD)

Enjoy a scenic tour from Auckland to Rotorua, including a guided tour of the Waitomo Glowworm Caves. Leaving Auckland in the morning we travel through the Waikato and King Country regions, passing by flourishing farmland and picturesque countryside. Your experienced local driver guide will provide entertaining commentary and point out highlights along the way, such as Rangiriri, where in 1863 a major battle was fought between colonial forces and those loyal to the Māori King. On arrival in the small town of Waitomo, take a trip underground with a 45-minute guided tour through the world famous Waitomo Glowworm Caves, a series of limestone caves formed over 30 million years ago. Learn all about stalagmites, stalactites and other intriguing rock formations as you walk through the caverns, and finish the tour with an enchanting boat ride through the Glowworm Grotto, illuminated by thousands of tiny glowworms.

Your journey to Rotorua continues, passing through the beautiful Fitzgerald Glade where trees arch over the road to form a tunnel of natural greenery. A delicious picnic-style lunch can be pre-booked (optional extra) and is served on board the coach. The tour concludes in Rotorua, a city where you can view geothermal activity, Māori culture, spectacular scenery and more.

Tonight, experience Maori Concert & Hangi Dinner. **Te Pō - Indigenous Evening Experience** (*Enjoy a mouthwatering banquet of authentic Maori cuisine (kai) and marvel at the breathtaking beauty of our geothermal valley under lights. Includes a traditional welcoming ceremony (powhiri) and intimate concert performance. Te Pō begins at 6:15pm*)

Day-03: Rotorua-Hobbiton-Rotorua (B)

Your half-day tour begins with a morning sightseeing tour around three of Rotorua's iconic visitor attractions. Visit the cultural centre at Te Puia and gain an insight into Māori traditions and ways of life, before entering a geothermal wonderland of impressive geysers and boiling mud pools. See New Zealand's agricultural industry in action with a sheep-shearing display and sheep dog trials at the Agrodome. Then visit Rainbow Springs, a nature park which showcases native flora and fauna including the famous New Zealand kiwi.

After visiting the top Rotorua sights, an afternoon experience of the world's famous Lord of the Rings movie set tour.

Day-04: Rotorua-Wellington (B)

Journey to Taupo and along the shore of the huge lake to spectacular Tongariro National Park comprising of massive active volcanoes and site of North Island's ski fields. From the barren land of this plateau, you descend to Palmerston North to the "Capital City". Arrive in Wellington by early evening.



	<u>3 star</u>	<u>4 star</u>
Twin:	US\$ 1,470.00	US\$ 1,570.00
Triple:	US\$ 1,430.00	US\$ 1,510.00
Single:	US\$ 1,930.00	US\$ 2,120.00

Valid: 01 Oct 2017 – 30 Apr 2018
 Pax: 2 adults minimum
 Note: Hotel is subject to availability. In case standard room is not available, an upgrade surcharge is additional fee or alternative hotel of the same category has to offer.

Day-05: Wellington-Auckland (B)

Take in Wellington's most scenic highlights on a half-day tour of the city and its surrounds – the perfect way to get your bearings in New Zealand's capital city.

See Wellington's beautiful waterfront from some of the city's most picturesque viewpoints, like the summit of Mount Victoria, where you can enjoy panoramic views of the city, its hills and harbour.

Wellington has many fascinating examples of classic architecture – see the iconic Beehive, New Zealand's main parliamentary building, and the Old Government Buildings, the largest wooden building in the Southern Hemisphere. Visit Old Saint Paul's Cathedral, a fine example of Revival Gothic architecture.

Take in the beauty of the Wellington Botanic Gardens including the Lady Norwood Rose Gardens and native bush, and drive around the rugged Wellington coastline discovering hidden bays and some of Wellington's most popular beaches.

You will be transferred by shuttle to Wellington domestic airport for your flight into Auckland.

Note: Flight is tour inclusive on Air New Zealand (NZ)

Upon arrival in Auckland domestic airport, take a free shuttle service to Auckland International airport for your flight bound for home, taking with you the unforgettable and fond memories of a wonderful of New Zealand.

Hotel Selections

<u>3 Star</u> Auckland City Hotel or similar	<u>4 Star</u> Crowne Plaza Hotel or similar
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INCLUSIONS:

- New Zealand Good & Services Tax
- Accommodation with daily breakfast inside hotel
- Seat-in-touring coach with English speaking driver guide
- Meals as specified
- Round trip Airport Transfers based on seat-in-coach (In & Out AKL Apt)

EXCLUSIONS:

- All international air ticket
- Local guide(s)
- Any extra meals
- Drinks ordered during meals
- Optional tours and activities not mentioned on the brief itinerary.
- Australia Airport Departure Tax if any.
- Gratuities for drivers / guides / porters. (Min. of NZ\$ 5.00 per person per day depending on the level of satisfactions on the services rendered.)
- Items of a personal nature such as phone calls, pay movies, room services, mini bars laundries or other expenditures during the tour.

Hotel Selections

<u>3 Star</u> Ibis Hotel Rotorua or similar Bay Plaza Hotel or similar	<u>4 Star</u> Millenium Hotel Rotorua or similar James Cook Grand Hotel or similar
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Please note: Information concerning tour inclusions and resort/hotel facilities has been compiled as accurately as possible. However there may be times when certain amenities, facilities and/or inclusions are not available. Such situations may be dictated by weather conditions, maintenance/refurbishment, local regulations and national or religious holidays. While we will endeavor to advise clients of any changes to itinerary inclusions, we cannot accept responsibility for any such situations which are outside our control.