



TOUR CODE UGPN19

STYLE Ultimate Small Group
COACH 20 seat Business Class
ACCOMMODATION 4.5 star

STARTS Auckland
FINISHES Wellington

2025 GUARANTEED DEPARTURE
Dec 20

ALL INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE

Tour includes airfares, taxes, transfers in New Zealand, Business Class 20 seat coach travel, 4.5 star accommodation, most meals, sightseeing, attractions and a range of VIP extras.

FESTIVE SEASON ADJUSTMENTS

Due to public holidays, some included attractions will be rescheduled to alternate days.

An unforgettable ultimate experience of New Zealand's cultural North Island

9 Day Ultimate North Island

No hidden extras

PREPAID ATTRACTIONS

- Kauri Museum
- Waitangi Treaty Grounds
- Hole in the Rock Dolphin Cruise
- Hobbiton™ Movie Set Tour and Lunch*
- Agrodome
- Skyline Rotorua Gondola and Luge Ride
- Thermal mud pools and geysers*
- Te Puia traditional Māori Hāngi and Concert
- Hawke's Bay Express*
- Te Papa, NZ's National Museum
- City sights tour of Auckland, Napier and Wellington

*Guided 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

- Return airfares from your homeport
- Personalised Meet and Greet on arrival
- Return airport transfers in New Zealand
- Professional Coach Captain
- 8 nights 4.5 star accommodation
- 2 two night stays
- Hotel portage
- 1 cruise
- All sightseeing and prepaid attractions
- Extensive Optional Activities
- Ultimate Documentation Pack

MEALS

- 8 cooked breakfasts
- 6 sumptuous dinners including complimentary pre-dinner drink at the Welcome Dinner and 2 specialty dinners: Māori Hāngi and Concert, Rotorua; Intimate Farewell Dinner, selected beverages, Wellington
- 2 lunches: Hobbiton, Shire's buffet; Stratosfare Restaurant, Festive buffet
- Enjoy GPT Hotel Wine Time (discounted drinks)

Day 1: Dinner not included for anyone arriving later than 8pm.

"This tour has been well planned to give guests the best possible experience within the time frame. The coach is very comfortable, and the Coach Captain went out of her way to be helpful while maintaining a very high standard of professionalism. I would highly recommend this tour."

B.L. - Australia



Tour Highlight: Hobbiton™ Movie Set Tour and Lunch.

Itinerary and Hotels

(B) Breakfast. (L) Lunch. (D) Dinner. (SD) Specialty Dinner.

DAY 1: Arrive Auckland (D)

On arrival into Auckland you will be met by a Grand Pacific Tours representative and transferred to your hotel. This evening enjoy a complimentary pre-dinner drink as you meet your travelling companions.

Hotel Crowne Plaza Auckland

DAY 2: Auckland - Bay of Islands (B,D)

Board the luxurious Ultimate Coach, depart Auckland and travel to Matakohē to enjoy a visit and informative talk at the Kauri Museum. Travel via Whangarei to Paihia, situated in the heart of the beautiful Bay of Islands. 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)

DAY 3: Bay of Islands (Free Day) (B)

Today is a free day to explore the Bay of Islands. Your Coach Captain will assist with the many optional activities available, including the Cape Reinga coach trip via Ninety Mile Beach, a spectacular scenic flight over the crystal-clear turquoise waters of the Bay of Islands or you might be interested to sail in a classic tall ship. This

evening is also at leisure, you may like to enjoy a relaxing dinner cruise (optional) or try one of the waterfront restaurants.

DAY 4: Bay of Islands - Auckland (B)

This morning you will explore the scenic beauty of the Bay of Islands including an island visit. Cruise to Cape Brett and the famous 'Hole in the Rock', keep an eye out for dolphins and other marine life. On return to Paihia travel south via Whangarei before returning to Auckland. This evening is free to dine at leisure.

Hotel Crowne Plaza Auckland

DAY 5: Auckland - Rotorua (B,L,D)

This morning embark on a city sights tour of Auckland, dubbed the 'City of Sails'. Depart Auckland and travel through the picturesque countryside to Hobbiton for a buffet lunch. A guided tour of the 12-acre set, will take you past whimsical Hobbit Holes, the Mill and into the Green Dragon Inn. You can now venture beyond the door and into an authentic Hobbit Hole interior for a fully immersive experience.

Hotel Regent of Rotorua (2 nights)



An entertaining Māori cultural performance which features the graceful poi dance and ferocious haka.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Start Christmas Day with breakfast at the hotel before heading to the Agrodome for an unforgettable farming experience. Next, ride the Skyline Rotorua gondola, where you'll indulge in a festive buffet lunch. Later, explore the wonders of Te Puia, with a guided tour of bubbling mud pools and geysers, before concluding the day with a traditional Hāngi feast and a captivating Māori cultural performance.

Optional Activities



SALT AIR

Fly by helicopter over the crystal-clear turquoise waters found in the world-famous Bay of Islands to the 'Hole in the Rock'. From above explore the townships of Russell, Paihia and Waitangi.



ART DECO GUIDED WALK

In Napier take a guided walking tour and hear how the town was transformed from the 1931 earthquake devastation to world renowned Art Deco architecture.

DAY 6: Rotorua - Christmas Day (B,L,SD) 🎅

Merry Christmas! Start the day with a visit to the Agrodome, where you'll enjoy an action-packed hour of lively farming entertainment and education like no other. Next, take a scenic ride on the Skyline Rotorua gondola, offering breathtaking views from above. Savor a festive buffet lunch while soaking in the stunning scenery. There is also time for a thrilling luge ride! The afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure before heading to Te Puia, home to Rotorua's famous boiling mud pools and awe-inspiring geysers. This evening you will experience an entertaining Māori cultural performance which features the

graceful poi dance and ferocious haka. This is followed by a Hāngi feast, prepared in the traditional way, over hot coals and buried in the ground.

DAY 7: Rotorua - Napier (B,D)

Depart Rotorua and travel along the Thermal Explorer Highway to Huka Falls and Lake Taupo. Continue to Napier known as 'The Art Deco Capital', where the most comprehensive collection of art deco buildings in the world can be found. Board the Hawke's Bay Express and hear informative commentary on the city's fascinating history. Enjoy some free time this afternoon to explore the city.

Hotel Scenic Hotel Te Pania

DAY 8: Napier - Wellington (B,SD)

Travel south this morning into Wellington for a city tour of the nation's capital which will highlight the history and culture on show here. A highlight this afternoon 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. This evening enjoy a farewell dinner including selected beverages with your newfound friends.

Hotel InterContinental Wellington

DAY 9: Depart Wellington (B)

Time to say goodbye. You will be transferred to the airport for your flight home after a memorable New Zealand holiday.



"Beautiful showcase of the North Island. Knowledgeable and friendly tour. Business class experience exceptional. Very comfortable coach with room for bags. Seat rotation a great idea. Meal presentation, choice and quality good at all facilities."

- T.S. & D.S. - *Past Travellers*