

Magical New Zealand

23 DAYS FROM ONLY £3,095 per person

Go Touring
Value from the word Go

Day 1 Depart UK from London Heathrow

Relax into your morning flight with Singapore Airlines.

Days 2 & 3 Singapore

On arrival you will be transferred to your hotel for your 2 night stay and the rest of the day is free for you to settle in and relax. On day 3 enjoy a sightseeing tour with highlights including Thian Hock Keng temple, Merlion Park enjoying views of Marina Bay and the Mythological Merlion, National Orchid Garden within the beautiful Botanic Gardens and Little India. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy!

Day 4 Singapore to Auckland

No early check-out today – your hotel room is yours until late afternoon so you can relax and enjoy the hotel's facilities or book one of our optional excursions. We leave Singapore for our evening flight to Auckland.

Days 5 & 6 Auckland

Welcome to the vibrancy of Auckland. Make yourself at home in your hotel and unwind for the rest of the day. We start day 6 heading to the top of the city at Mount Eden, one of the extinct volcanoes with its 360 degree views. Travelling back down we head towards our next stop, the fashionable suburb of Parnell, with its Victorian buildings and packed with little boutique shops. Victoria Park Market is our next stop and finally we visit the stylish Viaduct Harbour. The rest of the day is yours to explore or relax.

Day 7 Auckland to Bay of Islands

Our journey today takes us via the stunning Kauri Coast and along side the harbour at Hokianga. We then experience Tane Mahuta – 'Lord of the Forest' set within Waipoua Kauri Forest sanctuary and then continue to Paihia for our 3 night stay.

Days 8 & 9 Bay of Islands

Today we cruise to Cape Brett, a perfect way to explore the stunning coastal scenery. The cruise takes us via the 'Hole in the Rock'; dolphins thrive in the nearby waters so get your cameras ready! Across the water from Paihia is the quaint village of Russell. A storybook setting, very romantic and a tranquil way to end the day's tour. The afternoon is now free, so take time to relax. We now lead nicely into day 9, and a free day for you. Why not take an optional excursion and explore the magnificent coastal landscape by riding in a specially designed coach along the sands of Ninety Mile beach?

Day 10 Bay of Islands to Rotorua

On we go to Rotorua. Our journey takes us via the impressive Waitemata Bridge. As we arrive in Rotorua prepare yourselves for a lovely 2 night stay.

Day 11 Rotorua

Good morning! It's a day of gushing geysers and gurgling mud pools as we visit Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve. Understandably one of the major attractions of New Zealand. We have plenty of time to explore before heading over to the Maori Arts and Crafts Institute.

Day 12 Rotorua to Wellington

After breakfast we journey to Lake Taupo, the country's largest freshwater lake and then along the desert road until we arrive at Tongariro National Park with its three active Volcanoes; Tongariro, Ruapehu and Ngauruhoe. We will then arrive in Wellington for our 2 night stay.

Day 13 Wellington

A good starting point this morning as we take in some of Wellington's varied architecture starting with Parliament House and the 'Beehive'. You'll understand the meaning behind the name when you see it. We then head up to the top of the mesmerising Mount Victoria and take in the stunning view of the city's picturesque harbour.

Days 14 & 15 Wellington to Christchurch

Ready to sail? Departing from Wellington's impressive harbour on the inter-island ferry. We cross the Cook Strait through Queen Charlotte Sound before reaching the picturesque port of Picton. Our journey continues along the east coast before arriving in Christchurch. We will be staying here for the next 2 nights. Unload your bags and enjoy a relaxing evening whilst deciding what to do on day 15 – your day to do what you please.

Day 16 Christchurch to Franz Josef

Our journey continues through one of New Zealand's spectacular snow-capped drives including the Canterbury Plains, Arthur's Pass, the Southern Alps and Hokitika. We head to Franz Josef where we will park our bags for the night.

Day 17 Franz Josef & Queenstown

Today there is a fantastic opportunity to take an optional helicopter ride flight over the scenic glaciers (weather permitting). This is an up close and personal view of the glaciers, a jaw dropping experience! It's time to head down to Queenstown taking in Mount Aspiring National Park, Haast Pass, and Lake Hawea before arriving in Queenstown for our 3 night stay.

Days 18 & 19 Queenstown

You have two full days of leisure time to do what you fancy. Take advantage of our optional excursions in this glamorous Alpine resort. You can relax in the Queenstown gardens or, for all you 'wine experts', explore the region's wine trail with a little wine tasting thrown in for good measure! There is an exhilarating jet boat ride amongst the crags and boulders of the Shotover River canyon or the 'must see' optional visit to Milford Sound. As night falls there is an optional vintage steamboat cruise aboard the TSS Earnshaw with dinner at the Walter Peak Homestead.

Day 20 Queenstown to Christchurch

Almost at the end of our journey with our last destination, Christchurch. We take in the Canterbury Plains continuing along the Lindis Pass through to Lake Tekapo with its lovely turquoise colour... a result of the melting water of the glacier. We ascend into Mackenzie country and arrive for our 2 night stay in Christchurch.

Day 21 Christchurch

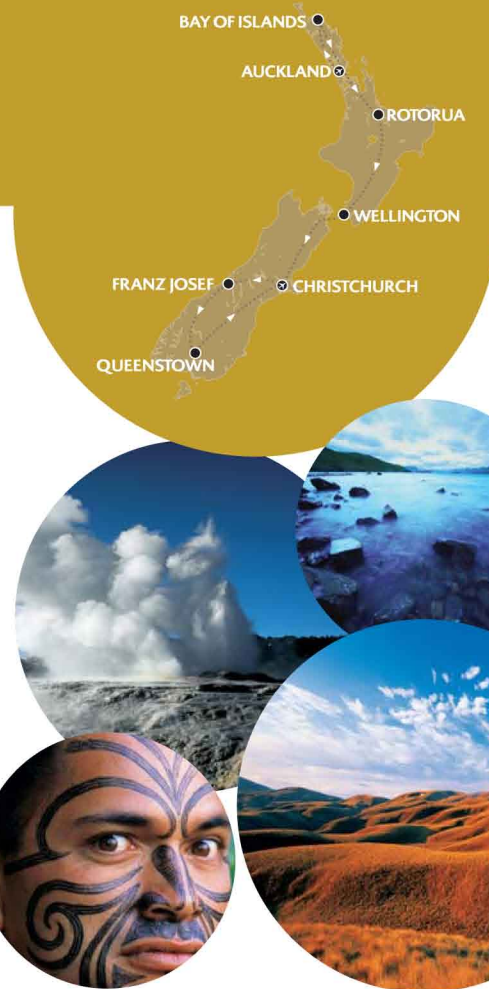
Our sightseeing begins with a drive through the Cashmere Hills, with views of the patchwork fields of the Canterbury Plains, and the Southern Alps in the distance. We will visit Hagley Park and the Botanical Gardens, home to New Zealand's exotic plants, a relaxing way to close the day's tour.

Day 22 Christchurch to London Heathrow

Farewell, as we depart Christchurch for Singapore and our onward flight to London Heathrow.

Day 23 Arrive London Heathrow

Welcome back, as we land at London Heathrow and head home.



Departure Dates and Prices

23 October 2011	£3,145
24 November 2011	£3,245
17 January 2012	£3,335
18 February 2012	£3,345
7 March 2012	£3,295
29 April 2012	£3,095

Prices per person based on double/twin share.
Single Supplement £690

Tour includes

- Scheduled flights London Heathrow with Singapore Airlines
- 3+4 star hotels
- 20 breakfasts
- Free time to explore
- Singapore, Auckland, Christchurch, Wellington,
- Cruise Cape Brett cruise around the Bay of Islands.
- Entrance to Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve and the Maori Arts and Crafts institute in Rotorua.

Please note any reference to optional excursions are not included in the price but are available to purchase at an additional cost.