

8 Day Northern Discovery

Auckland → Wellington



Highlights

- + Historic Bay of Islands
- + Thermal wonderland of Rotorua
- + Napier, the Art Deco capital of the World
- + Wellington, the nation's capital

Featured Experiences

- + Authentic Maori Village, Hangi & Cultural Performance

Iconic Sightseeing

- + City Tours of Auckland & Wellington
- + Cape Brett 'Hole in the Rock' Cruise
- + Tour of Waitangi Treaty Grounds
- + Entry to Auckland Sky Tower
- + Agrodome Farm Show
- + Rainbow Springs Park
- + Skyline Gondola & Luge
- + Locally guided Art Deco Walking Tour

Day 1 Arrive Auckland

"Haere Mai" Welcome to Auckland. A Kirra Tours representative will greet you at the airport with transport waiting to take you to your downtown city hotel. Tonight, enjoy welcome drinks with your fellow travellers.

Stay: *Rydges Hotel*

Day 2 Auckland, Paihia (B,D)

Leaving the city behind, we travel across the Auckland Harbour Bridge and drive north to Paihia in the Bay of Islands, a seaside town nestled on the foreshore of the National Maritime Park. On arrival, meet your local Maori guide who will provide an insight into the local history before visiting Waitangi, the location of the signing of the treaty between the Maori people and the British. Enjoy a self-guided tour through the Treaty House, the Maori Meeting House and War Canoe. Later this afternoon, board your launch for the scenic cruise to the Cape Brett Lighthouse and the famous 'Hole in the Rock'.

Stay: *Copthorne Bay of Islands (2 nights)*

Day 3 Explore the Bay of Islands (B)

Enjoy a free day to explore and experience the beauty of the Bay of Islands. Your Coach Captain will happily assist with arranging optional activities for you. Why not try a full day tour to Cape Reinga, New Zealand's northern most point. Alternatively, explore the township of Russell, New Zealand's first settlement and visit its historic Church, Mission House and Museum.

Day 4 Auckland, Rotorua (B,D)

Leaving Paihia, travel south through Whangarei to Warkworth and on to Auckland. Visit the Sky Tower, at 328m the tallest free-standing structure in the Southern Hemisphere and enjoy panoramic 360 degree views across the city and its two majestic harbours. Later, cross the Bombay Hills to the lush farmlands of the Waikato then on to the geothermal wonderland of Rotorua, the centre of Maori culture and famous for its geysers, boiling mud pools and steaming craters.

Stay: *Sudima Lake Rotorua (2 nights)*

Day 5 Rotorua sightseeing (B,D)

Today begins with a visit to the Agrodome to see a unique New Zealand farm show. Visit Rainbow Springs to learn about native flora and fauna, including the famous Kiwi bird. This is followed by the spectacular Skyline Gondola which offers superb views over the city, lake and mountains and for those wanting a little excitement, why not try a Luge ride with our compliments. Enjoy some free time this afternoon before visiting Tamaki Village for an evening of fun and culture. You will experience a traditionally prepared Maori Hangi (feast) followed by a cultural performance featuring Maori songs, chants and dance including the stirring haka.

Day 6 Taupo, Napier (B,D)

View the mighty Huka Falls and the Wairakei Geothermal project before stopping at Lake Taupo, the largest in New Zealand. Continue on to Napier, often regarded as the world's Art Deco capital. On arrival, enjoy a locally guided walking tour of the city.

Stay: *Scenic Te Pania Hotel*

Day 7 Wairarapa, Wellington (B,D)

Orchards and vineyards give way to farmland as you travel into the rural heartland of the Wairarapa region. Stop at historic Greytown to view excellent examples of Victorian colonial architecture before travelling over the Rimutaka Ranges to Wellington, the nation's capital, where you enjoy a city tour on arrival.

Stay: *Ibis Wellington Hotel*

Day 8 Depart Wellington (B)

It's time to bid farewell to your fellow travellers today. You will be transferred to the airport to join your onward flight.

🕒 Suggested arrival/departure

🏠 Overnights

On Board
Concierge



Inclusions

- + 7 nights premium hotel accommodation
- + Full breakfast daily (B) & 5 dinners (D)
- + Travel by 5 star luxury touring coach
- + Guided by a professional Coach Captain
- + Evening welcome drinks on arrival
- + All sightseeing, excursions and entrance fees as shown
- + Hotel portorage
- + Complimentary airport transfers on arrival & departure

Guaranteed Tour Dates 2018/19

Start	Finish	Code
Tue 11 Sep 18	+ Tue 18 Sep 18	AP826
Tue 25 Sep 18	+ Tue 02 Oct 18	AP828
Tue 16 Oct 18	+ Tue 23 Oct 18	AP830
Tue 30 Oct 18	+ Tue 06 Nov 18	AP832
Tue 13 Nov 18	+ Tue 20 Nov 18	AP834
Tue 27 Nov 18	+ Tue 04 Dec 18	AP838
Tue 11 Dec 18	+ Tue 18 Dec 18	AP840
Tue 15 Jan 19	+ Tue 22 Jan 19	AP902
Tue 29 Jan 19	+ Tue 05 Feb 19	AP904
Tue 05 Feb 19	+ Tue 12 Feb 19	AP906
Tue 19 Feb 19	+ Tue 26 Feb 19	AP910
Tue 26 Feb 19	+ Tue 05 Mar 19	AP912
Tue 12 Mar 19	+ Tue 19 Mar 19	AP916
Tue 26 Mar 19	+ Tue 02 Apr 19	AP918
Tue 09 Apr 19	+ Tue 16 Apr 19	AP920
Tue 07 May 19	+ Tue 14 May 19	AP922
Tue 10 Sep 19	+ Tue 17 Sep 19	AP924
Tue 24 Sep 19	+ Tue 01 Oct 19	AP926
Tue 08 Oct 19	+ Tue 15 Oct 19	AP928
Tue 22 Oct 19	+ Tue 29 Oct 19	AP930
Tue 12 Nov 19	+ Tue 19 Nov 19	AP932
Tue 19 Nov 19	+ Tue 26 Nov 19	AP934
Tue 26 Nov 19	+ Tue 03 Dec 19	AP936
Wed 11 Dec 19	+ Wed 18 Dec 19	AP938

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