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NEW ZEALAND HIGHLIGHTS

TOUR CODE: NZWLGA

Visit New Zealand's most famous towns and places, from Wellington in the North to Queenstown in the South. This shorter itinerary is ideal for travellers looking to explore New Zealand in the span of a week.

COUNTRY FOCUSED

PACE

Relaxed Active

MT VICTORIA, WELLINGTON

HIGHLIGHTS

NORTH ISLAND

WELLINGTON
- *Parliament House*
- *Old St Pauls Cathedral*
- *Mount Victoria*

TAUPO
- *Lake Taupo*
- *Waikato River*
- *Huka Falls*
- *Huka Honey Hive*

ROTORUA
- *Te Puia*
- *Rotorua Lakefront*
- *The Government Garden*
- *Maori Cultural Concert*

MATAMATA
- *Hobbiton Movie Set*

AUCKLAND
- *Harbour Bridge*
- *Viaduct Waterfront*
- *Auckland Domain*

SOUTH ISLAND

CHRISTCHURCH
- *Mona Vale*
- *Hagley Park*
- *Botanic Garden*
- *Cardboard Cathedral*

ASHBURTON
- *Farmers Corners*

OAMARU
- *Moeraki Boulders*

DUNEDIN
- *Dunedin Railway Station*
- *University of Otago*
- *Baldwin Street*
- *Cadbury World tour*
- *Nature's Wonders Wildlife*

QUEENSTOWN
- *Mrs Jones' Orchard*
- *Kawarau Gorge Suspension Bridge*
- *Arrowtown*

MACHENZIE REGION
- *Salmon Farm*
- *Twizel*
- *Lake Pukaki*
- *Lake Tekapo*
- *Church of Good Shepherd*

DELICACIES

Meal Plan
8 Breakfast, 3 Lunches, 4 Dinners

3-4★ HOTELS

WELLINGTON Copthorne Oriental Bay
ROTORUA Sudima Lake Rotorua
AUCKLAND Copthorne Auckland City
DUNEDIN Kingsgate Dunedin
QUEENSTOWN Heartland Queenstown
TWIZEL Mackenzie Country Hotel
CHRISTCHURCH Ibis Christchurch

**Note: Hotels subject to final confirmation. Should there be changes, customers will be offered accommodation similar to the list*

Note: A minimum group of 20 passengers is required for a confirmed departure.
The sequence of the itinerary, flight schedules and hotels are subject to change without prior notice in the event of unforeseen circumstances.
During major events, accommodation may be relocated without prior notice.

DAY 1
HOME › WELLINGTON
Meal on Board
Assemble at the airport for your flight to **Wellington**, the capital of New Zealand.

DAY 2
WELLINGTON
Dinner
Upon arrival, proceed to explore the city sights of Wellington. Pass by the neoclassical **Parliament House** and learn about the unusual architectural design of the Beehive (aka Executive Wing). See other local landmarks such as heritage-listed **Old St Paul's Church**, a fine example of Gothic Revival architecture. You're driven to the summit of **Mt Victoria** to view Wellington from above. Enjoy a panorama that includes **Wellington Harbour**, a blue bay nestled within the southern tip of New Zealand's North Island.

DAY 3
WELLINGTON › TAUPO › ROTORUA
Breakfast, Hangi Dinner
Board your coach for your journey north out of the capital city, along the Kapiti Coast and over the Manawatu Plain to Palmerston North before skirting the volcanic plateau to Taupo. **Lake Taupo** is world renowned for its fighting rainbow trout and is New Zealand's largest lake. Brief stop at **Hukka Honey Hive** to have a unique taste experience with 100% pure New Zealand honey, honey wine (mead) and liqueurs. Stop to view the mighty **Huka Falls** and travel past massive pine forests to reach **Rotorua**, centre of Maori Culture and famous for its geysers, boiling mud pools and steaming creates. Tonight, you will be treated to a traditional Maori hangi (feast) and cultural performance featuring Maori songs, chants and dance including the stirring haka.

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DAY 4
ROTORUA › MATAMATA › AUCKLAND
Breakfast, Marquee Festive Feast

Today visit to **Te Puia Thermal Reserve**, you will see boiling mud pools and the mighty Pohutu geyser. Be enthralled by the Maori culture of wood carving, flax weaving demonstration and the replicas of the Maori buildings here. Continue your tour with a photo stop at **Rotorua Lakefront** and the iconic **Government Gardens**. Thereafter, proceed to Matamata experience the real Middle-earth with a visit to the Hobbiton Movie Set, featured in The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit films. Enjoy a fabulous **festive feast** at the Green Dragon Inn. Continue travel to **Auckland**, take in city highlights such as historical buildings in downtown Auckland, scroll along the shopping district **Queen Street**, the waterfront beaches along **Tamaki Drive**, and views of the **Hauraki Gulf**.

DAY 5
AUCKLAND › CHRISTCHURCH › DUNEDIN
Breakfast, Lunch

Depart on your domestic flight from Auckland to the 'Garden City' of **Christchurch**. Upon arrival, travel south across the Canterbury Plains to the Whitestone town ship of **Oamaru**. Stop to view the mystical **Moeraki Boulders** then on to **Dunedin**, the Edinburgh of the South. Continue Dunedin city sightseeing including **Railway Station, University of Otago**, the **world's steepest Baldwin street** and impressive cathedrals.

DAY 6
DUNEDIN › QUEENSTOWN
Breakfast, Lunch

This morning, head for the **Cadbury's Chocolate Factory**, where you can check out the Cadbury's World Experience, a 1-hour tour that shows you how chocolate is made and a liquid chocolate tasting. You can also treat your palate to plenty of samples and see how chocolate tempering is done. Next, enjoy **EU Exclusive Experience - Nature's Wonders Wildlife Tour** of the world famous Yellow Eyed Penguin and NZ Fur Seal colonies. Immerse in the natural beauty of the **Otago Peninsula** and the scenic coast along **Taiaroa Head**. Thereafter, visit one of Central Otago's most well-known orchards on the highway from Cromwell to Queenstown - **Mrs Jones Fruit Orchard** to sample and buy great variety of fresh or dry fruits, nuts and honey. Make a stop at the **Kawarau Bridge Bungy Lookout** the world's first-ever bungy jumping. Retrace the journey to Queenstown.

DAY 7
QUEENSTOWN
Breakfast

Spend the day experiencing this magnificent resort town at your leisure. Surrounded by majestic mountains, Queenstown boasts and incredible array of adventure & leisure activities in all forms. Perhaps a jet boat ride with Shotover jet or dinner across the lake at historic Walter Peak High Country Farm travelling on TSS Earnslaw, or travel to the top of Bob's Peak by gondola for spectacular views.

RAILWAY STATION, DUNEDIN

DAY 8
QUEENSTOWN › MT COOK › TWIZEL
Breakfast, Dinner

Leaving Queenstown to **Arrowtown**, a delightful gold rush village nestled below the beautiful peaks that surround the sparkling Arrow River. Enroute stop at one of South Island **Salmon Farm**, chance to taste fresh salmon sashimi (own expenses). Thereafter, make our way into Mt Cook Region, view Australasia highest mountain Mt Cook at **Lake Pukaki**. If weather permits, take an optional helicopter ride up to Tasman Glacier at your own expense. Today you will spend the night at **Twizel**, located in the heart of the spectacular Mackenzie High Country which surrounded by mountains, turquoise blue lakes and burnt umber landscapes will take your breath away!

DAY 9
TWIZEL › CHRISTCHURCH
Breakfast, Chinese Dinner

Travel to Tekapo to visit the **Church of the Good Shepherd** on the shores of **Lake Tekapo**. Leaving the High-Country head to the farming district of **Ashburton**, visit **Farmer Corners' Alpacas & Lavender Farm**. Continue to Christchurch, hop on city sightseeing including **Bridge of Remembrance, Hagley Park, Botanic Garden, Mona Vale, Cashmere Hills** and **Cardboard Cathedral**.

DAY 10
CHRISTCHURCH › HOME
Breakfast, Meal on Board

If time permits, you can do some last-minute shopping before you transfer to the airport for your flight back to home. We hope you enjoyed your vacation with our company and hope to see you again for your next trip!

Suggested Excursions:
Additional activities that complement your holidays will be at your own discretion and is entirely optional. Optional tour & price subject to changes without any prior notice and minimum group size is required to depart.

- *Polynesian Spa (30min): NZD19*
- *Walter Peak High Country Farm: NZD79*
- *Jet Boating: NZD145*
- *Scenic Helicopter Ride (20 min): NZD240*
- *Milford Sound Scenic Cruise with lunch: NZD270*

Tipping Guideline: (based on 10D8N)
- *NZD70 per person*