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17 Day Explorer coach tour • Return airfares from Perth • Dining inclusions - 16 breakfasts, 15 dinners  
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- Sightseeing tours of Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch & Dunedin
- Olveston House
- Larnach Castle
- Milford Sound Cruise
- Skyline Skyride & Dinner, Queenstown
- Brief tour of Lake Wanaka
- Visit Fox Glacier
- Greenstone (Jade) Factory
- TranzAlpine Train Journey
- Coastal Pacific Train Journey
- Brief tour of Blenheim
- Brancott Estate Winery Tasting
- Interislander ferry crossing
- Te Papa Museum
- Visit to Huka Falls
- Agrodome Sheep Show
- Te Puia Thermal Reserve
- Tamaki Village & Hangi, Rotorua
- Brief Rotorua tour
- Waitomo & visit to Glowworm Grotto
- Entry to Skytower
- Kauri Museum
- Wonderful Bay of Islands
- Waitangi Treaty Grounds
- 'Hole in the Rock' Cruise

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# 17 Day Classic NZ Explorer Coach Tour

## Day 1: Arrive Christchurch

Welcome to New Zealand! A Kirra Tours representative will greet you at the airport, with transport waiting to take you to your hotel.

*Sudima Hotel Christchurch, 1 night*

## Day 2: Christchurch/Mt Cook/Omarama

A brief tour of Christchurch and its surrounds before travelling across the Canterbury Plains into MacKenzie Country. View the Church of the Good Shepherd at Lake Tekapo, before continuing to Mt Cook National Park. Admire the majesty of Mt Cook before travelling to Omarama. (B,D)

*Heritage Gateway Hotel, 1 night*

## Day 3: Omarama/Dunedin

Pass large hydro lakes as you travel down the Waitaki Valley to Oamaru and Dunedin, the "Scottish" city. A visit to the historic Olveston House before the afternoon is at your leisure. Your Coach Captain can assist in arranging your afternoon activities. (B,D)

*Cargills Hotel, 1 night*

## Day 4: Dunedin/Te Anau

This morning visit Larnach Castle, New Zealand's only castle, with spectacular views across the Otago Peninsula. Heading inland we then cross rich farmlands to the agricultural towns of Gore and Lumsden before arriving at Lake Te Anau. (B,D)

*Distinction Luxmore Hotel, 1 night*

## Day 5: Te Anau, Milford Sound/Queenstown

Follow the Eglinton and Hollyford Valleys, pass through the Homer Tunnel and descend into the Cleddau Canyon to reach majestic Milford Sound. A launch cruise takes you to the open sea and the Bowen and Stirling Falls. Return to Te Anau then skirt the shores of Lake Wakatipu to reach Queenstown. Dinner is at the Skyline Restaurant, where both the dining and the views are unsurpassed. (B,D)

*Rydges Hotel, 2 nights*

## Day 6: Queenstown

Today is at your leisure. You can either sit back and relax, or your Coach Captain is available to assist with any optional activities you would like to do. (B,D)

## Day 7: Queenstown/Haast Pass/Fox Glacier

Pass picturesque Lake Hayes, on to an area steeped in history relating to early settlement and the goldmining era, to Lake Wanaka. Pass Lake Hawea and the upper reaches of Lake Wanaka to Makarora, cross the Haast Pass into the Mt Aspiring and Westland National Parks. Drive north along the coast to the Glacier region. (B,D)

*Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier, 1 night*

## Day 8: Fox Glacier/Greymouth/Christchurch

Visit a Greenstone (Jade) factory where craftsmen cut and polish giant boulders to create fine jewellery. Join the TranzAlpine train in Greymouth and travel through rainforests to Otira, snowcapped peaks of the Southern Alps, the rugged Gorges of the Waimakariri River and across the Canterbury Plains to Christchurch. (B,D)

*Sudima Hotel Christchurch, 1 night*

## Day 9: Christchurch/Kaikoura/Blenheim

Join the Coastal Pacific train for a kaleidoscope of scenery. Follow the Pacific coastline, with the Kaikoura Mountains forming a rugged backdrop to the west. Arrive in Blenheim early afternoon. A short tour of the area includes a visit to Brancott Estate Winery.

Learn about and taste a range of the famous local wines. (B,D)

*Scenic Hotel Marlborough, 1 night*

## Day 10: Blenheim/Picton/Wellington

Drive to Picton to board the Interislander Ferry. Sail through picturesque Queen Charlotte Sound, and into Wellington Harbour. A city tour will incorporate the summit of Mt Victoria, the Houses of Parliament and the distinctive "Beehive", Wellington Cathedral, city centre and Oriental Bay. Don't miss Te Papa, the "Museum of New Zealand", or take a ride on the famous Cable Car. (B,D)

*Bay Plaza Hotel, 1 night*

## Day 11: Wellington/Taupo/Rotorua

Drive to Paekakariki with views of Kapiti Island and across to the central North Island National Park, dominated by the volcanic cone of Mt Ruapehu. Follow the Desert Road to Lake Taupo, New Zealand's largest lake. Stop at Huka Falls then skirt past massive pine forests to reach Rotorua, centre of Maori culture. (B,D)

*Sudima Hotel Lake Rotorua, 2 nights*

## Day 12: Rotorua

A sightseeing tour visits the Agrodome Sheep show, Te Puia, the Maori Arts and Crafts Centre and Thermal Reserve and Pohutu Geyser. Time for optional activities this afternoon before a Maori hangi (meal) with a selection of traditionally prepared meats and vegetables plus conventional dishes, followed by a concert featuring Maori songs, chants and the stirring haka. (B,D)

## Day 13: Rotorua/Waitomo/Auckland

Cross the Mamaku Ranges to the Waikato region, noted for dairy farming and world famous horse studs. At Waitomo visit the limestone caverns and glowworm grotto. Travel north, to reach New Zealand's largest city, Auckland. A city tour will visit the summit of Skytower, at 328m the tallest building in the Southern Hemisphere for superb views, the downtown area and Waterfront Drive. (B,D)

*Rydges Hotel, 1 night*

## Day 14: Auckland to Bay of Islands

Drive north to Matakohē, home of the Kauri Museum. Learn about the Kauri tree and the history of the regions early settlement. Continue to Paihia where our local Maori guide, a descendant of the original settlers to the region, greets you. A self guided tour through the famous Treaty House, the Maori Meeting House and giant war canoe. (B,D)

*Tanoa Hotel Paihia, 2 nights*

## Day 15 - Bay of Islands

Today is at your leisure, take the time to relax and enjoy the beauty of the Bay of Islands. Your Coach Captain will happily assist with arranging activities for you. (B,D)

## Day 16: Bay of Islands/Auckland

Sit back and relax as a launch cruise takes you across the Bay and world acclaimed fishing grounds to Cape Brett and the famous "Hole in the Rock". Returning to Paihia, board your Coach for the journey south through Whangarei and Warkworth, passing the satellite tracking station. Shortly Auckland city and harbour come into view. (B,D)

*Rydges Hotel, 1 night*

## Day 17: Auckland/Home

It is farewell to your travelling companions. You will be transferred to Auckland International Airport to join your flight home. (B)

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