



Taste of New Zealand

8 nights from \$2110

For Reservations Please Call 1-800-22-SWAIN

Destinations

Auckland, Rotorua, Queenstown, Christchurch

Includes

- Internal coach class air in New Zealand
- Round trip airport transfers
- 1 night Auckland
- Waitomo Caves full day tour
- 2 nights Rotorua
- Rotorua half day city tour
- Rotorua Hangi dinner and concert
- 3 nights Queenstown
- Milford Sound full day tour
- Dart River jet boating
- 2 nights Christchurch
- Akaroa full day tour
- Rental car OR coach transfers between major cities
- 3 lunches 1 dinner



Day 1 Fly USA to Auckland

Day 2 Cross the International Date Line

Day 3 Welcome to Auckland, New Zealand

You will be met and transferred to your accommodation, or if you choose the rental car option, you will pick up your vehicle and self drive to your hotel.

Auckland, 'City of Sails', located between two stunning harbors, enjoys a mild year-round climate Auckland is the country's most visited region and largest urban area, offering exciting activities and great shopping.

The city lies across a 7-mile wide volcanic isthmus separating two harbors. The Waitemata to the east opens into the Hauraki Gulf, and to the Pacific Ocean. The Manukau Harbour to the west offers many estuaries and surf beaches and opens to the Tasman Sea.

Day 4 Auckland to Rotorua Via Waitomo Caves

Depart Auckland on board a motor coach for your ride south to Hamilton. Travel through the rich Waikato area, famous for its dairy farms, kiwi fruit orchards, thoroughbred horses.....and the Waitomo Caves! You will enter subterranean limestone caverns to view the Glow Worm Grotto; surely one of the wonders of the world. Then continue over the bush clad Mamaku Ranges to Rotorua.

Day 5 Rotorua city tour

See the highlights of Rotorua - this tour shows you the best of Rotorua's natural and man-made attractions. Your half day tour includes a visit to Rainbow Springs and Rainbow Farm for a sheep show and working sheep dog demonstrations. Continue to Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve to see bubbling mud pools, steaming geysers and intricate Maori wood carvings.

Hangi dinner and concert

This Twilight Cultural Tour offers transport to and from a Marae by coach. Tonight is a spiritual experience you will never forget with Marae protocol, entertainment, Maori culture and feasting.

En route to the Marae, the guide explains the protocol to take place. The group on board is prepared for the wero (challenge) and welcome to the Marae. Upon entering the exquisitely carved meeting house, you will hongi (greet - pressing of noses) with your host. The tradition means you are a friend and may consider yourself one of the family. Now sit back and enjoy the culture of the Maori people. See the fierce Haka (war dance), twirling of poi balls, stick games and other entertainment.

From here we move to the Hangi pit to see the traditional Maori method of food preparation before heading into the dining room for a Hangi (feast). After the feast, you are transferred back to your Rotorua accommodation by coach.

Day 6 Fly Rotorua to Queenstown (Via Christchurch)

You will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Queenstown. On arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

Nestled beside the deep blue waters of Lake Wakatipu, at the foot of the Remarkables Mountain Range, Queenstown is a year round resort, where you can be as active as you want, or just leisurely enjoy the magnificent scenery.

Day 7 Milford Sound tour

An early start as you leave your hotel and coach through some of the most beautiful countryside in New Zealand. On arrival at Milford Sound, board the vessel for a leisurely cruise along the sound to the Tasman Sea. The vessel stops at various points and plenty of time is available to view waterfalls, rainforests, mountains and seals. You may even see dolphins frolic alongside the boat. A buffet lunch is included during the cruise.

Day 8 Dart River jet boating

Transfer from Queenstown by coach to Glenorchy and the mouth of the Dart River. Here we board the 18 foot specially prepared jet boat and thread our way through a maze of channels between river flats in only inches of water. Snow capped mountains surround you as you view the World Heritage Grandeur, and waterfalls cascade into the lush bush clad valleys – a magical, untouched place.

Your guide shares his knowledge and explains all about the area, then pulls into a bank so that you may explore the area by foot. This optional 30-45 minute guided walk takes you into the native forests at an area called Paradise in the spectacular Rees Valley. You will then be collected by the 4 x 4 coach to take you back to Glenorchy, before transferring back to Queenstown. Trip duration is 6 hours. Your tour today will include a souvenir picture pack, which is a mini album from your day.

Day 9 Coach from Queenstown to Christchurch

Travel from Queenstown to Mount Cook via the Lindis Pass and then down the Southern Alps to the Canterbury Plains and Christchurch. Lunch is included en route.

If you choose the self drive option, you will drive from Queenstown to Christchurch at your own pace.

Day 10 Akaroa full day tour

On this amazing tour, visit the extinct volcanoes of Banks Peninsula and view the beautiful harbors & green farmland. Make photo stops at scenic places and enjoy morning & afternoon teas and a cheese tasting at the Barry's Bay Cheese Factory.

Once at Akaroa, included in your tour is a nature and harbor cruise on the Canterbury Cat. This cruise explores the volcanic harbor and sightings may be made of the world's smallest dolphin - the Hector's Dolphin, NZ Fur Seals and numerous seabirds.

If time allows, stroll through the village and along the waterfront, taking in the quaint French charm which is unique to Akaroa. Lunch is included today, and the return to Christchurch is around 5.30pm.

Day 11 Fly Christchurch to USA (Via Auckland)

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Auckland. On arrival, make your way to the international terminal for your departure flight to the USA.

Hotels

For more information about the hotels visited in this itinerary please click the hotel name below.

City	Standard	Superior	Deluxe	Luxury
Auckland	Scenic Hotel Auckland	Rydges Auckland	The Langham	-
Rotorua	Ibis Rotorua	Millennium Hotel	Novotel Rotorua Lakeside	-
Christchurch	Ibis Christchurch	Copthorne Hotel Central	The George	-
Queenstown	Heartland Hotel	Hotel St. Moritz	Sofitel Queenstown	-

Pricing

To determine pricing for your tour select the appropriate travel season and desired accommodation level from the table below.

	Standard SWSP474	Superior SWSP476	Deluxe SWSP477
1/1/10-3/31/10	\$2,170	\$2,645	\$3,520
4/1/10-9/30/10	\$2,110	\$2,505	\$3,465
10/1/10-3/31/11	\$2,225	\$2,685	\$3,610
Single Supplement			
1/1/10-3/31/10 Coach	\$520	\$970	\$1,955
4/1/10-9/30/10 Coach	\$460	\$835	\$1,895
10/1/10-3/31/11 Coach	\$520	\$970	\$2,000
1/1/10-3/31/10 Self Drive	\$825	\$1,305	\$2,325
4/1/10-9/30/10 Self Drive	\$705	\$1,099	\$2,190
10/1/10-3/31/11 Self Drive	\$825	\$1,280	\$2,350
International Airfare: Air New Zealand			
Routing: LAX-AKL-LAX			
1/1/10-4/30/10; 6/9/10-7/23/10; 9/22/10-12/31/10	\$1,620		
5/1/10-6/8/10; 7/24/10-9/21/10	\$1,470		

Terms & Conditions

*Prices are per person, twin/double share in USD. Travel may be restricted to certain days of the week and be available from one or multiple US departure points. Add on fares are available from most US cities and surcharges may be applicable for travel on particular days of the week. Seats are limited and may not be available on every flight. Hotels and tours remain subject to availability. US and Foreign Govt. taxes and fees vary depending on the itinerary selected and may range from \$90 to \$395 per person. Passenger Facility Charges of up to \$18 per person and the September 11th Security Fee of up to \$10 per person, are not included. After ticketing changes may not be permissible in some circumstances, or a change fee may be applied. Cancellation penalties and other booking or alteration restrictions may exist. Please note that some air segments may be served by an associated carrier. Full payment for special deals may be required within a number of days of the reservation being made as nominated by your consultant at the time of booking (or 60 days prior to departure). Please note blackout dates may apply to Christmas, New Year and local special event periods. Prices indicated remain subject to change without notice. Group inquiries are welcome however specials remain subject to hotel and airline capacity control and therefore may not be applicable for group travel. The best deal available for group travel will always be given in lieu of the offer indicated. Unless otherwise indicated all travel must be completed by March 31, 2011 if not before. CST #2012413-20