



# New Zealand **Coach Holidays** 2024 / 25



Signature Mid-Size Group Touring. 32 Seat Premium Economy

Valid for Departures September 2024 - April 2025





Experience the Premium Economy Comfort of a full-size coach, touring with a mid-size group of up to 32 travellers, fully escorted. The Signature coaches are beautifully crafted, designed for New Zealand touring with delivering excellence in mind.

#### COACH

32 seat Premium Economy

SIZE Full size 13.5 metre



#### FEATURES

Two door access **Air-conditioning** Restroom Individual seat back tray table and cup holder **Overhead storage USB** charging port

ONBOARD WI-FI Included with daily allowance

#### SEAT CONFIGURATION

2 + 1 Seating



CREW

#### **Professional Coach Captain and Tour Leader**



ACCOMMODATION

4 Star

#### BENEFITS

Complimentary pre-dinner drink at the Welcome Dinner Complimentary pre-dinner drink at the Farewell Dinner Wine Time discounted drinks Interislander Ferry, Queen Charlotte Lounge\*

#### COACH LUGGAGE LIMIT

1 suitcase + Travel Bag per person

DOCUMENTATION PACK Signature Pack

**Ticket Wallet per person** 

\*Two island tours only.



Kia Ora. Welcome to New Zealand

# Feel the Spirit

**Potter Travel** in conjunction with **Grand Pacific Tours**, the **New Zealand Coach Holiday Specialist**, are pleased to offer you the opportunity to explore this magnificent destination.

Embrace the highlights of both the North and South Islands of New Zealand in a Signature Mid-Size Group Tour, enjoying Premium Economy comfort onboard a coach with 32 seats. Highlights include Hobbiton™ Movie Set tour and lunch, a traditional Mãori Hangi and Concert and a cruise on the spectacular Milford Sound.





#### EXCLUSIVE OFFER INCLUDES

- \$200 per person discount
- Travel on selected departures and receive an additional discount of \$200 per person

Join us for the holiday of a lifetime!



# Premium Economy Comfort. Maximum 32 Travellers



EXCLUSIVE TO GRAND PACIFIC TOURS



N ew Zealand has a rich and fascinating history; a variety of postcard landscapes and friendly down-to-earth people who embrace the spirit of hospitality. Your Signature tour will take you on an unforgettable journey in a mid-size group and in Premium Economy Comfort. Each day is a new discovery!



# PROFESSIONAL COACH CAPTAIN

Handpicked for their expert knowledge and extensive driving experience the Coach Captain will be on hand to assist you with every aspect of the tour. Enjoy the professional commentary including numerous facts and figures, myths, legends and many laughs along the way.

# FULLY ESCORTED TOURING

An experienced Grand Pacific Tour Leader will accompany you throughout the tour. Not only will they make you feel welcome and relaxed, but they will also ensure you enjoy a memorable Kiwi experience.

# SIGNATURE BENEFITS

Complimentary

pre-dinner drink

at the Welcome

Dinner

Experience the beauty of NZ in Premium Economy Comfort onboard the Signature coach. Beautifully crafted and designed for New Zealand touring with delivering excellence in mind.





Signature documentation pack including a travel bag and ticket wallet



Complimentary pre-dinner drink at the Earewell Dinner

# 4 STAR HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

The hotels used are stylish, centrally located and offer deluxe service. These hotels have a large range of facilities available and many offer swimming pools, gyms and a choice of dining options. All the service standards are aimed towards looking after your every need.



# THE SIGNATURE COACH EXTENSIVE FEATURES

Adjustable



32 Premium Economy Comfort leather and cloth reclining seats



2 + 1 armchair seating arm and headrests configuration for and seat belts better panoramic viewing



Individual seat back trav table cup holder and USB charging port



Multi-media



2 door access. entertainment restroom air conditioning and systems with three screens electrical sockets



Cold water storage available



Complimentary daily onboard Wi-Fi allowance



# TOUR CODE SGPS19

STYLE Signature Mid-Size Group **COACH** 32 seat Premium Economy ACCOMMODATION 4 star

**STARTS** Auckland **FINISHES** Christchurch

#### **2024 GUARANTEED DEPARTURE** Sep 17

#### **ALL INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE**

Fully escorted tour includes airfares from Canberra or Sydney, taxes, transfers in New Zealand, Premium Economy 32 seat coach travel, 4 star accommodation, most meals, sightseeing and attractions + \$800 BONUS VALUE inclusions per couple#

#### **TOUR PRICE INCLUDING AIRFARES**

PER PERSON,	TWIN SHARE		TAXES	TOTAL
CANBERRA	\$9229	+	\$350 =	\$9579
SYDNEY	\$8999	+	\$260 =	\$9259

\$2700 Prices are in Australian Dollars. Airline taxes are subject to change. Exact amounts will be confirmed by your Travel Agent at time of booking.

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT



Board your launch for a cruise and lunch on the magnificent Milford Sound.

Experience the iconic attractions of New Zealand in the comfort of a mid-size group

# 19 Day Signature Showcase

### No hidden extras

#### **PREPAID ATTRACTIONS**

- Kauri Museum
- Waitangi Treaty Grounds
- · Hole in the Rock Dolphin Cruise
- Sky Tower
- Hobbiton™ Movie Set Tour and Lunch\*
- Skyline Rotorua Gondola and Luge Ride
- Aarodome
- Thermal mud pools and geysers\* Te Puia traditional Māori Hāngi and Concert
- Te Papa, NZ's National Museum
- Cruise on the Interislander Ferry, Queen Charlotte Lounge
- · Marlborough Winery and Tasting
- TranzAlpine Rail Journey
- Cruise Lake Wakatipu on the TSS Earnslaw
- Lakes District Museum
- Milford Sound Cruise and Lunch
- Larnach Castle\*
- · City sights tour of Auckland, Napier, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin \*Guided tour.

#### **COACH FEATURES**

- 32 Premium Economy Comfort seats on a full-size coach
- 2 door access; seat back tray table; cup holder
- · Restroom; daily onboard Wi-Fi allowance

### **Itinerary and Hotels**

#### DAY 1: Arrive Auckland (D)

On arrival in Auckland, you will be met by a Grand Pacific Tours representative and transferred to your hotel. This evening enjoy a complimentary pre-dinner drink when you meet your Tour Leader and travelling companions for dinner. Hotel SkyCity Hotel

#### DAY 2: Auckland - Bay of Islands (B,D)

Depart Auckland and travel to Matakohe for a visit and informative talk at the Kauri Museum. Travel via Whangarei to Paihia, situated in the heart of the beautiful Bay of Islands. Enjoy a guided tour of the Waitangi Treaty Grounds, the location of the signing of the treaty between the Māori tribes and the British Government in 1840. Hotel Scenic Hotel Bay of Islands (2 nights)

#### DAY 3: Bay of Islands (Free Day) (B)

Today is a free day. Choose from the many optional activities available, including the Cape Reinga coach trip via Ninety Mile Beach or a spectacular scenic flight. This evening is also free, you may like to enjoy a relaxing dinner cruise (optional).

#### **EXPERIENCE**

- Return airfares from Canberra or Sydney
- · Personalised Meet and Greet on arrival
- Return airport transfers in New Zealand
- Professional Coach Captain
- Tour Leader
- 18 nights 4 star accommodation
- 4 two night stays
- Hotel porterage
- 1 rail journey
- 4 cruises
- · All sightseeing and prepaid attractions
- **Extensive** Optional Activities
- Signature Documentation Pack

#### MEALS

- 18 cooked breakfasts including a specialty breakfast: Stratosfare Restaurant, Rotorua
- 15 sumptuous dinners including complimentary pre-dinner drink at the Welcome Dinner and 3 specialty dinners: Māori Hāngi and Concert, Rotorua; Walter Peak Homestead, Queenstown; Farewell Dinner including pre-dinner drink, Christchurch
- 2 lunches: Hobbiton, Shire's buffet; Milford Sound Cruise
- 1 delicious Devonshire Tea: Larnach Castle
- Enjoy GPT Hotel Wine Time (discounted drinks)

Day 1: Dinner not included for anyone arriving later than 8pm.

(B) Breakfast. (L) Lunch. (D) Dinner. (SD) Specialty Dinner.

#### DAY 4: Bay of Islands - Auckland (B)

This morning cruise through the beautiful Bay of Islands aboard a luxury catamaran to Cape Brett, where a historic lighthouse keeps watch over Piercy Island, or as it is popularly known, the 'Hole in the Rock'. Keep an eye out for dolphins and other marine life. Return to Paihia and travel south via Whangarei to Auckland where you will enjoy a city sights tour. This evening is free to explore the many eateries surrounding your hotel.

Hotel SkyCity Hotel

#### DAY 5: Auckland - Rotorua (B,L,D)

Enjoy a leisurely start before visiting Sky Tower, one of New Zealand's most spectacular attractions. Depart Auckland and travel through the picturesque countryside to Hobbiton for a buffet lunch. This is followed by a guided tour of the Movie Set from The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit trilogies. Your guide will recount details of how this beautiful piece of farmland was transformed into The Shire from Middle Earth.

Hotel Pullman Rotorua (City View Room. 2 nights)

#### DAY 6: Rotorua (B,SD)

Today begins with a gondola ride and breakfast at Skyline Rotorua. There is also time for a thrilling luge ride! Next stop is the Agrodome for an action-packed hour of farming entertainment and education that is unlike anything you've seen before. Enjoy some free time this afternoon before travelling to Te Puia to see the boiling mud pools and awesome geysers that Rotorua is famous for. This evening experience an entertaining Māori Hāngi and Concert.

#### DAY 7: Rotorua - Napier - Masterton (B,D)

Depart Rotorua and travel along the Thermal Explorer Highway to Huka Falls and Lake Taupo. Continue to Napier known as 'The Art Deco Capital', where a city tour will showcase an impressive collection of art deco buildings. Enjoy some free time to explore the fascinating architecture before travelling through the Wairarapa, an emerging cool-climate wine region. **Hotel** Copthorne Hotel Solway Park Wairarapa (Superior Room)

#### DAY 8: Masterton - Greytown - Wellington (B,D)

Enjoy a leisurely start to the day before travelling to quaint Greytown. Drive through the scenic Rimutaka Mountain Range into Wellington. Enjoy a city tour of the nation's capital followed by a visit to Gallipoli: A Scale of War exhibition at Te Papa, New Zealand's National Museum. Cutting edge technology brings these stories to life through the eyes of New Zealanders who found themselves in extraordinary circumstances.

Hotel James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor (Executive Room)

#### DAY 9: Wellington - Picton - Blenheim (B,D)

This morning board the Interislander Ferry where you can relax in comfort in the Queen Charlotte Lounge. Enjoy the scenery as you travel through the Marlborough Sounds to Picton. Board your coach for the short journey to Blenheim, where you will experience a personalised wine tasting at an iconic Marlborough Winery. You will taste award-winning wines and enjoy exploring the beautiful Marlborough vineyards. **Hotel** Scenic Hotel Marlborough

#### DAY 10: Blenheim - Kaikōura - Christchurch (B,D)

Tour through Marlborough Country, famous for its food and wine, then travel to the seaside village of Kaikōura. Continue onto the garden city of Christchurch for a city sights tour.

Hotel Distinction Christchurch Hotel

#### DAY 11: Christchurch - Arthur's Pass - Franz Josef (B,D)

This morning board the TranzAlpine, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world. Travel over massive viaducts, river valleys and spectacular gorges as you ascend to Arthur's Pass located in the centre of the Southern Alps. Board your coach and travel to Hokitika, famous for its Greenstone before continuing to the township of Franz Josef where time



Experience the real Middle-earth on a tour of the Hobbiton Movie Set.

is available to experience a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the spectacular glaciers.

Hotel Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier (Douglas Wing)

#### DAY 12: Franz Josef - Queenstown (B)

See the snow-capped peaks of the Southern Alps as you travel south along the West Coast to the Fox Glacier township. Continue via the Haast Pass, an area of stunning beauty before arriving into picturesque Queenstown, a year-round resort situated on the shores of magical Lake Wakatipu. This evening is free to dine out at one of the many fine restaurants. **Hotel** Millennium Hotel Queenstown (2 nights)

#### DAY 13: Queenstown (Free Day) (B,SD)

Today is a free day to explore Queenstown. You may wish to enjoy the thrill of a jet boat ride (optional) or a heritage tour of the scenic Skippers Canyon (optional). This evening board the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw and cruise across Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak Station. Sit back and enjoy a delicious gourmet barbecue dinner featuring seasonal, fresh and locally sourced food at the Colonel's Homestead. After dinner enjoy a short farm tour then reboard the TSS Earnslaw for a sing along by the piano as you cruise back to Queenstown.

#### DAY 14: Queenstown - Te Anau (B,D)

Enjoy a leisurely start this morning before travelling to Arrowtown, an old gold mining village where you visit the Lakes District Museum. Continue to Te Anau, the gateway to Fiordland. Today you may like to visit the Te Anau Glowworm Caves (optional). **Hotel** Distinction Luxmore Hotel Lake Te Anau (Deluxe Room. 2 nights)

#### DAY 15: Te Anau - Milford Sound - Te Anau (B,L,D)

Depart Te Anau for a fascinating drive to Milford Sound where you board your launch for a cruise on this magnificent fiord. See the spectacular Bowen Falls and towering Mitre Peak as you enjoy lunch onboard. This afternoon return to Te Anau where some free time is available. You might like to cap off your Fiordland experience by watching the breathtaking film, Ata Whenua - Shadowland, which screens at the Fiordland Cinema (optional).

#### DAY 16: Te Anau - Dunedin (B,D)

Travel via Gore and Balclutha to Dunedin known as the 'Edinburgh of the South' and enjoy a city tour. Travel along the Otago Peninsula to Larnach Castle where you will hear of the tragic and scandalous history on a guided tour. Enjoy time to wander around this Garden of International Significance followed by a delicious Devonshire Tea. **Hotel** Scenic Hotel Southern Cross

#### DAY 17: Dunedin - Mt Cook - Twizel (B,D)

Farewell Dunedin and travel to Oamaru famous for its limestone. Follow the Waitaki River as you marvel at Mt Cook, New Zealand's highest peak. The opportunity is available to enjoy a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the Southern Alps. Travel to Twizel for your overnight stay. **Hotel** Distinction Mackenzie Country

#### DAY 18: Twizel - Christchurch (B,SD)

Continue to Lake Tekapo and view the brilliant turquoise water, the Church of the Good Shepherd and the Sheep Dog Statue before arriving in Christchurch. This evening enjoy a pre-dinner drink and reminisce on memories shared with your new friends at the farewell dinner.

Hotel Distinction Christchurch Hotel

#### DAY 19: Depart Christchurch (B)

Time to say goodbye. You will be transferred to the airport for your flight home after a memorable New Zealand holiday.



# TOUR CODE SGPNI9

**STYLE** Signature Mid-Size Group **COACH** 32 seat Premium Economy **ACCOMMODATION** 4 star

**STARTS** Auckland **FINISHES** Wellington

#### 2025 GUARANTEED DEPARTURE Mar 11

#### ALL INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE

Fully escorted tour includes airfares from Canberra or Sydney, taxes, transfers in New Zealand, Premium Economy 32 seat coach travel, 4 star accommodation, most meals, sightseeing and attractions + \$400 BONUS VALUE inclusions per couple#

#### **TOUR PRICE INCLUDING AIRFARES**

PER PERSON, T	WIN SHARE	TAXES	TOTAL
CANBERRA	\$5229	+ \$350 =	\$5579
SYDNEY	\$4999	+ \$260 =	\$5259

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT	\$1350
Prices are in Australian Dollars.	Airline taxes are subject to

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See the world-famous Farm Show at Agrodome starring a cast of talented animals.

# 9 Day Signature North Island

### No hidden extras

#### **PREPAID ATTRACTIONS**

- Kauri Museum
- Waitangi Treaty Grounds
- Hole in the Rock Dolphin Cruise
- Sky Tower
- Hobbiton<sup>™</sup> Movie Set Tour and Lunch<sup>\*</sup>
- Skyline Rotorua Gondola and Luge Ride
- Agrodome
- Thermal mud pools and geysers\*
- Te Puia traditional Māori Hāngi and
- ConcertTe Papa, NZ's National Museum
- City sights tour of Auckland, Napier, Wellington

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\*Guided tour.

- COACH FEATURES32 Premium Economy Comfort seats on
- a full-size coach • 2 door access; seat back tray table; cup
- holder
- · Restroom; daily onboard Wi-Fi allowance

#### EXPERIENCE

- Return airfares from Canberra or Sydney
- Personalised Meet and Greet on arrival
- Return airport transfers in New Zealand
- Professional Coach Captain
- Tour Leader
- 8 nights 4 star accommodation
- 2 two night stays
- Hotel porterage
- 1 cruise
- All sightseeing and prepaid attractions
- Extensive Optional Activities
- Signature Documentation Pack

#### MEALS

- · 8 cooked breakfasts
- 6 sumptuous dinners including complimentary pre-dinner drink at the Welcome Dinner and 2 specialty dinners: Māori Hāngi and Concert, Rotorua; Farewell Dinner including pre-dinner drink, Wellington
- 1 lunch: Hobbiton, Shire's buffet
- Enjoy GPT Hotel Wine Time (discounted drinks)

Day 1: Dinner not included for anyone arriving later than 8pm.

### **Itinerary and Hotels**

#### DAY 1: Arrive Auckland (D)

On arrival into Auckland, you will be met by a Grand Pacific Tours representative and transferred to your hotel. This evening enjoy a complimentary pre-dinner drink when you meet your Tour Leader and travelling companions for dinner. **Hotel** SkyCity Hotel

#### DAY 2: Auckland - Bay of Islands (B,D)

Depart Auckland and travel to Matakohe for a visit and informative talk at the Kauri Museum. Travel via Whangarei to Paihia, situated in the heart of the beautiful Bay of Islands. Enjoy a guided tour of the Waitangi Treaty Grounds, the location of the signing of the treaty between the Māori tribes and the British Government in 1840. **Hotel** Scenic Hotel Bay of Islands (2 nights)

#### DAY 3: Bay of Islands (Free Day) (B)

Today is a free day. Choose from the many optional activities available, including the Cape Reinga coach trip via Ninety Mile Beach or a spectacular scenic flight. This evening is also free, you may like to enjoy a relaxing dinner cruise (optional). (B) Breakfast. (L) Lunch. (D) Dinner. (SD) Specialty Dinner.

#### DAY 4: Bay of Islands - Auckland (B)

This morning cruise through the beautiful Bay of Islands aboard a luxury catamaran to Cape Brett, where a historic lighthouse keeps watch over Piercy Island, or as it is popularly known, the 'Hole in the Rock'. Keep an eye out for dolphins and other marine life. Return to Paihia and travel south via Whangarei to Auckland where you will enjoy a city sights tour. This evening is free to explore the many eateries surrounding your hotel.

Hotel SkyCity Hotel

#### DAY 5: Auckland - Rotorua (B,L,D)

Enjoy a leisurely start before visiting Sky Tower, one of New Zealand's most spectacular attractions. Depart Auckland and travel through the picturesque countryside to Hobbiton for a buffet lunch. This is followed by a guided tour of the Movie Set from The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit trilogies. Your guide will recount details of how this beautiful piece of farmland was transformed into The Shire from Middle Earth.

**Hotel** Pullman Rotorua (City View Room. 2 nights)



Cruise through the beautiful Bay of Islands to Piercy Island, or as it's popularly known, the Hole in the Rock.

# **Optional Activities**



**SALT AIR** Fly by helicopter over the crystal-clear turquoise waters found in the world-famous Bay of Islands to the 'Hole in the Rock'. From above explore the townships of Russell, Paihia and Waitangi.



#### **POLYNESIAN SPA**

Whilst in Rotorua why not take the opportunity to relax in hot mineral spring pools at the Polynesian Spa, New Zealand's leading international spa. Choose from 27 hot pools and enjoy views over Lake Rotorua.

#### DAY 6: Rotorua (B,SD)

Today begins with a gondola ride and breakfast at Skyline Rotorua. There is also time for a thrilling luge ride! Next stop is the Agrodome for an action-packed hour of farming entertainment and education that is unlike anything you've seen before. Enjoy some free time this afternoon before travelling to Te Puia to see the boiling mud pools and awesome geysers that Rotorua is famous for. This evening experience an entertaining Māori Hāngi and Concert.

#### DAY 7: Rotorua - Napier - Masterton (B,D)

Depart Rotorua and travel along the Thermal Explorer Highway to Huka Falls and Lake Taupo. Continue to Napier known as 'The Art Deco Capital', where a city tour will showcase an impressive collection of art deco buildings. Enjoy some free time to explore the fascinating architecture before travelling through the Wairarapa, an emerging cool-climate wine region. **Hotel** Copthorne Hotel Solway Park Wairarapa (Superior Room)

You will be immersed in the traditions and customs of Māori culture in Rotorua.

#### DAY 8: Masterton - Greytown - Wellington (B,SD)

Enjoy a leisurely start before travelling to Greytown. Drive through the scenic Rimutaka Mountain Range into Wellington for a city tour of the nation's capital. A highlight this afternoon will be time to explore Gallipoli: A Scale of War exhibition at Te Papa, New Zealand's National Museum. Cutting edge technology brings these stories to life through the eyes of New Zealanders who found themselves in extraordinary circumstances. This evening enjoy a pre-dinner drink and reminisce on memories shared with your new friends at the farewell dinner. Hotel James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor

(Executive Room)

#### **DAY 9: Depart Wellington (B)**

Time to say goodbye. You will be transferred to the airport for your flight home after a memorable New Zealand holiday.





# TOUR CODE SGPSI10

**STYLE** Signature Mid-Size Group **COACH** 32 seat Premium Economy **ACCOMMODATION** 4 star

**STARTS** Christchurch **FINISHES** Christchurch

#### 2025 GUARANTEED DEPARTURE Apr 10

#### ALL INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE

Fully escorted tour includes airfares from Canberra or Sydney, taxes, transfers in New Zealand, Premium Economy 32 seat coach travel, 4 star accommodation, most meals, sightseeing and attractions + \$400 BONUS VALUE inclusions per couple#

#### **TOUR PRICE INCLUDING AIRFARES**

PER PERSON, T	WIN SHARE	TAXES	TOTAL
CANBERRA	\$5829	+ \$350 =	\$6179
SYDNEY	\$5599	+ \$260 =	\$5859

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT	\$1480
Prices are in Australian Dollars.	
change Exact amounts will be	confirmed by your Travel

Agent at time of booking.

### Explore the landscapes of the spectacular South Island

# 10 Day Signature South Island

### No hidden extras

#### **PREPAID ATTRACTIONS**

- TranzAlpine Rail Journey
  Cruise Lake Wakatipu on the TSS Earnslaw
- Lakes District Museum
- Milford Sound Cruise and Lunch
  Larnach Castle\*
- City sights tour of Dunedin and Christchurch
   Guided tour

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- 32 Premium Economy Comfort seats on a full-size coach
- 2 door access; seat back tray table; cup holder
- Restroom; daily onboard Wi-Fi allowance

#### EXPERIENCE

- Return airfares from Canberra or Sydney
- Personalised Meet and Greet on arrival
- Return airport transfers in New Zealand
- Professional Coach Captain
- Tour Leader
- 9 nights 4 star accommodation
- 2 two night stays
- · Hotel porterage
- 1 rail journey
- 2 cruises
- · All sightseeing and prepaid attractions
- Extensive Optional Activities
- Signature Documentation Pack

#### MEALS

- 9 cooked breakfasts
- 8 sumptuous dinners including complimentary pre-dinner drink at the Welcome Dinner and 2 specialty dinners: Walter Peak Homestead, Queenstown; Farewell Dinner including pre-dinner drink, Christchurch
- 1 lunch: Milford Sound Cruise
- 1 delicious Devonshire Tea: Larnach Castle
- Enjoy GPT Hotel Wine Time (discounted drinks)

Day 1: Dinner not included for anyone arriving later than 8pm.

### **Itinerary and Hotels**

#### DAY 1: Arrive Christchurch (D)

On arrival into Christchurch, you will be met by a Grand Pacific Tours representative and transferred to your hotel. This evening enjoy a complimentary pre-dinner drink when you meet your Tour Leader and travelling companions for dinner. **Hotel** Distinction Christchurch Hotel

#### DAY 2: Christchurch - Arthur's Pass - Franz Josef (B,D)

This morning board the TranzAlpine, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world. Travel over massive viaducts, river valleys and spectacular gorges as you ascend to Arthur's Pass located in the centre of the Southern Alps. Board your coach and travel to Hokitika, famous for its Greenstone before continuing to the township of Franz Josef where time is available to experience a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the spectacular glaciers.

Hotel Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier (Douglas Wing)

#### (B) Breakfast. (L) Lunch. (D) Dinner. (SD) Specialty Dinner.

#### DAY 3: Franz Josef - Queenstown (B)

See the snow-capped peaks of the Southern Alps as you travel south along the West Coast to the Fox Glacier township. Continue via the Haast Pass, an area of stunning beauty before arriving into picturesque Queenstown, a year-round resort situated on the shores of magical Lake Wakatipu. This evening is free to dine out at one of the many fine restaurants. **Hotel** Millennium Hotel Queenstown (2 nights)

#### DAY 4: Queenstown (Free Day) (B,SD)

Today is a free day to explore Queenstown. Your Coach Captain and Tour Leader will assist with the many optional activities available. You may wish to enjoy the thrill of a jet boat ride or a heritage tour of the scenic Skippers Canyon. This evening board the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw and cruise across Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak Station. Sit back, relax and enjoy a delicious gourmet barbecue dinner featuring a menu of seasonal, fresh and locally sourced food at the Colonel's Homestead. After dinner enjoy a short farm tour then reboard the TSS Earnslaw for a sing along by the piano as you cruise back to Queenstown.

Enjoy a tour of Larnach Castle, New Zealand's only castle, built in 1871.



The TranzAlpine, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world.

# **Optional Activities**



#### SHOTOVER JET

Enjoy a jet boat ride in the spectacular Shotover River Canyons, carved out over the ages by a vast volume of fast flowing water. Hold on tight and take a spin in the iconic Big Red for wall to wall action from start to finish.



#### FIORDLAND CINEMA

No visit to Fiordland is complete without taking in the breathtaking film, 'Ata Whenua - Shadowland'. Screened in a purpose-built theatre, you will take an unforgettable journey.

#### DAY 5: Queenstown - Te Anau (B,D)

Enjoy a leisurely start this morning before travelling to Arrowtown, an old gold mining village where you visit the Lakes District Museum. Continue to Te Anau, the gateway to Fiordland. Today you may like to visit the Te Anau Glowworm Caves (optional). **Hotel** Distinction Luxmore Hotel Lake Te Anau (Deluxe Room. 2 nights)

#### DAY 6: Te Anau - Milford Sound - Te Anau (B,L,D)

Depart Te Anau for a fascinating drive to Milford Sound where you board your launch for a cruise on this magnificent fiord. See the spectacular Bowen Falls and towering Mitre Peak as you enjoy lunch onboard. This afternoon return to Te Anau where some free time is available. You might like to cap off your Fiordland experience by watching the breathtaking film, Ata Whenua - Shadowland, which screens at the Fiordland Cinema (optional).

#### DAY 7: Te Anau - Dunedin (B,D)

Travel via Gore and Balclutha to Dunedin known as the 'Edinburgh of the South' and enjoy a city tour. Travel along the Otago Peninsula to Larnach Castle where you will hear of the tragic and scandalous history on a guided tour. Enjoy time to wander around this Garden of International Significance followed by a delicious Devonshire Tea. **Hotel** Scenic Hotel Southern Cross

#### DAY 8: Dunedin - Mt Cook - Twizel (B,D)

Farewell Dunedin and travel to Oamaru famous for its limestone. Follow the Waitaki River and see Lake Benmore as you continue to marvel at Mt Cook, New Zealand's highest peak. The opportunity is available to enjoy a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the Southern Alps. Travel to Twizel for your overnight stay. **Hotel** Distinction Mackenzie Country

#### DAY 9: Twizel - Christchurch (B,SD)

Continue to Lake Tekapo and view the brilliant turquoise water, the Church of the Good Shepherd and the Sheep Dog Statue before arriving in Christchurch for a city tour. This evening enjoy a pre-dinner drink and reminisce on memories shared with your new friends at the farewell dinner. **Hotel** Distinction Christchurch Hotel

#### DAY 10: Depart Christchurch (B)

Time to say goodbye. You will be transferred to the airport for your flight home after a memorable New Zealand holiday.



"We would recommend this trip to anyone. GPT organised this holiday well and the coach was very comfortable." - J. B. & B. B. - *Past Travellers* 

# **Booking Terms and Conditions**

#### GOOD TO GO FORM

Grand Pacific Tours (GPT) is a 100% Australian owned company. Payment of a deposit and completion of the GOOD TO GO Form acknowledges that you have read, understood and accepted these Booking Terms and Conditions.

#### TOURING DISCLAIMER

**Itineraries:** GPT has compiled the content of all tour itineraries based on the knowledge that all accommodation and attraction suppliers will be operational within the relevant touring season. Prior to the tour commencing, or whilst on tour, for reasons beyond our control (i.e. seasonality, weather), an itinerary could be interrupted, and content altered and GPT will aim to provide a similar touring experience, noting some unique inclusions may not be available. If for any reason a published tour inclusion cannot be facilitated or replaced, a refund based on GPT's negotiated pricing (not retail pricing) will be provided.

Guaranteed Departures: Since GPT began operating, the company has been highly regarded for the promotion of 'guaranteed departure dates'. At any stage if tourism in or to New Zealand is affected by any event or circumstances beyond our control, this could affect the running of individual tours.

**Touring with Confidence:** GPT's detailed approach to Health & Safety including a range of general information topics covering most frequently asked questions relating to touring New Zealand, can be found within our Touring with Confidence Guidebook.

#### www.gptnz.com/health-and-safety

#### PRICES

All holiday prices are based on schedules, fares and tariffs current at the time of publishing. GPT reserves the right to vary the cost of tours, if necessary, by reason of currency fluctuation, or component cost increase or airfare cost. Tour costing will be guaranteed at the price prevailing at the date of final payment. In the case of technology malfunction or human error, we reserve the right to re-invoice the Travel Agent with correct billing in accordance with our published rates.

#### DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT

A non-refundable deposit of AUD\$1400 per person is due within 7 days of booking.

The balance of payment, including any merchandise, is due 80 days before departure. Once the tour has been booked and confirmed, cancellation fees will apply as per the Booking Terms and Conditions.

#### CANCELLATIONS / TRANSFER OF BOOKING

In the event a traveller cancels off a tour the following fees apply prior to departure:

65 days or more prior to departure, loss of deposit.
 Plus, the cost of the airline ticket if issued by GPT.

- 8 64 days prior to departure, 50% of the tour package price.
- 7 days or less prior to departure, 100% of the tour package price.

#### REFUND

Please note that no refund shall be made for any unused portion of any itinerary. Any alteration to the holiday outside the touring itinerary, made by a traveller shall be wholly at the expense of the traveller.

#### **#BONUS VALUE INCLUSIONS**

A discount of \$200 per person has already been deducted from the advertised price for the 9 Day Signature North Island and 10 Day Signature South Island tours. A \$400 per person discount has been deducted from the advertised price of the 19 Day Signature Showcase tour. For more information, please contact Potter Travel.

#### TRAVEL INSURANCE

Comprehensive Travel Insurance is not included but is strongly recommended for all travellers. It is the traveller's responsibility to arrange their own travel insurance.

#### HEALTH AND FITNESS

Payment of deposit by a traveller to GPT acts as a warranty that you are reasonably healthy and / or fit to participate in the tour and the traveller indemnifies GPT from all actions, claims and demands arising out of any want of health and fitness. It is important that the traveller chooses the right tour to avoid disappointment.

Based on the removal of the New Zealand government mandates, travellers arriving into New Zealand, and travelling on a GPT tour, are no longer required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

Important information relating to the travellers' health, mobility and fitness which may affect their partial or total participation in the tour and the enjoyment of other travellers must be reported to GPT at time of booking. If a traveller has a disability or medical condition that requires special attention, or if the travellers' health, mobility and fitness change prior to tour departure, this information must be reported to GPT as soon as possible. This information is necessary to allow GPT to ensure the tour chosen is suitable and meets the travellers' needs. Where possible GPT will make reasonable modifications to the tour to accommodate any special requirements however, it cannot do so if the modification required would be unreasonable or if it would affect the travellers' safety and / or the safety and / or enjoyment of other travellers.

If a traveller requires personal assistance or care (such as pushing a wheelchair, assistance with dressing or assistance with walking), they must travel with a companion capable of providing the required assistance or care. GPT does not provide personal assistance to any traveller. Travelling with a collapsible wheelchair / mobility scooter is subject to availability at the time of booking as each tour only has the capacity to cater for one wheelchair / mobility scooter traveller - conditions apply. Accessible Rooms are subject to availability and not always allocated in the room type advertised and may be located away from the group.

GPT makes reasonable effort to accommodate the needs of travellers with specific disabilities however, it is not responsible for any denial of services by any third party or independent suppliers or for any additional expenses charged by those parties.

#### DIETARY REQUESTS

GPT limit special dietary requests to Vegetarian, Vegan, Gluten Free, Lactose Intolerant, Diabetic and any life-threatening allergies (whereby the traveller carries an EpiPen). These requests will be forwarded to the hotel and/or attraction suppliers but cannot be guaranteed and does not constitute a term of your contract with us. Tour meal options may be limited. As a volume group tour operator, contracting specific menus which range from Buffet to A-la-carte, the logistics of arranging meals meeting the correct criteria over an extended touring itinerary can be challenging and cannot be guaranteed to meet the expectations of the traveller(s). Therefore, religious dietary requests (Hindu Vegetarian, Kosher, Halal) cannot be accommodated. Any further intolerances needing to be managed are the responsibility of the traveller. Airlines have restricted dietary conditions which vary, all requests should be discussed with your Travel Agent at the time of booking.

#### COACH SEAT ROTATION

For the enjoyment and fairness of all travellers, GPT operates a daily seat rotation system which all travellers must participate in as a condition of booking. There is no exception to this policy and special consideration to an individual's specific needs cannot be accommodated. The coach seat plan is displayed inside the coach for your reference.

#### LUGGAGE LIMITS

Each traveller is entitled to travel with ONE suitcase on tour measuring (length + width + depth) no more than 150cm (59"). Weight limits also apply to luggage due to Occupational Health and Safety issues. The maximum suitcase weight allowed is 23kg (50lbs). Each traveller is supplied with a GPT Travel Bag for personal and small items which can be carried on the coach when travelling. The travel bag is designed to carry a maximum of 6kg (13lbs). Due to limited space on board the coach, please ensure carry-on bags are approximately (length + width + depth) 81cm (32") with a maximum weight restriction of 6kg (13lbs).

#### VALIDITY

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