



Lake Wanaka

Inclusions

- Dinner, Bed and Breakfast in quality hotels
- Flight to Christchurch
- Deluxe Coach travel and full commentary
- Cook Strait Ferry Crossing
- Tranz Alpine Train Journey
- TSS Earnslaw Cruise & Dinner
- Milford Sound Boat Cruise
- Picnic Lunch on Milford Sound
- Albatross Colony Information Centre
- Larnach Castle
- Lunch at the historic "Tophouse"
- WOW in Nelson
- 4 x two night hotel stays

Not Included

Any alternative sightseeing, morning/afternoon teas and lunches, are at own expense (unless stated).

Optional Extras:

Taieri Gorge Railway \$74.00 pp

Price Per Person:

Share Twin NZ\$ 3,600.00

Single Person NZ\$ 4,590.00

Travel Insurance

It is strongly advised that you should have or take out travel insurance to cover any costs you may incur if through injury or illness you are not able to travel at late notice, or you become sick during the tour.

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South Island Tour 2012

April 28 - May 15, 2012



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You will have a fantastic time on this tour and make some great new friends for life, while exploring one of the greatest countries on Earth.

A warm welcome awaits all those who are able to join us on this, another exciting, Bayes Tour.

South Island 2012 Itinerary

18 Days, April 28th to May 15th 2012

DAY 1 AUCKLAND – CHRISTCHURCH

After the normal formalities of pick-ups and welcome aboard, we travel out to the Auckland airport for our flight to Christchurch. Upon arrival in Christchurch our driver for the tour will meet us, we will then enjoy some city sight seeing before travelling back towards the airport to our accommodation for the night. Accommodation tonight is at the Sudima Hotel Christchurch Airport. D.B.B.

DAY 2 CHRISTCHURCH – FOX GLACIER

This morning we depart the hotel and travel through the patchwork farmland of the Canterbury Plains to Springfield. Here you can watch the Tranz Alpine approach the station before boarding one of the great train journeys of the world. View the stunning rivers, ranges and valleys right up to Arthurs Pass. We then re board the coach and travel down through to Hokitika, with a visit to the amazing Greenstone Factory, and along the rugged West Coast in to glacier country. For those who would like to take a scenic flight of Franz and Fox Glaciers, time will be given here. And to finish our journey for the day we travel through to Fox where we are staying at the Glacier Country Hotel, Fox Glacier. D.B.B.

DAY 3 FOX GLACIER – QUEENSTOWN

Today we continue southwards through the rugged Haast Pass then on to the Lakes of Wanaka and Hawea, the township of Wanaka, through the Cromwell area (the Cromwell Dam) and onto Queenstown, travelling alongside the Kawarau River and viewing the Bungy Jumpers (are you keen for a jump?) before we arrive in stunning Queenstown. We have 2 nights in this lake-side resort, with our hotel looking right across the lake. Tonight we are booked on the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw for a cruise across the lake, a look around Walter Peak station, and the best of high country cuisine at the Homestead before a piano sing-along as we cruise back to Queenstown - a night to remember. Accommodation for two nights is at the Mercure Resort. D.B.B.

DAY 4 QUEENSTOWN

Today is set aside for your leisure - time to do something different, a thrilling jet boat ride or just relax and stroll in the town. Various options will be suggested to you and organised by your driver. Tonight is a free night, dinner can be eaten at one of the many restaurants in town or at the hotel (own expense). B.B.

DAY 5 QUEENSTOWN – TE ANAU

We depart the fabulous Queenstown area and head down the side of The Remarkables, then off to Mossburn and into Te Anau. This afternoon you have the option of a look around town and time to relax by another stunning lake, perhaps a walk, or the option of an evening Glow Worm boat cruise (optional extra), before relaxing the night away at the hotel. We have accommodation for two nights at Distinction Luxmore Hotel. D.B.B.

DAY 6 TE ANAU – MILFORD – TE ANAU

WOW! Milford Sound... Today we take a look at the spectacular scenery of this National Park as we drive past Lake Gunn, the Disappearing Mountain, the Mirror Lakes, through the Homer Tunnel and down to Milford Sound, where we board our ship for a cruise on the Sounds (picnic lunch included). We return again tonight to Te Anau. L.D.B.B

DAY 7 TE ANAU – INVERCARGILL

We are out driving today over the southern areas of New Zealand, to the most southern city, Invercargill. Here we take a short trip to Bluff (the southern most tip) before returning back to Invercargill for the night. Accommodation tonight is at Ascot Park. D.B.B.

DAY 8 INVERCARGILL - DUNEDIN

After another great breakfast we depart for Dunedin with a stop at Peggydale for morning tea. We then continue to Dunedin for some city sights, and a trip around the Peninsula. We visit the Information Centre, and you have the chance, if you wish, to go and see the Albatross (if they are home). We then take a visit to Larnach Castle before arriving at our Hotel. Accommodation for the next two nights is at the Leisure Lodge. D.B.B.

DAY 9 DUNEDIN

Today is a very leisurely day. You can just relax around town, or for the afternoon take a ride on the incredible Taieri Gorge railway to Middlemarch (1230-1630 hrs) (optional extra). Accommodation: Leisure Lodge D.B.B.

DAY 10 DUNEDIN – TWIZEL

From Dunedin, we travel up the East Coast through Oamaru and turn westwards up the Waitaki River and through to Omarama to see some of the Power Projects of this area: The Waitaki, Aviemore and Benmore dams, where AC Current is converted to DC for transmission to the North Island. We then carry on through to Twizel for the night at MacKenzie Country Inn. D.B.B

DAY 11 TWIZEL – ASHBURTON

Today's journey takes us along the edge of the stunning Lake Pukaki and on to Mt Cook and, weather-permitting, a marvellous view of the area. From here Lake Tekapo is where we will stop and see the Church of the Good Shepherd with stunning views of the lake and then enjoy lunch in town. Before heading through Fairlie and on to Geraldine for afternoon tea, we then carry on to Ashburton for an early evening check in. Accommodation for the night is at the Hotel Ashburton. D.B.B.

DAY 12 ASHBURTON – HANMER SPRINGS

Today is a great drive as we travel north, around Christchurch and Kaiapoi before we head inland towards the Lakes district and the glorious Hanmer Springs, a stunning resort town nestled in the Hanmer forest park, this is New Zealand's Alpine spa village. We will arrive early afternoon which will give you free time to enjoy the village and take a dip in the stunning thermal pools. Accommodation tonight is at the Heritage Hotel, Hanmer Springs. DBB

DAY 13 HANMER SPRINGS – NELSON

Today takes us through some stunning scenery, the Lewis Pass and through the lakes district. Lunch today is included at the incredible "Top House", an historic property with great views, and with some great stories and history to hear... we then continue on to Nelson, where we have a visit to WOW – World of Wearable Arts and a classic car collection – a

collection of the interesting and strange, something for everyone, before we continue on to our accommodation at the fantastic Trailways for the night. Accommodation for the night is at the Trailways Hotel. L.D.B.B.

DAY 14 NELSON - WELLINGTON

This morning we travel back around the coast and on to Picton before we board the ferry and cruise back to Wellington. Upon arrival we will embark on a city sights tour with some free time before Dinner at our hotel for the next 2 nights, the West Plaza Hotel. D.B.B.

DAY 15 WELLINGTON Day

Today is yours, perhaps a visit to TePapa, some time around the shops and waterfront cafes, or a look around the Parliament buildings... Tonight we stay again at the West Plaza Hotel, and the night is free for you to enjoy, dinner not included tonight, West Plaza B.B.

DAY 16 WELLINGTON - NAPIER

Today is another great journey, as we travel up through Woodville, Dannevirke and Waipukarau (bet you haven't been there for a while). We will have some time in Hastings to buy some fresh fruit if you want to from one of the many orchards, before arriving in Napier for some free time. The Art Deco city is a beautiful spot to enjoy the old buildings or relax at a café. Accommodation tonight is at the lovely Scenic Te Pania Hotel. D.B.B.

DAY 17 NAPIER - TAURANGA

As we leave the coast this morning we head over the hilly and stunning Napier Taupo road, upon arrival in Taupo we can relax for a morning tea stop. Visit Huka falls on the way out of town and we continue through Rotorua and on to Tauranga for what will be our last night together... Accommodation tonight is at the Armitage Hotel, one of Tauranga's loved and favourite hotels. D.B.B.

DAY 18 TAURANGA - HOME

Today we say our farewells as we enjoy our last leg of the journey together. We will have a stop on the way for you to collect some fresh fruit and milk before being delivered home again...

D – Dinner, B – Bed, B – Breakfast