



TRIPPY FEET TOURS

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THE GRAND NEW ZEALAND EXPLORER

13 Nights / 14 Days Itinerary

Day 1: Welcome to Auckland

- ✚ **Arrival:** Land at Auckland Airport and meet your driver for a private transfer to your hotel.
- ✚ **Check-in:** Settle into your room after standard check-in time and enjoy a relaxed evening to recover from your flight.
- ✚ **Stay:** Novotel Auckland Ellerslie (or similar) | *Superior King Room*.



Day 2: Auckland City Tour & Sky Tower

- ✚ **City Sightseeing:** Enjoy breakfast before setting out on a comprehensive Auckland City Tour in your private 12-seater vehicle.
- ✚ **Sky Tower:** Take in stunning panoramic views of the city with included admission to the iconic Sky Tower.
- ✚ **Optional Harbour Cruise:** Choose to add a 2.5-hour Auckland Harbour Dinner Cruise featuring a welcome drink and a three-course meal (*Optional: NZD 160 per person*).
- ✚ **Stay:** Novotel Auckland Ellerslie (or similar) | *Superior King Room*.

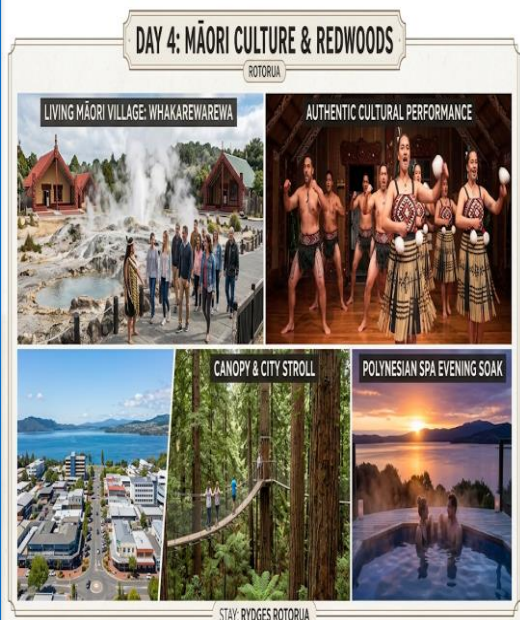


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Day 3: Hobbiton Movie Set & Waitomo Glowworm Caves

- **Underground Wonders:** Check out of your hotel and drive south to tour the magical, bio-luminescent **Waitomo Glowworm Caves**.
- **The Shire:** Take a journey through Middle-earth at the **Hobbiton Movie Set** (Optional: NZD 120 per person).
- **Thermal Hub:** Drive onward to reach Rotorua and check into your new hotel.
- **Stay:** Rydges Rotorua (or similar) | *Superior Queen Room*.



Day 4: Māori Culture & Redwoods Tree Walk

- **Living Māori Village:** Experience a guided heritage tour and an authentic cultural performance at Whakarewarewa.
- **City & Canopy Exploration:** Discover Rotorua City followed by a daytime stroll high above the forest floor on the Redwoods Tree Walk.
- **Polynesian Spa:** Unwind in the evening with a 45-minute soak in a Lake View Private Pool at the Polynesian Spa.
- **Stay:** Rydges Rotorua (or similar) | *Superior Queen Room*.



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Day 5: Hell's Gate Mud Bath & Spa Experience

- **Geothermal Wellness:** Dedicate your day to wellness with included admissions to the thermal mud baths and sulfur spas at Hell's Gate.
- **Leisure Time:** Enjoy a free afternoon to relax, explore local nature trails, or shop around town.
- **Stay:** Rydges Rotorua (or similar) | *Superior Queen Room.*



DAY 6: ROTORUA TO QUEENSTOWN



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- ✚ **Onward to the South:** Check out after breakfast and transfer to the Rotorua Airport.
- ✚ **Flight to Adventure:** Fly down to Queenstown (*Note: ROT-ZQN domestic flight tickets are not included in the package*).
- ✚ **Leisure Evening:** Arrive in New Zealand's adventure capital, check into your lakeside hotel, and relax at your own pace.
- ✚ **Stay:** Copthorne Hotel & Apartments Queenstown Lakeview (or similar) | *Superior Queen Room.*

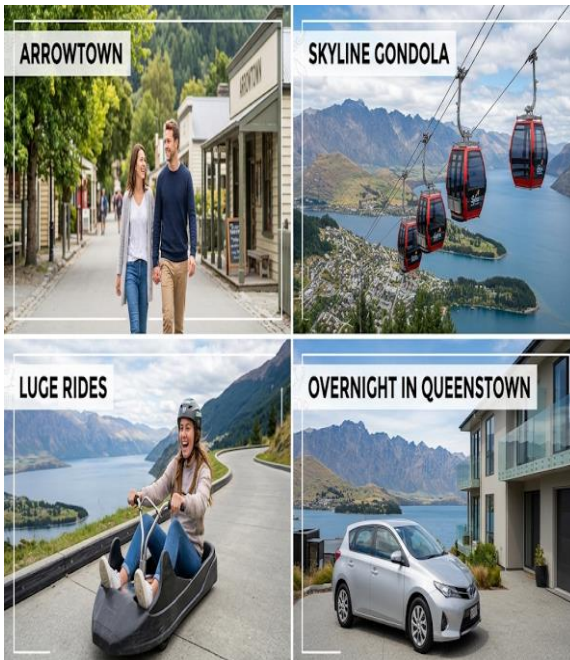


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Day 7: Milford Sound Scenic Cruise

- ✚ **Fiordland Journey:** Set off on a breathtaking road trip through Fiordland National Park, passing Mirror Lakes, Eglinton Valley, and the Homer Tunnel.
- ✚ **The Eighth Wonder:** Board a spectacular Milford Sound Cruise to glide past towering waterfalls and Mitre Peak while enjoying an included picnic lunch on board.
- ✚ **Stay:** Copthorne Hotel & Apartments Queenstown Lakeview (or similar) | *Superior Queen Room.*



Day 8: Skyline Gondola & Luge Rides

- ✚ **Historical Towns:** Explore the sights of Queenstown and the historic gold-mining settlement of Arrowtown.
- ✚ **Gondola & Luge:** Ride the Skyline Gondola up Bob's Peak and enjoy 3 thrilling Luge rides racing down the tracks.
- ✚ **Note:** Collect your self-drive vehicle today to drive over to your hotel.
- ✚ **Stay:** Copthorne Hotel & Apartments Queenstown Lakeview (or similar) | *Superior Queen Room.*

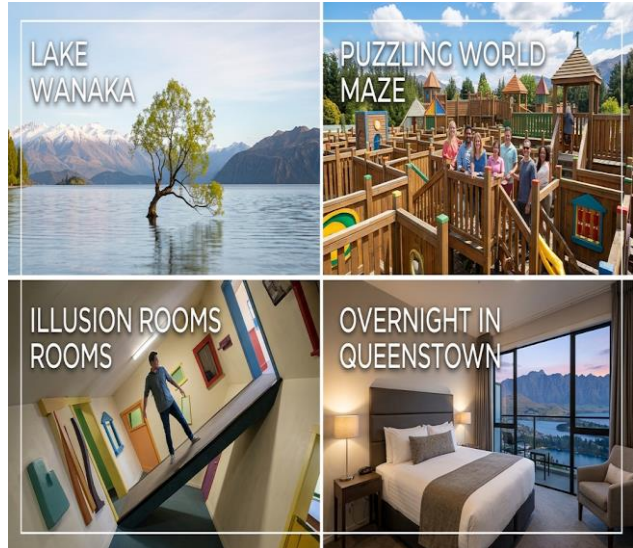


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Day 9: Day Excursion to Wanaka & Puzzling World

- ✚ **Lake Wanaka:** Take a scenic day drive to Wanaka to photograph the famous lonely tree and explore the town.
- ✚ **Illusion Rooms:** Visit **Puzzling World**, an eccentric attraction famous for its multi-level outdoor maze and optical illusion rooms.
- ✚ **Stay:** Copthorne Hotel & Apartments Queenstown Lakeview (or similar) | *Superior Queen Room.*



Day 10: Drive to Lake Tekapo & Dark Sky Project

- ✚ **Mackenzie Basin:** Check out of Queenstown and drive through the Mackenzie Basin, stopping to admire the neon-blue waters of Lake Pukaki.
- ✚ **Dark Sky Project:** Arrive in Tekapo, check in, and experience the Dark Sky Project Indoor Guided Experience to learn about the Southern Hemisphere's night skies.
- ✚ **Stay:** Peppers Bluewater Resort (or similar) | *Peppers Petite Room*



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Day 11: Mount Cook Region & Helicopter Snow Landing

- ✚ **Alpine Day Trip:** Journey deep into the Mount Cook region to see New Zealand's tallest peaks.
- ✚ **Helicopter Ride:** Take to the skies on a magnificent 25-minute scenic helicopter flight that includes an unforgettable alpine snow landing.
- ✚ **Stay:** Peppers Bluewater Resort (or similar) | *Peppers Petite Room*.



Day 12: Lake Tekapo to Christchurch



- ✚ **Good Shepherd:** Before leaving Tekapo, visit the historic, stone-built **Church of the Good Shepherd** along the lake edge.
- ✚ **Garden City Tour:** Drive to Christchurch for a city tour, including a visit to the **Christchurch Art Gallery**, before checking into your luxury hotel.
- ✚ **Stay:** Fable Christchurch (or similar) | *Superior Queen Room*.



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Day 13: Kaikoura Whale Watching & Hanmer Springs Jet Boat

- ✚ **Marine Wildlife:** Travel to Kaikoura for an exciting ocean cruise to watch giant Sperm Whales in their natural habitat.
- ✚ **Thrills & Canyons:** Head over to Hanmer Springs for an adrenaline-pumping canyon **Jet Boat ride** before driving back to Christchurch.
- ✚ **Stay:** Fable Christchurch (or similar) | *Superior Queen Room.*



Day 14: Final Departure

- ✚ **Farewell:** Enjoy a final breakfast, check out of your hotel, and take your private transfer to the Christchurch Airport for your flight home.



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CRITICAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

Package Inclusions

- Daily breakfast at all listed properties.
- Admissions and entry tickets for all sightseeing activities explicitly named in the itinerary.
- **12-Seater Private Vehicle** dedicated for 10 hours daily for all scheduled tours and transfers.

Package Exclusions

- International airfares and domestic New Zealand flights (Rotorua to Queenstown).
- New Zealand Tourist Visa fees and Comprehensive Travel Insurance.
- Lunch, dinner, laundry, telephone calls, portage, and items of a personal nature.
- A **35 NZD bank remittance fee** or credit card charges of 2–5% applicable on the total bill.

New Zealand Road Safety Driver Regulations

To comply with strict **New Zealand Road Safety Regulations**, your driver must adhere to the following rules without exception:

- **Daily Driving Limit:** The chauffeur is available for a maximum of 10 hours daily.
- **Mandatory Rest Breaks:** The driver must take a **30-minute rest break after every 5 hours** of continuous driving.
- **Rest Periods Between Days:** There must be a strict **10-hour rest difference** between finishing a shift at night and starting the next morning. *(Example: If the tour finishes at 11:00 PM, the driver cannot legally start working until 9:00 AM the next day).*
- **Driver Tipping:** An optional tip of **NZD 5 per person per day** is suggested for the driver