

New Zealand

Land of the Long White Cloud

Inspiring Moments

- Cruise through **brehtaking Doubtful Sound** within pristine Fiordland National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Breathe in the crisp air on a hike to admire the blue-tinted **Franz Josef Glacier**.
- Take in the majestic Southern Alps, golden plains and Arthur's Pass National Park from the famous **TranzAlpine train**.
- Delve into **Māori legends and treasures** on fascinating cultural walking tours in Wellington and Christchurch.
- Taste fine wines grown in New Zealand's acclaimed **Marlborough wine region**.
- Savor marvelous, sweeping vistas of **Queenstown** aboard an aerial gondola.
- Appreciate the natural splendor of **Thunder Creek Falls** and the **Blue Pools** nestled within lush beech forests.
- Soak up **Cook Strait's stunning scenery** on a celebrated ferry ride between the North and South Islands.
- Relish up-close encounters with **local wildlife** like adorable kiwi birds.



Itinerary

- Day 1** Depart gateway city 
- Day 2** Cross the international date line
- Days 3 & 4** Arrive in Auckland and transfer  to hotel
- Days 5 & 6** Fly to Wellington | Wellington
- Day 7** Ferry to South Island | Picton | Blenheim
- Day 8** Blenheim
- Day 9** Kaikoura | Christchurch
- Day 10** Christchurch
- Day 11** TranzAlpine train | Arthur's Pass | Hokitika | Franz Josef
- Day 12** Franz Josef
- Day 13** Scenic transfer to Queenstown
- Day 14** Queenstown | Arrowtown
- Day 15** Doubtful Sound
- Day 16** Queenstown
- Day 17** Transfer  to airport and depart for gateway city 

Flights  and transfers  provided for AHI FlexAir participants.
Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

Included Features

Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- **2 nights** in Auckland, New Zealand, at the first-class Grand Millennium Auckland.
- **2 nights** in Wellington at the first-class James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor.
- **2 nights** in Blenheim at the first-class Carnmore Chateau Marlborough.
- **2 nights** in Christchurch at the first-class Distinction Christchurch Hotel.
- **2 nights** in Franz Josef at the first-class Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier.
- **4 nights** in Queenstown at the first-class Heartland Hotel Queenstown.

Transfers (with baggage handling)

- All transfers in the Land Program: flight, ferry, train and deluxe motor coaches.

Extensive Meal Program

- 14 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 7 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Receptions and Dinners; wine with dinner.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **Small group:** Sized just right at 28 guests.
- **Enrichment by expert speakers.**
- **Engaging excursions** showcase the local culture, heritage and history.
-  **AHI Connects | Local immersion.**
-  **Electives and free time.**
- A personal VOX headset to hear your guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
-  **AHI Sustainability Promise |** Striving to make a positive impact wherever we travel.

Top: Doubtful Sound



A World of Discovery

AHI Connects | Hidden Māori

Treasures Walking Tour. Learn about Māori heritage from local Iwi in Wellington, and visit the remains of a whareponga, or house, and an excavation site.

AHI Connects | Walking Māori

Cultural Tour. Discover Māori traditions and hear ancient stories in Christchurch.

Auckland. Set off on a guided walk around the cosmopolitan "City of Sails," situated between two vibrant harbors. Take in the lively downtown scene and local landmarks.

Auckland Museum: Curator's Tour.

In the Māori language, the name for New Zealand is Aotearoa, or Land of the Long White Cloud. Gain illuminating details on Māori culture and New Zealand's natural history as an expert guides you through the museum's exceptional collections.

Zealandia. Follow your guide along the trails of this serene wildlife sanctuary in Wellington to observe beautiful native flora and fauna such as kiwis, the national bird.

Wellington Highlights. Admire the capital city on a panoramic/walking tour. See the Parliament buildings, Old St. Paul's Church and other sites, along with expansive views over Wellington Harbor from Mount Victoria.

Marlborough Wine Region. Sample wines from this internationally renowned wine growing area during a winery visit.

Whale Watching Cruise. Coastal Kaikoura boasts spectacular wildlife, including giant sperm whales, orcas, fur seals and dusky dolphins. Look out for these amazing creatures on a whale-watching cruise.

Christchurch Tour & Botanic Gardens.

On a panoramic tour, get to know the South Island's largest city. Stroll later through the lovely Botanic Gardens, then check out the seaside suburbs of Sumner and Redcliffs.

TranzAlpine Train Ride. Glide across the Canterbury Plains and through gorges and valleys in the heart of the Southern Alps on this wonderful journey that ends within the mountains of Arthur's Pass National Park.

Franz Josef Glacier. Take a picturesque walk filled with natural beauty, geological insights and views of the low-lying glacier.

Scenic Transfer to Queenstown. On your route, travel through gorgeous landscapes,

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and see the impressive Thunder Creek Falls and tranquil Blue Pools. Pass by sparkling Lakes Dunstan, Hawea and Wanaka.

Queenstown & Arrowtown. After a scenic tour of Queenstown, head to Arrowtown, a charming former gold rush town tucked in the mountains. Later, ride up Bob's Peak in Queenstown aboard a gondola, where stellar views of Lake Wakatipu and the Remarkables mountain range await.

Doubtful Sound Tour. Marvel at Fiordland National Park's awe-inspiring beauty as you cruise on Lake Manapouri, cross the Wilmot Pass and see the dense rain forest. Then, sail through the magnificent Doubtful Sound on a three-hour catamaran cruise.

Enrichment

– Legend of Tamaki Makaurau

– Extreme Sports in New Zealand

UNESCO World Heritage Te Wahipounamu — South West New Zealand

Electives | Go further afield

Guided Wine Tour by Bike. Pedal through the pastoral Marlborough scenery to several wineries on a fun, leisurely bike ride.

Omaka Aviation Heritage Museum. View vintage World War I and II aircraft, including the collection of director Peter Jackson, in impressive, detailed dioramas.

{At an additional cost.}

Accommodations

Grand Millennium Auckland |
Auckland

James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor |
Wellington

Carnmore Chateau Marlborough |
Blenheim

Distinction Christchurch Hotel |
Christchurch

Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier |
Franz Josef

Heartland Hotel Queenstown |
Queenstown

TripAdvisor



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Thunder Creek Falls

AHI Travel Expertise

Our dedicated team helps travelers explore the world safely and securely.

Travel Consultants | Assist with the reservation process.

Travel & Air Coordinators | Help with everything from flights to special requests.

Travel Director | Manages all details to ensure a safe and memorable trip.

Travel information | Prepares you fully for your journey.

Expert local guides and lecturers | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for the destination.

Let us arrange your flights!

AHI FlexAir | Our personalized air program features transfers, assistance and flexibility.

2027 Departures & Pricing

February 26 – March 14, 2027

Full Price \$7,945

Special Savings \$750

Special Savings Price* **\$7,195**

The Special Savings consist of \$250 Early Booking and \$500 Pay-in-Full Savings.

*Special Savings Price is valid if booked by the expiration date on the website and paid in full at booking.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy, includes applicable program taxes and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single accommodations are an additional \$2,295 (limited availability).

ACTIVE TRAVEL

Excursions on this program require:

- walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths and/or uneven surfaces
- getting on/off motor coaches, boats and trains
- walking on steep inclines/declines and up and down stairs