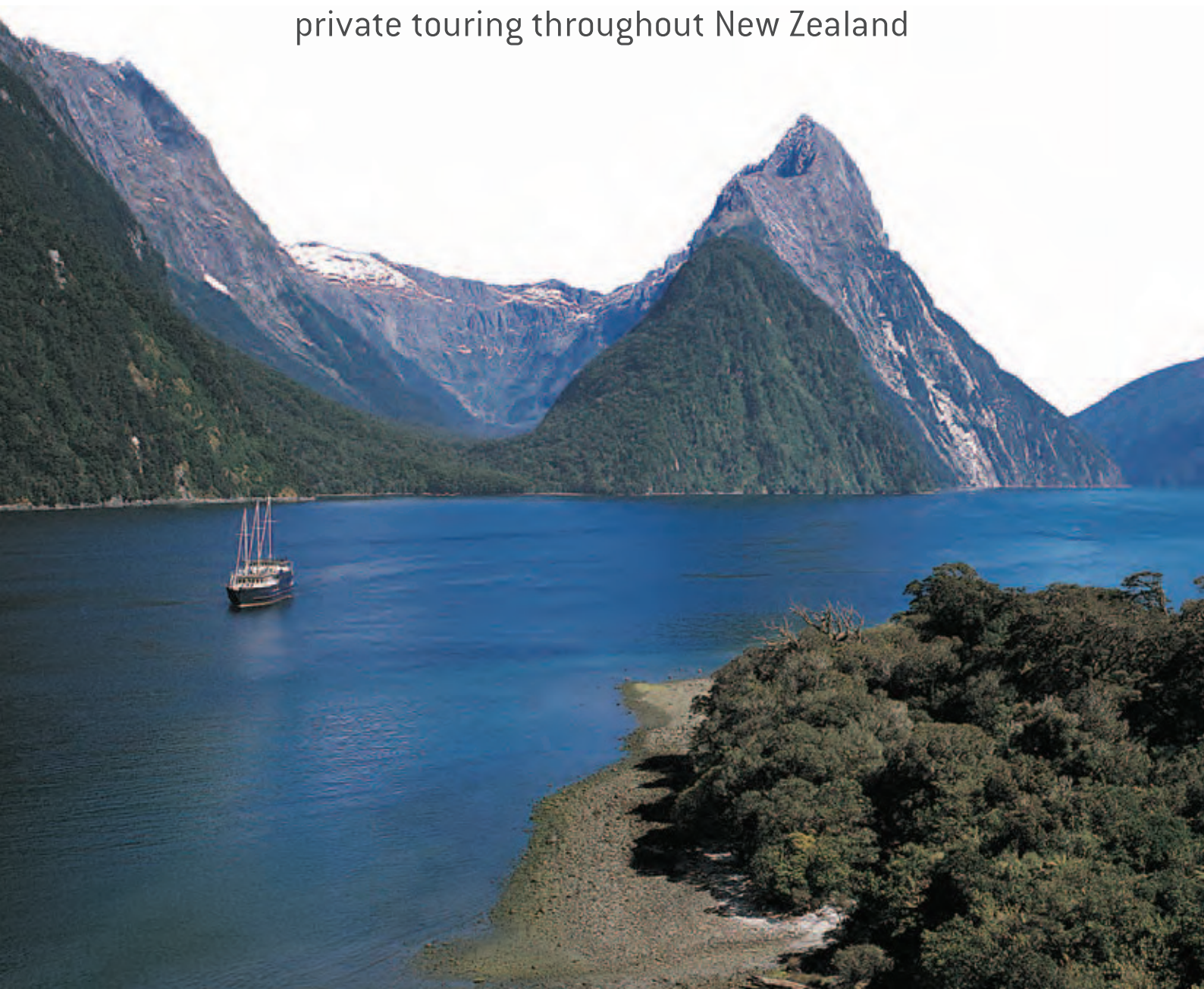


THE NEW ZEALAND COLLECTION



Luxury small group journeys, adventures and
private touring throughout New Zealand





The New Zealand Collection

New Zealand is your chance to escape the ordinary. Here you will find a land that is breathtakingly beautiful. A magical place where the air is pure and the lakes an unearthly shade of blue. Where majestic fiords wait to be explored and towering mountains cloak wide-open spaces of untouched wilderness. A mystical place of rolling hills, boiling mud pools, ancient rainforest, myths & legends. A land we proudly call home.

As New Zealand's leading and most innovative small group specialist, we promise to show you the real New Zealand. Our many years experience and knowledge in organising small group tours has taught us the importance of getting the balance right between a fully inclusive itinerary and the need to get away and self-explore. You'll find that our meticulously planned itineraries offer plenty of leisure time to do exactly that, ensuring you end up with the holiday you want!



Qualmark is New Zealand tourism's official mark of quality. The Qualmark accreditation system is designed to ensure you get the best holiday experience from reputable and trustworthy businesses. We are independently assessed each year to ensure we meet stringent requirements in terms of service standards, safety and environmental activities. Our endorsement is your assurance of our ability to deliver a first-class touring experience.

Touring in style

You'll love the difference that travelling with us offers.

The **Classic Collection** is our premium touring option. This exciting range of tours offer centrally located superior hotel accommodation, great sightseeing inclusions and are accompanied throughout by one of our professional, friendly Tour Hosts.

Our **Adventure Collection** is sure to appeal to active travellers of all ages. You'll be accommodated in very comfortable 3 star hotels and activities have been designed to stimulate the body and mind so that you end the day refreshed and invigorated.

The **Tailor Made Collection** will delight even the most discerning traveller. As the name suggests, these are custom made tours to suit the needs of individual travellers, families or small groups of friends travelling together. Several accommodation types are offered but like the tours themselves, they can be tailored to suit your own budget.

All tours shown in this brochure are also available as self-drive holidays. Simply ask your sales consultant to contact us for pricing.



Genuine Small Group Journeys

Some tour operators proclaim their group sizes to be small at 24 or more. But we believe that once a group reaches this size, vehicles have to be larger, organisation has to be more structured and the trip can end up being just another bus tour. Our average group size is just 14 but we will never exceed 16 guests on any departure. This means better service, the chance to use smaller hotels, more freedom, more fun and more flexibility. And being smaller makes it easier for us to take those little detours off the beaten track to visit places the large tour groups are unable to.

Enjoy more leisure time

Often we hear travellers say that they wish they had longer to explore and enjoy the places they visit. That's why our itineraries are about keeping travelling time to a minimum and include multi-night stopovers where possible. Our holidays are not about long days and rushing from one place to another.

Professional tour hosts

Our touring staff are extremely passionate about their country and love nothing more than showing it off to travellers from all corners of the globe. Supported by a team of dedicated experts in the office, your friendly Tour Host will ensure that every aspect of your holiday runs smoothly and give you a fresh insight into the lives of everyday New Zealanders and their country. You'll find that they are only too happy to go that extra mile to make sure you have the holiday you want.

Travel in comfort

You'll be very pleasantly surprised at the luxurious appointments of our purpose-built, air-conditioned midi-coaches. Whilst individual vehicles may vary, they all feature reclining armchair-style seating, large panoramic windows for excellent viewing, individual reading lights and air-conditioning controls. Our touring vehicles are expertly maintained to the highest standards and boast the very latest safety features. But the biggest benefit of all is that they can take you to many places the larger touring coaches can't.

Solo travellers

Many of the people who join us on our tours are travelling by themselves, so if you're a solo traveller, rest assured that you'll be with other like-minded people. On any given departure, you'll usually find a mix of couples and friends travelling together but plenty of others will be on their own too. One of the great benefits of our trips is that they allow you to be independent but provide security and company whenever you choose.



The Tailor Made Collection

If you prefer to travel independently, then one of our Tailor Made Collection holidays might be just the answer. We recognise that every traveller is different and that's why, with our help, you can personalise your own touring holiday to suit your own individual interests and budget.

Ideal for couples, families & friends

We've been asked many times over the years to organise tours exclusively for a couple or a small group of friends and family. The idea of having your own personal Tour Host and private use of your own touring vehicle appeals to many travellers. It is the ultimate in flexibility and independence and you can travel on the date of your choosing.

Tours to suit you

The touring holidays shown on the following pages are suggestions only and you can either extend or shorten them or come up with a completely new itinerary altogether. We can include as much or as little sightseeing in your custom made tour as you wish. Simply let us know what your special interests are and let the experts in our itinerary planning department come up with some great ideas for you to consider.

Your choice of accommodation

New Zealand offers a diverse range of accommodation to suit every budget, from self contained apartments to boutique bed & breakfasts and luxury super lodges. Our tours offer a choice of 3 grades of accommodation ... superior hotels, boutique and luxury properties but because it's your holiday, you can mix & match or request a different style of lodging altogether!

Big Group? No problem!

Our special interest groups department specialises in customising land arrangements for groups of 4 to 400. Over the years, we have put together many itineraries for rugby & cricket supporters, golfing groups, pre and post convention tours and incentive packages. If you would like us to assist with your groups travel plans, please give your requirements to your agent and we will be pleased to offer suggestions and a no-obligation quote.

Drive yourself option

All Tailor Made tours are offered on a self drive basis as indeed, can all tours featured in this brochure. There is a full range of car types available and they are fitted with GPS to make your touring that little bit easier. If you would like us to quote for a tailor-made self drive, simply give your request to your agent



Captivating Northland

4 Days – Auckland to Auckland



The Bay of Islands is a great add-on and should not be missed if time permits. This independent touring holiday will whisk you away to the Northland region, regarded as the birthplace of New Zealand as we know it today. Your base is Paihia, a seaside town nestled on the shores of a spectacular National Maritime Park. Learn more of the nation's early history whilst enjoying & experiencing the many marine and land based activities & attractions available in this sub-tropical region.

Highlights & Inclusions

- 2 nights superior hotel accommodation
- Overnight cruise in the Bay of Islands
- Full breakfasts daily & 1 dinner
- Luxury coach travel to the Bay of Islands
- Parry Kauri Park & Waitangi Treaty House
- Return ferry transfers to Russell
- Cape Reinga Air Safari
- Transfer to Kerikeri airport
- Scenic flight Bay of Islands to Auckland

Day 1 – Waitangi, Bay of Islands

Leaving your hotel this morning, travel by coach across the Harbour Bridge and journey through the northern suburbs of Auckland with the beachside homes of the Hibiscus Coast to the east and the bush-covered Waitakere Ranges out to the west. Marvel at the magnificence of the protected Kauri tree at Parry Kauri Park and enjoy spectacular scenery of native forests and sub-tropical bush as you make your way to Paihia in the Bay of Islands, a seaside town nestled on the foreshore of this National Maritime Park. On arrival, visit the historic Waitangi Treaty House & the fascinating village of Russell, New Zealand's first capital.

Stay Copthorne Hotel and Resort, Bay of Islands (2 nights)

Day 2 – Air Safari to Cape Reinga (B)

This morning, board your light aircraft this morning & fly to Cape Reinga, via spectacular harbours and beaches including the famous Ninety Mile Beach. Once on the ground, spend approximately 2½ hours exploring New Zealand's northernmost point. The return flight back to the Bay of Islands includes some of the most awesome coastal scenery Northland has to offer. This afternoon is free for more sightseeing.

Day 3 – Overnight Bay of Islands cruise (B,D)

This morning, board Ipiriri, a brand new, state-of-the-art small ship for an overnight cruise of the sheltered waters of the Bay of Islands. You'll enjoy a full commentary on the history & environment of the area & when the ship anchors at sea, onboard tenders will ferry you to & from nearby islands to enjoy activities like snorkelling, swimming and kayaking. With only 30 identical state cabins with ensuite facilities spread over 2 decks, this small ship will provide a truly impressive cruise experience in one of the most spectacular regions of New Zealand.

Day 4 – Fly Bay of Islands to Auckland (B)

Disembark from your cruise late morning. At leisure until you are transferred to the airport later today for your 40 minute scenic flight back to Auckland.

Departure Dates

Departs daily

| Prices from | Twin | Single |
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| 01 May '11 – 30 Apr '12 | \$1,959 | \$2,599 |

