

New Zealand's Ultimate Golfing Tour



17 Days - North and South Islands

Absolute
NEW ZEALAND

Outline Itinerary

Day 1

Arrive Auckland, and Fly to Kerikeri
Accommodation: Carrington Resort

Day 2

Golf at Carrington Golf Course (18-hole)
Accommodation: Carrington Resort

Day 3

Golf at Kauri Cliffs Golf Course (18-hole)
Accommodation: The Lodge at Kauri Cliffs

Day 4

Sailing the Cavali Islands
Accommodation: The Lodge at Kauri Cliffs

Day 5

Drive to Auckland
Golf at Gulf Harbour Country Club (18-hole)
Accommodation: Mollies

Day 6

Free day to explore Auckland and Surrounds
Accommodation: Mollies

Day 7

Drive to Rotorua
Golf at Arikikapapa Golf Course (18-hole)
Accommodation: Kawaha Point Lodge

Day 8

White Island Volcano Heli-Tour
Drive to Taupo and Wairakei Golf Course
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Day 9

Drive to Hawkes Bay
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Accommodation: The Farm at Cape Kidnappers

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Golf at Cape Kidnappers Golf Course, 4WD Gannet Safari
Accommodation: The Farm at Cape Kidnappers

Day 11

Fly to Queenstown, Dart River Wilderness Safari
Accommodation: Millbrook Country Club

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Ballooning and Golf at Millbrook Resort (18-hole)
Accommodation: Millbrook Country Club

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Doubtful Sound Overnight Experience

Day 14

Drive to Aoraki – Mount Cook National Park
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Drive to Canterbury and Terrace Downs Golf Course
Accommodation: Terrace Downs Resort

Day 16

Drive to Clearwater Resort Golf and Christchurch
Accommodation: The George

Day 17

Punting the Avon River
Fly Christchurch to Auckland and Fly Home or Onward

Carrington Resort - Karikari Peninsula

Carrington Resort is a 3000 acre hotel with four spectacular kilometres of secluded white sand coastline, incorporating a Matt Dye designed tournament-standard 18 hole golf course, an acclaimed Northland vineyard and winery, a working Black Angus beef stud farm, and 900 acres of restored wetlands on site.

Located in Northland's Karikari Peninsula, Carrington Resort's world class facilities include an infinity swimming pool and spa pool, Carrington Restaurant & Bar, two championship tennis courts, Olympic standard clay and skeet target shooting range and a gymnasium. The Hotel rooms provide both lodge and villa accommodation. Each Lodge room opens onto a wide verandah with views to the ocean, golf course or native bush and vineyard.

This golf hotel also offers a wide range of other leisure activities including horse riding, fishing and scuba diving, easily arranged for guests.



The Lodge at Kauri Cliffs - Bay of Islands

The Lodge at Kauri Cliffs is located near Matauri Bay, in the Bay of Islands. This 5-star luxury lodge is one of the most awarded luxury boutique Golf & Spa Resort Hotels in New Zealand and is set on 6,500 acres. The lodge affords spectacular 180 degree views of the Pacific Ocean, Cape Brett, and the Cavalli Islands. It is also home to a par 72 PGA Championship Golf Course.

Lodge's facilities include two tennis courts, an infinity swimming pool with spa and a fully equipped fitness centre. Kauri Cliffs has also three secluded swimming beaches, which are also available for picnics and barbeques. Gourmet a la carte dining is available in the main dining room or on the verandas.

Kauri Cliffs has 11 charming cottages, each with two suites providing a total of 22 units. Each has its own private porch, an open fireplace, bathroom and walk-in wardrobe. The cottages are nestled in native bush and overlook the golf course and the Pacific Ocean.



Mollies - Auckland

To cross the threshold at Mollies small luxury boutique hotel in Auckland City is to enter another world ... this hotel reflects the owners passion for opera, attention to detail and their fine antiques, combined with sleek modern furniture, results in a wonderfully eclectic, romantic hotel.

The property overlooks Auckland Harbour Bridge and offers spacious luxury accommodation, a stroll from fashionable Ponsonby Road and 5 minutes to Auckland City CBD.

Expect impeccable service and gourmet dining, with exquisite pampering.



Kawaha Point Lodge - Rotorua

Kawaha Point Lodge's luxury accommodation comprises 8 beautifully appointed super guest suites with stunning views over the lake or gardens.

Each suite, named after one of the lakes in the area, has its own balcony to enable guests to enjoy their panoramic view in private. All of the rooms are elegantly decorated in calming, neutral tones and furnished with hand-picked pieces of antique furniture and notable New Zealand artwork.

In order to maximise their magical views across the lake, the drawing room, dining room and library are on the first floor and open to a broad, shaded veranda - perfect for a leisurely breakfast or pre-dinner drinks.

Dining is also a memorable experience with guests invited to eat al fresco in the lakeside gardens, in the conservatory, at the chandelier-lit Lodge table, or in one of the other private areas in the lodge. A secret 'grotto'; that can only be reached via the wisteria-draped arches and stepped terrace, is an 'alternative' dining room for a celebratory occasion.



Hilton Lake Taupo

The original Terraces Hotel, built in 1889, forms the Heritage Wing with rooms that feature private balconies offering views of Lake Taupo or the picturesque Thermal Springs. The new Mountain Wing features Guest Rooms, Suites and self-contained Apartments; all benefiting from wireless internet access and complimentary use of the Fitness Center and pool.

Enjoy lakeside views over breakfast or savor dinner, prepared with locally sourced ingredients in front of a welcoming open fire in the Bistro Lago. Unwind in the atmospheric Cellar Ballroom and cocktail bar, the perfect location for a stylish celebration. Visit Taupo Motor Sports Park or Kinloch Golf Club, or if you're feeling adventurous, try an exhilarating bungee jump or helicopter flight.



The Farm at Cape Kidnappers - Hawkes Bay

Set atop 6,000 rolling acres of pasture land, The Farm encompasses terrain which is reminiscent of Montana but plunges 800 feet into the sea.

The cluster of Lodge buildings are suggestive of a working farm. A combination of stone and weathered wood, the buildings combine rustic materials with comfortable up-to-date furniture. 180-degree panoramic views of the farm, golf course and Pacific Ocean are enjoyed from each suite's private balcony.

There are a variety of dining spaces; private dining can be arranged on request. During cocktails and dinner, gentlemen are required to wear a jacket (the Lodge has jackets available for guest use at Reception). The common areas of the Lodge offer a number of welcoming and comfortable spaces; 50' heated infinity pool and Jacuzzi, a poolside cabana with mini-bar provides a shady relaxation area. The Spa sits atop the hillside above the Lodge; you can choose from a variety of treatments including massage, reflexology, body wraps, facials, pedicures, manicures and hair care. Couples can enjoy this ultimate indulgence together in the Spa Suite.



Featuring

Millbrook Country Club - Queenstown

Welcome to Millbrook, a luxury resort that combines a majestic location, conveniently close to Queenstown's world-renowned ski fields, with outstanding facilities to create a unique and inviting destination. The resort covers two hundred hectares of the Wakatipu Basin - a glacial valley bordered by the Crown Range, Remarkables Range and Lake Wakatipu.

The Millbrook ambience is warm and welcoming - the accommodation, full of luxurious charm and quality, reflecting the unique character of the region. Beautifully appointed, superior rooms, suites and villas are designed to complement the style of the region and feature luxurious appointments like super-king-size beds, deep baths and balconies or patios.

Relax and unwind, or be as active as you wish - the choice is yours. Every need is catered for with Millbrook's 18-hole championship golf course, our award-winning restaurants, from our magnificent spa facility designed for total body rejuvenation and the complimentary health and fitness centre, to our comprehensive guest services.



The Hermitage Hotel - Mount Cook

Discover the spectacle and drama of New Zealand's Mount Cook - Aoraki National Park from the splendour and comfort of The Hermitage Hotel and Mount Cook village, for an encounter you will never forget.

Ringed by magnificent snow capped peaks of the Southern Alps, the Hermitage Hotel is a world renowned tourist destination and has been an icon of superior accommodation and dining since 1884.

From an intrepid journey through glacial valleys to a mouthwatering culinary dining adventure, The Hermitage Hotel is the perfect 'base camp' to discover your Peak Experience.



Terrace Downs Resort - Canterbury

Terrace High Country Downs Resort offers in-house and casual visitors a unique getaway destination located just twenty minutes from the Mt Hutt access road and within an easy hour's scenic drive of Christchurch.

Perched on the edge of the spectacular Rakaia River, the Resort boasts stunning views up to Mt Hutt and is within close proximity to various ski fields.

Catering to guests of all ages, it features deluxe one-to-four bedroom accommodation, three on-site dining options and together with a selection of resort-operated leisure and adventure activities to choose from, Terrace Downs makes for an exciting and memorable day trip in to Canterbury's High Country.

Resort activities include an 18-hole championship golf course, spa treatments in The Spa, jet boating, on-site horse treks, clay pigeon shooting course, archery range through to salmon and trout fishing off the beautiful river shores!



The George - Christchurch

The George is a very individual boutique hotel situated picturesquely in the heart of Christchurch.

This Multi award winning Hotel is the essence of supreme comfort. Its 55 spacious rooms are designed with a stylish eye for detail, complete with luxury amenities. And, with a one-to-one ratio of staff to guests, impeccable service is guaranteed.

Located exclusively on Hagley Park and the river Avon, The George is just steps from Christchurch's city centre and cultural precinct including the historic Tram, Canterbury Museum, Arts Centre and the modern Christchurch Art Gallery.



New Zealand Ultimate Golfing Itinerary

Day 1

Auckland to Karikari Peninsula

HELICOPTER FLIGHT TO KERIKERI

Fly into Auckland - 'The City of Sails'; a title gained from the view of yachts seen against the cityscape. Pass through Customs and board a short flight to Kerikeri; the largest town in the Bay of Islands.

DRIVE TO KARIKARI PENINSULA

This sub-tropical region has the finest maritime park in New Zealand with 144 islands, secluded bays, and an abundance of marine life. One of the most picturesque and popular holiday sites, it combines great fishing, diving, sailing with some of New Zealand's most significant historic sites.

ACCOMMODATION Carrington Resort Lodge Room

Once landed, collect your rental vehicle and drive for one hour to the Carrington Resort. This lodge, golf club and vineyard is situated on a 3000 acre Black Angus stud farm on the Karikari Peninsula. Relax or take in some of the activities on offer; skeet and trap (clay targets) shooting range, tennis courts, heated swimming pool and spa looking out over the Pacific Ocean, not to forget 4km of

secluded white sand.



Day 2

Golf and Wine on the Karikari Peninsula

GOLF AT CARRINGTON GOLF COURSE (18-HOLE)

After breakfast play a round of golf on the Carrington Golf Course, an 18-hole course designed by Matt Dye that has stunning sea views. The course itself is more reminiscent of an inland course. Admitted into the "New Zealand Golf Cluster", which is a grouping of the country's top nine courses. The courses can't apply to be a member course, they have to be invited and need the approval of all of the other courses. We suggest you break for lunch between 9th and 10th holes at the winery restaurant.

WINE TESTING - KARIKARI ESTATE WINERY

Spend the afternoon touring and tasting the wines at Karikari Estate Winery. This winery has earned numerous medals and glowing reviews therefore is well on the path to become a major player in the New Zealand wine market.

ACCOMMODATION Carrington Resort Lodge Room

MEALS Full Breakfast, 5 Course Dinner



Day 3

The Lodge at Kauri Cliffs - Bay of Islands

DRIVE TO THE BAY OF ISLANDS

GOLF AT KAURI CLIFFS GOLF COURSE (18-HOLE)

ACCOMMODATION

The Lodge at Kauri Cliffs
Regular Suite

MEALS

Full Breakfast, Pre-Dinner
Drinks, A La Carte Dinner,
Complimentary Mini Bar

Drive for approx an hour and check into The Lodge at Kauri Cliffs, you will be staying two nights so explore and get familiar with this exquisite Lodge area.

Then tee off on the Championship Golf Course that was designed by David Harman of Golf Course Consultants in Orlando, Florida.

An impressive 15 of the 18 holes have stunning ocean views with challenging fairways and greens on cliff tops, not to forget the others that wind through marsh, forest and farmland.

When finished relax and spend the afternoon exploring the area and enjoying cocktails before your a la carte gourmet meal. Retire into your charming cottage that is nestled in native bush and overlooks the golf course and the Pacific Ocean.



Day 4

Sailing the Cavalli Islands

DAY SAILING – THE CAVALLI ISLANDS

ACCOMMODATION

McHardy Lodge
Deluxe Suite

MEALS

Full Breakfast, Gourmet
Lunch, Pre-Dinner Drinks,
A La Carte Dinner,
Complimentary Mini Bar

ACTIVITY OPTION

Spa Treatment, Sauna and
Jacuzzi at The Lodge

Help hoist the sails and take the helm, as you sail for the uninhabited sub-tropical Cavalli Islands aboard a 47ft/15m centre cockpit steel cruising cutter.

You may see dolphins, blue penguins, shearwater, gannets, terns and a host of other wildlife.

Enjoy a gourmet lunch prepared on board by a trained chef. Spend the afternoon snorkeling, beaching, walking, or just chill out on board with a glass of wine or beer and watch the waves go by.

Then, drive back to the Lodge at Kauri Cliffs where you will have time to relax and have a Spa Treatment and/or enjoy the sauna and Jacuzzi. The spa is nestled at the edge of a Totara forest and overlooks a verdant fern glen and winding stream. Each Treatment room is equipped with a shower and changing area, has floor to ceiling views and opens into a private outdoor space where guests can enjoy garden inspired treatments al fresco and fireside.



Day 5

Waipoua Forest, Gulf Harbour & Auckland City

LORD OF THE FOREST TANE MAHUTA WAIPOUA FOREST TOUR

Drive south, stopping at Waipoua Forest; famous for having the two largest living kauris: Tane Mahuta and Te Matua Ngahere. The ring counts confirm that these are two of the largest existing trees, over 2000 years old.

The beauty, unique character, and significance of this forest will inspire those who visit. We propose you to have an historic walk with some Maori guides through the Waipoua Forest.

Continue onto Gulf Harbour Country Club; this world class championship course was designed by Robert Trent Jones Jnr commands spectacular views over the Hauraki Gulf. Enjoy playing on this 18-hole, 6483m par 72 course which tantalises players of all levels of skill with a variety of holes, several of which feature risk and reward opportunities.

Overnight at Mollies Boutique Hotel, a small luxury boutique hotel situated a stroll from fashionable Ponsonby Road and 5 minutes to Auckland city CBD. Expect impeccable service and gourmet dining, with exquisite pampering.

GOLF AT GULF HARBOUR COUNTRY CLUB (18-HOLE)

ACCOMMODATION

Mollies
Premier Villa Suite

MEALS

Full Breakfast and
Welcome Drink



Day 6

Free Day to Explore Auckland and Surrounds

FREE DAY IN AUCKLAND

ACCOMMODATION

Mollies
Premier Villa Suite

MEALS

Full Breakfast and
Welcome Drink

ACTIVITIES OPTIONS

Ferry to Waiheke Island &
Deluxe Vineyard Tour,
Auckland Bridge Climb,
360 Degree Walk on the
Outside of the Sky Tower,
Auckland's West Coast
Wilderness ½ day Tour

Imagine an urban environment where everyone lives within half an hour of beautiful beaches, hiking trails and a dozen enchanted holiday islands. Add a mild climate, a background rhythm of Polynesian culture and a passion for outstanding food, wine and shopping and you're beginning to get the picture of Auckland, also known as the City of Sails - a title gained from the view of yachts seen against the cityscape.

Nestled within an isthmus of two oceans, the Pacific Ocean and Tasman Sea, Auckland contains much serene natural beauty. New Zealand's largest urban area with a population of just over a million people, it is the centre of commerce and industry. A vibrant, bustling and multicultural city with the biggest Polynesian population in the world, this cultural influence is reflected in many different aspects of city life. Wherever you stay in Auckland, you're never far from breathtaking scenery, beautiful beaches, invigorating walks, idyllic holiday islands, outstanding food and wine, great shopping and exciting nightlife.



Day 7

Geothermal Wonderland 'Rotorua'

GOLF AT ARIKIKAPAPA GOLF COURSE (18-HOLE)

MAORI EVENING EXPERIENCE

ACCOMMODATION Kawaha Point Lodge Lakefront Suite

MEALS Full Breakfast Dinner - Maori Hangi

Drive to Rotorua; the heartland of New Zealand is the host to some of the world's most incredible earth forces. Surrounded by the unmistakable smell of bubbling sulphuric geysers, clouds of steam magically appear around the city giving it an incredible 'other worldly' feel. With a deep-rooted Maori cultural heritage spanning from the 14th century, Rotorua is still considered Maori cultural centre of New Zealand. Here you can explore the unique culture of New Zealand's Maori people.

Play the 18-hole Arikikapapa Course, the 6328m long Arikikapapa offers an interesting round of golf with steam vents and geyser craters as natural hazards. Not a long, but still challenging course set amidst Rotorua's thermal zone. Arikikapapa means "the sound of plopping mud".

Enjoy a Te Puia's authentic evening cultural experience - a feast of food, culture and friendship. Held at Te-Heketanga-a-Rangi (The Heavenly Origins); the space comprises of twelve monumental carvings reaching skywards, each one representing a Māori diety. Hear the stories of the past and see how these traditions live on today.

Overnight at Kawaha Point Lodge; a beautifully appointed lodge which offers luxury accommodation right on the edge of Lake Rotorua, in an exclusive and intimate environment.



Day 8

White Island Volcano and Taupo

WHITE ISLAND VOLCANO HELI-TOUR

GOLF AT WAIKAKEI INTERNATIONAL GOLF COURSE (18-HOLE)

ACCOMMODATION Hilton Lake Taupo

MEALS Full Breakfast

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before being whisked away by helicopter to White Island Volcano. White Island is one of the most fascinating and accessible volcanoes on earth. Walking on White Island is like walking on the moon. No vegetation survives the harsh acidic environment inside the crater. Instead lush beds of yellow and white sulphur crystals grow amongst hissing, steaming, bubbling fumaroles. White Island is always active, constantly steaming. You can walk right inside its main crater just above sea level without undue risk. This allows you to experience at first hand nature's immense power as gas and steam burst up from far below the Earth's crust. A very exciting experience!

When ready head for Wairakei International Golf Course in Taupo. Set in the heart of the scenic Wairakei Park; this makes a round at the course a rare and challenging experience. With 108 large well-placed bunkers and plenty of hazards on this undulating course you will be challenged! Play 18-holes before and take a mini break at Hilton Lake Taupo. Relax and indulge in the flagship restaurant and bar Bistro Lago; Take a dip in the thermally heated pool and spa pool; Get energized in the fitness centre or with a round of tennis.



Day 9

Heli-Wine and Dine Tour - Hawkes Bay

DRIVE TO HAWKES BAY

HELI WINE AND DINE TOUR

ACCOMMODATION

The Farm at Cape Kidnappers
Hill Top Suite

MEALS

Full Breakfast, Pre-Dinner
Drinks, Dinner,
Complimentary Mini Bar

Drive on the Thermal Explorer Highway over the Ahimanawa & Rimutaka Ranges, crossing the mighty Mohaka River, hugging the edge of fast flowing streams, through cultivated forest and large areas of stunning native bush to the Hawkes Bay. Your destination is The Farm at Cape Kidnappers; set atop 6,000 rolling acres of pasture land, The Farm encompasses terrain which is reminiscent of Montana but plunges 800 feet into the sea. The 180-degree panoramic views of the farm, golf course and Pacific Ocean are enjoyed from The Lodge; which offers a 50' heated infinity pool and Jacuzzi, poolside cabana, and Day Spa. The Spa sits atop the hillside above the Lodge; you can choose from a variety of treatments including massage, reflexology, body wraps, and facials. Sheer Bliss!

Spend the rest of your day relaxing or take a Heli-Wine and Dine Tour of the Hawkes Bay; this is for Wine Lover who has a Sense of Adventure. Fly over the horticultural landscape of Hawke's Bay and surrounds; stop at the prestigious Sileni Estate for a 2 course lunch with matching wines then. During the afternoon you'll learn about the regions many different grape varieties and a little bit of local history. At the end of your tour you will be dropped off at your accommodation to relax for the evening.



Day 10

The Farm at Cape Kidnappers

GOLF AT CAPE KIDNAPPERS GOLF COURSE (18-HOLE)

4WD GANNET SAFARI

ACCOMMODATION

The Farm at Cape
Kidnappers
Hill Top Suite

MEALS

Full Breakfast, Pre-Dinner
Drinks, Dinner,
Complimentary Mini Bar

Breakfast then a morning round of golf on the Cape Kidnappers Course; this wild and thrilling golf adventure was created by the hottest course architect of the decade - Tom Doak. The course opened on January 2, 2004 and already they have been voted the 4th top golf course in the world (Golf Magazine Sept 2009). Every hole has a view of the ocean, and Doak was able to route his course to incorporate several stunning fairways along the very edge of the cliff tops, siting greens where any ball that misses will plunge inevitably down 500 feet of sheer drop. Cape Kidnappers is a once in a lifetime experience, not to be missed.

During the afternoon, explore the Cape on a Gannet Safari; Cape Kidnappers is the largest and most accessible mainland colony in the world. You will see these amazing birds nesting, preening, flying and performing the famous recognition ritual "Dance Of The Gannets". Travel in air-conditioned 4-wheel drive vehicles over the hill country of Cape Kidnappers Station to within a few metres of the birds, no walking is required. Enjoy this 36km round trip with a driver/guide who has a good knowledge of the gannets and farm. Spend the evening enjoying cocktails and dinner, gentlemen are required to wear a jacket; if you are packing lightly The Lodge has jackets available for guest use.



Day 11

Queenstown - The Adventure Capital

FLIGHT TO QUEENSTOWN

DART RIVER WILDERNESS SAFARI

ACCOMMODATION

Millbrook Country Club
Villa Suite Superior

MEALS

Full Breakfast

The Adventure Capital, famed for its international winter ski profile, is also a brilliant spring, summer, and fall destination. This is when you get the best of its scenic beauty, easy walks, and endless opportunities to relax. Thrill seeking may be touted as the major attraction, but you can just as easily go fishing, golfing, gold panning, wine tasting, or boating. One thing is certain: You won't run out of things to do.

Take a private transfer to Millbrook Country Club; Queenstown's luxury accommodation that combines everything anyone could want; majestic views, 18-hole Championship golf course, award winning restaurants and a magnificent spa facility.

During the afternoon explore on The Dart River Wilderness Safari; you will taken on a spectacular 1.5 hour jet boat journey through the Dart's ever-changing braided river system, where you'll be awed by your surroundings of breathtaking snow-capped mountains, ancient native forest, waterfalls and glacial valleys frozen in time. It includes an easy guided 30 - 40 minute walk through the 'Heritage Trail' at Paradise, passing through an ancient beech forest before travelling by 4WD, stopping to view scenery that has formed the epic backdrop for many international films, including 'The Lord of the Rings'.



Day 12

Air Ballooning, Golf and Panorama

AIR BALLOONING

GOLF AT MILLBROOK COUNTRY CLUB (18-HOLE)

ACCOMMODATION

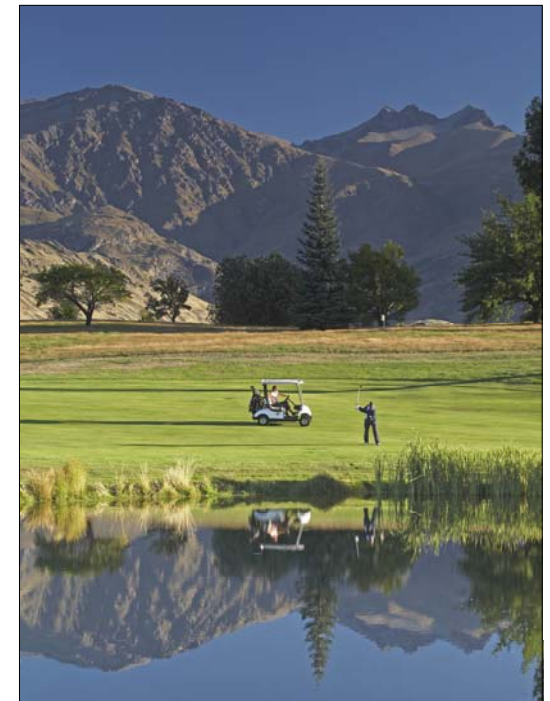
Millbrook Country Club
Villa Suite Superior

MEALS

Full Breakfast

See the sun rise on the Majestic Southern Alps. Floating up to 2400 metres (8,000ft) high in a hot air balloon you will see a panorama of lakes and mountains stretching from Mt Cook (3765m) in the north to Mt Tutoko in Fiordland. Fly in a valley near beautiful Lake Wakatipu and the Shotover River surrounded by mountains before landing in a grassy field to enjoy a champagne-style breakfast.

Back at Millbrook Resort; take in an afternoon round of golf on this fantastic golf course with the Remarkables mountain range as its backdrop. The 18-hole, par 72 championship course was designed by renowned professional and master golfer, Sir Bob Charles.



Day 13

Doubtful Sound Overnight Cruise

DOUBTFUL SOUND OVERNIGHT CRUISE

ACCOMMODATION

Fiordland Navigator Vessel
Cabin with Ensuite
Bathroom

MEALS

Full Breakfast, 3-Course
Dinner

Take some time to explore Queenstown, the options are endless, perhaps take the gondola to overlook Queenstown and its surrounds or get a birds eye view from Parasail on Lake Wakatipu or if you want a feeling of true exhilaration there are bungee jumps available from all different locations.

Drive then on one of the most remote roads in New Zealand - Queenstown to Manapouri. Following a short cruise across island-studded Lake Manapouri and a coach trip on the remote sub-alpine route over Wilmot Pass, you will board the Fiordland Navigator at Deep Cove and your Overnight Cruise on Doubtful Sound begins. There is plenty of time on your overnight cruise to soak up the stunning surrounds and to discover the hidden arms of Doubtful Sound -

Hall, Crooked and First. Bottlenose dolphins often ride the bow waves, fur seals bask on the rocks and, at times, rare penguins make an appearance. You will be at anchor at a chosen mooring for the night giving you the opportunity to kayak around the shoreline, go exploring in the tender craft with our nature guide or simply relax on deck. Relax and enjoy a sumptuous three-course buffet before retiring to your private cabin.



Day 14

Aoraki Mount Cook National Park

DRAMATIC FLIGHT OVER AORAKI-MT COOK

STAR GAZING TOUR

ACCOMMODATION

The Hermitage
Premium Plus Room

MEALS

Full Breakfast

On your return to dry land, start your journey north leaving New Zealand's Adventure Capital behind. Follow the winding Kawarau River Gorge to rugged ranges and mirror lakes, journey through the historical gold mining region of Central Otago and over the spectacular Lindis Pass to the rugged high country landscape of the Mackenzie Basin to The Aoraki Mount Cook National Park. This includes the highest peak in Australasia (Mt Cook - 3,755 metres). Take a Dramatic Flight over Aoraki/Mt Cook and Glaciers; the aircraft take you directly into the heart of the Southern Alps and the Tasman Glacier, one of the longest glaciers in the world. Your ski equipped aircraft lands on one of the glaciers, the engine is stopped, and you alight onto the glacier where climbers would take hours or days to reach.

Experience the "natural quiet" of the mountains,

broken only by the occasional avalanche or sounds from the glacier as it makes its way down the mountain.

Check into the iconic Hermitage Hotel, visit the Sir Edmund Hilary Alpine Centre and enjoy a dinner at one of the restaurants before joining the Star Gazing Tour; from a viewing location, under some of the clearest night skies in the Southern Hemisphere navigate your way through the Southern Sky using a telescope, binoculars and the naked eye. Be amazed by our own Milky Way Galaxy, the Southern Cross, Alpha-Centauri - our closest neighbouring star at only 4.3 light years away, and Sirius - the brightest star in our sky.



Day 15

Terrace High Country Downs Resort

GOLF AT TERRACE DOWNS HIGH COUNTRY RESORT (18-HOLE)

ACCOMMODATION
Terrace Downs
One Bedroom Villa Suite

MEALS
Full Breakfast

Continue your journey north, passing the majestic and peaceful Lake Tekapo travelling through the Mackenzie High Country before reaching Terrace High Country Downs Resort.

This resort is perched on the edge of the spectacular Rakaia River with stunning views up to Mt Hutt. Enjoy a leisurely lunch before teeing off on the Terrace Downs Golf Course; this stunning 18 hole golf course is rated among the top 3 in New Zealand. The views are awesome, which constantly challenges players to keep their eyes on the ball.

Spend the evening dining at one of the Resorts three restaurants; which range from 'The Grill', specialising in outdoor cuisine complete with a specialised wood fired oven to 'Avoca', an award winning fine dining restaurant.



Day 16

Clearwater Resort and Christchurch

GOLF AT CLEARWATER RESORT (18-HOLE)

ACCOMMODATION
The George
Park Suite

MEALS
Full Breakfast

Spend the morning enjoying Terrace Downs Resorts facilities; perhaps enjoy a treatment in the Day Spa, or a horse trek, some clay pigeon shooting or even a spot of salmon and trout fishing.

Drive to Clearwater Resort and enjoy your last game of golf on New Zealand soil; this course is a 'must play'. There are elements of links and parkland golf at Clearwater course with an abundance of water. The resort's 15 hectares of lakes are fed by natural springs and crystal clear streams that are teeming with trout. Water comes into play at 14 of the holes with numerous grass hazards of tussocks and marram grasses. There are five-position tees, including the championship tees which are rated by New Zealand Golf Association as the toughest in the country.

When ready drive into Christchurch; internationally famed 'The Garden City' and also known as the 'most English City outside of England'. Christchurch was planned around the Gothic Canterbury Cathedral, whose 65 meter spire dominates almost every view. Spend your last night at The George; a very individual multi award winning boutique hotel situated picturesquely in the heart of Christchurch. Located exclusively on Hagley Park and the River Avon, the cultural precinct including the historic Tram, Canterbury Museum, Arts Centre and the modern Christchurch Art Gallery are just steps away.



Day 17

E Noho Ra (Good Bye)

PUNTING THE AVON RIVER

PRIVATE TRANSFER TO
CHRISTCHURCH AIRPORT

MEALS

Full Breakfast

Leisurely morning, if you have the time experience the city sights on a difference mode of transport; a custom built beautifully upholstered punt. Come aboard a classic punt at the historic Antigua Boatshed Landing and an Edwardian punter will guide you down the Avon River passing the sights of the central city.

Then, transfer to Christchurch Airport and fly to your next destination.

- Absolute New Zealand Arrangements End -

