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Huka Falls

Northern Spotlight

8 DAYS | AUCKLAND TO WELLINGTON | LABW



Follow the path of pioneer settlers as you travel the North Island of New Zealand, the birthplace of the country's European history. This journey takes you from the shores of the beautiful Bay of Islands to Rotorua, rich in Māori culture and traditions, and on to the spectacular scenery of Tongariro National Park the thriving modern capital, Wellington.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Cruise through 'Hole in the Rock' to Cape Brett
- Relax in the Bay of Islands
- Explore Auckland's city sights
- Discover the fascinating Glowworm Grotto at Waitomo Caves
- Immerse yourself in Māori culture at a Hangi & concert 🎶
- Experience farm life at the Agrodome Farm Show
- View mighty Huka Falls
- Marvel at crystal clear Lake Taupo
- Journey through spectacular scenery of Tongariro National Park
- Discover New Zealand's capital Wellington on a city tour
- Breathtaking views over Wellington from Mt. Victoria
- Explore Te Papa Museum of New Zealand 🎨
- Experienced Travel Director and Driver Guide

Day 1: Welcome to Auckland

After checking in to your hotel, the rest of your day is at leisure. Enjoy a Welcome Reception with your Travel Director this evening. Hotel: VR Queen Street, Auckland.

Day 2: Auckland – Bay of Islands

Travel along the scenic Hibiscus Coast to the Bay of Islands. See spectacular scenery as you cruise to Cape Brett, and the 'Hole in the Rock'. As you return to Paihia past through picturesque islands with deserted sandy beaches and secluded bays. Hotel: Copthorne Resort (Garden View), Bay of Islands, 2 nights. B D

Day 3: Bay of Islands Free Time

You have a free day in the Bay of Islands. Perhaps enjoy a day of sailing on a tall ship. Your Travel Director will assist you in booking your chosen optional experiences. B

Day 4: Bay of Islands – Auckland

After a morning at leisure, drive through lush farmland scenery as you return to Auckland. Hotel: VR Queen Street, Auckland. B D

Day 5: Auckland – Rotorua

After a sightseeing tour of Auckland journey south through the Waikato district. Enjoy a guided tour of the famous Waitomo Caves and cruise through the incredible Glowworm Grotto. This afternoon travel to Rotorua, the cultural centre of New Zealand. B

Day 6: Rotorua

Visit the entertaining Agrodome Farm Show for a sample of Kiwi farm life. You then have the option to visit Rainbow Springs, a native wildlife sanctuary. Or perhaps head out to Te Puia for a guided tour through the Geothermal Valley, home to the famous Pohutu Geyser, mud pools and bubbling springs. 🎶 Gain an insight into traditional Māori culture with a concert followed by a delicious Hangi Feast Highlight Dinner at the Tamaki Māori Village. Hotel: Ibis Hotel, Rotorua, 2 nights. B HD

Day 7: Rotorua – Wellington

Travel south to Wairakei and on to Taupo, in the heart of the North Island. View mighty Huka Falls and then follow the eastern shore of Lake Taupo. Discover the alpine scenery of Mt. Ruapehu, Tongariro National Park and the farmlands of Manuwatu, before arriving in the capital city of Wellington. Celebrate your holiday at a Farewell Dinner with your Travel Director. Hotel: Travelodge, Wellington. B FD

Day 8: Farewell from Wellington

Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Wellington, including panoramic views from Mt. Victoria. There's time to explore the Parliament building and the 'Beehive'. 🎨 Later visit Te Papa Museum of New Zealand, where you'll have time to explore fascinating exhibits revealing great insights into New Zealand's art, history, cultural and natural heritage. B



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