

# NEW ZEALAND CRUISE & COACH TOURS



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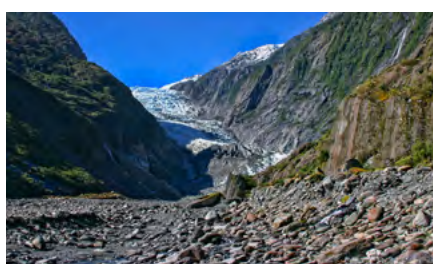
## 2020/21

Valid for departures November 2020 - March 2021



Experience New Zealand by Coach and on a relaxing ocean cruise

# 23 Day Best of New Zealand by Coach and Cruise



## ▶ NO HIDDEN EXTRAS

### TRAVEL SERVICES

- Tour Leader
- Internal flight from Queenstown to Auckland
- Airport to hotel transfer in Christchurch, Day 1
- Port taxes
- Comprehensive Documentation Pack

- Sculptureum Experience
- Hamilton Gardens\*
- Hobbiton Movie Set Tour™
- Skyline Gondola and Luge Ride
- Agrodome
- Thermal mud pools and geysers\*
- Tamaki Māori Experience
- City sights tour of Auckland

\*Guided tour is included with 1 guide per 24 travellers.

### SCENIC COACH TOUR (DAY 1 - 10)

- 48 seat modern coach travel, 2 door access, restroom, reclining seats and panoramic windows
- Professional Coach Captain
- 10 nights 4 star accommodation
- 3 two night stays
- Hotel porterage
- 1 rail journey
- 10 cooked breakfasts including a specialty breakfast: Stratosfare Restaurant, Rotorua
- 8 sumptuous dinners including specialty dinner: Māori Hāngi and Concert, Rotorua
- 1 Shire's buffet lunch: Hobbiton™

### CELEBRITY SOLSTICE® CRUISE (DAY 11 - 23)

- **BONUS US\$50 onboard credit** per Stateroom
- Deluxe Balcony Stateroom
- Group Meet and Greet
- World-class dining in a range of unique venues (Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily)
- Awesome entertainment
- Endless engaging and exciting activities
- Ports of call:
  - Auckland, 'City of Sails'
  - Tauranga, Bay of Plenty
  - Picton, Marlborough Sounds Gateway
  - Akaroa, French inspired village
  - Dunedin, Edinburgh of the South
  - Dusky, Doubtful and Milford Sound, Fiordland National Park
  - Hobart, free time to explore
  - Eden, Sapphire Coast
- Gratuities on board

### PREPAID ATTRACTIONS

- TranzAlpine Rail Journey
- Sky Tower
- Kauri Museum
- Footprints Waipoua Forest Tour\*
- Waitangi Treaty Grounds\*

## ▶ ITINERARY

(B) Breakfast. (L) Lunch. (D) Dinner. (SD) Specialty Dinner.

### DAY 1: Arrive Christchurch (D)

On arrival into Christchurch you will be met by a representative and transferred to your hotel.

**Hotel** Distinction Christchurch Hotel

### DAY 2: Christchurch - Arthurs Pass - Franz Josef (B,D)

This morning board the TranzAlpine, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world. Travel over massive viaducts, river valleys and spectacular gorges as you ascend to Arthur's Pass located in the centre of the Southern Alps. Board your coach and travel to Hokitika, famous for its Greenstone before continuing to Franz Josef where time is available to experience a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the spectacular glaciers.

**Hotel** Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier (Douglas Wing)

### DAY 3: Franz Josef - Queenstown (B,D)

See the snow-capped peaks of the Southern Alps as you travel south along the West Coast to the township of Fox Glacier. Continue via the Haast Pass, an area of stunning beauty before arriving into picturesque Queenstown, a year-round resort situated on the shores of magical Lake Wakatipu.

**Hotel** Copthorne Queenstown Lakefront (2 nights)

### DAY 4: Queenstown (Free Day) (B)

Today is a free day. There are plenty of sightseeing options and your Coach Captain and Tour Leader are available to assist. This evening is also at leisure, you may choose to dine high above Queenstown at the Skyline Restaurant (optional) or board the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw and cruise across Lake Wakatipu for a gourmet barbecue at the Colonel's Homestead, Walter Peak Station (optional).

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### DAY 5: Queenstown - Auckland (B,D)

Travel to Queenstown Airport where you will board a local flight to the 'City of Sails', Auckland, located in the North Island. Meet your North Island Coach Captain and enjoy a city tour. This afternoon includes a visit to Sky Tower at leisure, one of New Zealand's most spectacular attractions.

**Hotel** SkyCity Hotel

### DAY 6: Auckland - Hokianga - Bay of Islands (B,D)

Depart Auckland and travel to Matakoho to enjoy an informative talk at the Kauri Museum. After lunch travel to Hokianga, home to some of the largest remaining kauri trees in the world. Join the unforgettable Footprints Waipoua Forest Tour, where a local guide will explain how these trees are intertwined with the lives of the local Māori and the important role played in the ecosystem that is the Waipoua Forest. Continue to Paihia, situated in the heart of the beautiful Bay of Islands.

**Hotel** Scenic Hotel Bay of Islands (2 nights)

### DAY 7: Bay of Islands (Free Day) (B,D)

Today is free to choose from the many optional activities available. You may like to take a coach trip to Cape Reinga via Ninety Mile Beach, the Hole in the Rock Cruise, or a spectacular scenic flight. The choice is yours and your Coach Captain and Tour Leader will be available to assist.

### DAY 8: Bay of Islands - Auckland (B)

This morning join a guided tour of the Waitangi Treaty Grounds, the location of the signing of the treaty between the Māori tribes and the British. Farewell the Bay of Islands and drive south via Whangarei and Warkworth to Matakana to visit Sculptureum, an art experience that is internationally unique. Enjoy time to wander through the Garden of Creative Diversity and to view the hundreds of displayed works in the Galleries and garden all designed to amuse and inspire. Return to Auckland where this evening is free to dine at leisure.

**Hotel** SkyCity Hotel

### DAY 9: Auckland - Rotorua (B,L,D)

Travel to Waikato's most visited attraction, the Hamilton Gardens. Your guide will share the story of how the gardens were transformed into a Garden of International Significance. Visit Hobbiton for lunch followed by an experience of the real Middle-earth with a visit to the Hobbiton Movie Set. A guide will recount the fascinating details of how the set was created. Continue to the geothermal wonderland of Rotorua.

**Hotel** Sudima Hotel Lake Rotorua (Superior Room. 2 nights)



### DAY 10: Rotorua (B,SD)

Today begins with a Gondola ride to the Stratosfere Restaurant where a buffet breakfast and spectacular views are on offer. There is also time for a luge ride! Next stop is the Agrodome for an action-packed hour of farming entertainment and education that's unlike anything you've seen before. Travel to Te Puia for a tour of the boiling mud pools and awesome Geysers that Rotorua is famous for. Enjoy some free time this afternoon before travelling to a Māori Village for an interactive and educational experience which culminates with a cultural performance and traditional Hāngi feast.

### DAY 11: Rotorua - Auckland (B,D)

Travel to Auckland where you will board the Celebrity Solstice® to commence your 12 night cruise around New Zealand and back to Australia.

**Overnight** Celebrity Solstice®

**Port Times** Depart 18:30

### DAY 12: Tauranga (B,L,D)

Located in the Bay of Plenty, Tauranga is situated at the entrance to one of the largest natural harbours in New Zealand.

**Port Times** Arrive 09:30 Depart 16:15

### DAY 13: Cruising (B,L,D)

Relax and enjoy the comforts of this stunning superliner. While at sea enjoy the onboard facilities, world-class cuisine and the entertainment not to mention your deluxe balcony stateroom.

### DAY 14: Picton (B,L,D)

Cruise through the many inlets and bays that make up the Marlborough Sounds to Picton, the gateway to the South Island. This small seaport is only a short distance from the Marlborough wine region, famous for its sauvignon blanc.

**Port Times** Arrive 08:00 Depart 17:00

### DAY 15: Akaroa (B,L,D)

Nestled in the heart of an ancient volcano, Akaroa is rich with beautiful bays and home to the rarest and smallest marine dolphin.

**Port Times** Arrive 07:00 Depart 18:00

### DAY 16: Dunedin (B,L,D)

Situated on the magnificent Otago coastline, explore Dunedin's historic architecture and beautiful botanic gardens.

**Port Times** Arrive 07:00 Depart 17:00

### DAY 17: Dusky, Doubtful and Milford Sounds (B,L,D)

Sail into the narrow fiords of Dusky, Doubtful and Milford Sounds. Your ship will seem to shrink in comparison to the towering cliffs topped by lush mountain terrain. Scenic cruising.

### DAY 18 - 19: Cruising (B,L,D)

Enjoy a quiet refuge by day, gazing over the sea with cocktail in hand.

### DAY 20: Hobart (B,L,D)

Docking in Hobart gives you immediate access to Mount Wellington and its incredibly beautiful surrounds. From here you can look out over the busy harbour, which plays host to yachts from all over the world.

**Port Times** Arrive 09:00 Depart 17:00

### DAY 21: Cruising (B,L,D)

A day at sea allows you to further explore all that this luxurious ship has to offer.

### DAY 22: Eden (B,L,D)

Located on the Sapphire Coast, Eden is steeped in whaling history and is one of Australia's best spots for whale watching.

**Port Times** Arrive 07:00 Depart 16:00

### DAY 23: Sydney (B)

Time to say goodbye after a memorable New Zealand holiday.