

# FIRSTLIGHT TRAVEL NEW ZEALAND

2024-2025 GUIDED HOLIDAYS

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# Iconic North



Be My Guest lunch, the Red Barn

## Highlights

### ① Local Connection

The dairy industry is big business in New Zealand, as you'll fast find on the O'Sullivan's Waikato farm. The stories they'll tell you about life on the land.

### ② Cultural Immersion

Discover just how strong Māori culture is at Te Pā Tū Māori Experience, celebrating art, tradition and cuisine.

### ③ Sustainable Footprints

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE Your visit to Te Puia not only reveals Rotorua's steamy history, but also supports up-and-coming Māori creatives.

### ④ Wildlife & Nature

If you want to be blown away by nature, Huka Falls is the place to go. This mighty waterfall sees 220,000 litres of water per second thunder over an 11-metre ridge.

### ① Welcome to Auckland

Meet your fellow travel companions at a Welcome Reception and dinner, and share stories of your day-one wanderings. **Hotel: Cordis, 2 nights. DW**

### ② Auckland

Those sails on the harbour? They come from a long and fascinating history of boat-building and sailing, as you'll discover on an America's Cup tour at the New Zealand Maritime Museum. The water is your backdrop as you skirt the harbour toward dreamy Mission Bay and Bastion Point. There's nothing like an epic view to set your soul soaring. **B**

### ③ Auckland – Rotorua

The O'Sullivan's welcome you to their Waikato estate for a Be My Guest lunch in their Red Barn. Expect country banter and farm-to-table fare prepared with a lot of love. The next hot spot – in every sense of the word – on your NZ holiday is Rotorua. Visit Te Puia to see and support Māori artisans at work, then continue your Rotorua tour at the steamy Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve, a staggering valley where geysers pop and thermal springs jettison skywards. **Hotel: Millennium, 2 nights. B BG**

### ④ Rotorua

Today, choose your own adventure. Tonight, dive deep into Indigenous culture at Te Pā Tū Māori Experience. Hear about Māori history, traditions,

and future aspirations across an evening of celebration and feasting. Enjoy a forest kai horotai (seasonal canapés) and complementary chef choice aperitif, followed by a seasonal three-course Highlight Dinner. **B HD**

### ⑤ Rotorua – Wellington

You'll hear Huka Falls well before you see it – 220,000 litres of water thunder over an 11 metre high waterfall every second. The road ahead unfolds in a broad panorama of Lake Taupō then the Kapiti Coast to Wellington. **Hotel: Rydges, 2 nights. B**

### ⑥ Wellington

Head out on a city sights tour to take in highlights such as its iconic Cable Car, parliament and Mt. Victoria. This afternoon is yours to discover Wellington. Perhaps visit Te Papa, the Museum of New Zealand, tour the Wairarapa wine region or the first urban completely fenced ecosanctuary of Zealandia, where the biodiversity of 225 hectares of forest is being restored. **B**

### ⑦ Farewell from Wellington

It's been a week of epic sights and adventures in the North Island. All good things must come to an end, but there's time to enjoy one last breakfast with your travel companions. **B**

## 7 DAYS 10 Included Experiences

### Departure Dates

2023

Oct	03, 24, 31
Nov	14, 28
Dec	19

2025

Jan	07, 14, 21, 28
Feb	04, 11, 18, 25
Mar	04, 11, 18, 25

2024

Jan	09, 16, 23, 30
Feb	06, 13, 20, 27
Mar	05, 12, 19, 26
Apr	02, 09, 16, 23,
Jun	04, 25
Sep	03, 10, 17
Oct	01, 08, 15, 22, 29
Nov	05, 12, 19, 26
Dec	03, 10, 17, 24, 31

### Definite Departures highlighted in red.

For prices, latest deals and year-round offers including past guest offers, group booking discounts for 9+ guests, multi-trip savings and additional definite departure dates visit [aatkings.com/zaw](http://aatkings.com/zaw) or contact your local travel agent.

A limited number of single rooms are also available.

### Dining

6 Full buffet breakfasts **B** 1 Highlight Dinner **HD**  
1 Be My Guest Lunch **BG** 1 Dinner with wine **DW**

### Flight Information

Day 1 – flights to arrive by 4.00pm into Auckland Airport  
Day 7 – flights to depart anytime from Wellington Airport  
**Flights are not included in the holiday price.**  
**Return airport to hotel transfers are included in the holiday price.**

