



LUXURY TRAVEL

Jewels of the South

Christchurch to Wellington

2020-21

14 Days

From \$7,095 NZD

pp

Trip Code: NZCCN14

Trip Highlights



Milford Sound Cruise

Enjoy a cruise that explores the picturesque and pristine Milford Sound fiord.



Aoraki Mt Cook National Park

Journey to World Heritage-listed Mt Cook National Park, and choose from a wide range of activities.



TranzAlpine Train

Enjoy the views on one of the world's greatest rail journeys as you travel across New Zealand's Southern Alps.

Travel & Accommodation



Heritage Tram Tour

Settle in to your heritage tramcar for a scenic circuit around Christchurch with capapes and flowing drinks.



Regional Delights

Delight in fresh regional flavours at a Marlborough Dinner, celebrating the spectacular fare and dining experience.



Iconic Hotels and Resorts

Stay in luxury hotels including The Hermitage in Mount Cook.

Inclusions

- Experiences in 12 destinations
- Freedom of Choice Inclusions in five destinations
- Finest dining - a total of 22 meals
- 13 nights hand-picked accommodation
- Expert APT tour director and driver
- Return airport transfers, portorage

TRIP NOTES

- Itinerary and inclusions are subject to change
- Prices are seasonal and are subject to change
- Prices are fully inclusive of all sightseeing, entrance fees, cruises, meals as specified and accommodation
- Prices are for land only. Flights not included

Map & Itinerary



Signature Experiences

Designed Exclusively for APT guests

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

These once-in-a-lifetime moments allow you to experience an unforgettable world of exclusive moments, incredible cultures and charming surprises

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™ - SIGHTSEEING

Personalise your holiday with a choice of included sightseeing options sure to leave you with lifelong memories

DAY

1

Arrive Christchurch

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Tonight, see the city sights of Christchurch on board a heritage tram while enjoying drinks and canapes as you step back in time to a grand era of transport.

We'll meet you on arrival and transfer you to your hotel. You'll have plenty of time to settle in, explore or relax. Tonight, celebrate with new friends at a welcome dinner.

Stay: Rydges Latimer Christchurch

Daily : ● Dinner

DAY

2

Christchurch, Aoraki Mt Cook

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Discover Australasia's highest peak in Aoraki Mt Cook National Park.

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™ - Sightseeing

This afternoon, you may join a guided nature walk. Alternatively, during the summer months, board a MAC boat and discover icebergs on the Tasman Glacier Terminal Lake. Perhaps visit the Sir Edmund Hillary Alpine Centre, or a visit to the planetarium and a stargazing session with an astronomer.

Today you'll traverse the Canterbury plains to visit the Church of the Good Shepherd on the shores of Lake Tekapo, before journeying into Aoraki Mt Cook National Park to view Australasia's highest mountain, Aoraki (Mt Cook).

Stay: Aoraki Mt Cook, The Hermitage Hotel, in a room with alpine views

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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3

Aoraki Mt Cook, Dunedin

Set out along the shores of Lake Pukaki to Oamaru. Continue to Koekohe Beach to view the unusual spherical-shaped Moeraki Boulders. Arrive in Dunedin late afternoon and enjoy time at leisure before dinner.

Stay: Distinction Dunedin Hotel

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Dunedin, Te Anau

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™ - Sightseeing

Perhaps visit Olveston Historic Home, the historic home of a wealthy merchant family built in the early 1900s. Or discover the history of Larnach Castle, nestled on the stunning Otago Peninsula. Alternatively, those who enjoy a beer may choose to visit Speight's Brewery for a tasting.

Begin your day with your choice of sightseeing activity. Afterwards, absorb the breathtaking scenery as you travel to the lakeside settlement of Te Anau.

Stay: Two Nights, Distinction Te Anau Hotel and Villas

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Te Anau

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™ - Sightseeing

Perhaps you may like to explore an underground network of limestone caves, magically lit by thousands of glow worms. Alternatively, you may prefer to set off on an inspiring wilderness cruise on Doubtful Sound. Or, take an exciting jet boat ride along the Upper Waiau River to get the heart pumping.

Waking in Te Anau this morning, decide how to spend your day thanks to our range of Freedom of Choice activities on offer.

Daily : ● Breakfast

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Te Anau, Milford Sound, Queenstown

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Cruise pristine Milford Sound.

This morning, wind down the Milford Road, through the Eglinton and Hollyford valleys. Have your cameras ready as you then travel through the Homer Tunnel, to be eventually met by the sight of Mitre Peak, one of the most photographed peaks in the country. Continue to Milford Sound where you will cruise along the full length of this fiord deep within Fiordland National Park. After, Queenstown awaits.

Stay: Three Nights, Millennium Hotel Queenstown

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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7

Queenstown

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™ - Sightseeing

Movie buffs may like to visit key The Lord of the Rings trilogy filming locations on a Safari of the Scenes tour. Alternatively, set out on a Skippers Canyon adventure following the Shotover River Valley on an exciting 4WD tour. Others may prefer a leisurely cruise on Lake Wakatipu or a wine tour through the wineries of the Central Otago wine region. Later, select from a number of restaurants during a Freedom of Choice Dining evening where you can get a taste for New Zealand's South Island's cuisine.

Today you can discover Queenstown your own way with the included Freedom of Choice sightseeing activities available.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Queenstown

Wake this morning in beautiful Queenstown, and immerse yourself in this cosmopolitan city with a full day at leisure. You may like to take a stroll along the shores of Lake Wakatipu, or take part in the thrill of a lifetime in the country's 'adventure capital'.

Daily : ● Breakfast

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Queenstown, Franz Josef

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Later, arrive at your luxury eco-resort in time for a delicious four-course dinner.

Today you'll skirt the shores of lakes Wanaka and Hawea, before crossing Haast Pass into Westland Tai Poutini National Park. Continue to Franz Josef, where you will take in the dramatic terrain and surrounds of picturesque Franz Josef.

Stay: Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier (Or similar)

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Franz Josef, TranzAlpine Train, Christchurch

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Seize the day and board New Zealand's famous TranzAlpine train to experience one of the world's greatest rail journeys. Enjoy stunning views from the open-air viewing platform as you pass by the striking patchwork farmlands of the Canterbury Plains, through deep gorges and river valleys.

Follow the Waimakariri River and travel across the Southern Alps all the way to Christchurch.

Stay: Rydges Latimer Christchurch

Daily : ● Breakfast

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Christchurch, Kaikoura, Blenheim

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Here, prepare to indulge in the finest flavours as you savour a Highlights of Marlborough Dinner. An exciting experience, the unique fusion of quality produce and ethnic influences have helped shape New Zealand's food and wine culture as amongst one of the best in the world.

This morning, follow the east coast to Kaikoura, before traversing the Marlborough region to Blenheim. Tonight, local chefs will present each dish before you, showcasing superb local artisan produce, perfectly paired with wines from the region.

Stay: Two Nights, Blenheim, Scenic Hotel Marlborough

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Blenheim

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™ - Sightseeing

Perhaps embark on a tour of the Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre; enjoy the sheer beauty of Marlborough Sounds during a greenshell mussel cruise; or choose to visit some of the region's best wineries for wine tastings and lunch in the countryside.

Enjoy your selected sightseeing activity.

Daily : ● Breakfast

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Blenheim, Picton, Wellington

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

This morning, cruise across Cook Strait on the Interislander ferry. You'll traverse the stunning waters of Marlborough and Queen Charlotte sounds while taking in breathtaking surrounds.

This afternoon, take part in a fascinating city sights tour of Wellington.

Stay: InterContinental Wellington

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

DAY

14

Depart Wellington

We say goodbye before we transfer you to the airport for your flight.

Daily : ● Breakfast