

FIRSTLIGHTTRAVEL



Your South Pacific Travel Specialists

NEW ZEALAND



MILFORD SOUND/PIOPIOTAHU • QUEENSTOWN • HAWKE'S BAY • ROTORUA

THE ENDLESS SHORES

WELLINGTON | HAWKE'S BAY | LAKE TAUPŌ | ROTORUA | WAITOMO | AUCKLAND



8 DAYS



Te Pā Tū Māori Experience

IMMERSE

Walk through a Jurassic rainforest on a cultural eco-tour, and embrace the traditional greeting of your hosts at Te Pā Tū Māori Experience.

INDULGE

In the shadow of the spectacular Te Mata Peak, enjoy an unforgettable dining experience at Craggy Range winery in Hawke's Bay, a region blessed with fertile soils.

EXPLORE

Walk high among giant 120 year old Redwood trees, and discover the luminous shimmer of the breathtaking Footwhistle Glowworm Cave.

RELAX

Cruise the streets of New Zealand's Art Deco capital in style in the comfort of a luxurious vintage car driven by your expert guide.

Embrace the traditional greeting of your Māori hosts, whose relationship with this unspoilt land is revealed on this journey. Experience natural wonders, from the luminous glowworms of the Footwhistle Cave and the native forest redwood giants, to an eco-tour of Jurassic rainforest.

Day 1: Welcome to Wellington

Upon arrival at Wellington Airport you'll be transferred by private car to your hotel. Spend time at leisure or explore on your own. This evening, join your Journey Director for a Welcome Reception and dinner.

HOTEL QT Wellington, 2 nights
MEALS Dinner with wine

Day 2: Wellington at Leisure

Discover Wellington your way. You could visit the urban eco-sanctuary of Zealandia/Te Māra a Tāne, home to some of New Zealand's most rare and extraordinary wildlife. Go on a guided city walking tour around Wellington or explore the country's fascinating culture, nature, heritage and art at Te Papa, the Museum of New Zealand.

MEALS Breakfast

Day 3: Wellington – Hawke's Bay

Travel through the dairy farming land of Manawatu to Napier in Hawke's Bay. This evening, enjoy dinner with wine at Craggy Range winery, in the shadow of the spectacular Te Mata Peak. Spend the evening in your accommodation surrounded by the area's majestic hills.

HOTEL Porters Boutique Hotel, 2 nights
MEALS Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

Day 4: Napier (Relaxed Start)

Relive the glamour and style of the jazz era with a luxurious vintage car tour. Your driver will provide fascinating commentary as you are driven in style through Napier and surrounding areas. You'll learn about the earthquake that destroyed the city in 1931 and hear stories of the people that led the rebuild of Napier in the Art Deco style.

MEALS Breakfast, dinner with wine

Day 5: Hawke's Bay – Rotorua

Enjoy a leisurely start before continuing the journey to Rotorua. This afternoon you will have a guided cultural eco-tour of Whirinaki Forest, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Armed with a packed lunch and with your local expert guide discover this vast, Jurassic, podocarp rainforest on a guided cultural walking tour, including Rongoa trail, rakau rangatira, history, possibly sight some native and endangered birds, whakatauki, forest bathing and hot kawakawa tea to end.

HOTEL Millennium Rotorua

MEALS Breakfast, lunch



Whirinaki Forest Footsteps

Day 6: Rotorua – Redwoods Treewalk

Ascending to the breathtaking Redwoods Treewalk, enjoy an elevated bird's eye view of the 120-year-old redwood giants and view the beautiful surrounds of the forest from a unique perspective. Next stop is the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, the national leader in kiwi husbandry, and learn about their kiwi hatchery programme that is proudly supported by TreadRight. Tonight, visit Te Pā Tū Māori Experience. Tū Te Rā is a celebration of the abundant harvest of this season, and explores concepts, rituals, and stories of ancient Māori warfare and peace in a feast of culture and cuisine. Enjoy a forest kai horotai (seasonal canapés) and complementary chef choice aperitif, and a seasonal three-course dinner.

HOTEL Pullman Rotorua

MEALS Breakfast, Local Dining Experience

Day 7: Rotorua – Caveworld Waitomo – Auckland

Make your way to the famous Caveworld Waitomo for an exclusive 5-star Eco Glowworm experience. Your guide sets the scene for a cave experience where you will see glowworms, cave formations and appreciate the beauty of Footwhistle Cave. Later, travel through the dairy farming district of Waikato, and on to Auckland. This evening, toast your tour together at a Celebration Dinner.

HOTEL QT Auckland

MEALS Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

Day 8: Farewell from Auckland

Say farewell to your fellow travellers as your Inspiring Journey comes to an end and we transfer you by private car to Auckland Airport for your onward flight.

MEALS Breakfast

DEPARTURES

2023	2024	2025
Oct 20	Jan 12, 19	Jan 17
Nov 17	Feb 09, 16	Feb 07, 14
	Mar 15	Mar 14
	Oct 18	
	Nov 15	

For prices, latest deals and year-round offers including past guest offers, group booking discounts for 9+ guests, multi-trip savings and definite departure dates visit inspiringjourneys.com/nzni or contact your local travel agent. A limited number of single rooms are also available.

INCLUSIONS

- Small group (average 16 guests)
- 7+ Unforgettable experiences
- 13 included meals
- 7 Nights premium accommodation

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NZNI: WELLINGTON TO AUCKLAND

- Flights are not included in holiday price.
- Return private vehicle airport to hotel transfers are included in the holiday price.
- Flight Information:
Day 1 – flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm into Wellington Airport
Day 8 – flights to depart anytime from Auckland Airport

