

13 Day Southern Sensations

Wellington → Christchurch



Highlights

- + 2 night stopovers in Marlborough Sounds & Mt Cook
- + 4 night stay in majestic Queenstown
- + Stunning Kenepuru Sound
- + Spectacular Kaikoura
- + World Heritage listed Mt Cook National Park
- + Beautiful Southern Lakes region
- + Twin glaciers of Fox & Franz Josef

Featured Experiences

- + Dine at some of New Zealand's leading wineries
- + Scenic Mussel cruise to Raetihi Lodge
- + Tasman Glacier Explorer boat expedition
- + Spectacular Milford Sound Nature Cruise
- + World famous TranzAlpine train

Iconic Sightseeing

- + Free use of Raetihi Lodge kayaks, mountain bikes, dinghies & fishing tackle
- + Lake Tekapo & Church of the Good Shepherd
- + Entry to Sir Edmund Hilary Alpine Centre
- + Historic Arrowtown

Day 1 Arrive Wellington

On arrival you will be met by a Kirra representative and transferred to your downtown city hotel.

Stay: *The Bolton Hotel*

Day 2 Picton, Marlborough Sounds (B,D)

This morning we cruise across Cook Strait by Interislander ferry to the picturesque fishing village of Picton. At Havelock, we board our vessel for a scenic mussel & wine cruise to our remote lodge located in the stunning Kenepuru Sound.

Stay: *Raetihi Lodge (2 nights)*

Day 3 Enjoy Kenepuru Sound (B,D)

A free day to relax & marvel at the magic that is the Marlborough Sounds. Lodge staff will share their love of the region with you through the wide range of water and nature based experiences they put at your fingertips.

Day 4 Blenheim, Kaikoura (B)

Return to Havelock by water taxi and board our coach for the journey to the small coastal town of Kaikoura. Here you can enjoy an optional whale-watching adventure, swim with the dolphins or join local Maori for a unique, award winning cultural experience.

Stay: *White Morph Heritage Boutique Collection*

Day 5 Lake Tekapo, Mt Cook (B,D)

Stop to view the tiny Church of the Good Shepherd at Lake Tekapo, then travel up the western side of Lake Pukaki to

the Mt Cook National Park, a World Heritage listed site that covers over 70,000 hectares of breathtaking alpine scenery.

Stay: *Mt Cook Hermitage Hotel (2 nights)*

Day 6 Tasman Glacier Expedition (B,D)

This morning, an experienced guide will whisk you away in a stable MAC Boat to explore the melting ice-face of the Tasman Glacier. Enjoy some free time this afternoon to explore this breathtaking region.

Day 7 Lindis Pass, Queenstown (B)

Begin the ascent over the Lindis Pass and emerge into the lush green farmland that surrounds the spectacular alpine village of Queenstown, regarded as New Zealand's premier holiday destination.

Stay: *Doubletree by Hilton (4 nights)*

Day 8 Arrowtown, Amisfield Winery (B,L)

Enjoy time to stroll through the historic village of Arrowtown before heading to Amisfield Winery & Bistro where you will enjoy a relaxing lunch featuring their signature "Trust the Chef" shared dining experience.

Day 9 Milford Sound Nature Cruise (B,L)

Discover the breathtaking beauty of Milford Sound on your leisurely nature cruise of this spectacular fiord. View spectacular waterfalls, rainforests and towering mountains, including the awesome Mitre Peak.

Optional overnight cruises on Milford Sound or Doubtful Sound are available today subject to availability - please ask for details.

Day 10 Explore Queenstown & surrounds (B)

Enjoy a free day to experience this magnificent resort town. Surrounded by majestic mountains, Queenstown boasts an incredible array of adventure & leisure activities in all forms, from extreme to relaxed exploration.

Day 11 Wanaka, Franz Josef Glacier (B,D)

Stop at Lake Wanaka, then travel past the untouched native forests and pristine lakes of the World Heritage Westland National Park. At Fox & Franz Josef Glaciers there is the opportunity to experience an optional scenic flight over this remarkable region (subject to weather conditions).

Stay: *Scenic Hotel Franz Josef*

Day 12 TranzAlpine Train, Christchurch (B,D)

Head north to Greymouth and board the TranzAlpine train for a coast to coast rail adventure through the Southern Alps, rated as one of the most scenic train journeys in the world. On arrival we transfer to our resort hotel for a farewell dinner.

Stay: *Peppers Clearwater Resort*

Day 13 Depart Christchurch (B)

Sadly, your holiday ends today and you will be transferred to Christchurch airport to connect with your onward flight home.



Inclusions

- + 12 nights luxury accommodation
- + Full breakfast daily, 2 lunches & 6 dinners
- + Travel by 5 star luxury touring coach
- + Guided by a professional Coach Captain
- + All sightseeing, excursions and entrance fees as shown
- + Hotel portage
- + Complimentary private airport transfers on arrival & departure

Guaranteed Tour Dates 2017/18

Start	Finish	Code
Sat 28 Oct 17*	Thu 09 Nov 17	XV751
Sat 25 Nov 17	Thu 07 Dec 17	XV753
Sat 13 Jan 18	Thu 25 Jan 18	XV851
Sat 27 Jan 18*	Thu 08 Feb 18	XV853
Sat 10 Feb 18	Thu 22 Feb 18	XV855
Sat 24 Feb 18*	Thu 08 Mar 18	XV857
Sat 17 Mar 18*	Thu 29 Mar 18	XV859
Sat 31 Mar 18	Thu 12 Apr 18	XV861
Sat 14 Apr 18*	Thu 26 Apr 18	XV863

Dates shown with an * may require a minimum number of passengers before being guaranteed. As departures fill, more dates may be added.

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Whale Watch Kaikoura