

10 Day New Zealand Signature South Island Tour

Christchurch - Franz Josef - Queenstown - Te Anau - Milford Sound - Dunedin
- Mt Cook - Twizel

From **\$5,799** ✈️ pp twin share



Fully Escorted Tour with flights ex Brisbane, Sydney or Melbourne

Enjoy 9 Nights 4-Star Accommodation with breakfast daily

32 Seater Premium Coach with expert driver & guide

A range of fantastic included meals, activities & much more!

Book NOW with only a deposit

Description



This incredible 10-day South Island Coach all-inclusive tour is the perfect way to explore New Zealand, with its incredible sightseeing, quirky cities, abundant wildlife and friendly locals.

Begin your journey in vibrant Christchurch, a city full of museums, outdoor art installations and beautiful gardens before continuing onwards to some of the world's most breath-taking scenery. Visit the incredible Franz Josef glacier, wander the stunning streets of Queenstown, sail the iconic Milford Sound, explore the scandalous history of Larnach Castle in Dunedin, be inspired with a visit to Mt Cook and much, much more.

Travel in premium comfort on a custom-designed coach, with expert driver and guide, fantastic accommodation, plus a range of meals, included activities and more. This south-island itinerary will guarantee you memories for a lifetime.

Book now - all you need is a small deposit to lock in this fantastic trip!



Itinerary

Day 1

Australia ✈ Christchurch

On arrival into Christchurch, you will be met by a Grand Pacific Tours representative and transferred to your hotel. This evening enjoy a complimentary pre-dinner drink when you meet your Tour Leader and travelling companions for dinner.

Hotel: Distinction Hotel Christchurch

Meals included: Dinner

***Flights included ex Melbourne, Sydney or Brisbane only.**

Day 2

Christchurch 🚆 Arthurs Pass 🚆 Franz Josef

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 the township of 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)

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 3

Franz Josef 🚆 Queenstown

See the snow-capped peaks of the Southern Alps as you travel south along the West Coast to 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. This evening is free to dine out at one of the many fine restaurants.

Hotel: Millennium Hotel Queenstown (2 nights)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4

Queenstown (at leisure)

Today is a free day to explore Queenstown. Your Coach Captain and Tour Leader will assist with the many optional activities available. You may wish to enjoy the thrill of a jet boat ride or a heritage tour of the scenic Skippers Canyon. This evening board the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw and cruise across Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak Station. Sit back, relax and enjoy a delicious gourmet barbecue dinner featuring a menu of seasonal, fresh and locally sourced food at the Colonel's Homestead. After dinner enjoy a short farm tour then reboard the TSS Earnslaw for a sing along by the piano as you cruise back to Queenstown.

Hotel: Millennium Hotel Queenstown

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 5

Queenstown Te Anau

Enjoy a leisurely start this morning before travelling to Arrowtown, an old gold mining village where you visit the Lakes District Museum. Continue to Te Anau, the gateway to Fiordland. Today you may like to visit the Te Anau Glowworm Caves (optional).

Hotel: Distinction Luxmore Hotel Te Anau (2 nights)

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 6

Te Anau Milford Sound Te Anau

Depart Te Anau for a fascinating drive to Milford Sound where you board your launch for a cruise on this magnificent fiord. See the spectacular Bowen Falls and towering Mitre Peak as you enjoy lunch onboard. This afternoon return to Te Anau where some free time is available. You might like to cap off your Fiordland experience by watching the breathtaking film, Ata Whenua - Shadowland, which screens at the Fiordland Cinema (optional).

Hotel: Distinction Luxmore Hotel Te Anau

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 7

Te Anau Dunedin

Travel via Gore and Balclutha to Dunedin, known as the 'Edinburgh of the South', and enjoy a city tour. Travel along the Otago Peninsula to Larnach Castle where you will hear of the tragic and scandalous history on a guided tour. Enjoy time to wander around this Garden of International Significance followed by a delicious Devonshire Tea.

Hotel: Scenic Hotel Southern Cross

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 8

Dunedin Mt Cook Twizel

Farewell Dunedin and travel to Oamaru, famous for its limestone. Follow the Waitaki River and see Lake Benmore as you continue to marvel at Mt Cook, New Zealand's highest peak. The opportunity is available to enjoy a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the Southern Alps. Travel to Twizel for your overnight stay.

Hotel: Mackenzie Country Hotel

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 9

Twizel Christchurch

Continue to Lake Tekapo, view the brilliant turquoise water, the Church of the Good Shepherd and the Sheep Dog Statue before arriving in Christchurch for a city tour. This evening enjoy a pre-dinner drink and reminisce on memories shared with your new friends at the farewell dinner.

Hotel: Distinction Christchurch Hotel

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 10

Christchurch

Time to say goodbye. You will be transferred to the airport for your flight home after a memorable New Zealand holiday.

Want to stay longer? Ask us how today!

Meals included: Breakfast

Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions

Fully escorted tour includes transfers in New Zealand, 32 -seat premium coach travel, 4 star accommodation, most meals, sightseeing and attractions.

Inclusions:

- Professional Coach Captain
- Tour Leader
- Flights from either Melbourne, Sydney or Brisbane with Air New Zealand
- 9 nights 4 star accommodation
- Personalised Meet and Greet on arrival
- Return airport transfers in New Zealand
- All sightseeing and prepaid attractions
- Extensive Optional Tours Programme
- Deluxe Documentation Pack

Meals:

- 9 cooked breakfasts
- 8 dinners
- 1 Lunch
- 1 delicious Devonshire Tea: Larnach Castle

Pre-paid Tours:

- TranzAlpine Rail Journey
- Cruise Lake Wakatipu on the TSS Earnslaw
- Lakes District Museum
- Milford Sound Cruise and Lunch
- Larnach Castle and Devonshire Tea
- Dunedin City Sights Tour
- Christchurch City Sights Tour

Add ons:

- Pre/ Post Accommodation: (FROM per night)
- Christchurch: \$130 pp twin share / \$260 Single Room

Exclusions

- Meals not mentioned
- Any additional requests
- Travel Insurance
- Laundry
- Items of a personal nature, ie souvenirs

Important Information

All departure dates are guaranteed*

Room Types and max occupancy:

Twin or double, maximum occupancy of 2

Child Policy:

Children under 16 years are not permitted.

Passport and Visa Requirements:

All visitors require a passport to enter New Zealand. Your passport must be valid for at least three months beyond the date that you intend to leave New Zealand. For Australian citizens travelling on an Australian passport, you do not need a visa or permit to visit New Zealand. Visitors from visa-waiver countries must request an Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) prior to travelling to New Zealand. For visitors from non-visa waiver countries it is recommended you contact your Travel Agent or NZ Immigration for full entry requirements. If you are not an Australian Citizen or permanent resident, you may also have to pay for an International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy (IVL). Please check with your Travel Agent for up to date immigration requirements.

**unless government-mandated border restrictions are in effect*

Travel Insurance: We recommend Covermore travel insurance. To quote and book, please click [HERE](#).