



AAT Kings: New Zealand Panorama 26/27

This perfectly paced adventure combines an inter-island flight with iconic sights and authentic encounters. Marvel at glowworms in Waitomo Caves, explore Rotorua's geothermal wonders, and connect with Māori traditions at Te Puia. See a kiwi up close at The Kiwi Hatchery, then journey south to cruise Lake Wakatipu aboard the TSS Earnslaw. From sheep shearing at Real Country to gourmet dining at Walter Peak, every moment captures New Zealand's charm.

Starts in: Queenstown
Finishes in: Auckland
Length: 7 days / 6 nights
Accommodation: Hotel 3 star
Can be customised: Yes

This itinerary can be customised to suit you perfectly. We can add more days, remove days, change accommodations, mix it up, add activities to suit your interests or simply design and create something from scratch. Call us today to get your custom New Zealand itinerary underway.



Inclusions:

Includes: All coach transport
Includes: All pick ups/drop offs at destinations
Includes: Afterhours emergency support while touring
Included activity: Flight to Auckland
plus much more...

Day 1



Your journey to the Islands of New Zealand kicks off in Queenstown (flights to arrive prior to 4pm). Meet your Travel Director for a welcome briefing and drinks. The evening is free for you to enjoy one of its many lakefront restaurants and bars. Hit us up for dining recommendations.

Staying in:

- Millennium Hotel, Queenstown (1 night)
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Day 2



Arriving in New Zealand, the first thing you probably noticed is that there's a lot of farmland. Its fitting then, that one of the first visits you make is to meet a 'Southerner' local farmer at Real Country. View demonstrations of Horse communication and Working sheep dog mustering. Try your hand at a Stock whip cracking lesson, and feed and interact with the friendly farm animals, as part of this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. For every guest, we donate funds to The Fairlight Foundation, Advancing Women in Agriculture. Then you'll think you've stepped back in time when you arrive in the former gold-mining village of Arrowtown. Come dusk, cruise across Lake Wakatipu aboard the TSS Earnslaw; the only thing more inspiring than the peaks of the Remarkables that surround is the festive atmosphere welcoming you to Walter Peak High Country Farm, where a gourmet barbecue dinner at the Colonel's Homestead awaits.

Staying in:

- Millennium Hotel, Queenstown (1 night)
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Day 3



You clearly need more than one day to appreciate Queenstown and its surrounds. And when we say surrounds, we mean Milford Sound/Piopiotahi. Today sign up for an Optional Experience* to Milford Sound/Piopiotahi. Travel through World Heritage listed Fiordland National Park for exceptional views as you pass through dense rainforest and pass by towering mountains. On arrival at Milford Sound/Piopiotahi embark on a cruise to experience the eighth wonder of the World. Don't be surprised if you see fur seals and local mountain parrots (the Kea), they are common here, playing in the wake of waterfalls. If you like things fast-paced, opt for wine tasting or jet-boating. You are in the adventure capital of New Zealand, after all.

Staying in:

- Millennium Hotel, Queenstown (1 night)
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Day 4



Touching down in Auckland, you'll board your coach for the drive to Rotorua, the cultural capital, where you can immerse yourself in Maori history and culture.

Staying in:

- Millennium Hotel Rotorua (1 night)
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Day 5



Your visit to the National Kiwi Hatchery is guided by passionate conservationists and will give you fascinating insights into New Zealand's national bird on this rewarding MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Rotorua's landscapes are reminiscent of a sci-fi movie set where mud pops from bubbling geysers and steam rushes skywards. See it first-hand on your guided walk at the Maori Village of Ohinemutu, another MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Explore its geothermal landscapes, sacred sites, ancestral stories, St Faith's Church, and rich cultural traditions with a local kaitiaki (guardian). This evening, embark on the Te Pō guided experience at Te Puia, where you'll learn about Maori history and culture. It begins with an exhilarating cultural performance in a finely carved meeting house, Te Aronui a Rua. Witness a pōwhiri (traditional welcome), waiata (song), mōteatea (traditional chant) poi and haka. Then view the Pohutu Geyser, one of New Zealand's geothermal wonderlands, followed by a delicious buffet dinner of hangi-inspired cuisine.

Staying in:

- Millennium Hotel Rotorua (1 night)
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Day 6



Set your GPS for the Waitomo Caves. While cruising cavernous waterways, your route is cast in a magical light by thousands of glowworms. The next thing that glows on your horizon is Auckland. This evening, share the stories of your New Zealand Panorama tour at dinner with your Travel Director and companions at The Grill, celebrating Aotearoa's culinary treasures.

Staying in:

- Horizon by SkyCity Auckland (1 night)
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Day 7



Short, sweet, and packed with highlights – how else to describe this wonderful week?

Tour details

Departures:	Daily
Tour type:	Guided Coach Tour
Starts:	Queenstown
Finishes:	Auckland
Tour length:	7
Accommodation:	Hotel 3 star
Car/transport type:	

Accommodation summary