# Ultimate Explorer SMALL GROUP ESCORTED TOUR – CHRISTCHURCH TO AUCKLAND





New Zealand might be small in stature but it has a multitude of experiences packed within its shores. Escorted touring is an easy and stress-free way to cover a lot of ground in comfort.

This tour will take you from Christchurch to Auckland and en route you'll get to see some of New Zealand's most spectacular landscapes.

### What's Included?

15 nights of accommodation as shown or similar, on a room only basis unless otherwise stated

Meals as shown

Arrival transfer in Christchurch and departure transfer in Auckland

All excursions and attractions as stated

Small group, luxury coach travel with a maximum of 20 passengers





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# Day 1 Christchurch

On arrival at Christchurch airport you'll be met and transferred to your hotel.

Your Accommodation: The George (5 Star Hotel) Meal(s) Included: Dinner

### Day 2 Mt Cook

Depart through the southern Canterbury Plains to Mt Cook. Highlights include Lake Tekapo and the Church of the Good Shepherd.

Your Accommodation: The Hermitage Hotel (4.5 Star Hotel) Meal(s) Included: Breakfast & Dinner

### Day 3 Dunedin

From Mt Cook continue to Dunedin. Optional excursions include a visit to the Speight's Brewery or the Royal Albatross colony.

Your Accommodation: Distinction Dunedin (4 Star Hotel) Meal(s) Included: Breakfast & Dinner

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### Day 4 Te Anau

Visit Larnach Castle and enjoy high tea in the Grand Ballroom. Travel on to Te Anau, gateway to the Fiordland National Park.

Your Accommodation: Distinction Te Anau Hotel & Villas (4 Star Hotel) Meal(s) Included: Breakfast & Dinner

### Days 5–6 Milford Sound & Queenstown

Travel to Milford Sound for a nature cruise in a truly remarkable setting. From Milford Sound continue to Queenstown for a 2-night stay. Choose from a range of sightseeing options before joining the *TSS Earnslaw* for a cruise across Lake Wakatipu, followed by a BBQ dinner at Walter Peak Station.

Your Accommodation: Millennium Queenstown (4.5 Star Hotel) Meal(s) Included: Breakfast & Lunch

### Day 7 Fox Glacier

Visit the old gold-mining town of Arrowtown before travelling through the Haast Pass to the West Coast and Fox Glacier.

Your Accommodation: Distinction Fox Glacier (4 Star Hotel) Meal(s) Included: Breakfast & Dinner

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### Day 8 Christchurch

Visit Hokitika, famed for its greenstone before heading through the mountain passes to Arthurs Pass, where you'll join the TranzAlpine train for a memorable journey back to Christchurch.

Your Accommodation: The George (5 Star Hotel) (Meal(s) Included: Breakfast & Dinner

### Days 9–10 Wellington

Travel via Kaikoura and Marlborough to Picton then board the Interislander ferry to Wellington for a 2-night stay. A city tour and visit to Te Papa museum are included.

Your Accommodation: Intercontinental Wellington (5 Star Hotel) Meal(s) Included: Breakfast & Dinner

### Day 11 Rotorua

Depart Wellington and drive north via Lake Taupo to the geothermal wonderland of Rotorua.

Your Accommodation: Regent of Rotorua (4.5 Star Hotel) Meal(s) Included: Breakfast & Dinner

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### Day 12 Rotorua

Today includes visits to the Agrodome, Rainbow Springs and a unique, behind the scenes tour at a Kiwi nursery. This evening is spent at a Maori hangi and concert.

Your Accommodation: Regent of Rotorua (4.5 Star Hotel) Meal(s) Included: Breakfast & Dinner

### Days 13–14 Bay of Islands

Travel north to the beautiful Bay of Islands for 2 nights. There is free time to explore plus a luxury catamaran cruise to Cape Brett.

Your Accommodation: Scenic Hotel Bay of Islands (4 Star Hotel) Meal(s) Included: Breakfast & Dinner

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### Day 15 Auckland

Return to Auckland for a final, farewell dinner.

Your Accommodation: Crown Plaza Auckland (4.5 Star Hotel) Meal(s) Included: Breakfast & Dinner

## Day 16 Departure

Today your tour comes to an end. You will be transferred to the airport.

Please Note: Details are correct at the time of producing this document but may be subject to change without notice. Accommodation is subject to availability, and similar hotels may be substituted.

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