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# North Island Highlights

FLY-DRIVE TOUR – AUCKLAND TO WELLINGTON

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New Zealand's North Island is a rich landscape of active volcanoes, magnificent beaches, island sanctuaries and geothermal wonders.

Starting in Auckland you'll explore beautiful Northland and the Bay of Islands before winding your way south via the Coromandel and Lake Taupo to Wellington.

## What's Included?

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

Meals as shown

Private arrival transfer in Auckland

Car rental

## Please Note

This fly-drive tour can be tailor-made to your own requirements.



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## Day 1 Auckland

You'll be met on arrival at Auckland airport and transferred to your hotel.

Auckland boasts a wonderful waterfront where you'll find a superb choice of bars and restaurants. In this urban environment you can be walking on stunning beaches, exploring dormant volcanoes and enjoying the boutique vineyards of a beautiful island all within 30 minutes of the city.

Your Accommodation: Heritage Auckland (4 Star Hotel)

## Day 2 Hokianga (237 kms)

Head north along the west coast to Waipouia, home to Tane Mahuta, 'Lord of the Forest', which is over 2,000 years old and still growing! Carry on to your overnight stop in Hokianga.

Your Accommodation: Copthorne Hotel & Resort Hokianga (4 Star Hotel)

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## Days 3–4 Bay of Islands (75 kms)

Crossing to the east coast you'll find yourself amongst the beautiful beaches and calm waters of the Bay of Islands. Swim with dolphins and take to the water under sail then explore New Zealand's history with a visit to the Waitangi Treaty House.

Your Accommodation: The Waterfront Suites (4 Star Hotel)

## Day 5 Hibiscus Coast (196 kms)

Begin your journey south. Spend the night on the pretty Hibiscus Coast, a charming region to the north of Auckland, known for its beaches.

Your Accommodation: Waves Orewa Beach (4 Star Hotel)

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## Days 6–7 Coromandel (168 kms)

Leave Auckland, crossing the harbour bridge, and then head for the Coromandel Peninsula. Long regarded as one New Zealand's hidden wonders, the Coromandel is a natural wonderland with a rich gold-mining heritage and acres of wilderness to explore. Wander along stunning beaches, dig your own spa pool on Hot Water Beach and enjoy a hike along one of the many walking trails.

Your Accommodation: Brenton Lodge (4 Star Hotel)

Meal(s) Included: Breakfast

## Day 8 Lake Taupo (265 kms)

Lake Taupo was created by a volcanic eruption more than 2,000 years ago and is roughly the same size as Singapore! You can kayak or sail on the lake and admire the Maori rock carvings at Mine Bay, which can only be seen from the water. The Hidden Valley of Orakei Korako is a little off the beaten track, but worth the detour. Reached by a short ferry trip across Lake Ohakuri you'll find yourself in one of the best thermal areas in New Zealand.

Your Accommodation: Tauhara Sunrise (4 Star Hotel)

Meal(s) Included: Breakfast

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## Day 9 Martinborough (373 kms)

The Wairarapa is a beautiful, rural region that's home to some magnificent vineyards (over 20), many of which can be explored on foot, and the wild beaches of Cape Palliser.

Your Accommodation: Peppers Parihua Martinborough (4 Star B&B)

Meal(s) Included: Breakfast

## Day 10 Wellington (81 kms)

The final stop on your North Island journey is Wellington, New Zealand's very cool little capital city.

Your Accommodation: QT Wellington (4 Star Hotel)

## Day 11 Departure

Today your tour comes to an end.

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.