



real adventure
small prices

GRAND TRAVERSE

15 Days

\$2329

includes food, transport,
camp fees and shared tent

Two islands - one amazing trip

a superb adventure from Auckland to Queenstown or Christchurch

This fantastic journey launches in the City of Sails (Auckland) and takes in the country's finest natural highs as you head south. You will see a diverse set of landscapes from white sand beaches and dramatic Fiords to thermal geysers and towering forests.

point 4: Depart from Auckland 10am. We leave the City of Sails. The stunning coastline of the Coromandel Peninsula awaits us, so bring your swimming gear. A relaxing afternoon at Cathedral Cove beach, if the tide is right, dig pools and bathe in the thermal springs of Hot Water Beach. Optional **sea kayak** around dramatic coastlines. Scenic rides on wonderful coastline. Camp near the beach tonight. B/D U

point 5: Drive or cycle to stunning Whiritoa beach for a swim or forest walk amongst the massive Pohutukawa trees. We continue to Rotorua and its thermal wonders. Optional activities like the head spinning **Zorb**, **Agroventures**, or **Luge** or the relaxed **Polynesian Pools**. Cycle ride from camp around Lake Rerewhakaaitu nestled below the dormant but dramatic Mount Tarawera. B/L/D U

point 6: A relaxed start at our lake side camp. We visit **Wai-O-Tapu thermal resort**, mud pools. Drive on to the impressive Huka Falls. Walk or cycle to the great lakeside setting of Taupo. Optional **skydiving**, **bungy**. Mts Ngauruhoe, Tongariro and Ruapehu dominate the skyline as we hug the shores of one of the largest crater lakes in the world. Wonderful camp in Turangi. B/L/D

point 7: Chance to try one of the World's greatest one day walks - the "**Tongariro Alpine Crossing**". Alternatively, relax or cycle in this beautiful area with an inspiring mountain backdrop. After some serious exploring we head to our accommodation for recharging and refuelling. B/L/D U

point 8: Arrive in Wellington by 10am. The capital offers cafés, good bars, the celebrated Te Papa Museum & the botanical gardens. The capital is a great place for shopping. We do not provide accommodation in Picton but will help you make a booking. B

point 9: Depart Picton 12.30pm. Travel the Pacific coast to Kaikoura, cycle stunning coastal route where close encounters with fur seals and a myriad of sea birds are common. Optional **whale watch** or **sea kayak** and coastal walk. Stay at a beach camp with an amazing sunrise opportunity. D U

point 10: Optional **dolphin swim** or **seal swim** or a chance to cycle by the nature-rich coast. Head through Canterbury region and for those joining depart **Christchurch 3pm**. Head across Canterbury plains to Rangitata Gorge with a great ride and accommodation at the foot of the Alps. B/D U

point 11: Optional **white water rafting** on the Rangitata river. Morning cycle or walks in Peel Forest. Travel through Geraldine and Mackenzie Basin with views of the Main Divide. Cycle to Lake Tekapo and view the historic church. Lake Pukaki (great spot for swimming) camp with views of Mt. Cook. B/L/D

point 12: Morning cycle towards Mt Cook. Hikes around the Mt Cook basin before making our way to the east coast. A short stop in Oamaru before heading to our coastal camp. Chance for a scenic quiet cycle ride, walks or beach games. Optional **penguin tour**. B/L/D

B = BREAKFAST L = LUNCH D= DINNER

BLUE TEXT = OPTIONAL ACTIVITY

U = UPGRADE AVAILABLE

.....I'm sure it cost half what i'd have spent travelling alone..... Lindsey, UK



Departs: Auckland. You can take extended breaks anywhere along the way.

Finishes: Queenstown or Christchurch but contact us if it doesn't quite fit - we are flexible!

Groups: average around 26-28 per trip

Fitness Level: all levels

Accommodation: camping in commercial and department of conservation camps. Most nights you can upgrade to a cabin for a small fee

Food: Tasty and healthy meals 3 times a day most days (check itinerary). Snacks and hot and cold drinks

Included: all travel, side trips to remote areas & walking tracks, sports equipment on board, food & drinks, camp fees, amazing memories and plenty more

Optional hires:

Cycle hire (for full trip)	\$245
Private cycle handling (for full trip)	\$95
Tent single (inc. mattress)	\$65
Sleeping bag	\$40



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point 13: Morning coastal walk or cycle. Visit bizarre Moeraki Boulders. Explore historic and picturesque Dunedin - home to the world's steepest street! Sample the delights of the **Cadbury (Chocolate) factory** or **Speights Brewery** depending on your tastes. We travel to the spectacular natural beauty of the Catlins area for the night. Cycle from camp to Nugget Point lighthouse along a quiet country road. B/D U

point 14: Journey through scenic southern pastures, stopping for lunch on the shores of Lake Manapouri. Visit the lake town of Te Anau before heading for Fiordland National Park and our historic camp in the unspoilt Hollyford Valley where cycle rides and walks abound. B/L/D U

point 15: One of the world's most scenic routes into Milford Sound! Cycle the magnificent descent from Homer Tunnel (3000ft)! Optional **boat cruise** to enjoy the fiord up close. The **Routeburn, Greenstone Track** walkers depart for their awesome trek. Stunning lakeside camp. B/L/D U

point 16: Explore Te Anau and plenty of time to **walk, fish** or cycle in the area. Day or overnight walk on the **Kepler Track** with panoramic views from Mt Luxmore. Also the chance to try some **jet boating** or visit the enchanting **glowworm caves**. Same amazing lakeside camp in Te Anau. B/D U

point 17: Journey to Queenstown along the shores of Lake Wakatipu. We stay a short stroll from town, in a camp overlooking the beautiful lake. Queenstown is the adventure capital and there are bars, **activities and thrills galore!** Track walkers re-join group. A big night out for those who are keen. B U

point 18: Queenstown with its multitude of adrenalin activities. **Bungee, fly-by-wire, jet boat, rafting, horse trekking, parapenting, skydive, gondola ride** - this place has it all, as well as spectacular views. Cycle and walk in alpine areas. B

*if you would like help to arrange transfers at the end of your trip to Christchurch or an alternative location then please contact us



FAQS

- + Yes, you can start at any point, get off at any point for extended breaks and join the next bus passing through
- + Optional activities aren't included but we get good discounts and theres always free alternatives with sports gear on board
- + cabin upgrades available most nights for a small fee

CONTACT US IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS