

GRAND TRAVERSE

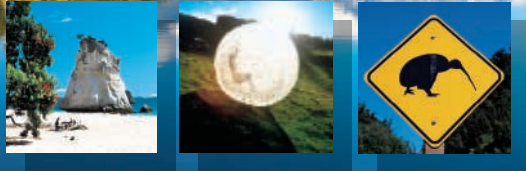
15 Days

\$1892*

includes food, transport,
camp fees and shared tent

* or \$1963 without VIP, ISIC, YHA or NOMADs card

real adventure
small prices



Two islands - one amazing trip

a superb adventure from Auckland to Queenstown or Christchurch

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

POINT 4 Depart Auckland at 10am. The beautiful 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 cycle rides around these wonderful coastal landscapes. We camp near the beach tonight. B/L/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 are the **Kiwi house, luge, skyline, Zorb or the polynesian pools**. Cycle ride from camp around the Lake nestled below the dormant but dramatic Mt Tarawera. B/L/D

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

POINT 7 Chance to try one of the World's greatest one day walks - the "**Tongariro Alpine Crossing**". Alternatively, cycle around the mountainous landscapes with an inspiring backdrop. After some serious exploring we head to our accommodation for recharging and refuelling. B/L/D **U**

POINT 8 Onto the capital, Wellington, for café culture, good bars, the celebrated **Te Papa Museum** and the botanical gardens. If you're still keen and feeling flush the capital is a great place for some **shopping**. Head over the water on a scenic ferry crossing (cost included) to Picton. We do not provide accommodation but will help you make a booking. B

POINT 9 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, sea kayak** and coastal walk. Stay at a beach camp and an amazing sunrise opportunity. L/D **U**

POINT 10 Optional **dolphin swim** or **seal swim** if you prefer or a chance to cycle by the nature-rich coast. Explore Christchurch, the "Garden City" then head across Canterbury plains to Rangitata Gorge with great walks, rides 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 through to the turquoise waters of Lake Tekapo with short walks. Lake Pukaki (can swim here) 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 cycle ride or walks, swim at the beach. Optional **penguin tour**. B/L/D

B = BREAKFAST L = LUNCH D = DINNER

BLUE TEXT = OPTIONAL ACTIVITY

U = UPGRADE AVAILABLE



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: 28 people max

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:

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| Cycle hire (for full trip) | \$240 |
| Private cycle handling (for full trip) | \$95 |
| Tent single (inc. mattress) | \$60 |
| Sleeping bag | \$40 |

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POINT 13 Morning coastal walk or cycle. Visit bizarre Moeraki Boulders. Explore historic and picturesque Dunedin. Have a go at cycling or walking up the World's steepest street! There is also a chance to sample the delights of the **Cadbury (Chocolate) factory** or **Speights Brewery** depending on your tastes. We travel on to the spectacular and 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! Fantastic stop offs and more photo opportunities than you could handle! Cycle the magnificent descent from Homer Tunnel (3000ft)! Excellent optional **boat cruise** to experience the beauty of the fiord. The **Routeburn, Greenstone Track** walkers depart here 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. Optional great day **hike 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 in a camp overlooking the lake and town, just stumbling distance to get home. 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/L U

POINT 18 Queenstown with its multitude of adrenalin activities. **Bungy, 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. A chance to wind down and compare notes and photos from your Queenstown thrills! B



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
- + our average group size is around 23
- + cabin upgrades available most nights (approx \$5 per night)

CONTACT US IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS