

New Zealand Guided Tours



Taste of the South Island

Operator: Grand Pacific Tours
Days: 9
Start: Christchurch
Finish: Christchurch

Grand Pacific coach tours offer you an experience where everything is taken care of. From the time you arrive in New Zealand a friendly smile awaits. Grand Pacific Tours professional crew will provide a high standard of service. See New Zealand's spectacular scenery in armchair comfort as you travel through each region. Grand Pacific Tours offers an "all inclusive" style of touring and believe it is important for you to return home from your holiday feeling that you have received excellent value for money.

Tour Overview

Showcasing New Zealand's breathtaking South Island scenery as travellers relax on board a luxury coach. Enjoy quality accommodation, cooked breakfasts and dinners plus experience an exciting range of attractions such as Larnach Castle, the Milford Sound Cruise and Tranz Alpine Rail Journey.

Inclusions

Attractions

- Haggis Ceremony & Gift
 - Larnach Castle*
 - Glenfalloch Restaurant
 - Milford Sound Cruise & Lunch
 - Cruise Lake Wakatipu on the TSS Earnslaw
 - Lakes District Museum
 - TranzAlpine Rail Journey
 - City sights tour of Christchurch & Dunedin
- *Guided tour is included with 1 guide per 24 travellers

Transportation

Luxury coach travel with 2 door access, restroom, reclining seats and panoramic windows

Professionally Escorted

Professional Coach Captain

Dining Inclusions

- 8 cooked breakfasts
- 7 sumptuous dinners including 2 specialty dinners
- 1 picnic lunch
- 1 delicious morning tea



Plus

- Personalised Meet and Greet on arrival
- Comprehensive documentation pack
- Return airport transfers
- All sightseeing and pre paid attractions
- Hotel portorage

Flight Information

Dinner is not included on Day 1 for anyone arriving after 8:00pm. You can depart anytime on Day 9.

Tour itinerary

B = Breakfast **L** = Lunch **D** = Dinner **SD** = Special Dinner

Day 1: Arrive Christchurch

Arrive into Christchurch where you will be met by a Grand Pacific Tours representative at the airport and transferred to your hotel.

Hotel: Heartland Cotswold. D

Day 2: Christchurch – Omarama

After an introductory Christchurch city sights tour travel to Lake Tekapo. See the brilliant turquoise water, The Church of the Good Shepherd and the Sheep Dog Statue. The opportunity is available (time and weather permitting) to enjoy a scenic flight (optional) over the Southern Alps before travelling to Omarama.

Hotel: Heritage Gateway Motel. B D

Day 3: Omarama - Dunedin

Depart Omarama and see Lake Benmore, before arriving at Oamaru, famous for its limestone. Continue to Dunedin and enjoy a city sights tour & free time. Tonight a Scottish evening will be presented comprising of bagpipes, great food, special Haggis Ceremony and gift.

Hotel: Mercure Leisure Lodge. B SD

Day 4: Dunedin - Te Anau

This morning travel out along the Otago Peninsula to Larnach Castle for a guided tour. Enjoy time to wander around this Garden of International Significance followed by a delicious Devonshire Tea. Farewell Dunedin and travel to Te Anau, gateway to Fiordland and your overnight stay.

Hotel: Distinction Luxmore Hotel (Superior Room). B D

Day 5: Te Anau - Milford Sound – Queenstown

Depart Te Anau for a fascinating drive to Milford Sound where you board your launch for a cruise on this magnificent fiord. See the spectacular Bowen Falls and towering Mitre Peak as you enjoy a picnic lunch. Travel to Queenstown, where you spend the next two nights at this year round resort.

Hotel: Mercure Queenstown Resort (two nights). B L

Day 6: Queenstown (Free Day)

Today is a free day for you to explore Queenstown at leisure. Your Coach Captain is available to assist with the many sightseeing options available. This evening board the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw and cruise across Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak Station. Sit back, relax and enjoy a gourmet barbecue dinner which the chef will prepare in front of you at the Colonel's Homestead. **B SD**

Day 7: Queenstown – Arrowtown – Franz Josef

Travel to Arrowtown and visit the Lakes District Museum. Continue via the Haast Pass to the mighty West Coast, an area of stunning beauty. See the snow capped peaks of the Southern Alps as you travel north to Fox Glacier. Continue to Franz Josef where time is available (weather permitting) to experience a scenic flight (optional) over the spectacular glaciers.

Hotel: Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier (Graham Wing). B D

Day 8: Franz Josef - Arthur's Pass – Christchurch

Travel to Hokitika and visit the Greenstone Factory. Continue into Arthur's Pass and board The TranzAlpine, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world. View rivers and valleys as you travel through the Waimakariri Basin, over massive viaducts and through the patchwork farmlands of the Canterbury Plains. On arrival in Christchurch your coach will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel.

Hotel: Heartland Hotel Cotswold. B D

Day 9: Depart Christchurch

Time to say goodbye. You'll be transferred to the airport for your flight home after a memorable New Zealand holiday. **B**





Booking Terms and Conditions

1. Reservations and Payments

A non-refundable deposit of \$200 per person is required to confirm your booking. Failure to pay the deposit within 5 days of booking may result in the cancellation of your reservation. Full and final payment must be received no later than 50 days prior to departure date. If full payment is not received by this date, Grand Pacific Tours reserves the right to cancel the booking. Bookings made within 50 days of travel date must be paid in full upon confirmation.

2. Cancellations/Amendments

If you have to cancel your tour for any reason, the following fees apply:

- Outside 45 days prior to departure loss of deposit.
- Between 7 and 45 days prior to departure, 50% of the tour price.
- Less than 7 days prior to departure, 100% of the tour price.

If you wish to cancel your existing booking and transfer to a new departure date, the above cancellation fees will still apply.

Itinerary valid: September 2016 – May 2017.

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