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# THE WORLD TOUR 2014 DESTINATION New Zealand & Australia

Queenstown, Auckland & Sydney

March 22 - April 2, 2014















New Zealand has a rich and fascinating history, reflecting a unique mix of Māori and European culture. Sydney is Australia's famous harbour city and the capital of New South Wales.

#### Day 1 Depart US

Depart US for overnight flight to New Zealand, crossing the date line and losing a day



#### Day 3 Arrive Queenstown (D)

On arrival in Queenstown you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

Free time to freshen up before departing by private coach to the Skyline Gondola for welcome dinner.

#### **Skyline Welcome Dinner**

The Skyline Gondola will whisk you smoothly up 450 metres to Bob's Peak, as Queenstown drops away below you. From the

top enjoy breathtaking views, which extend almost 360 degrees from Coronet Peak around to the Remarkables and on to Cecil and Walter Peaks on the other side of Lake Wakatipu.

Enjoy a very special welcome with Kiwi Haka Maori Cultural Group who will perform a traditional welcome (powhiri), stunning poi display and fearsome Haka.

Queenstown accommodation - Hilton Queenstown, Kawarau Village





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#### Day 4 Milford Sound Day Trip (B, L)

Depart Queenstown by private coach and skirt Lake Wakatipu in the shadow of the rugged Remarkables. Drive to Te Anau, gateway of the Fiordland National Park then follow Lake Te Anau to the valley of the Eglinton River. A light morning tea is included in Te Anau. Pass through magnificent beech forests before a gradual descent into the precipitous Hollyford Valley. Climb steadily to the gigantic Cirque and the Homer Tunnel. Pass through the tunnel and down to the Cleddau Canyon where you will catch your first glimpse of Mitre Peak before finally emerging into the open at Milford Sound.

On reaching Milford Sound, you will step aboard your private vessel to cruise the full length of Milford Sound to the Tasman Sea. Your vessel stops at various points and offers excellent viewing of waterfalls, rainforest, mountains and wildlife. A BBQ lunch is included. The cruise is accompanied by comprehensive commentaries.

An optional scenic flight is available back to Queenstown. (Flights are subject to weather and seat are limited) \* At an additional cost

On returning to Milford Wharf you will be transferred to Milford Airport for your scenic

flight back to Queenstown. On your flight to Queenstown you will enjoy panoramic views of the fiord, mountains, glaciers, rivers, lakes and lush rainforest. Once at Queenstown Airport you will be met and transfer to your hotel by private vehicle.



This evening is free to enjoy Queenstown at your own leisure.



#### Day 5 Queenstown (B, L)

#### **Nomad Macetown 4WD Adventure**

A true 4x4 off road adventure which explores the historic gold mining town of Macetown. Long since abandoned after the gold rush. Macetown has now been transformed into a Department of Conservation reserve. Ride the rugged road in the safety of Nomad Safaris 4x4s that ensures excitement and adventure crossing the





Day 5 Queenstown (B, L) Continued...



Arrow River some 25 times each way. Immerse yourself in the history of this precious region by panning for gold and letting our knowledgeable guides teach you about the hardship and exhilaration these miners faced.

A return scenic cruise from Queenstown to Walter Peak High Country Farm onboard the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw. Following the 40 minute cruise from Queenstown, disembark at Walter Peak for a BBQ lunch. The BBQ is cooked on the terrace

in front of the Colonel's Homestead overlooking Lake Wakatipu and is then served either on the terrace or, when the weather is not suitable, inside the Colonel's Homestead. Before or after the BBQ, passengers may wander amongst the farm animals (sheep, red deer, Scottish Highland cattle) and join in the farmyard walking tour, which includes sheep dog handling and sheep shearing demonstrations. There is also plenty of opportunity to relax in the lakeside gardens. Souvenir shopping is available at Walter Peak from the 'Woolshed' before boarding the TSS

Earnslaw for the return cruise to Queenstown arriving 3.30pm approx.

A transfer will be provided back to your hotel or you may spend some free time in Queenstown.

## Day 6 Queenstown to Auckland (B, L)

Transfer by private coach to Queenstown airport to connect with your onward flight to Auckland.

On arrival in Auckland you will be met and depart by private coach on a sightseeing tour of Auckland.

A truly captivating experience awaits visitors to Auckland's Sky Tower. At 328 metres, it is the tallest man-made structure in New Zealand and offers breathtaking views for up to 80 kilometres in every direction.







#### Day 6 Queenstown to Auckland (B, L) Continued...

We then proceed to the Orbit Restaurant for Lunch.

Stunning views and food to match Orbit Revolving Restaurant is situated
at the top of the Sky Tower, 190 metres
above the ground. The dining room
rotates once every hour, providing a
truly unique experience and amazing
360-degree views of Auckland City.
High flying architect Andrew Lister
set his sights at a dizzying level with
his up-to-the-minute Orbit restaurant



design. Combining stylish décor, delicious food and 360-degree views, Orbit stands out as Auckland's top dining experience.

Following lunch continue on an Auckland sightseeing tour.

Highlights include the bustling downtown and waterfront areas, visit Bastion Point and the Savage Memorial gardens are some of the most peaceful surroundings in Auckland. Amazing views over the Waitamata Harbour and the beautiful gardens.

Visit quaint Parnell Village, affluent residential suburbs and Tamaki waterfront drive.

The remainder of your day is free to enjoy Auckland at leisure.

#### **Auckland accommodation - Hilton Auckland**

#### Day 7 Auckland (B, L) Waiheke Island & lunch

This morning, it's just a short walk from the hotel to the downtown Auckland ferry terminal where board the ferry for a 40 minute cruise to Waiheke Island.

Thick in Kauri forest, the European settled Waiheke, felling the mighty trees and loading the timber onto ships bound for both sides of the Tasman. By the 1960's Waiheke was firmly established as a popular holiday island for bach owners and day trippers with a growing resident population. Today the high speed ferries carry business people daily into Auckland City.





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#### Day 7 Auckland (B, L) Waiheke Island & lunch Continued...



The stands of Kauri have been replaced by lush vineyards, olive groves and pastureland. This is an island of unique art, stylish cafés and restaurants.

On arrival you will be met by local guides and depart on a winery tour to three or more of the top vineyards on the island, according to seasonal availability.

An olive oil tasting may also be included. On the way, stunning scenery is absolutely unavoidable! You will also be entertained by a commentary on Waiheke from one of our experienced guides, all of whom are locals with extensive knowledge of the island, its people and its produce.

Lunch is at a local vineyard, including a selection of local wines.

You will then be returned to the 4pm ferry back to Auckland.

This evening is free to enjoy Auckland at your own leisure.

#### Day 8 Depart Auckland for Sydney (B, D)

Transfer by private coach to Auckland airport to connect with your flight to Sydney.

Depart Auckland

On arrival in Sydney transfer by private coach to your hotel.

#### Sydney accommodation – Four Seasons Sydney

BridgeClimb (Operated by BridgeClimb)

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age of twelve, in good health and with a sense of adventure is invited to join. BridgeClimb... "For the Climb of Your Life".

Passengers are required to make their own way to/from 5 Cumberland Street, The Rocks.





Early evening departure for a short walk to Circular Quay to join your Welcome Sunset Dinner Cruise on Sydney Harbour – exclusive vessel – Matilda 3 – a cruising catamaran.

#### Day 09 Sydney (B, L)

Depart this morning for a tour of Sydney City, the Eastern Suburbs and Southern Beaches area of Sydney.

Firstly visit the Rocks – Sydney's birthplace and see fascinating relics and buildings of the city's turbulent past. Gain superb views of Sydney Harbour from Mrs Macquarie's Chair. Head east to Sydney's southern beaches and drive through exclusive Double Bay and Rose Bay. View the Pacific Ocean from the Gap and set down at world famous Bondi Beach.



A Must Do in Sydney... is a visit to Bondi Beach! Discover the home of surf lifesaving and the famous Bondi Lifesaver on the Discover Bondi tour this morning. The tour is fun, interactive and informative – say G'day and spend time with a true blue Bondi lifesaver and learn all about the colourful history of Bondi, how surf lifesaving began, Bondi's shark attacks and the famous Black Sunday, discover and uncover why Bondi is so famous! Take an exclusive tour inside Australia's oldest surf lifesaving clubs and enjoy the opportunity to have your photo taken with



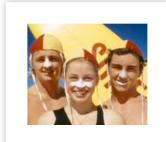


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Day 09 Sydney (B, L) Continued...

your Bondi lifesaver and Surf rescue board right on Bondi's golden sand.

Return to the city through historic Paddington with its maze of quaint terrace houses decorated with cast iron lace balconies, galleries and offbeat shops.



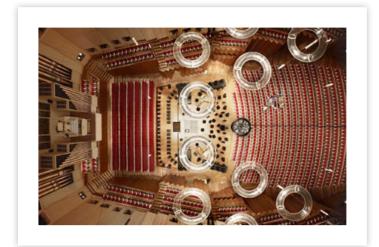
#### Sydney Opera House - Tour & Tasting Plate

Set down at the world famous, Sydney Opera House.



Relax and unwind at Sydney's newest dining spot – Opera Kitchen – home to Sydney's best chefs, food artisans and producers. Be treated to a three-tier gourmet Tasting Plate and soak in Sydney Harbour views. What a perfect way to experience one of Sydney's most treasured icons.

Following lunch, go on a spectacular private tour. Discover the stories, history and magic of Sydney Opera House with an incredible guided tour taking you underneath the world famous sails.



Follow our friendly guide inside the World Heritage masterpiece, home to 1000 rooms, 300 corridors and hundreds of tales and secrets. Step inside the inspired theatres where more than 1600 performances come to life each year, and learn how Danish architect Jorn Utzon's groundbreaking design and vision for a world class performing arts came into existence.

Return to the hotel, or continue to explore the city on your own.





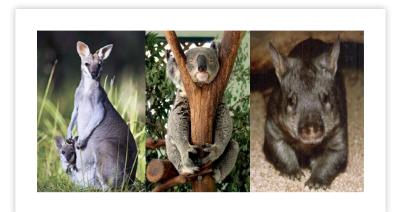
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#### Day 10 Sydney (B, L)

### Blue Mountains Full Day Tour (with Wildlife & Lunch)

Depart this morning via private coach and enjoy the opportunity to get "up close and personal" with Australia's unique native animals. You will experience the highlights of the Blue Mountains, including Echo Point, viewing the Three Sisters and enjoying spectacular high country views overlooking Australia's Grand Canyon.

Australian animals in the world.



The first stop today is a visit to **Featherdale Wildlife Park**, one of the largest collections of

The Park is in a natural, well-established bush setting and is located 40 minutes from Sydney. As you wander along the leafy walkways you can expect to come face to face with some interesting characters; cuddly koalas, fuzzy wombats, kookaburras, vividly coloured parrots and kangaroos of all shapes and sizes. View over 2,000 animals at close range, and hand feed the kangaroos, wallabies and emus.

Travelling on to the Blue Mountains, named because of the blue haze caused by light rays striking dust particles and small droplets of moisture and eucalyptus oil in the atmosphere. The Blue Mountains are part of the Great Dividing Range which runs parallel to the East Coast of Australia for more than 4,000 kilometres from North Queensland to Victoria.



See the world famous rock formation "The Three Sisters", enjoy distant views of Jamieson Valley, Mount Solitary, Katoomba Falls and many other scenic delights.

Lunch today will be at Restaurant, set on a spectacular cliff top overlooking the iconic Jamison Valley in the world Heritage listed Blue Mountains.

This evening is at your leisure.





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#### Day 11 Sydney (B, D)

Today is at leisure to relax and explore Sydney on your own, or partake in one of the Optional Activities/Tours.

- Bridgeclimb (allow 3.5 hours) Dayclimb Included but can be done this day
- Bonza Bike Sydney Highlights (2-2.5 hours) \$110 per person
- Seaplane Safaris The Cottage Point Lunch Package \$525 per person

#### Full descriptions of the above tours are on Optional Tours page

#### **Farewell Dinner – Waterfront Restaurant:**

The Waterfront Restaurant has a unique nautical decor and breathtaking views across Sydney Harbour, overlooking the Opera House and Harbour Bridge. The outside area features a huge sailing ship, which looks spectacular when lit up at night. The Waterfront is recognised as one of Australia's great seafood restaurants, offering the best quality seafood available.



#### Day 12 Depart Sydney (B)

Cooked Breakfast included

Morning departure and transfer to Sydney International Airport for your return flight home.





#### **Accommodations**

#### Accommodations are subject to change under similar arrangements

**Queenstown accommodation** – Hilton Queenstown, Kawarau Village, Set in the heart of the Kawarau Village and boasting a unique position directly on the tranquil blue shores of the Lake Wakatipu, the luxurious Hilton Queenstown Hotel features a majestic mountain backdrop and provides the perfect base to explore the area's natural attractions.

**Auckland accommodation** – Hilton Auckland, 330 yards out to sea on the end of Princes Wharf. Enjoy stunning views from the Fish restaurant and Bellini Bar or dive into the outdoor heated pool with its unique underwater viewing window.

**Sydney accommodation** – Four Seasons Sydney, Stunningly situated overlooking Sydney Harbour, Four Seasons Hotel Sydney puts you near the city's vibrant shopping and business centers.

#### **Sydney Optional Activities/Tours:**

BridgeClimb (Operated by BridgeClimb) The BridgeClimb is included but can be taken on the scheduled Day 7 or Day 10



BridgeClimb offers the ultimate experience of Sydney with an exhilarating climb to the top of the Sydney Harbour Bridge, Day and Night. Our professional Climb Leaders will take you all the way to the summit over ladders, catwalks and arches. The exhilaration and personal satisfaction achieved with BridgeClimb provides a unique and unforgettable experience of Sydney. As safety is our number one priority, climbers are issued with a BridgeSuit to wear, a BridgeLamp at night, a safety harness, and are linked to a static line throughout the climb. Climbers are also breath tested, sign an indemnity form and go through a

metal detector as nothing may be taken onto the Bridge. All climbers receive a complimentary photograph of their climb group and a commemorative climber certificate. BridgeClimb operates in all weather conditions with the exception of electrical storms. Anyone over the age of twelve, in good health and with a sense of adventure is invited to join. BridgeClimb....."For the Climb of Your Life".

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#### Sydney Highlights Tour (Bonza Bike Tour) \$110 per person

#### 2 - 21/2 hours

If you prefer to see just see Sydney's Highlights and want do it in the shortest time possible, then this ride's for you!

Hop on the Sydney Highlights tour to experience the essentials of Sydney. We'll take you on a super easy ride featuring stunning harbour views as we pedal past Circular Quay, the piers at Walsh Bay, Darling Harbour, Hyde Park, and the Royal Botanic Gardens. There's no better way to get a quick feel for the city, than the Harbour Highlights Tour!



#### **Seaplane Safaris - The Cottage Point Lunch Package**

Fly from Rose Bay to one of Sydney's best kept secrets - Cottage Point Inn! Following the coastline from the Harbour along Sydney's Northern Beaches, your flight will then turn inland and fly over the majestic Ku-Ring-Gai Chase National Park and Hawkesbury River. The aircraft will set down on the tranquil waters of Cowan Creek where you will disembark from your flight at the restaurant's private wharf.



The Cottage Point Inn is set upon the bank of Cowan Creek, with outside or indoor seating. Enjoy superb modern Australian cuisine on the deck while the water laps beside you. Sample specially selected wines from around the country, chosen for their excellence.

Relax amid the sights and sounds of the Australian bushland and birdlife. We are confident your visit to The Cottage Point Inn will remain in your memory for many years to come.

Open for lunch seven days, the restaurant is approximately 15 minutes flying time from Rose Bay. On the return flight to Sydney Harbour your flight will fly a circuit of the Harbour in front of the Bridge and Opera House before landing at Rose Bay - a truly spectacular way to end your Riverside Lunch experience.





#### Touring:

### Queenstown, Auckland & Sydney

#### Prices from \$6999

Per person based on double occupancy (includes current airline taxes & fuel surcharges)

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Itinerary, dates and accommodations are subject to change.



