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## 7 -10 Day New Zealand Lodges Experience



## Blanket Bay – Huka Lodge – Kauri Cliff's Lodge



New Zealand's spectacularly beautiful landscape includes vast mountain chains, steaming volcanoes, sweeping coastlines, deeply indented fiords and lush rainforests.

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Comparable in size and/or shape to Great Britain, Colorado or Japan, New Zealand has a population of only 4 million - making it one of the world's least crowded countries. It is a haven for those seeking peace, rejuvenation and relaxation as well as a playground for thrill seekers and adventurers. A temperate climate with relatively small seasonal variation makes it an ideal year-round holiday destination.

Bay of Islands is made up of 144 islands, which provides calm sailing, swimming and fishing waters. Apart from the on-water activities there are sandy, golden beaches, native forests and historical attractions.

Taupo looks out across Lake Taupo toward the Central Plateau Mountain Range. The region is known for its naturally occurring hot-water-pools and the jaw-dropping Huka Falls on the Waikato River.

Glenorchy is a small township at the northern head of Lake Wakatipu, some 44 kilometers from Queenstown. Bordered on two sides by National Parks, the tiny village is surrounded by rugged high country, beautiful mountains, glacier fed rivers and ancient beech forests.



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## **Arrival Day 1 Queenstown:** Arrive Auckland, New Zealand – Glenorchy

**On arrival in Auckland,** you will be met by your local Seasonz guide and transferred by private vehicle to the Domestic Terminal for your departing flight to Queenstown. Your guide will go through your itinerary with you and answer any questions you may have before you depart.



**Upon arrival in Queenstown,** you will be met by your private English-speaking Driver & Professional local guide and transferred by private vehicle to Blanket Bay Lodge in Glenorchy. This is a picturesque drive of approximately 45 mins.

**Upon arrival at the lodge,** you will be welcomed with a VIP check-in experience. Your luggage will be managed and delivered to your accommodation.

The remainder of the day is at your leisure to settle into your new surroundings, relax in the lodge or explore on your own.

You may like to enjoy one the following optional activities:

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- Cycle to one of the beautiful valleys in the area
- Kayaking
- Blanket Bay Spa

**At cocktail hour**, you will have pre-dinner drinks, followed by Dinner (Included)

ACCOMMODATION Blanket Bay Lodge: One King Lodge Suite INCLUDED MEALS Pre Dinner Drinks and Dinner

### Day 2 Queenstown: Glenorchy

**Breakfast in the hotel.**

**After breakfast**, meet your private English-speaking Driver in the lobby of your hotel for your Transfer to the airport to depart on your tour.

**Today enjoy a Milford Sound Helicopter Excursion with Glacier Landing.** Your flight sweeps through the Southern Alps, over the secluded alpine lakes and lush forest of Fiordland National Park.

You will fly the full length of the fiord before reaching the rugged West Coast with several landings enroute where you may like to take a stroll on a glacier or black sand beach.

**Lunch:** You will also enjoy an alpine lunch today.

**At the conclusion of your flight, enjoy a Dart River Jet Boat Safari.** You will be met at the Blanket Bay jetty to begin the most scenic jet boat ride in the region. This exhilarating safari offers three hours skimming through the braided channels of the magnificent Dart River with an optional short walk to hidden rock pools deep within in the spectacular Mount Aspiring National Park, a World Heritage area.

**At cocktail hour**, you will have pre-dinner drinks, followed by Dinner (Included)

ACCOMMODATION Blanket Bay Lodge: One King Lodge Suite INCLUDED MEALS Breakfast, Lunch, Pre Dinner Drinks and Dinner

### Glenorchy

Today experience a full day of Sights around the Southern Lakes Region. Enjoy lunch at Amisfield Winery, the architecturally award winning winery known for its “Grown Not Made” philosophy. Highlights include the historic gold mining village of Arrowtown. Being an artistic

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town, there is artwork ranging from traditional to contemporary on exhibit in the many homestead studios surrounding Arrowtown.

ACCOMMODATION Blanket Bay Lodge: One King Lodge Suite  
INCLUDED MEALS Breakfast, Pre Dinner Dinks and Dinner

## Day 3 Queenstown: Glenorchy - Taupo

**Breakfast in the hotel.**

**After breakfast,** check out of the lodge and meet your private English-speaking Driver in the lobby of your hotel for your Transfer to the airport to depart on your flight to Taupo.

Fly Queenstown to Taupo.

**On arrival into Taupo,** you will be met by a Huka Lodge representative and transferred to the lodge.

**Lunch is on your own today.**

The remainder of the day is at your leisure to enjoy the wonderful facilities at the lodge; play tennis or petanque, swim in the heated outdoor swimming pool, soak in the spa pool or perhaps take a short stroll along the river's edge to the mighty Huka Falls where more than 220,000 litres of water tumbles over a cliff face every second!

**At cocktail hour,** you will have pre-dinner drinks (Included).

Tonight enjoy private dining by the Outside Fireplace at Huka Lodge (Included).

ACCOMMODATION Huka Lodge: One King Lodge Room INCLUDED MEALS Breakfast, Pre Dinner Cocktails and Dinner

## Day 4 Taupo: Taupo

**Breakfast in the hotel.**

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**After breakfast**, you will meet your private English-speaking driver in the lobby of the lodge for your transfer to the airport for your helicopter tour.

This morning, enjoy a White Island and Mount Tarawera Volcanic helicopter safari. Lift off from the lodge and fly to White Island where you will be able to stand on and walk around the island's active crater floor. On your return flight you will land on the summit of Mt Tarawera, affording spectacular views of the craters and domes.

Your flight will conclude on the shores of Lake Tarawera where you will enjoy a private Boat Cruise. Lake Tarawera lies at the foot of majestic Mount Tarawera, a dormant volcano that erupted in 1886.

You can fish for trophy sized Rainbow Trout, visit historic sites around the lakeshore and stop at Hot Water Beach for a swim in the thermal water while your skipper prepares a delicious meal for you to enjoy on board.

You will be transferred back to the lodge by private vehicle this afternoon.

The remainder of the day is at your leisure to enjoy the wonderful facilities at the lodge; play tennis or petanque, swim in the heated outdoor swimming pool, soak in the spa pool or perhaps take a short stroll along the river's edge to the mighty Huka Falls where more than 220,000 litres of water tumbles over a cliff face every second!

**At cocktail hour**, you will have pre-dinner drinks (Included).

**Dinner:** Tonight, enjoy private dining at the Jetty Pavilion at Huka Lodge (Included).

ACCOMMODATION Huka Lodge: One King Lodge Room INCLUDED MEALS Breakfast, Lunch, Pre Dinner Cocktails and Dinner

## Day 5 Taupo: Taupo – Bay of Islands

**Breakfast in the hotel.**

**After breakfast**, check out of the lodge and meet your private English-speaking driver in the lobby for your transfer to the airport.

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This morning you will be transferred by private vehicle to Taupo Airport for your departing flight to the Bay of Islands via Auckland.

Fly Taupo to Kerikeri.

**Upon arrival in Kerikeri**, you will be met by your private English-speaking driver & professional local guide and transferred to Kauri Cliffs Lodge.

**Upon arrival at the lodge**, you will be welcomed with a VIP check-in experience. Your luggage will be managed and delivered to your accommodation.

This afternoon you are at leisure to relax at the lodge. You may like to enjoy one of the wonderful Spa treatments on offer or simply take a stroll or a golf cart to enjoy one of Kauri Cliffs three private beaches.

Alternatively, you may also like to enjoy the following recommended activity:

- **Nature Walks:** There are some beautiful walks on the Lodge's 6000-acre property that range from a 10-minute bush walk, which takes in the magnificent Kauri Tree (700-900 years old) to two hours that includes the waterfall.

The lodge can provide you with a snack pack that includes light refreshments and other essentials. There are some magical spots to visit.

ACCOMMODATION Kauri Cliffs Lodge: One King Deluxe Suite INCLUDED MEALS Breakfast, Pre Dinner Drinks and Dinner

**At cocktail hour**, you will have pre-dinner drinks (Included).

**Dinner:** Enjoy a lovely dinner at the Lodge.

Dinner Attire: Gentlemen to wear jackets during cocktails and dinner. Jackets available to borrow.

## Day 6 Bay Of Islands: Bay of Islands

**Breakfast in the hotel.**

Today is at your leisure. You may like to enjoy one of the following recommended activities:

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- **Russell Sightseeing Excursion & Lunch:** Depart the lodge this morning with your driver for a half day sightseeing excursion to Russell and Paihia in the heart of the Bay of Islands. The now quaint sleepy Victorian township of Russell, once a haven for runaway sailors, escaped convicts, lusty whalers and the site of New Zealand's first white settlement and capital is a fabulous place for a leisurely stroll before enjoying lunch at Marsden Estate.
- **Luxury Boat Cruise through the Bay of Islands:** Your private motor launch is fast and nimble enough to explore the bay with ease, yet has the comfort, safety and ambience to provide an exceptional day on board. Guided by our professional and knowledgeable crew enjoy beach combing and lunch served in a sheltered cove. As you cruise the stunning harbour you will also become aware of the significance of the Maori and maritime history in the area.
- **Private Helicopter and Quad-Biking Excursion:** Depart the lodge for your flight over spectacular Northland - Whangaroa and Parengarenga Harbours, and beautiful beaches including the famous Ninety Mile Beach. Track the wild horses running freely on the grasslands backing this endless strip of beach, before landing at Shipwreck Bay where your guide and 4WD bikes are warmed up and ready to explore. Quad bike through Gumfields, where 100 years ago Dalmation and Maori toiled side by side to extract the resin left in the ground from these ancient forests, and forage for your own gum. See breathtaking panoramic views out over Ninety Mile Beach before your exhilarating decent through the huge sand dunes. Enjoy a 10km ride along white beaches and over reefs, stopping to enjoy the thrill of sand boarding at one of these large and steep dunes!

**At cocktail hour**, you will have pre-dinner drinks (Included).

**Dinner:** Enjoy a lovely dinner at the Lodge.

ACCOMMODATION Kauri Cliffs Lodge: One King Deluxe Suite - INCLUDED MEALS Breakfast, Pre Dinner Drinks and Dinner

## Day 7 Bay Of Islands: Bay of Islands – Auckland – US & Home

**Breakfast in the hotel.**

**After breakfast**, you will check out of the lodge and meet your private English-speaking driver in the lobby for your transfer to the airport.



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This morning you will be transferred by private vehicle to Kerikeri airport for your departing flight to Auckland.

Fly Kerikeri to Auckland.

**Upon arrival into Auckland**, you will be met by your local Seasonz guide and transferred to the International Terminal to be farewelled on your departing flight home.

Depart Auckland, New Zealand.

INCLUDED MEALS Breakfast

**End of Services.**

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## Optional Additions:

- Milford Sound Helicopter Excursion with Glacier Landing including Picnic Lunch 1695 NZD per person
- White Island and Mt Tarawerea Volcanic Helicopter Safari 2,305 NZD

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Built in the grand style of the finest alpine lodges, Blanket Bay looks just as impressive from the banks of Lake Wakatipu as it does inside. With its high wooden studs, schist stonework and deep sofas, this cosy lodge will make anyone feel at home. The most impressive part about Blanket Bay is its position at the foot of the mountains that are the gateway to Milford National Park - one of the largest and most diverse national parks in the country.

## **Huka Lodge, Taupo**



It's been consistently voted as one of the best lodges in Australasia and this is where the Queen of England likes to rest her head when she's in the country. Huka is one of the longest standing luxury lodges in New Zealand and it shows. Their level of service and attention to detail is immaculate, and the lodge's position alongside the emerald green Waikato River is as peaceful as it is beautiful.

## **Kauri Cliffs Lodge, Bay of Islands**



Already world-famous for its breathtaking golf course on the east coast of sub tropical Northland, Kauri Cliffs has also forged a reputation for excellence in dining and luxury accommodation. The property has a variety of villas dotted along the golf course, each with its own private deck and views across the Pacific Ocean.

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