

## 15 DAY PINNACLE TOUR DEPARTURE OPTIONS:

Tour departs from Christchurch  
on **15th January 2026**; ending in Blenheim  
(then flight to Auckland) on 29th January 2026.

Tour departs from Christchurch  
on **26th March 2026**; ending in Blenheim  
(then flight to Auckland) on 9th April 2026.

DAY	ITINERARY	HOTEL	MODE
1	<b>CHRISTCHURCH</b> Pre-tour registration at hotel from 2:30pm – 5:00pm Welcome dinner	Distinction Christchurch	
2	<b>CHRISTCHURCH - GREYMOUTH - PUNAKAIKI</b> TranzAlpine to Greymouth (Scenic Plus carriage) Coach to Punakaiki Punakaiki (Pancake Rocks) and DoC centre Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch onboard train, dinner	Scenic Punakaiki	TranzAlpine Train / Coach
3	<b>PUNAKAIKI - ROSS – FRANZ JOSEF</b> Coach to Greymouth Pounamu Pathway – immersive Māori cultural experience West Coast Tree Top Walk The Historic Empire Hotel, Ross (lunch) Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch & dinner	Scenic Te Waonui Franz Josef	Coach
4	<b>FRANZ JOSEF - HAAST - WANAKA</b> Haast Jet Boat River Safari Experience Haast Pass canyon lookout Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, picnic lunch & dinner	Edgewater Hotel, Wanaka	Coach
5	<b>WANAKA - QUEENSTOWN</b> Mt Aspiring Station with lunch included - Aspinall family TSS Earnslaw & Walter Peak Homestead Gourmet dinner Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, farm lunch & dinner	Queenstown Park Boutique Hotel	Coach / Steam ship
6	<b>QUEENSTOWN - MILFORD</b> Flight to Milford Sound Cruise on Milford Sound Premium Cruise Flight to Queenstown Dinner with Guest Speaker Meal Inclusions - Breakfast, lunch & dinner	Queenstown Park Boutique Hotel	Helicopter / Cruise
7	<b>QUEENSTOWN</b> Day of leisure in Queenstown (contingency flight day) Gondola & Stratosfare dinner Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch on your own, dinner	Queenstown Park Boutique Hotel	Gondola
8	<b>QUEENSTOWN – INVERCARGILL - DUNEDIN</b> Coach to Kingston Kingston Flyer Steam Train to Fairlight then coach to Invercargill and Train (The Mainlander from Invercargill to Dunedin) Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch & dinner	Distinction Dunedin	Coach / Kingston Flyer Steam Train / Train "The Mainlander"

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9	<b>DUNEDIN</b> Dunedin Railways Taieri Gorge train Albatross & Fort Taiaaroa Tour Dinner with Guest speaker (historian) Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch on train, dinner	Distinction Dunedin	Train / Coach
10	<b>DUNEDIN - OAMARU - AORAKI MT COOK</b> Train (The Mainlander) to Oamaru Coach to Aoraki Mt Cook via Waitaki Valley Meal Inclusions - Breakfast, lunch & dinner	Hermitage Hotel Aoraki Mount Cook	Train “The Mainlander” / Coach
11	<b>AORAKI MT COOK</b> Sir Edmund Hillary Alpine Centre Ski plane / helicopter combo to Tasman Glacier in morning Glacier Explorer Cruise in afternoon Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch on your own, dinner	Hermitage Hotel Aoraki Mount Cook	Ski Plane – Helicopter & Glacier Cruise
12	<b>AORAKI MT COOK - CHRISTCHURCH</b> Coach to Christchurch (via Lake Tekapo) Barkers Foodstore & Café Geraldine lunch Christchurch International Antarctic Centre Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch & dinner	Distinction Christchurch	Coach
13	<b>CHRISTCHURCH</b> Akaroa Nature Cruise – Akaroa Dolphins Visit Hinewai Private Nature Reserve with Botanist and author Hugh Wilson Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch, dinner on your own	Distinction Christchurch	Cruise / Coach
14	<b>CHRISTCHURCH - KAIKŌURA</b> Coastal Pacific Scenic Train to Kaikōura (Scenic Plus Carriage) Whale Watch Cruise Meal Inclusions - Breakfast onboard train, lunch on your own, dinner	Sudima Kaikōura	Coastal Pacific Train / Cruise
15	<b>KAIKŌURA - BLENHEIM</b> Coastal Pacific Train to Blenheim (Scenic Plus Carriage) Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre – WW1 & WW2 Allan Scott wine tasting and private farewell dinner Meal Inclusions - Breakfast, lunch onboard train, & dinner	Chateau Marlborough Blenheim	Coastal Pacific Train / Coach
<b>Tour Ends</b>	<b>BLENHEIM – AUCKLAND</b> Tour ends Flights to Auckland Accommodation (Optional) Meal inclusions – Breakfast	Flights arranged by Tour  Optional Auckland Accommodation	Regional Flight

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