

15 DAY PINNACLE TOUR

Tour departs from Christchurch on **14th January 2027**; ending in Blenheim (then flight to Auckland) on 29th January 2027.

DAY	ITINERARY	HOTEL	MODE
1	CHRISTCHURCH Christchurch Tram (on your own) Meet & Greet at hotel at 5:30pm Welcome Dinner	Distinction Christchurch	
2	CHRISTCHURCH - GREYMOUTH - PUNAKAIKI TranzAlpine to Greymouth (Scenic Plus carriage) Coach to Punakaiki Punakaiki (Pancake Rocks) and DoC centre Paparoa Experience - immersive Māori cultural experience Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch onboard train & dinner	Scenic Punakaiki	TranzAlpine Train / Coach
3	PUNAKAIKI - ROSS - FRANZ JOSEF Coach to Greymouth West Coast Tree Top Walk The Historic Empire Hotel, Ross (lunch) Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch & dinner	Legacy Te Waonui Franz Josef	Coach
4	FRANZ JOSEF - HAAST - WANAKA Ships Creek river & beach walk Haast Jet Boat River Safari Experience Haast Pass canyon lookout Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, picnic lunch & dinner	Edgewater Hotel, Wanaka	Coach
5	WANAKA - QUEENSTOWN Mt Aspiring Station 4WD drive with lunch included - Aspinall family Meal Inclusions – Breakfast & farm lunch (dinner on your own)	Queenstown Park Boutique Hotel	Coach
6	QUEENSTOWN - MILFORD Helicopter flight to Milford Sound Milford Sound Premium Cruise Helicopter flight to Queenstown Dinner with Guest Speaker, Jim Boulton Meal Inclusions - Breakfast, lunch & dinner	Queenstown Park Boutique Hotel	Helicopter / Cruise / Helicopter
7	QUEENSTOWN Day of leisure in Queenstown (contingency flight day) TSS Earnslaw & Walter Peak Homestead Gourmet dinner Meal Inclusions – Breakfast & BBQ dinner (lunch on your own)	Queenstown Park Boutique Hotel	Steam ship
8	QUEENSTOWN - MANDEVILLE - DUNEDIN Coach to Kingston Kingston Flyer Steam Train to Fairlight (return) Coach to Croydon Aviation Museum & Waimea Plains Railway, "Rogers K92" static display & lunch at Miss Cocoa Café, Mandeville Coach from Mandeville to Dunedin Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch & dinner	Distinction Dunedin	Coach / Kingston Flyer Steam Train / Coach

Please note that this itinerary is subject to change

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9	DUNEDIN Dunedin Railways Taieri Gorge train Albatross & Fort Taieroa Tour Dinner with Guest speaker (historian), Seán Brosnahan Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch on train & dinner	Distinction Dunedin	Train / Coach
10	DUNEDIN - OAMARU - AORAKI MT COOK Coach from Dunedin to Oamaru via Moeraki Beach Lunch at award-winning Riverstone Kitchen in Oamaru Coach to Aoraki Mt Cook via Waitaki Valley Meal Inclusions - Breakfast, lunch & dinner	Hermitage Hotel Aoraki Mount Cook	Coach
11	AORAKI MT COOK Sir Edmund Hillary Alpine Centre Ski plane / helicopter combo to Tasman Glacier in morning Glacier Explorer Cruise in afternoon Meal Inclusions – Breakfast & dinner (lunch on your own)	Hermitage Hotel Aoraki Mount Cook	Ski Plane – Helicopter & Glacier Cruise
12	AORAKI MT COOK - CHRISTCHURCH Coach to Christchurch (via Lake Tekapo) Barkers Foodstore & Café in Geraldine for lunch Christchurch International Antarctic Centre Meal Inclusions – Breakfast, lunch & dinner	Distinction Christchurch	Coach
13	CHRISTCHURCH - AKAROA - CHRISTCHURCH Explore Akaroa on your own Visit Hinewai Private Nature Reserve with Botanist and author Hugh Wilson Meal Inclusions – Breakfast (lunch & dinner on your own)	Distinction Christchurch	Cruise / Coach
14	CHRISTCHURCH - KAIKŌURA Coastal Pacific Scenic Train to Kaikōura (Scenic Plus Carriage) Whale Watch Cruise Meal Inclusions - Breakfast onboard train & dinner (lunch on your own)	Sudima Kaikōura	Coastal Pacific Train / Cruise
15	KAIKŌURA - BLENHEIM 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
Tour Ends	BLENHEIM – AUCKLAND Tour ends Flights to Auckland Accommodation (Optional) Meal inclusions – Breakfast	Flights arranged by Tour Optional Auckland Accommodation	Regional Flight