

# UC Retirees Travel presents ...



# Pure New Zealand

New Zealand: Auckland, Rotorua, Christchurch, Dunedin, Milford Sound, Queenstown



## **OPTIONAL EXTENSION**

Australia: Sydney & Great Barrier Reef PRE-TRIP: 7 nights from **\$3,395** 



17 days starting from **\$8,595** including international airfare from San Francisco or Los Angeles Single Supplement: FREE Departure Date: NOVEMBER 5, 2026 Return Date: NOVEMBER 21, 2026 Activity Level: (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) Moderately Easy Travelers should be able to climb 40 stairs consecutively, plus walk at least 2-3 miles over some uneven surfaces without difficulty. Walks typically last for at least 2-3 hours at a time.

### **ITINERARY SUMMARY**

DAYS	DESTINATION
1-2	Fly to Auckland, New Zealand
3-5	Auckland
6-8	Rotorua
9-10	Fly to Christchurch
11-12	Dunedin
13	Milford Sound Overnight Cruise
14-16	Queenstown
17	Return to U.S.
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## **ITINERARY**

#### DAY 1 • Depart U.S.

Depart on your flight to New Zealand.

#### DAY 2 • Cross International Date Line

Continue your flight to Auckland, across the International Date Line.

#### DAY 3 • Auckland, New Zealand

An O.A.T. representative meets us at the airport. We'll be joined by fellow travelers from our optional pre-trip extension to *Australia: Sydney & Great Barrier Reef.* 

#### DAY 4 • Auckland • Controversial Topic: Maori reparations

Explore Auckland on foot, led by your Trip Experience Leader. Visit Bastion Point for a traditional Maori welcome ceremony. Then, a local expert will lead a conversation on the **Controversial Topic** of the historic harms done to the Maori population and how New Zealanders are struggling to remedy it.

#### DAY 5 • Auckland • Waiheke Island • Winery & olive oil estate visits

Journey by ferry to Waiheke Island to visit a boutique winery to sample their wines, and enjoy a tour of a local olive oil estate.

#### DAY 6 • Hamilton Gardens • Rotorua • National Kiwi Hatchery

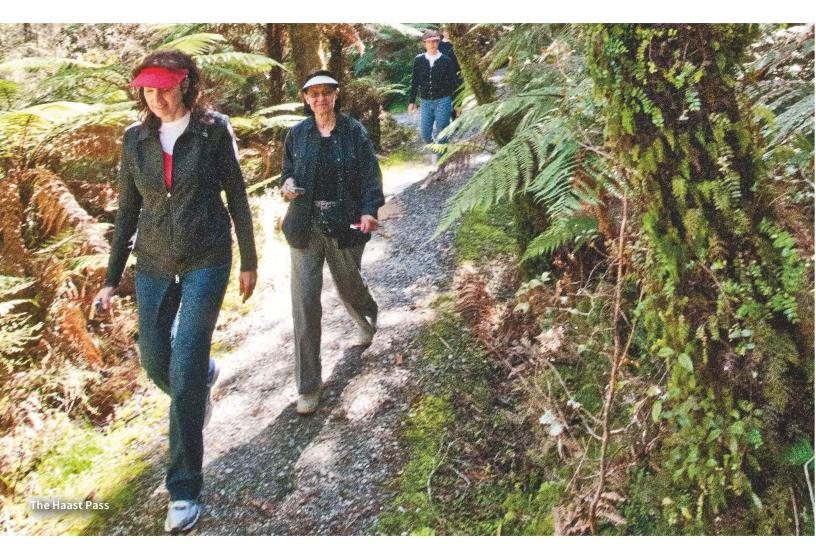
Stop at Hamilton Gardens, and then continue your journey to Rotorua, famous for geothermal activity and Maori history.

#### DAY 7 • Rotorua • A Day in the Life of a Ngati Manawa community

Experience **A Day in the Life** of the Ngati Manawa, a Maori community in Murupara,

### **IT'S INCLUDED**

- 14 nights accommodation
- International airfare, airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges unless you choose to make your own air arrangements
- All land transportation and 1 internal flight
- 28 meals—14 breakfasts, 7 lunches, and 7 dinners (including 1 Home-Hosted Dinner)
- 14 small group activities
- Services of a local O.A.T. Trip Experience Leader
- Gratuities for local guides, drivers, and luggage porters
- 5% Frequent Traveler Credit toward your next adventure



which includes a traditional *hangi* lunch on the shores of Lake Aniwhenua.

#### DAY 8 • Rotorua • Optional Waimangu Volcanic Valley tour • Home-Hosted Dinner

Today is free for you to make your own discoveries. Or, join our optional Waimangu Volcanic Valley tour. Explore the world's youngest geothermal site, and discover Inferno Crater and Frying Pan Lake, followed by a cruise of Lake Rotomahana. This evening, sit down with a local Maori family for a **Home-Hosted Dinner.** 

#### DAY 9 • Rotorua • Christchurch

We fly to Christchurch this morning. Upon arrival, you'll take a walking tour of the city with your Trip Experience Leader, and then have some time for your own discoveries.

#### DAY 10 • Christchurch • Local farm visit

Visit a working sheep station (ranch) in the Southern Alps for a glimpse of the daily lives of the farmers. Witness the teamwork of sheepdogs, followed by a sheep shearing demonstration.

#### DAY 11 • Christchurch • Dunedin

Travel overland to the coastal city of Dunedin, taking in views of rugged beaches along the way. As you go, you'll stop in the historic town of Oamuru, and behold the Moeraki Boulders, mysterious stones scattered along the beach and steeped in Maori legend.

#### DAY 12 • Larnach Castle • Dunedin

Delve into the European history of New Zealand at Larnach Castle, known as "New Zealand's only castle," built in the 19th century during the Gold Rush. Following a walking tour, the afternoon is yours to make your own discoveries in Dunedin.

#### DAY 13 • Dunedin • Milford Sound Overnight Cruise

Explore Milford Sound in the heart of Fiordland National Park. Explore the wonders of this region on an overnight cruise. Accompanied by an expert naturalist guide, we'll marvel at towering cliffs, Mitre Peak, waterfalls, beech forests, and unique flora and fauna.

#### DAY 14 • Milford Sound • Disembark ship • Queenstown

Disembark the ship and journey to the "adventure capital of the world," Queenstown. Along the way, stop at the Te Anau Bird Sanctuary.

## DAY 15 • Queenstown • Optional Jet-Boat Ride

Your morning is free to make your own discoveries in Queenstown. Or, you may choose to join a half-day optional tour for a thrilling jet-boat ride on the remote Dart River, taking high-speed twists and turns as you explore the waterways.

#### DAY 16 • Queenstown • Discover Arrowtown

Explore the historic and colorful history of the Australian gold rush in Arrowtown. This afternoon is yours to explore Queenstown as you wish.

#### DAY 17 • Return to U.S.

Transfer to the airport for your return flight home or to begin your *New Zealand's Bay of Islands* post-trip extension.



# Australia: Sydney & Great Barrier Reef

7 nights pre-trip from \$3,395 Only \$485 per night Single Supplement: FREE

### **IT'S INCLUDED**

- 7 nights accommodation
- 10 meals—7 breakfasts, 1 lunch, and 2 dinners
- 3 small group activities
- Services of a local O.A.T. Trip Experience Leader
- Gratuities for local guides, drivers, and luggage porters
- All transfers



## 2026 Departure Dates & Prices

Additional departure cities are available

	<b>Date</b> NOV 5, 2026 <b>Return</b> NOV 21, 2026	
Small Group Adventure only	\$6,795	

#### **AIR ADD-ON**

Additional departure cities are available. Call for details.

**Deposit:** \$500 deposit per person (refundable up to 10 days after purchase). **Travel Protection:** Starting from \$799.

Single Supplement: FREE. Single accommodations are limited.

Final payment is due at 90 days prior to departure.

### **RESERVATIONS & INFORMATION:**

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