



New Zealand's North Island Wine Adventure

DAY ONE: Welcome to Auckland, New Zealand's biggest city filled with incredible ocean views, exciting nightlife, beautiful beaches, great shopping and outstanding food and wine! After checking into your hotel, you will find a beautiful sailing yacht waiting for your arrival. See the sights of Auckland from the water with a fabulous day of sailing. A lovely gourmet lunch will be served on vessel. Your day continues with a private city tour that captures Auckland's greatest attractions. Before returning to your hotel, you will be the guests at a welcome wine tasting. Conclude this magical day with a delightful dinner this evening.

DAY TWO: Taste your way through Auckland's most prestigious wineries today. You will visit three wineries stopping for lunch at a local cheese factory. You will also have time on the beach for a seaside sandal free walk on the beach. This evening, you will find a culinary treat waiting for you at a popular oceanfront restaurant.

DAY THREE: Your vacation continues today with an underground adventure. You will enter the limestone cave of Waitoma. This cave is home to glow-worms. The Waitoma cave tour is another aqua experience aboard a vessel that gently glides you through the glow-worm grotto. At the conclusion of the Waitoma Cave, your next stop will be Rainbow Spring Nature Park, for an audio nature hike. This hike includes the natural kiwi habitat, where you can tune into "Operation Nest Egg." Spend the evening at Mitai for an authentic look at the Maori Culture. The evening includes a Hangi culinary meal and concert. *Wine Tours of the World* has arranged a lakeside hotel in Rotorua for your stay this evening.

DAY FOUR: Enjoy a delightful wonderland of geothermal activities in a colorful volcanic park on the way to Napier. See the famous Champagne Pool, geysers, bubbling mud and steaming ground. Keep the camera handy for a perfect shot of Lady Knox erupting. Your afternoon includes free time to peruse Napier's galleries, shops and museums. Napier is known as New Zealand's art deco capital. Enjoy a scrumptious dinner at a popular restaurant this evening.

DAY FIVE: See the vineyards and taste the wines of Hawke's Bay today on your private wine tour. Your day will include a marvelous wine-infused lunch, barrel sampling and a visit to New Zealand's only wine museum.

DAY SIX: Stroll the streets of Martinborough for a leisurely day tasting the wines from the surrounding boutique wineries. You will also have a chance to stop for lunch and enter the cellar of the town's wine Centre for an expanded wine tasting experience. Then you will visit the charming town of Greytown. This community is perfect community for shopping the many artisan craft stores. Upon returning to your hotel a dinner reservation waits you at a popular area restaurant.

DAY SEVEN: Take the morning to visit the seal colony and Palliser lighthouse located in the Wairarapa wine region. You will visit another award-winning winery in the afternoon on the way to the capital city of Wellington. A hotel has been chosen for your stay in the city's best neighborhood. Have great fun this evening exploring the city of Wellington. Consider capping of your evening at a friendly local disco and make new friends with the local Kiwi's.

DAY EIGHT: After breakfast, an informative guided tour of Wellington starts your day. The Wellington city tour includes highlights such as the Stansborough Mill, where you will learn about textiles and the clothing that was made for the film productions of The Lord of the Rings and The Chronicles of Narnia. You will also visit The Wellington Gardens and "Te Papa," New Zealand's famous museum. Dinner is at your leisure this evening.

DAY NINE: A trip to New Zealand is hard to conclude. Today begins your journey back to the U.S or consider extending your trip with time in Blenheim, Nelson and Marlborough. If tropical beaches are your fancy... a sun and sand stop in either the Cook Islands or Fiji might be just the ticket.

LAND QUOTE

RATE PER PERSON:

Vacation Price Starting at: **\$2,700.00** USD per person double occupancy.

EXACT VACATION QUOTE:

Will be calculated based on dates of travel, hotel category and transportation type.