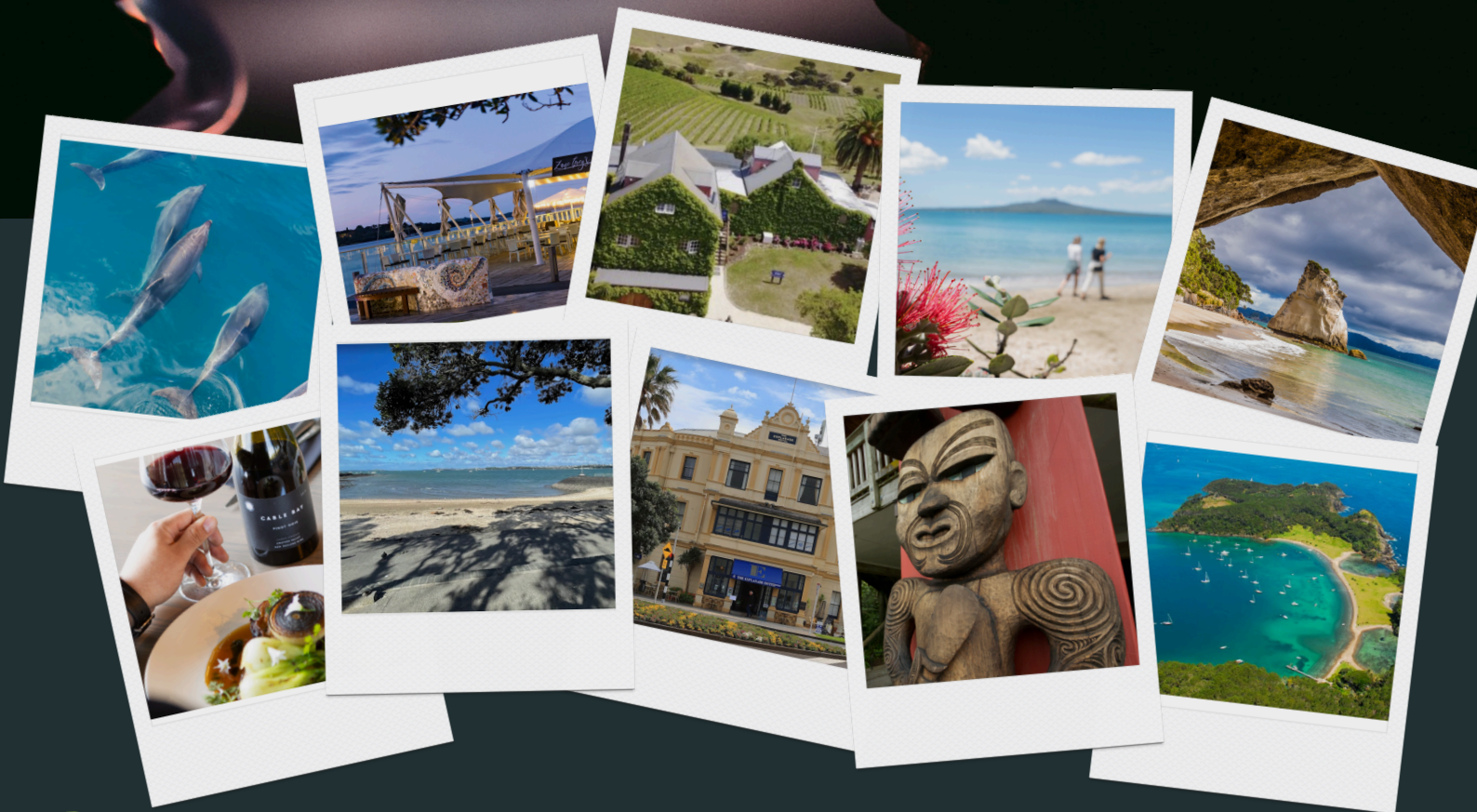


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Day 1: Bay of Islands Small Group Tour & Cruise from Auckland (2 Day Experience)

Book
THIS TOUR



Breakfast - Early start so eat at the hotel or pack food for the trip.

Auckland to Paihia

Auckland Departure

Start your journey in New Zealand's largest city, crossing the iconic Harbour Bridge. Your guide will highlight the city's top attractions as you head out of Auckland.

The Kauri Museum

Travel west to the Kauri Museum to explore the history of New Zealand's most famous native tree. Learn how kauri trees have supported local communities and discover efforts to protect these giant treasures.

Waipoua Forest

Continue north through beautiful scenery to Waipoua Forest, home to Tane Mahuta, the Lord of the Forest. Experience the awe-inspiring presence of New Zealand's ancient forest.

Opononi Beach

Enjoy a lunch break with stunning views of the Hokianga Harbour in the beachside settlement of Opononi.

Waitangi Treaty Grounds

Visit Waitangi, the 'birthplace of our nation,' for a guided tour and cultural performance at New Zealand's most historic site.

Overnight Stay in Paihia

Arrive in Paihia, check into your hotel, and enjoy a relaxing beach walk before dining at a local restaurant.

Dinner Recommendation

[Zane Grey's The Dock](#) - Enjoy harbour views and fresh seafood and locally sourced lamb and produce. We enjoyed this place so much we dined there several times with our family.

Day 2: Bay of Islands Small Group Tour & Cruise from Auckland (2 Day Experience)

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Breakfast Recommendation

[Letz Cafe](#)

Get ready for an awe-inspiring day with a hearty breakfast.

Location: 9 Williams Road, Paihia

Bay of Islands Cruise and Return to Auckland

Depart for a 4.5-hour cruise exploring the Bay of Islands. Learn about the area's rich history and look for dolphins and whales in their natural habitat.

Hole in the Rock - Cape Brett

Visit the iconic Hole in the Rock at Cape Brett, a spectacular ocean archway that has thrilled visitors for decades (weather permitting).

Otehei Bay on Urupukapuka Island

Spend time at Otehei Bay on Urupukapuka Island, where you can swim, stroll along the white sand beach, hike for scenic views, or relax at the island's licensed bar and café.

Return to Auckland

After a day in paradise, begin your return to Auckland with guided commentary and secret stops along the way.

Conclude your tour with a drop-off at your hotel in Auckland.

Inclusions

- Small Group Fully Guided Tour
- Entry to the Kauri Museum
- Accommodation in Paihia
- Waitangi guided tour and cultural performance
- Bay of Islands cruise tickets
- Water and snacks provided

Dinner Recommendation

[Cafe Hanoi](#)

Location: Britomart. Cafe Hanoi offer authentic Hanoian street food and other more modern dishes that pair traditional Northern Vietnamese cooking techniques with the best of New Zealand produce.

Tip: Ask the waiter what they recommend from the menu and make sure you [book ahead!](#)



Day 3: Waiheke Island: Tour with Wine Tastings & Restaurant Lunch

Book
THIS TOUR

Breakfast Recommendation

(Not included in tour)

[Mojo Quay](#)

Location: Level 4, 188 Quay Street

Colourful, fresh cabinet options are also available to enjoy in or take away and they include house-made sandwiches and savoury and sweet items.

Waiheke Island Wine Tour - Full Day

Discover the flavors of Waiheke Island, a beautiful destination known for its exquisite wines, on a vineyard tour with lunch at an award-winning beachside restaurant. Enjoy stunning views of the island's beaches, villages, and homes while learning about the local culture, history, geography, and Maori heritage. Sample a variety of Waiheke wines, including Rosé, Pinot Gris, Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, sparkling wine, and Syrah and Bordeaux blends.

Book a Ferry

Catch a ferry from Auckland City Downtown to Matiatia Wharf on Waiheke Island. **BOOK**

Meet Your Guide

Your specialist tour guide will greet you at Matiatia Ferry Terminal at 10:40 with a welcome board.

Dinner Recommendations

(Not included in tour)

[Cable Bay Vineyards](#)

Location: 12 Nick Johnstone Drive, Waiheke Island

Menu: Delight in a lunch menu featuring dishes crafted from local produce, accompanied by exquisite wines from the estate.

[The Oyster Inn](#)

Location: 124 Ocean View Road, Oneroa, Waiheke Island

Menu: Indulge in fresh seafood and contemporary New Zealand cuisine at this charming coastal restaurant.



Day 4 Option: Relaxing Day Trip to Devonport

Ferry to Devonport

Enjoy the morning sun across the harbour on your ferry ride from Auckland City to Devonport. [buy an AT Hop card](#) for the ferry ride. They leave on time so be early!

Breakfast Recommendation

[Corellis](#) for a great tasting home-style breakfast.

Location: 46 Victoria Road Devonport

Devonport Loop Walk

Take a stroll down King Edward Parade and enjoy the amazing harbour views, stop by at local art galleries, playgrounds and boutique stores. Visit the [Torpedo Bay Navy Museum](#) and enjoy a slice of history, photos, interactive zones and stories from legends.

North Head Historical Walk

Extend your walk with the Coastal Loop, Summit Loop and Tunnels Loop walk options. For local walk and historical information visit [The Department of Conservation](#) website.

Lunch

[Torpedo Bay Cafe](#) - fantastic food, harbour views and playground for the kids.

Location: 64 King Edward Parade, Torpedo Bay

If you would like a beach walk, take the Cheltenham Road route straight to the beach and walk to Bath Street Reserve which has an entry to Vauxhall Road where you can buy fresh, award-winning French pastries for lunch from [Chateaubriant](#).

Devonport Village

Extend on your walk and do the [Takarunga/Mt Victoria Loop](#). or stroll down the main street of Devonport and enjoy the boutique shops including our favourite [Paradox Books](#). Take a book to the park and relax as the kids play and make sure you check out the Library!

Relax at [The Vic](#) movie after your walk and enjoy a good old fashioned ice cream and movie. They run contemporary French Cinemar from July to February.

Dinner Recommendations

[Manuka](#) - pasta and pizza, fantastic for families

[Asahi](#) for the best Japanese food and sushi

[Portofino](#) - for authentic Italian (our daughter's favourite!)

[The Patriot](#) - British-styled pub food and great place for game night!

Ferry back to Auckland City

Helpful Links

[New Zealand visa requirements](#)

[New Zealand Customs](#)

[Transport New Zealand](#)

[Heart of the City - Auckland Website](#)

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Auckland Weather

- **Summer** (December-February), enjoy sunny days with average temperatures around 25°C (77°F), perfect for light clothing and beachwear.
- **Autumn/Fall** (March-May) brings warm, pleasant weather, ideal for layering a light jacket over casual attire.
- **Winter** (June-August) is cooler and windier, with daytime temperatures around 7°C (45°F), so pack warm layers and a waterproof coat.
- **Spring** (September-November) sees blooming landscapes and mild temperatures, perfect for a mix of light and medium layers.
- Weather is changeable, always bring a light, waterproof jacket and carry a small umbrella

Buy a Sim Card

Save on data roaming costs and purchase your SIM card for your trip:

Connect One - [Travel eSIM Plan](#)

Spark Mobile - [Travel SIM or eSIM Packs](#)

Free Wifi Hotspots in Auckland

Most hotels, restaurants, [top cafes](#) and local event centres have free wifi. [Search for an Auckland library](#) near your location as an alternative or search for the Auckland FREE Wifi network from your mobile.

Getting Around

Bus, Train, Ferry

- Make sure you purchase an [Auckland Transport Hop Card](#) for bus, ferry and train services
- Cash is not accepted on buses
- With a registered AT HOP card, children aged 5 to 15 years travel for free when tagging on to AT buses, trains and participating ferry services on weekends and public holidays
- Make sure your ferry accepts the AT HOP card before you book.
- AT HOP card does not cover ferry trips to Rangitoto or Waiheke Island and make sure you are early for departures - they leave on time!

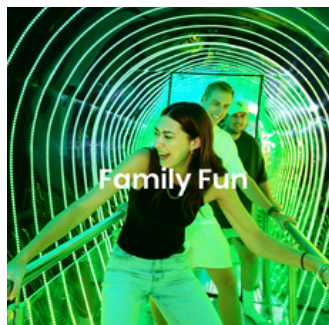
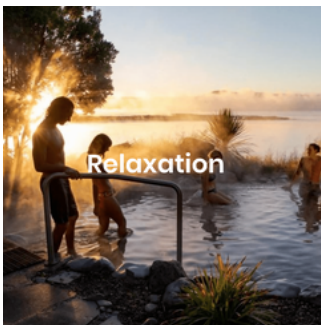
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