



# HIKING TOURS

## ITINERARIES



Hiking Tours offer an excellent way to see large portions of New Zealand and hike in a number of National Parks.

Accommodation is generally hotels, motels and lodges and many hiking tours offer ensembles each night with the option to have a single room.

If you enjoy walking in the wilderness, meeting like-minded people and appreciate your creature comforts then a Hiking Tour is the right choice for you.



### New Zealand Uncut

Explore both islands as you weave your way from north to south. Go underground in the Waitomo glowworm caves, explore the geothermal area of Rotorua and hike the volcanoes of Tongariro National Park. Spend even more time hiking in the south: the Abel Tasman coast, Punakaiki's luscious green rainforests and the majestic Aoraki/Mount Cook. Finish your time in this magical country under the immense peaks of Mount Aspiring National Park before arriving in Queenstown.

**Days:** 13

**Start/Finish:** Auckland/Queenstown

**Grade:** B – up to 4-5 hours physical activity.

**Accommodation:** Hotel and lodges



### Northern Portion

The North Island is blessed with an array of natural wonders. Discover the world underground at Waitomo, explore the geothermal delights of Rotorua, hike across active volcanoes and lava valleys in the world-renowned Tongariro National Park and sip coffee in the coolest little capital of the world – Wellington.

**Days:** 5

**Start/Finish:** Auckland/Wellington

**Grade:** B – up to 4-5 hours activity per day.

**Accommodation:** Hotels and lodges

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## Southern Slice

This South Island experience will take you through the adventure and activity hot-spots. From postcard perfect Abel Tasman National Park to Punakaiki's lush green rainforests and the majestic Aoraki/ Mount Cook. Finish your time in this magical country under the immense peaks of Mount Aspiring National Park before arriving in Queenstown - the adventure capital.

**Days:** 8

**Start/Finish:** Nelson/Queenstown

**Grade:** B – up to 4-5 hours physical activity.

**Accommodation:** Hotel and lodges

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## Northland Discovery

Northland is beautiful and it feels a long way from anywhere. Long white beaches stretch between ancient volcanic headlands, remote dune-scapes meld into sub-tropical forests, warm evenings yield to starry nights.

**Days:** 5

**Start/Finish:** Auckland/Auckland

**Grade:** B – reasonable standard of fitness required.

**Accommodation:** Lodges

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## Milford Quest

The Milford Quest is an active hiking trip at a relaxed pace. It's designed for people who enjoy the off-the-beaten-track, Kiwi style trips, but who also like their creature comforts and want to take things a little easier than the folks on more physically challenging trips. This trip has a strong focus on New Zealand's natural history.

**Days:** 14

**Start/Finish:** Christchurch

**Grade:** C (some alpine hiking and uneven terrain)

**Accommodation:** Lodges

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## Coromandel Explorer

The trip involves four to seven hours hiking each day with a variety of grades from easy to hard. You will carry a daypack only; your guides take care of the rest. Hike the Kauaeranga Kauri Trail, "The Pinnacles" and the Coastal Walkway. Enjoy the intimacy of small groups staying in boutique, 3-4 star (and super friendly) lodge accommodation near Coromandel Town.

**Days:** 4

**Start/Finish:** Rotorua/Matamata start or finish

**Grade:** C (Moderate to hard walking)

**Accommodation:** Lodges

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## Grand Trails of the South

This is a fully guided small group tour offering what are some of the best outdoor experiences in the most amazing locations New Zealand has to offer. Hiking on New Zealand's best trails, overnight experiences in stunning surroundings and once in a lifetime activities, all with the comforts of home and the full support of our professional team.

**Days:** 13

**Start/Finish:** Christchurch and Christchurch/Queenstown

**Grade:** B ("Soft Adventure" with an element of challenge)

**Accommodation:** Hotels

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## North Island Adventure

A journey of culture and adventure. The North Island is a land of volcanoes, hot springs, waterfalls and unique combinations of flora and fauna. It's also home to most New Zealanders and is especially known for its Maori culture. Mountain bike in the forests, hike along the lakes and learn about local Maori culture in Rotorua. Hike through fascinating volcanic landscapes on the famous Tongariro Crossing. Discover the world underground at Waitomo, either adventure caving or a guided tour though a 'tame' cave. It's all up to you!

**Days:** 5

**Start/Finish:** Auckland/Auckland

**Grade:** B (some alpine hiking and uneven terrain)

**Accommodation:** Lodges

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## South Island Adventure

This action-packed trip combines hiking, cycling and kayaking with other activities to give you an unforgettable adventure through the scenic highlights of New Zealand's South Island. Choose a three-day option of hiking in Nelson Lakes National Park, cycling or kayaking in Marlborough Sounds. Paddle sea kayaks on a tranquil lagoon with a backdrop of snow-capped mountains, cycle through native bush between secluded bays and gaze in awe at formidable glaciers and stunning mountain peaks. A true multi-activity tour with a variety of unique accommodations.

**Days:** 14

**Start/Finish:** Christchurch/Christchurch

**Grade:** C (no outdoor experience required just reasonable fitness)

**Accommodation:** Backcountry huts, lodges

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## Winter South Island Adventure

The Winter South Island Adventure is well adapted to suit the cooler conditions. Enjoy two incredible multi-day guided backpacking trips to alpine hot pools, glaciers and remote snowfields. Take on some of the best day hikes in the country and head out for unforgettable sea kayaking, or if you prefer, a couple of days of skiing or snowboarding in the mountains surrounding Queenstown. There are plenty of options so the trip suits everyone.

**Days:** 14

**Start/Finish:** Christchurch/Christchurch

**Grade:** C (All hiking/cycling/kayaking is optional)

**Accommodation:** Backcountry huts, lodges

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