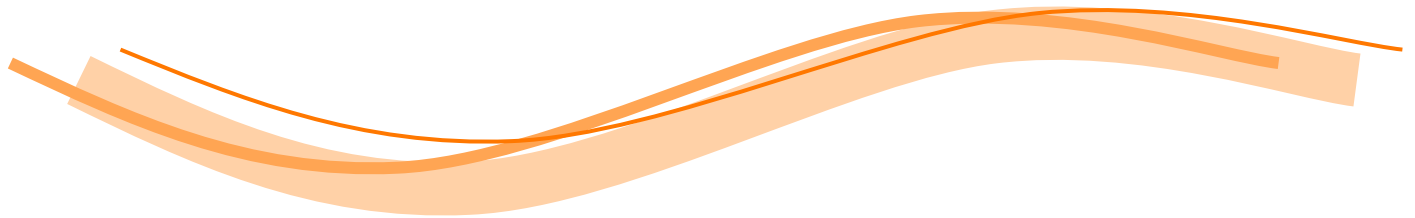




NEW ZEALAND & GOWAY





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| <p>KEY INFO</p> | <p>GOWAY Since 1970, Goway has been providing unforgettable travel experiences to Asia, Africa, and Downunder. Today they offer a wide choice of travel ideas to more than 40 countries.</p> |
| <p>History</p> | <p>Goway Travel was created in Toronto in 1970 by Bruce Hodge. Prior to arriving in Canada, Bruce was a research economist with the Reserve Bank of Australia; he then worked in England as a tour guide and subsequently became operations and sales manager for a London based European tour operation.</p> <p>In the early years Goway specialized in fun holidays for the "under 30's" as well as overland adventure tours through Africa and Asia. This was augmented by the introduction of mini-bus tours of North America and an eight year period of operating coach tours through South America (including during the Falkland war). Goway divested its interests in AmeriCan Adventures (the mini-bus venture) in the early 90's.</p> <p>Along the way, as a result of connections "Downunder", Goway evolved into one of North America's largest travel company for the South Pacific. From modest beginnings, Goway now represents all the leading tour operators in Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Tahiti and the Cook Islands.</p> <p>They are the only North American travel company that fully owns its own office in Australia. Goway Sydney was set up to maintain price controls and to offer additional service to travellers downunder - a terrific help to Goway passengers during an airline strike several years ago, an airline failure and problems caused by September 11th.</p> <p>Today Goway has sales and reservations offices in Toronto, Vancouver and Los Angeles.</p> <p>With the South Pacific covered, in the mid 1980's Goway developed a similar product line in Orient-Asia. Today Goway has programs in Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, India, Nepal, Myanmar, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Taiwan, Korea and Japan as well as Hong Kong and China.</p> <p>In the mid 90's, Goway introduced a full line of products for Southern, Eastern and northern Africa to cater to the ongoing interests of our past travellers. (Bruce's wife also comes from South Africa!) Now branded AFRICAExperts this division proudly lives up to its name.</p> <p>Also in the mid 90's Goway introduced the IslandsEscapes brand of special travel ideas to the world's most idyllic Islands... Tahiti, Fiji, Cook</p> |

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| | <p>Islands, Tonga, Samoa, Ko Samui, Phuket, Maldives, Seychelles, Mauritius.</p> <p>In a full closing of the circle, in 2005 Goway purchased the specialist Adventure company AdventuresIncorporated to have a focus on the world of adventure once more. Following the same mandate as other Goway specialist divisions the A.I. adventure team offers past, present and future Goway Globetrotters an exciting range of travel ideas.</p> <p>The strength of Goway has always been our staff and our commitment to customer satisfaction. Many of our staff are longtime employees and Bruce Hodge continues to be president.</p> |
| <p>Goway's Products</p> | <p>Because of Goway's many years of experience, they have been able to develop an exciting range of travel ideas for all kinds of travellers...from backpackers to business people from honeymooners to adventurers:</p> <p>CUSTOMIZED TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS They are experts in customizing independent travel arrangements according to your personal requirements, interests, budget and time available.</p> <p>FULLY ESCORTED TOURS They operate our own fully escorted tours (and not sell into some other company's program) to the South Pacific, Africa and the Orient. These exclusive tours are the only tours they designate HOLIDAYS OF A LIFETIME, carrying their "promise of something special".</p> <p>SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS No group is too big, small or unusual to take advantage of their group organizing experience. Group Leaders usually travel free.</p> <p>ROMANCE SPECIALISTS If you are on your first or subsequent honeymoon; or if you want to get married in an exotic location; or if you want to be a runaway bride (or groom), they have specialist staff who can makes your dreams come true.</p> <p>COMPLEX ITINERARY EXPERTS Most long-haul International airfare routings, regulations and seasons are complicated and confusing, so take advantage of their experience and buying power with the airlines.</p> <p>ACTIVE ADVENTURES Since their origins of organizing adventure holidays, they have always</p> |

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| | <p>been able to keep abreast of the fun, action and adventure opportunities available Downunder.</p> <p>\$UPER\$PECIAL\$ Featured on their web site at www.goway.com , these Super\$pecial\$ provide amazing value for money and they change frequently.</p> <p>AIR/LAND PACKAGES These are inclusive itineraries and packages operated by their IslandsEscapes and GowayGetaways divisions for Downunder, Africa, Asia and Adventures. They offer amazing value.</p> <p>LONG-STAY WINTER ESCAPES Having pioneered the long-stay vacation to Downunder Goway knows how to organize the perfect winter escape. They also offer Winter Sun packages to Bali, Thailand, Tunisia, Morocco or Malta.</p> <p>RED CARPET TREATMENT There are many ideas on www.goway.com that represent the very best in travel experiences. Take advantage of their experience and commitment to service with customized exclusive travel arrangements.</p> |
| <p>New Zealand Tour Choices</p> | <p>Premier Escorted Vacations eg 20 day Great NZ Experience Superior Escorted Vacations eg 17 day Wonderland Affordable Escorted Vacations eg 12 day Southern Starter Regional Experiences eg Fiordland Experience Independent Touring: rail, road eg Rail Odyssey Rental Cars: self-drive Motorhomes</p> |
| <p>NZ Dining Experiences</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maori Cultural Experience: a traditional steam-cooked Maori Hangi feast at a Maori concert party in Rotorua; - Cruise the TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak Sheep Station for a sumptuous carvery by moonlight |
| <p>Great Deal in NZ</p> | <p>16 day Motorhome vacation from Goway starts at just \$3100 per person</p> |
| <p>Great NZ Offers</p> | <p>Go way features some great deal in their \$UPER\$PECIAL\$ section of their website. Here are this week's specials for New Zealand for Canadian travelers:</p> <p>16 Day New Zealand Motorhome Vacation Book travel between 01Apr-30Sep08 and receive another week FREE with your motorhome. Travel for 3 weeks for the price of two. Valid to book between 15Sep07-31Jul08</p> <p>Driver Goes Free Book Goway's New Zealand on Wheels for travel during September,</p> |

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| | <p>October or November and the driver of the vehicle will enjoy the following tours for FREE. Any Fuller Activities in the Bay of Islands Kelly Tarlton's Auckland Waitomo and Ruakuri Caves Milford Sound Cruise only (ex Milford doc) Condition: The driver must present vehicle keys – check in at tour desk.</p> <p>Free Bay of Islands 2 Day trip: Enjoy 2 days free Bay of Islands package when you book and complete travel on one of the following tours by 30 Oct 2007.</p> |
| Price Guarantee | <p>It is possible that prices can change because of currency fluctuations, revisions in airfares, hotel rates etc, but once Goway has received your full payment as invoiced, they guarantee your price will not increase.</p> |
| Singles | <p>Single traveller savings: For many travel products they feature, there are no single supplements. On other trips, singles can save paying the supplement if they are willing to share... ask at time of booking.</p> |
| Ten Reasons to Travel with Goway | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Properly Licensed. Under the appropriate Travel Industry legislation, Goway is properly licensed in California, British Columbia, Ontario and Australia 2. Travel Funds Protection. For your peace of mind, Goway contributes to the respective Government regulated compensation funds in Ontario and British Columbia. 3. Long on experience. Having commenced business in 1970, they are one of North America's oldest and most experienced travel operators, having learned a lot always looking for better ways to serve you. 4. Staff are qualified professionals. All of the reservation and sales staff have lived in and/or travelled extensively through the Pacific or Africa or Asia and they are totally committed to delivering the high level of service you expect. They have a serious in-house training program where staff can qualify to hold "expert" or "wizard" status. 5. Own office Downunder. They are the only North American travel company that fully owns its own office in Australia (Sydney). This office was set up to maintain price controls and to be of more service to you when you are there. Assistance is only a toll free phone call away. 6. Industry Associations. They belong to the official industry-recognized trade associations in the USA, Canada and Australia and adhere to their code of ethics. |

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7. Representatives throughout the World. They have our own representatives in all the popular Asian, South Pacific and African locations to serve you.

8. They represent more South Pacific, Asian and African companies and programs than any other North American tour operator. If the company and product are reputable and reliable, they can probably be booked through Goway.

9. Your agent can book both land and air arrangements with Goway. Many of their competitors do only one or the other. They can also assist in obtaining your visas where required.

10. They really care. Every passenger is important! Goway wants you to be totally satisfied with their service so that you will book with Goway again and recommend them to your friends.

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| DESTINATION INFO | NEW ZEALAND |
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| Location | The country is situated 10,400km south-west of North America, 1700km south of Fiji and 2250 km east of Australia. |
| Geography | 1600km in length, New Zealand consists of two major islands - North 115,000 km ² and South 151,000 km ² . Stewart Island 1700 km ² is located immediately south of the South Island. It is slightly larger than Great Britain. |
| Name | Contrary to popular belief, although the nation state of New Zealand was named after the province of Zeeland in the Netherlands, the name New Zealand was not given by Abel Tasman. Tasman named the country Staten Landt. Sometime between 1643 and 1645 the name Staten Landt was changed to Zelandia Nova and appeared as such, probably for the first time, in Blaeu's world map of 1645-46. 'Zelandia' and 'Zeeland' are clear references to the Dutch province of Zeelandt from which the new name was derived. But how the change occurred has always been something of a puzzle. |
| Population | New Zealand has a population of 3.3 million, mostly of British descent; this population also includes 403,000 Maoris. |
| Language | English is the common language of New Zealanders. The Maori people have their own language, a beautiful lilting tongue - particularly when heard in the context of an action song or poi dance. |
| Currency | New Zealand Dollar. Currently \$1 CDN = \$1.38 NZ (as at 20 Oct 2007) |
| Tipping | Employed persons in New Zealand do not depend on tips or gratuities for their income. Service charges are not added to hotel or restaurant bills in New Zealand. |
| Government | The Government of New Zealand is modelled on the British system of parliamentary democracy with elections based upon universal adult suffrage, a party approach to politics and an independent judiciary. Like Britain, New Zealand is a constitutional monarchy. The Head of State - Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II - is represented within the country by a resident Governor-General. His or her appointment is for a term of 5 years. |
| Documentation | Passports are required for all visitors to New Zealand from North America. All travel documents must be valid for at least 3 months beyond the intended stay in New Zealand. Every person arriving in New Zealand must complete an arrival card. No visa is required for citizens of Canada and the U.S. for stays of up to 3 months or less. |
| Time zone | New Zealand has a single universal time zone. The country, close to the international date line, is 12 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (including 30 minutes permanent saving time). Daylight Saving Time - an advance of 1 hour - is observed from October to early in March. |

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| | So: NZ is generally 16 hours ahead of EST. |
| Health | New Zealand's medical and hospital facilities, both public and private, provide a high standard of treatment and care. It is important to note that medical services are not free to visitors (except as a result of an accident), so it is strongly recommended that visitors carry adequate medical insurance which covers them against hospitalization costs, and loss of income resulting from hospitalization. Hotels and motels normally have individual arrangements with duty doctors for guest's attention should illness occur. |
| Safety tips | New Zealand is a very safe country for travelers, but steer away from the soft adventure options like bungee jumping if you are nervous! |

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| CLIMATE | |
| General climate | New Zealand has a particularly clear unpolluted atmosphere with average daily sunshine ranging from 7-8 hours in summer to 4-5 hours in winter. Seasons are the reverse of those in the Northern Hemisphere i.e. warm in October through April and cooler in June through August. The sub-tropical regions north of Auckland support oranges, grapefruits and other sub-tropical fruit horticulture. South of Auckland, the North Island experiences frost at night in the winter but snow generally falls only on the mountain peaks. Extensive orchards and vineyards in the Hawkes Bay region indicate long warm summers. The South Island has extensive snow falls on the great Southern Alps mountain chain during the winter, most of which disappears in the summer months, feeding the hundreds of lakes, rivers and fiords. |
| Today's weather | 14 degrees Centigrade and sunny (20 Oct 2007) |
| Best time to visit | Any time is a good time in NZ, but the warmest months are in our winter months |

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| GETTING THERE | |
| Flying time | From the West Coast of the United States, a direct flight to New Zealand takes about 12 hours. From Vancouver, the new direct service which starts November 2007 will take a little over 14 hours. |
| Cities | Auckland - largest Wellington - capital Christchurch – South Island |
| Distances | Auckland to Wellington is about 9 hours drive |
| Ferries | The Inter-Island Ferry is a drive-on/drive-off service operating several times daily between Picton and Wellington (approx. 3.5 hours). Advance bookings are recommended especially during peak periods (December, January, February, public and school holidays). |
| Trains | Travelling by rail is a relaxing way to see New Zealand. Trains take you |

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| | <p>from one place to another while giving you a spectacular sightseeing trip. In many cases, you will see parts of New Zealand that are not accessible by road. Light meals and drinks are often available in these modern passenger trains. Popular train trips include the North Island Overlander and the South Island's TranzCoastal, TranzScenic and TranzAlpine.</p> |
| Car Rental | <p>New Zealand is perfect for a self-drive vacation. It is long and narrow and at any given point, you are no farther than 120 kms from the ocean. The tremendous diversity of its topography is comparable to an entire continent. Within a few hours travel you can go from subtropical beaches to alpine glaciers, from fiords to rainforests and from cosmopolitan cities to great tracts of wilderness. With so much to see and do, we recommend that you allow at least two weeks to explore this extraordinary country.</p> <p>Any visitor may drive in New Zealand, using a recognized driving permit (Canadian license or an International Driving Permit) for a maximum period of 12 months from date of arrival in New Zealand or until the expiry of the license, whichever is the earlier.</p> <p>New Zealand highways (in the main) are of a high standard; main highways are sealed and offer no difficulty for motorists from overseas. Those routes not sealed are generally well-graded and maintained. Visiting drivers can generally expect to average 90km per hour during a day's drive in New Zealand.</p> |
| Buses | <p>Daily scheduled bus passenger services are available, covering nearly all of New Zealand. It's so easy to get from point A to point B. Coach tour options are also available and often provide a commentary along the route. Most major destinations and tourism regions have several departures daily.</p> |

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| ACCOMMODATION TYPES | <p>Part of the pleasure of travel is choosing where to stay. Do you want a room with a view, a luxury suite or a campsite for your motorhome? NZ has it all, from some of the most luxurious lodges in the world to great value for money hostels.</p> |
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| TARGET GROUPS | |
| Kids | <p>If you are visiting the larger centres, you will find a range of themed attractions including Rainbow's End (Auckland), Splash Planet (Hastings), Marine Land (Napier) and the International Antarctic Centre (Christchurch). Te Papa, New Zealand's interactive national museum, has a range of activities for the whole family to enjoy, including Story Place, a haven for small children.</p> |
| Teens | <p>Sea Kayaking in Abel Tasman National Park: It takes a lot to beat this balmy little paddle into the best-preserved and most beautiful coastline of New Zealand. Keep company with nosy seal pups and dolphins; call</p> |

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| | into pristine, deserted beaches; and explore rocky headlands. |
| Honeymoons & Weddings | On top of glaciers, in geothermal wonderlands or on pristine sub-tropical beaches...there are endless options for the romantics! |
| Seniors | NZ is an excellent choice for seniors who either want to enjoy a coach tour of the amazing sights of NZ or who want to drive themselves around at a leisurely pace in a country where the natives are friendly and speak English! |

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| UNIQUES | |
| Surprising | Getting Wild in Queenstown: This is New Zealand's adrenaline capital, where you get more than one chance to show how crazy you really are. There are more daredevil stunts per square inch here than anywhere else in the country. An international skiing mecca in winter, it readily transforms itself into summer madness as well. |
| History | The first settlers of New Zealand were the ancestors of the Maori - Polynesians - who also settled most of the islands and island groups in the central and eastern Pacific. Archaeological evidence indicates that they discovered New Zealand some time between 800-1000 AD during one of the last in a long series of deliberate voyages of colonization across the Pacific, originating from S.E. Asia some 5-7000 years ago. In comparison with the coming of the Maori, European settlement is very recent. New Zealand was declared a British territory in 1840, the year that organized European settlement became a reality. Over these last 150 years a prosperous and modern nation has been established - a far cry from the wild, but very beautiful land first discovered by Dutch navigator, Abel Tasman in 1642, and thrice visited by Captain James Cook, Royal Navy, from 1769 onwards. Tasman produced New Zealand's first map embracing the several hundred miles of coastline he saw before continuing on his voyages of discovery. It was left to Cook to carry out a thorough exploration of the shoreline and to produce the first complete maps on his return to England. |
| Books | Frommer's New Zealand Whale Rider |
| 1000 Places to see before you die | The Bay Islands, NI; Lake Taupo; Rotorua; Marlborough Wine Region; The Grand Traverse Hike; Milford Sound & Doubtful Sound; Mount Cook National Park & Tasman Glacier; Queenstown, home of jet-boating and bungee jumping |
| Must Sees | Fiordland and Rotorua geothermal area |

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| SPORTS ACTIVITIES | In New Zealand, Rugby Union could be called their national religion. To |
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| | <p>be selected to play for the country's team, the "All Blacks", is an honour with greater importance than the prime minister.</p> |
| Golf | <p>New Zealand has more golf courses per head of population than any other country in the world!</p> <p>The staggering variety and lush beauty of its 400 un-crowded golf courses have given New Zealand its well-deserved reputation as a "golfers' paradise." On New Zealand's long narrow islands, one is never very far from the sea, but chances are, one is even closer to a golf course. In fact, it is impossible to travel farther than 30 miles without coming upon one of the country's 400 golf courses.</p> <p>Planted in fine grasses, marvelously designed courses are noted for being un-crowded, beautifully maintained and wonderfully diverse. New Zealand is also one of the most inexpensive golfing countries in the world, and the green fees ranging from NZ\$5 to NZ\$40, are an incredible value. Don't be surprised by some unusual hazards: boiling mud pools, steaming thermal vents and even the occasional sheep.</p> |
| Fishing | <p>Seventy years ago, author Zane Grey dubbed New Zealand an "angler's El Dorado," and the country has been proving him right ever since. Travellers will find some of the worlds best fresh and salt water fishing in locations as breathtakingly beautiful as nature has ever devised in crystal-clear waters for fish that are bigger and wilder than anywhere else.</p> <p>Trout Fishing in Taupo: They say the fish in Lake Taupo are so big that when you catch one, the lake level drops. The dozens of other rivers (especially world-renowned Tongariro) and streams in the region also have rich pickings for the fisherman.</p> <p>Big game fishing has no seasonal restrictions and no fishing license is required for sea fishing. While the Bay of Islands is the most well known base for game fishing, charters from Whakatane, Coromandel Peninsula, East Cape and Marlborough Sounds are also available. The best time for big game fishing is during January, February, and March. Game fishing involves the charter of a big game boat and skipper. Species fished include striped marlin, Pacific blue and black marlin and broadbill swordfish. Yellowtail (kingfish), mako, hammerhead and thresher sharks are also popular catches.</p> |
| Skiing | <p>When the sun warms up in the Northern Hemisphere, skiers and snowboarders come down to the Southern Hemisphere. The ski season generally runs from late June to September. The country has 13 conventional ski areas; as an added bonus at Mount Cook, you can fly by ski plane or helicopter to the 2,400m (7,872-ft.) head of the Tasman Glacier and ski down the 14km run. For up-to-the-minute South Island ski details, check out www.nzski.com .</p> |
| Hiking | <p>Walking the Glaciers: Dig out those snow boots and walking poles, add a dash of nerve and daring, and take the walk of a lifetime down Fox or</p> |

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| | <p>Franz Josef Glaciers in the deep south. And don't forget your camera so you can bring home those unforgettable views into the snow caves.</p> <p>Walking the Fiordland Tracks: If you fancy yourself as a multi-day tramper, there's plenty to keep you out of mischief in Fiordland. This is where you get some of the best walks in the world - the Milford, the Hollyford, the Kepler, and the Routeburn tracks.</p> |
| Cycling | <p>There's an increasing number of organized bike-tour companies in New Zealand. New Zealand Pedaltours, in Parnell, Auckland (tel. 09/302-0968; fax 09/302/0967; www.pedaltours.co.nz), offers both North and South Island trips on 12 routes lasting from 3 to 19 days, on- and off-road. It creates customized tours of moderate exertion level, and a support van is always around to take the load off your pedals. Adventure South (tel] 03/942-1222; fax 03/942-4030; www.advsouth.co.nz) offers a range of 6- to 21-day cycle tours of the South Island that may also include some walking excursions.</p> |
| Diving | <p>Scuba Diving in the Poor Knights: Jacques Yves Cousteau rated this among the best diving spots in the world. This unique marine reserve has the best of tropical currents sweeping in to make it warm and inviting for a wide variety of tropical species that aren't found anywhere else in New Zealand's waters.</p> |

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| CULTURE | |
| Arts | <p>In major public art galleries - found in Auckland, Wellington, Nelson, Christchurch and Dunedin - you can browse historic collections that take you back to the 1800s, when the country was undergoing its most significant transformation. Modern works are also featured - keep an eye out for works by Hotere and McCahon, two our most acclaimed contemporary artists. Public galleries focus on regional artists, but they also have impressive national and international collections.</p> |
| Music | <p>New Zealand has three professional symphony orchestras, including the highly acclaimed NZSO (New Zealand Symphony Orchestra). There are also a large number of excellent choirs, including the National Youth Choir, which recently won a number of prestigious international events. Recent co-productions between European-style groups, such as the Royal New Zealand Ballet and the NZSO, and Maori music and dance groups, are examples of a bicultural 'fusion' currently occurring.</p> |
| Films | <p>NZ as Middle Earth! All three films in the "Lord of the Rings" series were filmed on location in New Zealand over a fifteen month period. "The Fellowship of the Ring" ... the first in the trilogy, was released in December of 2001. Based on the books of J. R. R. Tolkien, mythological "Middle Earth" was set in a number of different locations throughout the country.</p> |
| Museums | <p>If you want to understand what makes New Zealand tick, visit museums</p> |

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| | <p>wherever you go. Finding out the why, where, how and who in any town or city adds an extra layer to your travel experience.</p> <p>Each major museum has its own specialities. Auckland Museum is known for an impressive collection of Maori and Polynesian artifacts; Te Papa in Wellington offers a very modern, and often interactive, learning experience; Canterbury Museum has a strong focus on Antarctica; Otago Museum in Dunedin takes an in-depth look at the natural and social history of the South Island. The provincial cities also have plenty to show you - check out Puke Ariki in New Plymouth and the wearable art museum in Nelson</p> |
| Festivals | <p>There are many festivals of all kinds throughout the year; here's one or two to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NZ International Festival of the Arts: early March in even years - Bay of Islands Jaz and Blues Festival: mid August - NZ Hot Air Balloon Festival, Hamilton: mid April - Royal Easter Show, Auckland: April |

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| ATTRACTIONS | |
| Beaches | <p>With more than 15,000 kms of coastline, New Zealand knows all the moods of the sea. On the east coast the Pacific Ocean plays along bays and beaches where white sand, surf and calm harbours provide enormous scope for fun. On the west coast the Tasman Sea, notoriously wild, breaks against rugged cliffs, weathered rocks and long, soulful stretches of black sand.</p> |
| Wildlife | <p>New Zealand has unique flora and fauna: the kiwi is the only known bird in the world to have its nostrils at the tip of its bill instead of the base, the flightless Kakapo has the face and beak of an owl but is a relation of the parrot. The Tuatara is the world's oldest living reptile, and the Mount Cook Lily is the world's largest buttercup.</p> <p>New Zealand's separation from other land masses about 100 million years ago allowed many ancient plants and animals to survive and evolve in isolation. The kiwi, New Zealand's national emblem, is a flightless bird with hair-like feathers and a long, slender bill which it uses to pull worms and insects out of the ground. Found only in New Zealand, it is active at night in the wilderness areas of the country. Be sure to visit one of the many kiwi houses where you can watch them under special 'nocturnal' lighting.</p> |
| Parks | <p>New Zealand has known human habitation for less than a thousand years. Before then, it was a land of forests, mountains and beaches. The loudest sounds were birdsong, wind and waves.</p> <p>Fourteen spectacular national parks preserve New Zealand's natural heritage. Enshrining a huge variety of landscapes, vegetation and wildlife, our parks allow you to discover the heart and soul of a country that will never be totally tamed</p> |

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| Gardens | Informative botanic gardens, private landscapes and lush native forests – it's all here. The rural garden tours in Eastland, Manawatu/Wanganui, Wairarapa and Canterbury are often hosted by residents of stately historic homesteads. Roses, rhododendrons and camellias thrive in New Zealand and are featured in many of the public gardens. The famous Ellerslie International Flower Show is held in Auckland every November and Christchurch's Floral Festival takes place in February each year. If you visit New Zealand in December, look for our native pohutukawa tree in bloom - its crimson flowers are fabulously festive. |
| Castles | Larnach Castle is New Zealand's only castle. It perches on a hill overlooking the magnificent Otago Harbour near Dunedin on South Island |

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| OTHER ACTIVITIES | |
| Shopping | The following items are listed on the basis that they are either unique to New Zealand and/or can represent high quality and value for money: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arts and crafts • Maori carvings • Bone/Greenstone carving • New Zealand wines • Hand knitted sweaters • Sports/outdoor clothing • Sheepskin products New Zealand wooden bowls, picture frames |
| Markets | The City Farmers' Market operates in the centre of Auckland's Britomart precinct and brings a bounty of regional produce to town for Aucklanders every week. Fresh, seasonal, quality fruit and vegetables, eggs, meat, olives and olive oils, condiments, coffee, artisan breads, cheese and much more — direct from local growers, farmers and makers |
| Nightlife | Auckland has the greatest variety and international style nightlife options, but in many NZ towns, the neighbourhood bar or pub is the place to meet locals and enjoy some fun music. |
| Casinos | There are four casinos in NZ: in Auckland, Christchurch, Dunedin and Queenstown. |

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| CUISINE | New Zealand's food and wine marriages are legend-making. Central Otago Pinot Noir with Canterbury lamb, Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc with world-famous Bluff oysters, Gisborne Chardonnay with Golden Bay scallops, Martinborough Pinot Gris with Lake Ohau salmon - such complements are heaven-sent. |
| Food | New Zealand brings together such an eclectic abundance of taste experiences and sensations as to make your mind dizzy even while your mouth waters. From the ocean, from the rivers, from the fertile |

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| | plains and high country pastures, the wine varieties, the seafood, game, fruits, vegetables, meat and fish fresh-caught and fresh-grown in this beautiful land are simply unsurpassed. |
| Wine | Grapevines originally brought here by colonists from their homelands in Europe flourish in this new land. Many New Zealand wines are garnering honours at international wine award ceremonies. Such wines can, of course, be relished alone or allowed to liberate the flavours of New Zealand's unique gastronomic sensations - from native foods like wild pig and kumara steamed deep in the very earth itself through to experimental haute cuisine. |
| Restaurants | <p>Every kind of restaurant awaits you, but here are four top end recommendations from our friends at Frommer's:</p> <p>Dine by Peter Gordon (Auckland; tel. 09/363-7030): The latest rave on the Auckland culinary scene, this lush little spot is the new playground of London/NZ celebrity chef Peter Gordon. Set in the new SKYCITY Grand Hotel, it's bound to stimulate every taste bud you own.</p> <p>Café Bastille (Wellington; tel. 04/382-9559): This cute little French bistro-style den is a winner if you're after a smart but casual ambience with terrific food. A winner in the Best Restaurant of New Zealand stakes, it shouldn't be bypassed.</p> <p>Herzog (Blenheim; tel. 03/572-8770): Expect the very best from this winery and restaurant that has been held up by New York's Wine Spectator for its impressive stock of around 3,200 of the world's best wines. It's a fine dining experience you won't forget in a hurry.</p> <p>Rotherams (Christchurch; tel. 03/341-5142): Swiss-born chef Martin Weiss has mastered the art of stunning his hungry patrons. In an interior that's all about romance and special occasions, he presents meals that excel in both presentation and taste. Not to be missed - likewise the extensive wine list.</p> |

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