

2008 PROBUS RENDEZVOUS, CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND

Post Tour Itinerary - 6 Day North Island Tour (G1) 20 - 25 September 2008

NZ\$ 1849.00 pp twin share AU\$ 1599.00 pp twin share
NZ\$ 2249.00 single AU\$ 1899.00 single

PRICE INCLUDES:

5 nights superior hotel accommodation
Luxury coach travel throughout the tour
Professional Coach Captain
Meet and greet on arrival in New Zealand
5 cooked breakfasts
5 dinners including 1 specialty dinners
Maori Hangi and Concert - Rotorua
Sightseeing and admissions as per itinerary
The TranzCoastal Rail Journey
Interislander Ferry between Picton and Wellington
Return airport transfers in New Zealand
GST - New Zealand Goods and Services Tax
Grand Pacific Tours travel bag, ticket wallet, toiletry wetpack,
personal New Zealand travel diary, personal name badge,
luggage label, personalised itinerary, touring map, postcard and
Optional Tours Directory.

DAY 1 - 20 September:

CHRISTCHURCH - PICTON - WELLINGTON >> (D)

This morning you will be picked up for your Probus Rendezvous Hotel. Join the **TranzCoastal**, a truly spectacular rail journey. Depart **Christchurch** and travel through the rolling farmland of the **Northern Canterbury Plains** passing through **Waipara** and the whale watching town of **Kaikoura**. Continue north and follow the thin wedge of land between the **Pacific Ocean** and the **Kaikoura Ranges** before travelling through river valleys, salt mountains and vineyards to **Picton**. Here board the **Interislander Ferry**, cruise across **Cook Strait** and the scenic **Marlborough Sounds** to **Wellington**.

Accommodation: James Cook Grand Chancellor Hotel
(2 nights)

DAY 2 - 21 September:

WELLINGTON >> (B,D)

A comprehensive **city sights tour** this morning will showcase the tremendous history and culture on show here. A highlight will be a visit and **guided tour of New Zealand's National Museum, Te Papa**, with exhibitions that embrace both Maori and European views of the land, environment and people. This afternoon enjoy some free time to browse amongst the shops or enjoy the relaxing atmosphere of the waterfront.



DAY 3 - 22 September:

WELLINGTON - ROTORUA >> (B,D)

Depart **Wellington** and view the snow capped peaks of **Mt Ruapehu** and **Mt Tongariro** as you travel to **Lake Taupo** where some free time is available to enjoy this scenic lakeside town. Travel via **Wairakei Park** and view the spectacular **Huka Falls** plus enjoy an interesting visit to the **Volcanic Activity Centre**. Continue to the geothermal town of **Rotorua** and transfer to the **Realm of Tane** for an **informative and moving guided cultural experience** before arriving at your hotel for dinner.

Accommodation: Sudima Hotel Lake Rotorua (Superior Rooms) (2 nights)

DAY 4 - 23 September:

ROTORUA >> (B,D)

Today begins with a **Gondola ride to Skyrides Restaurant** where a **buffet breakfast** and spectacular views are on offer. Travel to the **Agrodome** where you see **performing sheep, a shearing display and sheep dog trial**. Next visit **Paradise Valley Springs, a superb wildlife park** where you can hand feed rainbow trout. Some free time is available before an afternoon transfer to see the **boiling mud pools** and the **awesome Geysers** that **Rotorua** is famous for. This evening you will experience an entertaining **Maori Hangi and Concert**.



DAY 5 - 24 September:

ROTORUA - AUCKLAND >> (B,D)

Depart **Rotorua** and travel to **Waitomo Caves** where an incredible **guided boat ride** takes you through the famous **'Glowworm Grotto'** and the **magnificent cathedral**. This afternoon continue to **Auckland** where you will enjoy a **farewell dinner** this evening with your new friends.

Accommodation: Copthorne Hotel Anzac Avenue

DAY 6 - 25 September:

AUCKLAND - HOMEPORT >> (B)

Time to say goodbye. You will be **transferred** to the airport for your flight home after a memorable holiday.

(B) Breakfast >> (L) Lunch >> (D) Dinner