



# EXPLORE NEW ZEALAND IN STYLE WITH BILL PEACH JOURNEYS

Aircruising Icons of New Zealand

13 Days | 7 Nov – 19 Nov 2019 | AUD\$15,995pp twin share | Single Supplement \$2,450

## EXCLUSIVE HIGHLIGHTS

- ✦ Enjoy spectacular aerial sightseeing over the Hauraki Gulf, Marlborough Sounds and Canterbury Plains for a breathtaking perspective
- ✦ Cruise the serene and pristine waters of Lake Taupo and Lake Te Anau
- ✦ Jet boat on the Dart River in 'Lord of the Rings country'
- ✦ Cruise through magnificent Doubtful Sound and Marlborough Sounds to view the natural beauty of these stunning environments
- ✦ This quintessential New Zealand journey covers all the highlights including Auckland, Rotorua, Taupo, Napier, Wellington, Marlborough, Christchurch, Te Anau and Queenstown
- ✦ All touring, transfers and meals included
- ✦ Escorted throughout by a dedicated Journey Director

*"Too many highlights to list just one. A well thought out itinerary, visiting magnificent sights, eating magnificent food."*

Mrs Gabrielle Small, Waitara, NSW

Join Bill Peach Journeys, the leader in private aircraft travel for over 35 years for a beautiful discovery of the many diverse landscapes and timeless natural beauty New Zealand has to offer. 'Aotearoa' is home to a vast variety of vistas from the inspiring serenity of the Marlborough Sounds to the towering geysers of Rotorua, the endless rural plains of the lush countryside and the pristine wilderness of Fiordland National Park.

Staying at luxurious and perfectly located accommodation throughout, the Icons of New Zealand Aircruise is a unique opportunity not to be missed.

This journey offers sights and experiences beyond words in comfort and luxury. The Land of the Long White Cloud with Bill Peach Journeys will stir the soul and excite the senses.





## SPECTACULAR NEW ZEALAND BY PRIVATE AIRCRAFT

### DAY 1 | ARRIVE AUCKLAND

Today your journey begins in Auckland. Meet your Journey Director and fellow travellers at a welcome dinner this evening.

Overnight: Sofitel Auckland Viaduct Harbour or similar

### DAY 2 | WAIHEKE ISLAND

Travel by ferry to picturesque Waiheke Island, a haven of beautiful vineyards, olive groves and beaches; here we sample world class wines and produce. Dinner at leisure this evening.

Overnight: Sofitel Auckland Viaduct Harbour or similar

### DAY 3 | AUCKLAND - ROTORUA - TAUPO

This morning we fly south to the famous Rotorua thermal region, renowned for its towering geysers and significance to the Maori culture. Continue on to picturesque Lake Taupo, home to Australasia's largest lake.

Overnight: Millennium Hotel Taupo or similar

### DAY 4 | TAUPO - NAPIER

At Huka Falls we witness natural hydro power with more than 220,000 litres of water per second barrelling over the 11 metre high waterfall. We cruise Lake Taupo to learn about its volcanic history and Maori mythology before continuing on to Napier.

Overnight: Scenic Hotel Napier or similar



### DAY 5 | NAPIER - WELLINGTON

This morning we explore Napier, a beautifully preserved art deco town. Take a short flight to the capital of New Zealand - Wellington and enjoy an afternoon at leisure in the city located on a beautiful harbour at the southern tip of the North Island.

Overnight: Sofitel Wellington or similar

### DAY 6 | WELLINGTON

Visit Wellington's Botanical Gardens and ride on the famous cable car. Visit the acclaimed Te Papa Museum depicting the arts, culture and heritage of New Zealand. Dinner at leisure this evening.

Overnight: Sofitel Wellington or similar

### DAY 7 | WELLINGTON - MARLBOROUGH SOUNDS

Re-board the aircraft today and enjoy spectacular flightseeing over Marlborough Sounds landing in the heart of the Marlborough wine country. On arrival transfer to the acclaimed Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre, which houses a display like no other and you don't have to be an aviation buff to enjoy it. This afternoon cruise the Marlborough Sounds on a luxury vessel. Visit Putanui Point, this point borders three Sounds, Pelorus Sound, Kenepuru Sound and Mahau Sound.

Overnight: Marlborough Vintners Hotel or similar





#### DAY 8 | MARLBOROUGH - CHRISTCHURCH

A short flight over the patchwork splendour of the Canterbury Plains to Christchurch. Lunch today in the Botanic Gardens; founded over 150 years ago, they are considered the green heart of the Garden City. We then enjoy cruising the Avon River on our authentic Edwardian punts before our tour of the city centre.

Overnight: The George or similar

#### DAY 9 | CHRISTCHURCH - TE ANAU

After breakfast we drive to Te Anau in time for a luncheon cruise on pristine Lake Te Anau, the South Island's largest lake.

Overnight: Distinction Hotel Te Anau or similar

#### DAY 10 | DOUBTFUL SOUND

Transfer from Te Anau to Doubtful Sound for a memorable cruise which reveals dramatic scenery where the high vertical walls of the Sound protect the pristine wilderness. Perhaps see dolphins, seals and bird life along the way. Noted for its serenity, Doubtful Sound is called the 'Sound of Silence' and is also the deepest of the fiords. We transfer back to Te Anau marvelling at the dramatic scenery of Fiordland National Park.

Overnight: Distinction Hotel Te Anau or similar

#### DAY 11 | TE ANAU - QUEENSTOWN

After breakfast transfer to Arrowtown, a historic gold mining town located on the banks of the Arrow River. We continue on to the award winning luxury of Millbrook Resort. Your afternoon at leisure will allow you to either take a shuttle into Queenstown or explore this remarkable property which has been named New Zealand's best hotel three years running. Nestled within the Southern Alps, Millbrook's iconic, inspirational setting takes full advantage of its peaceful, rural outlook. Framed by the aptly named Remarkables Mountain Range, it is set among rolling hills and gentle streams.

Overnight: Millbrook Resort or similar

#### DAY 12 | GLENORCHY

Enjoy a scenic drive to Glenorchy, then experience the thrill of a jetboat on the Dart River through "Lord of the Rings" country. Tonight you will enjoy your farewell dinner.

Overnight: Millbrook Resort or similar

#### DAY 13 | DEPART QUEENSTOWN

Your New Zealand odyssey concludes today with transfers to Queenstown Airport after breakfast. Say a fond farewell to new friends taking with you memories of an incredible Aircruise!

*"I enjoyed the walk through the Redwood Forest, the views from the plane over the patchwork fields... Travelling in our private plane cut down time spent in airports. The scenery was breathtaking especially the snow-capped mountains."*

Mrs Janice Peake, Bendigo, VIC





## ABOUT AIRCRUISING

An Aircruise with Bill Peach Journeys is the perfect way to explore these hard to reach destinations in the style, speed and comfort of your own private aircraft. Travelling by private aircraft means that we can land directly in each location ensuring time on the ground is spent discovering each region. The style of aircraft is chosen to provide the best possible access into remote locations.

When you travel on an Aircruise everything is included. This means not only does your holiday include accommodation, dining and all excursions but every one of these elements is the finest in its class. Throughout the journey you will have a Journey Director on hand to look after each detail.

### FITNESS LEVEL - MODERATE

*"Doubtful Sound & Fiordland were highlights along with the Dart River jetboat, the new cathedral in Christchurch and flights to Wellington."*

Mrs Joan Thomas, Ashfield, NSW

## WHY BILL PEACH JOURNEYS?

- ✦ A name you can trust with over 35 years of experience in the luxury travel industry
- ✦ Fully inclusive journeys, all meals, accommodation, touring, entrance fees, portage taxes and luggage
- ✦ Travel throughout the outback requires expert planning and organisation. Our Journey Planners ensure you enjoy an intimate exploration of the places visited in comfort and style
- ✦ A dedicated Journey Director that ensures you are looked after every step of the way
- ✦ Local professional guides at every location
- ✦ 70% of our travellers return to travel with us again within the first year of their initial journey



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