

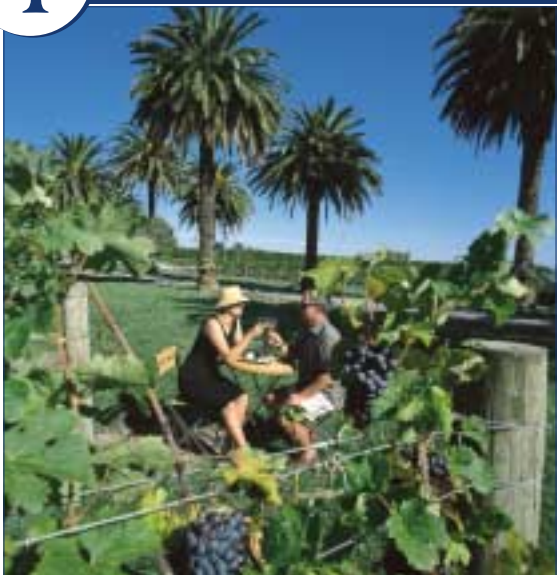
10 things to do in NEW ZEALAND

Out of many

Our specialists have travelled the length and breadth of the North and South Islands to research the best excursions New Zealand has to offer. Out of the many hundreds available, we highlight our personal top ten, demonstrating the varied interests of our New Zealand team.



1 *Cycling tour of Hawkes Bay wineries*



Armed with a map, a delicious packed lunch and a shiny new mountain bike, off you head for the day, cycling through vineyards and orchards. Back-up transport is on hand to pick up any purchases you may make after tastings, or simply to pick you up when you run out of puff!

2 *Walk the Tongariiro Crossing*



Often described as the ‘best day walk in the world’ this trek takes you past snow-capped volcanoes, craters and alpine lakes, pristine rain forest, sparkling rivers, dramatic waterfalls and astonishing flora and fauna.

3 *Fly-fishing from Poronui Ranch*



Recognised as being home to the best trout fishing in the Southern Hemisphere, the inspirational landscapes surrounding Lake Taupo are hauntingly beautiful. Guests at the rustic but comfortable fishing camp should expect to fish new water every day as the property has almost 25 miles of private river.

4 *A round of golf at Kauri Cliffs*



A par 72 championship course alongside cliffs which plunge to the sea, one of the most dramatic places to play golf in the world. Stay in the exclusive and opulent Lodge, where the rooms have spectacular panoramic 180-degree views from their verandas of Cape Brett and the offshore Cavelli Islands.

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Sail an America's Cup yacht



The NZL40 was originally built for the 1995 race. Usually the domain of billionaires and elite professional yachties, passengers are encouraged to take the helm, or simply sit back and enjoy the scenery of Auckland's Waitemata Harbour.



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A night afloat in Milford Sound

After all the day-tripper crowds have returned to Queenstown, cruise up the remote fiord to the open sea, before anchoring for the night in sheltered Harrison Cove.

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Whale watching off Kaikoura



Where deep ocean trenches meet with the rugged shallow coastline, the marine environment is so rich in nutrients that it attracts some of the most magnificent creatures with which we share our planet, including the sperm whale.

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The Siberia Experience



Beginning with a scenic 25 minute flight to Mount Aspiring National Park, you then walk through pristine native beech forest, for a rendezvous with the Wilkin River jet boats for the final leg of the journey back to Lake Wanaka.



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Visit Te Papa museum

An innovative exhibition space on the waterfront at Wellington, this wonderful museum offers an insight into all aspects of New Zealand's land, wildlife, contemporary art and Maori culture.

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Sea-kayaking in Abel Tasman National Park

Discover golden sand beaches, fringed by native forest and paddle into estuaries teeming with sea life, in these silent and tranquil craft.



Travel file

Our specialists can advise you on all aspects of travel to New Zealand, including the host of excursions and activities available. For further details please call them on 01869 276 245.