

Warbirds over Wanaka Tour

South Island Tour







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March 2016

9 Day Warbirds over Wanaka

Featuring 2 full days at the Warbirds over Wanaka Air Show



TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- Meet and Greet on arrival in New Zealand
- New Zealand Airport Transfers
- ◆ Quality hotel accommodation, twin/double rooms, (single rooms available with single supplement) all with private facilities
- Cooked Breakfasts (B) and Dinners (D) where indicated on the itinerary, including a special dinner: Dinner at Walter Peak Station
- Tour Admissions as per itinerary, including 2 full days at the Warbirds over Wanaka Airshow
- Touring in a modern air conditioned coach and where possible we will provide a complimentary Roadside Morning Tea from the coach
- Complimentary Travel Kit including, Travel Bag, Travel Wallet, Name Bar, Luggage Labels, and New Zealand Map

PER PERSON TOUR PRICES:

Land Only Share Twin/Double \$NZ3,500.00 Single Supplement Extra \$NZ985.00 Deposit due at time of booking \$NZ500.00 Balance of tour payment due 6 weeks prior to tour commencement

DAILY ITINERARY:

Day 1 Wednesday 23rd March 2016

ARRIVE – CHRISTCHURCH (D) Welcome to New Zealand! You are met on arrival at the Christchurch International Airport before being transferred to your hotel. Quality Hotel Elms, Christchurch

Day 2 Thursday 24th March 2016 CHRISTCHURCH – FRANZ JOSEF (BD)

From Christchurch we traverse the Southern Alps aboard the famous Tranz-Alpine rail journey to Arthurs Pass. From your carriage you'll see the fields of the Canterbury Plains and farmland, followed by the spectacular gorges and river valleys of the Waimakariri River. Your



train then climbs into the Southern Alps. Once the largest warbird airshow in the Southern Fox and Franz Josef Glaciers. On arrival, time bars. is available for optional scenic flights, before Copthorne Lakefront Hotel, Queenstown continuing onto our accommodation for the night.

Scenic Franz Josef Hotel, Franz Josef

Day 3 Friday 25th March 2016 FRANZ JOSEF - QUEENSTOWN **(B)**

Driving towards the southern end of the South sense of entering a primeval land, and a feeling Queenstown. of total isolation. Arriving at Haast, you are Copthorne Lakefront Hotel, Queenstown surrounded by a landscape of rainforest. wetlands, sand dunes and surf-pounded shingle Day 6 Monday 28th March 2016 beaches. This wilderness forms part of the QUEENSTOWN - DUNEDIN South West New Zealand World Heritage Departing Queenstown we travel south following Area, so designated because South Westland the shoreline of Lake Wakatipu through to and Fiordland have some of the most dramatic Lumsden and onto Gore before arriving in forest and mountain scenery and natural resources in the world. From the Westland National Park we travel through the Haast River valleys and over the Haast Pass to Makaroa and onto the upper reaches of Lake Wanaka. Travelling past Lake Hawea we reach the popular Lake Wanaka, the starting point of the mighty Clutha River. This afternoon we travel via Cromwell following the Kawarau Gorge Road into Queenstown.

Copthorne Lakefront Hotel, Queenstown

Day 4 Saturday 26th March 2016 WARBIRDS AIRSHOW

Today we take the journey across to Wanaka for your tour highlight - the Warbirds over Wanaka Airshow. This event held biennially is

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we have crossed into the Southern Alps we are Hemisphere and showcases some of the world's met at the village of Arthurs Pass by our coach best examples of WWII flying aircraft in action. to continue our journey to the West Coast - or A General admission pass to the airshow the Coast as locals call it, stopping in Hokitika included. At the conclusion of the day's events, where a visit is made to the Greenstone and we retrace our journey back to Queenstown. Glass Blowing factories. Further south we Tonight is at leisure for you to sample some of tour the Westland National Park, the home of Queenstown's excellent restaurants, cafés and

Day 5 Sunday 27th March 2016 WARBIRDS AIRSHOW

Again we take the journey back to Wanaka for the Warbirds over Wanaka Airshow. General admission pass to the airshow included today. At the conclusion of the day's Island's West Coast Road, there is a strong events, we retrace our journey back to

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Dunedin – "the Edinburgh of the South". Upon our arrival into Dunedin, you have the opportunity to board an optional train ride the Taieri Gorge Train Excursion from the historic Dunedin Railway Station for a scenic train ride into the spectacular Taieri Gorge to Pukerangi and return.

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Scenic Dunedin City Hotel, Dunedin

Day 7 Tuesday 29th March 2016 DUNEDIN – OMARAMA

This morning we visit *Olveston House* – an impressive turn-of-thecentury house that is still home to all the lavish furnishings and art collections that have been collected from all corners of the world. We continue to then take in the sights of this old Scottish City before travelling onto Oamaru where we have time to look at the *'White Stone City'* where the old buildings have been constructed with local limestone. It was from Oamaru that New Zealand's first frozen meat was shipped in 1882 taking over three months to reach England, and thus began New Zealand's most important export industry. Travelling inland through Benmore and Otematata, through Sailors Cutting we arrive at Omarama.

Heritage Gateway Hotel, Omarama

Day 8 Wednesday 30th March 2016 OMARAMA – CHRISTCHURCH

A day for spectacular sights. We head north to skirt the shore of Lake Pukaki to *Mount Cook, New Zealand's highest mountain*. Time is available to enjoy an optional scenic flight over the ancient rivers of ice and the West Coast Glaciers (weather permitting – a highly recommended option). Travelling to Tekapo we witness the *magnificent blue waters of Lake Tekapo*. Here we visit the *Church of the Good Shepherd and the statue of the Collie dog*, before travelling the *vast Mackenzie Basin*, over Burke's Pass through Fairlie, Geraldine, Ashburton and across the Canterbury Plains into Christchurch.

Quality Hotel Elms, Christchurch

Day 9 Thursday 31st March 2016 CHRISTCHURCH – HOME PORT

Farewell from New Zealand. After breakfast you will be *transferred from the hotel to Christchurch International Airport* for your flight back home.









Booking Terms & Conditions

And also some handy touring information.... for other passengers to identify and to get to know each other.

Acceptance of Terms and Conditions

It is understood by Leisure Time Tours that the terms and conditions of travel are accepted by the passenger when the required deposit has been paid.

Seat Changes

Passengers rotate seats in the coach daily so that all passengers have the opportunity to enjoy forward and window seating. All passengers are expected to participate as a booking condition.

Itineraries

Itineraries were correct at the time of printing, but are subject to change without notice. This could come about due to road or weather conditions, or any changes imposed by other tour operators and carriers included in the itinerary. If a passenger amends their itinerary by starting or concluding the itinerary earlier or later or during an itinerary then it becomes their responsibility to arrange tour or flight connections as necessary.

Activities and Optional Tours

Leisure Time Tours does not operate the attractions mentioned in our touring brochure, therefore will not be responsible for any injury, actions, loss, damage or acts of negligence committed by the operators mentioned in this brochure arising from these attractions.

Single Passengers

Passengers may opt for a guaranteed single room by paying the single supplement, but if passengers wish to travel in a twin room with another passenger of the same gender then smoking is not permitted in their room. If someone is not compatible with the person they have been matched up with, all additional costs incurred to assist with changing the room type to a guaranteed single room will be at the passenger's expense and will be subject to availability. Acceptance of a twin share basis is subject to the individual's medical condition being suitable for this type of arrangement.

Health and Fitness

Passengers should be in good health and able to walk moderate distances to fully appreciate all of the sightseeing opportunities in the itinerary. By paying the deposit passengers acknowledge that you are of reasonable health and are considered to be fit to travel, and are not travelling contrary to medical advice. Leisure Time Tours reserves the right to cancel a booking or to remove a passenger from a tour if their health or fitness interferes with any other passenger's experiences or the day to day running of the tour. Passengers bringing a quantity of medication with them are advised to carry a doctor's certificate to avoid possible problems with customs officials. Doctor's prescriptions are needed to obtain certain drugs in both Australia and New Zealand.

Travel Insurance

Leisure Time Tours strongly advises all passengers to purchase a travel insurance policy. An important part of planning the holiday is to purchase a comprehensive travel insurance policy as it may prevent passengers from spending extra money in case of an emergency and will help passengers feel protected during the holiday.

Price Amendments

Prices were correct at the time and date of printing, however Leisure Time Tours reserves the right to amend the price subject to any changes in price imposed by other tour operators and carriers included in the itinerary or major fluctuation in the exchange rates, or increases in government or other levies. The final tour cost will be guaranteed not to change once the full and final payment has been received. Tour Price excludes drinks, telephone calls, travel insurance and items of a personal nature.

Exchange rate fluctuations

Until Leisure Time Tours receives full payment, your tour price is subject to exchange rate fluctuations. We consider anything over 4% a major fluctuation, and in this instance we will absorb up to the first 4% before surcharging.

Payments

A deposit of \$NZ500.00 per person is required on booking to confirm the seat at the time of booking. All balance payments must be received by the agent no later than 45 days prior to tour commencement.

New Zealand Airport Transfers

New Zealand airport transfers are included on all of our Tours. If however passengers have made independent pre/post tour arrangements outside of the itinerary then transfers are not included.

Travel Kits

Each passenger will receive a complimentary Leisure Time Tours Travel Kit. This will include a Travel Bag for carry on baggage. Please note that this bag and contents must not weigh more than 7kgs (15lbs). Within the travel wallet passengers will find luggage labels and a name bar. Please ensure that the luggage is properly identified with these luggage labels. We encourage passengers to wear their name bar at all times on tour as it enables airlines and tourist operators to identify that passengers are part of our group. It is also much easier

Checked Baggage

Due to space limitations aboard the motor coaches and the on-tour flights used in New Zealand & Australia, each passenger is permitted only one average-sized piece of checked baggage weighing a maximum of 20kg (44lbs), plus their carry on luggage in the Leisure Time Tours Travel Bag provided.

Clothing and Packing

Passengers will find casual clothing of all types comfortable and relaxing. Lightweight drip-dry clothing is ideal. Warmer clothing for evenings will be handy. As New Zealand can experience 'four seasons in one day' layering is key. Regular laundry facilities are available throughout the tour. For special dinners many guests like to dress up, but by all means be comfortable; on the remaining nights "smart casual" is suggested. We recommend that passengers pack their prescription medicines (an adequate supply to last through the journey) along with the travel documents and a change of clothing in the carry-on bag to avoid any inconvenience in the event that a flight or luggage is delayed.

Passports & Visas

All visitors require a passport to travel to and to enter New Zealand or Australia which must have a minimum validity of 6 months remaining. It is a good idea to carry a photocopy of the 'Photo Page' of their passport, as well as to leave photocopies of the travel documents and identification papers with someone at home.

Entry to New Zealand

Australian passport holders do not require visas; neither do Australian permanent residents with current resident return visas. All other visitors to New Zealand must possess a return or onward ticket to a country to which you have right of entry.

Customs and Immigration

Compliance with any Australian and/or New Zealand immigration, customs and/or quarantine regulations is the client's responsibility. Leisure Time Tours cannot, under any circumstances, be held liable nor responsible if applicable rules and regulations are not observed.

Amendments, Cancellations and Refunds

Leisure Time Tours reserves the right to amend or reschedule the tour due to the result of circumstances outside the company's control. Leisure Time Tours also reserves the right to cancel the tour due to insufficient numbers and in this instance a substitute date will be offered or a full refund will be made available.

Refund Schedule

- 60+ days prior to tour commencement a loss of deposit plus any applicable airline cancellation fees
- 31-59 days prior to tour commencement receives a 50% refund.
- 30 days or less prior to tour commencement receives no refund.
- · No Refunds on any unused portions of itinerary.
- If you wish to cancel and transfer to a new departure date, the above cancellation fees will apply

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