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## New Zealand - North and South Island (M-ID: 4266)

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### from €7,595.00

Dates and duration (days) On request 18 days

# New Zealand, the land of the long white cloud - a motorcycle tour of New Zealand: How about a classic motorcycle tour (New Zealand trip) to the land of the long white cloud?

Glacier and mountain landscapes alternate with wildly romantic coastal roads and rainforests. Maori culture, the Coromandel Peninsula, Rotorua, the Abel Tasman National Park, Milford Sound and a real adventure program are the highlights here.

Tour itinerary:

Day 01: Flight over Asia

Flight with a renowned airline from your chosen departure point to Auckland (connecting flight). The flight skips the International Date Line and arrives two days later in New Zealand.

Day 02: Flight - International Date Line

Today you will technically spend the day flying due to the time difference. Take advantage of the opportunities for various stop-over programs in Dubai or Asia, which you can request from us.

TOUR TIP: Advance Program.

Day 03: Arrival in Auckland - the city of sails

During the day you will arrive in Auckland, your starting point for this New Zealand tour. Upon arrival at the airport, you will be met and transferred to a well-located middleclass hotel. The rest of the day is free for you to relax or look around the city. In the evening you will have a tour briefing with your guide. Overnight stay in Auckland.

TOUR TIP: Travel to Auckland in advance.

Day 04: Bike Takeover - Coastal Highway - Coromandel

Peninsula, 215 km

After breakfast your luggage will be loaded into the support vehicle and you will pick up your motorcycle at our local Harley-Davidson® rental partner. After a short briefing and some shopping - time, you will be on your way - watch out for left-hand traffic! The short stage takes you along the picturesque Pacific coast to the Coromandel Peninsula. The name comes from the merchant ship HMS Coromandel (1820), which in turn was named after the Indian Coromandel Coast. The overnight stay is in Whitianga in a lodge close to the beach. James Cook hoisted the first British flag in Mercury Bay in 1869. Enjoy this place on your New Zealand trip.

Day 05: Cathedral Cove - Bay of Plenty - Rotorua, 230 km

After breakfast you will take a short walk to Cathedral Cove with its natural stone cathedral. Afterwards you will ride along the coast over the Bay of Plenty towards Rotorua. This thermal city, that was built around the numerous hot mineral springs, is one of the main attractions of the North Island. Rotorua is also the center of the Maori culture. At Te Puia Thermal Reserve you will learn everything about this thermal center (optional). There is also a Maori village, a Maori canoe ("Waka") and a Maori carving school. In the evening you will take part in a "Hangi", a traditional Maori meal from the earth oven, in a Maori village. Here you will learn more about their mythology and stories. Overnight stay in Rotorua. The New Zealand trip continues the next day.

TOUR TIP: Visit Te Puia Thermal Reserve.

Day 06: Lake Taupo - Hawke's Bay Wine Region - Napier, 230 km

In the morning you have the option of visiting the "Wai-O-Tapu Thermal Wonderland", known for boiling mud pools, white sinter terraces, geysers and bubbling lakes. With its "Painter's Palette, Devil's Inkwell and Champagne Pool," it is the most colorful of the thermal areas. The main attraction is Lady Knox Geyser, which erupts up to 20 meters high every morning. On the way to Lake Taupo you will stop at the foaming Huka Falls. Lake Taupo is a crater lake larger than Lake Constance, formed by a massive volcanic eruption about 2000 years ago and surrounded by mountains nearly 2800 meters high. On a scenic "Scenic Route" you continue towards Hawke's Bay and through one of the oldest wine and fruit growing areas of the island to Napier. The sunny city of Napier was completely destroyed by an earthquake in 1931 and rebuilt in Art Deco style. This place simply invites you for a walk. Overnight stay in Napier.

TOUR TIP: Wai-O-Tapu Thermal Wonderland, another attraction of the New Zealand trip.

Day 07: Rimutaka Mountains - Wellington - Windy City, 330 km

Today the tour takes you from Napier to the capital of New Zealand, Wellington. You will pass through small towns along the winding Rimutaka mountain region, a motorcycle classic that guarantees a lot of riding fun. In the midst of this beautiful landscape, Wellington is located, which also has the nickname "Windy City". Located directly on the Cook Strait, this divides the North and South Island of New Zealand. From Mount Victoria you have a wonderful overview of the city. In the evening you visit one of the small breweries, which is just the thing you need after a long day in the saddle. Overnight stay in Wellington.

Day 08: Ferry crossing Cook Strait - Picton - Nelson, 150 km

In the morning you leave Wellington by ferry and cross the Cook Strait to the South Island. Enjoy the approximately 3hour crossing over the sunken river valleys of Marlborough Sound to the small harbor town of Picton. After disembarking, you will take a scenic road along the coast to Pelorus Bridge and the nature reserve of the same name. In the afternoon you will arrive in Nelson, the oldest and sunniest city on the island, perfect for relaxing in one of the numerous street cafes. Nelson is on the perfect location for visiting the nearby Abel Tasman National Park. Overnight in Nelson for the next two nights. Every day and every night of your New Zealand trip will be special.

Day 09: Day at leisure - Abel Tasman National Park, 110 km

The day is free for you to relax and unwind. You have the optional possibility of going by boat deep into the Abel Tasman National Park. From Nelson the 1 hour motorcycle ride takes you to Kaiteriteri, where you start your day trip. You will glide effortlessly through the clear waters on a boat and relax on board surrounded by secluded bays, golden sandy beaches, islands and rainforests. This unique coastal landscape lends itself to an easy hike enabling you to enjoy the beauty of the golden beaches and bays, or simply relax on the beach. In the afternoon we return to Nelson. Overnight stay in Nelson.

TIP: Boat tour to the Abel Tasman National Park

Day 10: Motueka Valley - Buller Gorge - Cape Foulwind -Pancake Rocks, 350 km

After breakfast, you will follow a byway southwest through the Motueka River Valley. After crossing Buller Gorge, you will experience an impressive change of flora and reach the subtropical lowland rainforest of the wild west coast. A striking feature along the way is the lush green of the "Mamaku" tree fern. If you have enough time, you can visit a large sea lion colony at Cape Foulwind during a short hike. Afterwards, a wild and romantic landscape awaits you, parallel to the coast runs the up to 1500m high folded mountains of the Paparoas. Canyon-like gorges offer only access to the rugged mountains of this national park. Famous are the limestone rocks of the "Pancake Rocks", near the small village of Punakaiki. There you will take a short walk to see with what force the Tasmanian Sea shoots out of the "blowholes" through the underground tunnel systems between the rocks at high tide. Overnight stay in Greymouth.

Day 11: Gold & Jade - Bushmen Center - Fox & Franz Josef Glacier, 200 km

After leaving the port town of Greymouth, the landscape is dominated by grazing and forestry. The route leads through the historic gold mining areas to the town of Hokitika, the center of the processing of greenstone, the very hard New Zealand jade, which is turned into beautiful jewelry here. Here you can visit one of the jade factories or the national Kiwi Center. The next stop is at the Bushmen Centre, where you can admire all kinds of curiosities. Along the west coast you will ride through the evergreen rainforest to the glacier region of the Southern Alps. As a natural weather barrier, the very near high mountain ridge is responsible for one of the most extreme precipitation regimes in the country. Above the snow line, large masses of ice accumulate to form fast-flowing valley glaciers. The Fox and Franz Josef glaciers, about 12 km long, push down to an elevation of 300 m above sea level, unique in temperate latitudes. Overnight in the Fox area.

TIP: Helicopter flight with landing in the glacier world.

Day 12: Westland & Mt. Aspiring National Park -Queenstown, 330 km

Along the beautiful and wild Tasman Coast Road, perpetual ice merges smoothly into the evergreen rainforest. Over the flat Haast Pass, we follow a beautiful scenic road along Lake Wanaka and Lake Hawea. Mt. Aspiring Nation Park is a paradise for hikers and offers idyllic views of the surrounding mountains. Via the scenic "Crown Range", a spectacular high alpine route in the hinterland, you will reach New Zealand's leisure oasis Queenstown. Overnight stay in Queenstown.

TIP: TSS Earnslaw Steamboat & Dinner on a Sheep Farm

Day 13: Queenstown - Te Anau, 180 km

This morning is at your leisure. For those who like adventures there are many activities like bungee jumping or riding a jet boat. In the early afternoon, you will ride to Te Anau, the gateway to Fiordland National Park. Lake Te Anau is a lake in the southwest of New Zealand's South Island and a stop on the Southern Scenic Route. Since the lake is at an elevation of 210 m above sea level, but it is up to 270 m deep in places, parts of the water are below sea level.Overnight in Te Anau for the next two nights.

Day 14: Day at leisure or Milford Sound, 245 km

Today is at your leisure. There is an option of booking a day trip to the fjord landscapes of Milford Sound. Along the Milford Road you will reach the Milford Sound. The combination of fjords, mountains, fantastic views and interesting roads make this day trip a highlight. On the probably most beautiful mountain road of New Zealand you will pass the Mirror Lakes and the dark Homer Tunnel and even meet parrots and keas during a stop. Fourteen fjords are located in the largest national park and the landmark of New Zealand. On an optional boat trip you will see waterfalls and with a little luck dolphins, seals and penguins. The return trip to Te Anau is in the afternoon. Overnight stay in Te Anau.

TIP: Milford Sound Cruise

Day 15: Alpine Landscape - Canterbury - Twizel, 360 km

In the morning you head back towards Queenstown before turning into the inner alpine basin landscape of McKenzie County. This vast plateau will take you through the Canterbury Plains in the afternoon. At nearby Lake Pukaki you will have the opportunity to admire the magnificent glaciers of Mt. Cook once again. The Maori call the with 3724 m highest mountain of New Zealand "Aoraki", the "cloud piercer". Overnight stay in Twizel.

TIP: Bathing extension on Maui. Here we offer a package with three additional nights, which we would like to adapt to your wishes. You can extend your motorcycle rental or take a rental car. From Whalers Village, which is close to the hotel, there is a convenient bus shuttle to Old Lahaina. For the more adventurous, there is also a day trip to the offshore islands or a dive boat trip to the underwater world of the Pacific. Maui has a lot of possibilities for you.

Day 16: Lake Pukaki - Lake Tekapo - Christchurch, 320 km

Today, unfortunately, your last riding day of the New Zealand trip begins. It goes along with the turquoise Lake Pukaki, from where you have a fantastic view of the mountains, to the secluded Lake Tekapo. Afterward, you will experience an impressive vegetation change through the fertile land of the South Island. The farms stretch out like a patchwork quilt and you will reach your final destination Christchurch in the early afternoon. Once there, you will drop off your bikes at our local rental agency and have time to explore the metropolis of the South Island. In the evening you can review the tour over dinner. Overnight stay in Christchurch.

Day 17: Christchurch - Return flight to Europe

The morning is at your free disposal. In the afternoon you will be transferred to Christchurch airport for your flight back to your booked departure point.

TIP: Tour extension in Christchurch or the South Pacific. Make more out of your New Zealand trip!

Day 18: Arrival in Europe

You arrive at your departure point in the morning. The end of the New Zealand trip (motorcycle tour).

Countries	New Zealand
Category	Motorcycle Tour
Terrain	Onroad
Vehicle	motorcycle rent incl.
Tourguide / Coach	yes (guided)
Accommodation	Hotel / B&B or similar
Flight to / from	yes, incl.
Ferry	no, not incl.
Support vehicle (luggage/service)	yes
Level of difficulty	medium
	difficult
Customer payment protection	yes
Special	Winter escape
* PRICING	Minimal without optional extras, see pricing

#### Pricing

per person for 2 persons in double room with 1 motorcycle	€7,595.00
per person for 2 persons in double room with 2 motorcycles	€8,995.00
per person in single room with 1 motorcycle	€10,195.00
Flight ex Germany (surcharge, starting at):	€100.00
Flight ex Austria/Switzerland (surcharge, starting at):	€200.00
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Optional: Model warranty for desired motorcycle (Please specify your desired €125.00 motorcycle in the "Comments" field when booking).

#### Included

Scheduled flight with renowned airline in economy class from/to Frankfurt to Auckland/Christchurch (connecting flight possible)

All flight safety fees

Kerosene surcharges as of 06/2021

Air traffic tax for departures ex Germany

14 nights in good tourist/middle class hotels according to the itinerary

14x breakfast

all necessary transfers airport/hotel/rental station on site

Motorcycle rental (BIG TWIN) for the specified period incl. free miles, liability insurance

TOP PROTECTION: LDW/CDW insurance (exclusion of liability for accident/theft damage) WITHOUT deductible

TOP PROTECTION: 2 million Euro additional liability insurance

TOP PROTECTION: Exclusion of liability for tire damage

24/7 German-speaking assistance

German speaking tour escort from/to Auckland/Christchurch during the whole tour by an experienced motorcycle guide

Support vehicle with second guide during the whole motorcycle tour

Welcome Dinner

Souvenir photo in DIN A-3 format

1 exclusive tour T-shirt/Polo per tour participant

Guidebooks and maps

#### Not included

Personal expenses

Gasoline, oil

Entrance fees for the attractions or parks

Hotel parking fees

Motorcycle clothing and rainwear

Travel insurance etc.

#### More details

Upon request:

All our guided tours can, of course, also be offered as self-guided tours, or they can be customized and elaborated for you. You will then receive enough maps and information material for such a tour, as well as a detailed consultation. Please enquire!

1/2 double rooms are available upon request, subject to availability.

All prices include flight from Frankfurt.

Prices for other European departure points are available on request.

A major credit card is required.

Minimum number of participants: 12 people

If the minimum number of participants is not reached, we reserve the right to cancel the trip up to four weeks before the start of the trip.

Important info:

The following types of motorcycles are available on request. Please let us know of the two most preferred types when booking. However, no guaranteed commitment can be made for the machine type. With the registration, we need a copy of your driver's license and passport. All models come mostly directly from Harley-Davidson®authorized rentals<sup>™</sup> partners and are current model years in top condition.

ELECTRA GLIDE®/STREET GLIDE® Grand Touring Very comfortable touring machine, air-cooled Twin Cam Milwaukee Eight™107, 1750 cc V-twin cylinder engine, belt drive, 6-speed transmission, part ABS, windshield, 2 side cases, top case, audio system. Particularly well suited for 2 persons.

STREET GLIDE® - Comfortable touring machine for long rides, air-cooled Twin Cam Milwaukee Eight<sup>™</sup>107, 1750 cc V-twin cylinder engine, belt drive, 6-speed transmission, part ABS, windshield, 2 side cases. Audio system. Particularly well suited for 2 persons.

HERITAGE CLASSIC® - Classic touring machine for long rides, air-cooled Twin Cam Milwaukee Eight™107/114, 1750/1870 cc V-twin cylinder engine, belt drive, 6-speed transmission, part ABS, windshield, 2 side pockets. Especially well suited for 2 persons.

LOW RIDER® - Light touring machine, air cooled Twin Cam Milwaukee Eight<sup>™</sup>107, 1750 cc Vtwin cylinder engine, belt drive, 6speed transmission, only partial windshield and saddlebag / TBag. Not suitable for 2 people and riders over 1.80m.

ROAD KING®, ROAD GLIDE®, Sportster®various SOFTAIL® model variants, as well as other models available on request!

#### Entry requirements:

To enter New Zealand, German, Austrian and Swiss citizens need a valid machine-readable European passport. German, Austrian and Swiss citizens who wish to stay in New Zealand for up to three months as tourists or business travelers do not require a visa. Upon arrival, they will receive an entry permit corresponding to the purpose of their trip. For this purpose, a return or onward flight ticket must be presented (along with a visa, if required for the country in question) and proof of sufficient financial means to cover the cost of the stay.

An open word between bikers: We ride between 120 and 540 km per day, depending on the tour, in a charming and beautiful landscape. The approximate daily number of kilometers can be found in the respective daily program. This means that on some days you may have to leave early and arrive late. Motorcycle riding in a unique landscape is absolutely in the foreground so a certain team spirit is the first priority and also a certain adaptation to the group is necessary. If you let yourself in for it, you will surely have the adventure of your life and a lot of fun.

Travel conditions:

The general travel conditions apply. These will be handed over to you by your booking office. If you have not received them, please inform your booking office or the tour operator before booking. They will then be sent to you immediately.

Distance: 3250 km

Minimum age: 18+

Road Side Towing Assistance (can be added, please request) included: (1) Emergency Road Side Assistance. E.g. out of gas? Forgot to turn off the ignition, battery dead? No problem, the delivery is free of charge, only the costs for the gasoline or the battery have to be paid. (2) Emergency Towing Service. The bike breaks down with a self-inflicted (not covered by warranty) mechanical problem, e.g. diesel tanked, tire punctured, or accident? The bike will be picked up free of charge by a towing service and taken to the nearest garage or rental station that can take care of the problem.