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YOUR TOURS TEAM 2024

Welcome

We hope you are all keeping well as we head into the Autumn months. It has been great to have a relatively settled summer this year.

We have a super Autumn day trip planned - another wonderful Wairarapa gem - and our tours continue, with March and April being a busy time out on the road.

Our tour coach is out clocking up a fair few kilometres over the next little while, and the tour team are readjusting to not having to cook dinner or do the dishes at night...such a struggle!

A number of new itineraries are about to hit the market. Among these are several short breaks coming up over the cooler months, designed to be less weather dependant, and with the aim of injecting a bit of new scenery and interest into everyone's lives. Make sure you give us a call or take a browse online and register your interest if a tour takes your fancy, as that means you receive the itinerary as soon as it's released!

We look forward to catching up again soon.

Warm regards from the Tranzit Tour team
Robin, Ali, Anil and Brendan



Tranzit Travel Club at Tora

Touring Icons

A quick visual guide for what you're in for.



Heritage

NZ's home and gardens on show



Culture

Shows, history and the arts



Wine and Food

Enjoy local delights on tour



Flight/s included

Get to your destination quicker



Walking

A good level of fitness is required



Travel by Train

Train enthusiasts a must!



Boat trip offered

Enjoy a cruise on the water



Escape to nature

Nature and natural history

Your 2024 tour quick guide

April

- » Coromandel
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May

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- » Nelson Short Break

June

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Your Tranzit touring family...

Ali



Robin



Anil



Les



André



Craig



Brendan



Featured Tours

Taupo Mid Winter Break

24-26 June - Phone now for an itinerary



Join us for mid-winter merriment on the shores of sparkling Lake Taupō. Taupō is a fabulous destination no matter what the season – winter provides views of the snow-capped peaks of Ruapehu and Ngauruhoe across the water. Experience the thundering Huka Falls on a cruise up the Waikato River and visit Lava Glass, an exquisite gallery featuring art works made from colourful glass. Walk through the Craters of the Moon, an aptly named geothermal site, and discover a stunning café in a remote riverside location. Experience these great attractions and more while enjoying festive fun.

Thundering Huka Falls, Glass Art & Craters of the Moon

We view the truly spectacular sight of the Aratiatia Dam emptying into and filling the river gorge below, before we board the specially designed riverboat for our cruise. This takes us upstream to view the fabulous Huka Falls and along the way will see birdlife, natural hot streams and witness the energy that drives the Wairakei Geothermal Power Station. Upon our return we visit Lava Glass where we will have our lunch (included) before we enjoy a wander of the fascinating gallery and Sculpture Garden, and Craters of the Moon.

“A fabulous destination no matter what the season”

Mountains to Sea

24 - 28 September - Phone now for an itinerary



The name paints the picture: from a stay in Ohakune under the shadow of Mt Ruapehu, to relaxing by the sea at Raglan. Discover the silica terraces and geysers of Orakei Korako cruise on the Waikato River, and watch the wonder of the Aratiatia Dam filling the river gorge below. Step into the enchanting world of Hobbiton and enjoy the delicious “fayre” at the Green Dragon Inn.

Visit a well-known Heritage home enjoying lunch hosted by the owners, and travel through the magical underground wonderland of the Waitomo Caves.

Hobbiton - Raglan

We leave Taupo and travel through the Waikato's lush countryside. On a farm near Matamata, we visit “Hobbiton” – the film location of the Shire, as seen in the Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit Trilogies. Here, we enjoy a guided tour of the film set, and view the hobbit holes, the Green Dragon Inn, the Mill, and other structures. We enjoy lunch here before travelling to our coastal destination of Raglan. After exploring the sheltered harbour and the coastline that attracts thousands of surfers every year, we browse the eclectic shops before checking in to our motel. We dine out at the Harbour View Hotel, a centrally located, historical, colonial hotel, just a short stroll from our motel.



*“Mountains to Sea,
the name paints the
picture”*

Day Tours

Rototawai Art & Gardens

Friday 26 April

A day out in South Wairarapa today, sees us enjoying morning tea hosted by the friendly Tranzit tour team in Masterton, before we continue our travels south to Kahutara where we find a hidden Wairarapa gem, Rototawai Homestead. Set in a tranquil landscape, the historic homestead is home to a private collection of art hung in the public rooms throughout the lower floor of the house. We enjoy a tour of the collection and have the opportunity to wander the lovely grounds and garden. Enjoy your picnic lunch (included) and a hot drink before we make our way to Greytown for a small taste of retail therapy before we head for home.

Please also advise of any dietary requirements

NB: Pick up is from Waldergrave Street carpark until further notice while we work is being carried out Tranzit Depot

Departs: Waldergrave St 8:30am

Returns: Waldergrave St 5:00pm

Price: \$111.00 due by 12 April

Includes: Coach, morning tea, lunch & gallery tour

Banking reference: Rototawai24



Rototawai Homestead

World of Wearable Art Show 2024

Sunday 6th October (proposed date) - phone now to register your interest)

Tickets will go on sale soon for this perennial favourite. Phone us now to register your interest so you don't miss out!. Truly amazing garments are presented in a unique two-hour show of choreography, music, lighting and special effects.

Price and date: To be confirmed



WOW - The Lady Warrior

Travel Club Terms and Conditions

Paying by internet for Travel Club trips

For those of you wanting to pay by internet, there is a **reference** listed for each of our events. You will find this reference in the pricing details at the bottom of each trip description.

Don't forget to also provide your name.

Our bank account details for your internet banking convenience:
BNZ 02-0688-0127658-00

Plus, you can still pay the following ways:

- Phone us with your Credit or Debit Card details
- Drop in and see Dee at Matipo Street with card or cash

Terms and Conditions:

Final payment is required to Tranzit no later than two weeks prior to the trip unless otherwise stated.

Concert bookings do require a non-refundable deposit to confirm you booking.

Cancellations:

We endeavour to refund fully where possible, however cancellations made within 48 hours of departure may incur fees of non-refundable components.

Photographs:

Whilst away with Tranzit Tours Travel Club, you may be included in photographs and/or films taken by our guides and drivers that will be used for future promotional advertising purposed and by booking on to any of our day trips and tours you authorise the use of any images you are captured in to be used without any further consent or payment.

To discuss any points above, give us a call on **0800 471 227**.



Waitangi Wharf - Chatham Island

Spend a few days away with us.

Current Tours

Give us a call to request an itinerary or register your interest if something takes your fancy. We look forward to arranging your next holiday!

Coromandel Getaway

5-11 April - full, waitlisting



Discover the endless coastlines and sandy coves, the rugged volcanic landscapes and native forests of this scenic region, along with many unique and quirky attractions.

With a mountainous interior cloaked in native rainforest and more than 400 kilometres of dazzling white sand beaches, the Coromandel is rustic, unspoiled and relaxed. You will love this tour.



Coromandel - Cathedral Cove

Central Otago Discovery

27 April - 4 May - limited spaces



A new tour on our calendar, we combine all that's great about this remarkable and unique region. An underlying history of the Otago Goldrush with its tales of endeavour and hardship, has left a legacy of quaint villages and stark sluiced landscapes. But with its blue lakes, stunning mountain ranges, ancient landscapes and the mighty Clutha River – ever present – this is a region of outstanding beauty. Visiting in April is a bonus as the colours of autumn erupt.

Ride the Rails

2-8 May - Hurry! Few seats left



Rediscover the joys of train travel as this special tour returns to our calendar for 2024. The world renowned TranzAlpine (Christchurch to Greymouth) and the scenic Coastal Pacific (Blenheim to Christchurch) excursions are special highlights, but we also discover vintage and branch lines, talk to genuine railway enthusiasts, and learn about the unique history of NZ rail.

Auckland Adventures

September(dates TBC)

Join us in the “City of Sails”. Surrounded by the sparkling waters of the Waitemata Harbour, Auckland City has much to offer, as we immerse ourselves in arts and culture, natural history and geology.



Ride the Rails - Coastal Pacific

Nelson Short Break

13-16 May - releasing soon



Join us for a feast of sightseeing around this artistically rich and scenically incomparable region. Visit one of NZ's oldest art galleries, drool over classic cars, have a laugh at Pic's Peanut Butter World, taste fresh fish and chips at the beach and wander gorgeous gardens. You're very welcome!



Nelson - Abel Tasman Coast

Greenstone Trail

October (dates to be confirmed)
– phone now to register your interest



Explore the wild West Coast of the South Island - one of New Zealand's most unspoilt regions. The Greenstone Trail is full of attractions that cover many of the 'must see and do's' of this area. Have you ever walked among the treetops in a South Westland Rainforest? Been wowed by the reflections at Lake Matheson? Explored the secret waterways of Okarito searching for the beautiful white heron? Then what are you waiting for?



Greenstone Trail - Lake Matheson

Cambridge in Spring

14-17 October – phone now to register your interest



Enjoy a spring break in the charming town of Cambridge. With plenty of great attractions to capture your attention, we are spoilt for choice. Visit Maungatautari Forest Sanctuary - an incredible conservation project. Take a tour of the Olympic standard Grassroots Cycling Velodrome, and visit heritage listed Woodlands Garden and Homestead. But there's more...we have packed plenty into this short getaway!



Cambridge - Hamilton Gardens

Top of the South

31 October - 7 November - phone now to register your interest

Join us as we discover the highlights of sunny Nelson, magic Marlborough and gorgeous Golden Bay. History, art and nature collide in this fabulous part of the world as we meet craftspeople and artisans, cruise on the Pelorus Sound,

the unmissable Abel Tasman and enjoy a day out on Farewell Spit – a world renowned nature reserve and a special highlight.



Top of the South - Split Apple Rock

Taranaki Gardens

November (dates to be confirmed) - phone now to register your interest

Taranaki boasts some of the best gardens in the country.

Join us as we visit at the height of spring, amid the colourful flurry of rhododendron season.

Molesworth Station

18-22 November - phone now to register your interest



We visit NZ's largest South Island station and discover further secret back country locations in the Nelson/Marlborough area, with a local tour operator who brings it to life with entertaining and informative commentary.

The Deep South

27 November - 6 December
- phone now to register your interest



Join us on our southern-most sojourn as we travel the full Southern Scenic Route from Dunedin via the ruggedly dramatic Catlins Coast to Invercargill, and on to stunning Fiordland. A cruise in tranquil Doubtful Sound and an overnight stay on Stewart Island are special highlights.



Deep South - Doubtful Sound

Chatham Island

12-17 December - phone now to register your interest



We return to this remote part of NZ to discover the unique landscapes and natural history, learn about the lifestyle of the Chatham Islanders and enjoy fabulous meals featuring abundant seafood. Every day is an adventure as our travels uncover unusual geological

geological formations, remote fishing villages and a rich flora and fauna - all interwoven with the unique Chathams history of the Moriori.



Chatham Island - Stone Cottage

Christmas in Christchurch

22 - 27 December - phone now to register your interest

This year we're off to Christchurch to celebrate Christmas in the "Garden City". Guaranteed to be fun, fabulous and festive!!



Christchurch - Canterbury Museum

Overseas Experiences for 2024

Melbourne Short Break

July (dates to be confirmed)
- phone now to register your interest

How about this short winter getaway? From our base in the heart of Melbourne, we'll explore this vibrant city, with the languid Yarra River running through its heart. From its parks and gardens to an escape into the Dandenong Ranges and the vineyards of the Yarra Valley. From its grand historic buildings to its multiple world class sporting venues, and a lively arts scene including hit musicals and stage-shows, Melbourne is the city that has it all.



Melbourne - Yarra River

Adelaide & Kangaroo Island

August (dates to be confirmed)
- phone now to register your interest

The gracious city of Adelaide is bursting with history, culture, flavours, events and entertainment. Barossa Valley, the Adelaide Hills, and long, white sand beaches await. A short ferry journey, but a world away is Kangaroo Island which offers incredible scenery, wildlife and artisan industries.



Adelaide City

Keep us In the Loop

Have you recently moved, got a cell phone, cut off your landline or changed your email address?

Do let us know, as we don't want you to miss out on receiving all the latest news, views and exciting new tours hitting the press.

If you don't want to receive our newsletters any longer we won't be hurt, we would far rather know than keep annoying you with unwanted mail.

The Important Stuff

Our promise: Tranzit Tours is a fun and adventurous team, where you always come first.

The Tranzit Tours difference gives you:

Door to door transfers

We never compromise on your comfort or safety – from the moment we pick you up from your front door, to the moment we drop you off at home.

All inclusive

From the moment our driver collects you from the front door your journey with us is convenient, relaxing and stress free. All your costs are paid for up front - accommodation, dinners, attractions and transfers. There are no hidden extras.

Destinations & Attractions

Our tours offer a mix of big-ticket wow factor attractions and destinations such as Doubtful Sound, the Moeraki Boulders and Taupo to lesser-seen landscapes - all from the comfort of a world class coach.



Taranaki Gardens



Central Otago - Clutha River

Out & About in 2024

Here are a few pics from a couple of recent tours, all in our beautiful country but a world apart in terms of scenery and experiences.

Great Barrier Island



Great Barrier Island is a gem hiding away out in the Hauraki Gulf, its rocky volcanic landscapes and endless beautiful beaches are the leading attractions.

High Country Station Tour

Meanwhile our High Country Station tour showcases the mountainous landscapes of the Canterbury High Country, and the tour provides the rare opportunity to meet the owners who farm this remote and spectacular area.



Bay of Plenty Expo

Our Tranzit Tours Manager Robin Corbett and Bay of Plenty driver Darryl recently attended the Seniors & Travel Expo at Bay Park in Mt Maunganui. This co-incided with the launch of the Bay of Plenty's first day tour happening in May - a visit to Tio Ōhiwa Oyster Farm, located in the heart of Ōhiwa Harbour.





Motunau Beach

Book now

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