

New Zealand: Hidden Treasures of the Far North

MAORI LEGENDS, BAY OF ISLANDS, TE ARAROA



Wilderness Travel



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TRIP DATES

2026

January 18-25, 2026
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March 15-22, 2026

A thriving Maori culture, impeccable stretches of native forest and sheltered beach, a perfect subtropical climate—this is New Zealand's North Island, with its own distinctive South Pacific character. We'll boat out to the marine sanctuary of Poor Knights Islands for snorkeling and kayaking, explore seaside Russell, New Zealand's first European settlement, sample an array of fresh cuisine and fine wines from the region, hike the Te Araroa Trail along the Kerikeri River, and explore the northern reaches of Whangaroa, home to stunning white-sand beaches and native forest. Our hikes are varied and our small group size (maximum 12) makes for a flexible adventure.





Itinerary

TRIP DETAILS AT-A-GLANCE

Length: 8 days
Arrive: Auckland, New Zealand
Depart: Kerikeri, New Zealand
Lodging: 7 nights hotels and lodges
Meals: All meals included except 1 dinner (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
Activity: Hiking / Trekking, Walking
Trip Level: 1 2 ③ 4 5 6
 Moderate hiking, 2-4 hours a day on hiking days, optional sea kayaking and snorkeling (no previous experience necessary)

DAY 1 ARRIVE AUCKLAND

Arrive in Auckland, the home of the America's Cup, the oldest trophy in international sport. Transfer on your own via taxi to the QT Hotel. Auckland has a vibrant waterfront, full of megayachts and lined with bars and cafes, and you may have time to explore a bit before gathering for a Welcome Dinner and trip orientation meeting this evening. Overnight at the QT Auckland Hotel...D

DAY 2 WAIPU COASTAL WALKWAY / WHANGAREI FALLS

A short drive brings us to Devonport, where we'll walk through the village and up to North Head, a historic site with sweeping views over the Waitemata Harbour and Auckland. Afterwards, we'll walk along the Waipu Coastal Walkway, a fantastic path that passes pancake rocks similar to those found at South Island's Punakaiki and grants us with stunning vistas between Waipu Cove and Ding Bay. After lunch at a local cafe, we drive to Whangarei Falls and walk through Kauri forest and later continue to Tutukaka for dinner. Overnight at Lodge 9, our boutique accommodation nestled in a private valley behind the bustle of Tutukaka Marina on the picturesque Tutukaka Coast...BLD

Driving Details: Approximately 3.5 hours

Hiking Details: Approximately 3 hours, 4 miles, elevation gain/loss of 415 feet

DAY 3 POOR KNIGHTS ISLANDS BY BOAT / SNORKELING AND KAYAKING

A spectacular boat journey is a great way to experience the Poor Knights Islands, a marine reserve 11 miles off the Tutukaka Coast and washed by warm sea currents from the Coral Sea. These remote islands were occupied by Maori for many generations until the early 19th century, with each island ruled by a different Maori

hapu (family tribal group). The islands were one of the first marine sanctuaries established in New Zealand and have been a huge conservation success story, with adjacent fisheries having improved dramatically. On this special day, we'll be aboard a well-outfitted boat with indoor and outdoor seating and a great "fish cam" to bring us live underwater shots.

Today is a day for sea kayaking, cave exploration, swimming, spotting sea mammals, and enjoying great food (snorkeling equipment is provided). Our day may bring us sightings of common and bottlenose dolphins and perhaps the orca, minke, Bryde's, and pilot whales that feed off the coast. There are also breeding colonies of rare seabirds on the Poor Knights Islands, including ternlets and Buller's shearwater. Bellbirds, native hawk, native parrot, native cuckoo, and kingfishers create the island's birdsong. We return to the mainland for overnight at Lodge 9...BLD

DAY 4 WHANANAKI COASTAL WALKWAY / RUSSELL

Today's beautiful coastal hike rewards us with spectacular views across Sandy Bay to the Poor Knights Islands. One story of how the Poor Knights Islands came upon their name is that they resemble a knight laid out on the ground with his hands across his chest, clasping the hilt of his sword (in the Middle Ages, poor knights could not afford a proper burial). In the afternoon, we drive on to Russell, which holds an important place in New Zealand's history as the country's first seaport and its first European settlement. After checking in at "The Duke," founded in 1827, we'll spend some time

on a walking tour through the town, which has its original street names from the 1800s. We'll mingle with locals and visit historic sites. Today Russell (Kororareka in the Maori language) is a quaint seaside village but it was once THE place where whalers, explorers, and other seamen came to party, earning itself the moniker among the missionaries as "the Hellhole of the South Pacific." Dinner is on your own this evening and your Trip Leader will be happy to give recommendations depending on how local or fancy you wish to go...BL

Driving Time: Approximately 2 hours

Hiking Details: Approximately 4 hours, 5.5 miles, elevation gain/loss of 800 feet

DAY 5 RUSSELL / BAY OF ISLANDS

We take a 15-minute ferry to Paihia, where we have breakfast, and then board a boat to head out into the Bay of Islands, one of New Zealand's most beautiful maritime and wildlife sanctuaries. We'll breathe in the fresh sea breeze, enjoy the spectacular scenery, and watch for the local little blue penguin (the world's smallest penguin), diving gannets, other ocean birds, and marine mammals like common dolphins and whales. Along the way we'll chat about the history, conservation projects, and diverse wildlife in the Bay of Islands, including the organization Project Island Song, which works to protect and restore the natural ecosystems of the Bay of Islands and which Wilderness Travel supports financially. We'll stop for a hike at an island sanctuary and look for the reintroduced species of birds that Project Island Song



has successfully accomplished. Our cruise ends in the mid-afternoon and there's time to do a little shopping before we return to Russell for overnight. Dinner and overnight at The Duke of Marlborough Hotel...BLD

Hiking Details: Approximately 1 hour

Wildlife Cruise: 6 hours

DAY 6 KERIKERI / WAITANGI TREATY GROUNDS / DOUBTLESS BAY

This morning we visit New Zealand's most important historic site and the birthplace of the nation: the Waitangi Treaty Grounds. The treaty signed here has become the focal point for race relations in New Zealand. We'll have lunch beside the historic Stone Store, followed by a short walk on the Te Araroa Trail along the Kerikeri River. The Stone Store and the neighboring Kemp House are the only survivors of the Church Missionary Society's second Anglican mission to New Zealand, founded in 1819 on land granted to the mission by the powerful Maori chief, Hongi Hika. A drive along the coast in New Zealand's pristine and picturesque Northland brings us to our accommodation, Doubtless Bay Villas, set on one of New Zealand's most beautiful beaches...BLD

Driving Time: Approximately 1.5 hours

Hiking Details: Approximately 1.5 hours, 2 miles, elevation gain/loss of 200 feet

DAY 7 WHANGAROA

A short drive brings us to our first hike of the day in Whangaroa, set in a stunning natural bay blanketed in native forest. It's a relatively short ramble up to the base of St. Pauls Rock, revealing panoramic vistas stretching over the harbor. For those who wish, you can continue up a chain ladder to "summit" the rock itself for completely unobstructed views of the area. We'll continue on to our next hike along the Mahinepua Peninsula Track, a moderate but well-marked trail that traverses the spine of the peninsula to the beach, with a picnic lunch en route. From Matauri Bay, a white-sand beach with a popular surf spot for locals, we'll walk to the Rainbow Warrior Memorial at the top of the headlands. The memorial was created by sculptor Chris Booth and commemorates the Greenpeace ship that protested French nuclear testing in the South Pacific and was destroyed in Auckland in 1985 by French government agents. We gather for our festive Farewell Dinner this evening at a wonderful seafood restaurant. Overnight at Doubtless Bay Villas...BLD

Driving Time: Approximately 1 hour

Hiking Details: Approximately 3 hours, 5 miles, elevation gain/loss of 850 feet

DAY 8 KERIKERI / DEPART

After breakfast, transfer to Kerikeri Airport to check-in for domestic flights scheduled to depart after 12:00 pm...B

Driving Time: Approximately 1 hour



Pricing

TRIP COST

Prices are per person, valid through Spring 2026

\$6,395 (10-12 members)

\$6,795 (4-9 members)

Single supplement: \$1,350

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To offer the lowest possible cost, our trips are priced according to the number of participants on the trip. All costs are per person, based on double occupancy. If you wish to have a single room, you must pay the single supplement fee. Please note that Wilderness Travel staff, or guests of Wilderness Travel such as travel writers, photographers, or leaders-in-training, are not included in the tier pricing count.

CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE

Because the prices published for our program are set so far in advance of the trip dates, we are occasionally faced with exceptional cost increases and/or currency fluctuations that affect the actual cost of running the trip. In most years, no price changes are necessary. However, we do reserve the right to raise or lower the trip price if there is a significant change in costs or exchange rates. If this is the case, your final invoice will reflect the difference in trip cost.

TRIP COST INCLUDES

- Expert leadership of Wilderness Travel Trip Leaders and local guides
- Accommodations as noted
- All meals included except 1 dinner as indicated in the Detailed Itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
- A glass of wine or beer at dinner
- Land and boat transportation as noted
- Airport or hotel transfer on the last day of the trip

TRIP COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

International airfare, any meals not specified after each itinerary day, airport departure taxes, optional activities, optional tipping or gratuities to leaders or staff, additional hotel nights that may be necessitated by airline schedule changes or other factors, pre-trip expenses of medical immunizations (if any), travel insurance, or passports and visas, and other expenses of a personal nature (alcoholic drinks, laundry, etc.).

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

At time of reservation: \$600

90 days prior to departure: Balance

CANCELLATION AND TRANSFER FEE SCHEDULE

Up to 91 days prior to departure: No charge!

61-90 days prior to departure: 25% of trip cost

46-60 days prior to departure: 50% of trip cost

45 days or less: 100% of trip cost

TRAVEL INSURANCE

We highly recommend you purchase travel insurance. You can take advantage of a comprehensive Travel Protection Plan designed for Wilderness Travel by Travelex, or purchase other insurance on your own. See our website for details:

www.wildernesstravel.com/insurance

Extensions

To help you make the most of your adventure, we've created several exciting trip extensions. For detailed information, including full itineraries and complete pricing, please visit our webpage and click on "Extend Your Trip": www.wildernesstravel.com/trip/new-zealand/north-island-hiking-tour/extensions



AUCKLAND AND THE ISLANDS OF THE HAURAKI GULF EXTENSION

Considered to be some of the best cruising grounds in the world, the islands of the Hauraki gulf lie within close proximity to Auckland, but offer experiences that are a world away from bustling city life. You'll explore this diverse range of islands as well as Auckland's vibrant waterfront on this five-day extension before or after one of our New Zealand adventures. Based from your Auckland waterfront hotel and accompanied by one of our fantastic Trip Leaders, visit the Auckland War Memorial Museum, sample some of the city's fabulous "kai moana," or seafood, at lovely restaurants, and take day trips by ferry to three distinct islands. Spend a day on Tiritiri Matangi, a wildlife sanctuary and successful conservation story with prolific birdlife, climb to the top of Rangitoto, a volcanic island that juts dramatically from the sea, and walk along gorgeous sandy beaches on Waiheke Island, a haven for artists and winemakers.

5 days. From \$2,995.

Lodging



QT AUCKLAND

Auckland, New Zealand

Day 1 (1 night)

An easy walk to either the restaurants of Viaduct Harbour or Wynyard Quarter, the QT offers beautiful modern rooms and a rooftop bar with fantastic views of the city and harbor. The onsite restaurant features Mediterranean cuisine.



LODGE 9

Tutukaka, New Zealand

Days 2 to 3 (2 nights)

With only six guest rooms, Lodge 9 is a small yet charming base for our explorations in Tutukaka. There is a common lounge area that opens up to a wide veranda where you can enjoy complimentary tapas and wines in the evening. The hotel also has a saltwater pool, sauna, and is a short walk to the town.



DUKE OF MARLBOROUGH HOTEL

Russell, New Zealand

Days 4 to 5 (2 nights)

The Duke of Marlborough Hotel is located in the heart of Russell, right near the waterfront. It was one of the first land sales to a European in New Zealand back in 1827, and operated as a hotel for whalers during their breaks to re-stock boats. The lobby and guest rooms feature vintage photographs of the area, and the hotel also has a nice restaurant that is popular among locals.

Lodging



DOUBTLESS BAY VILLAS

Cable Bay, New Zealand

Days 6 to 7 (2 nights)

Set high on a hill overlooking a tranquil bay, this hotel is the perfect introduction to New Zealand's North Island. We stay in two-bedroom, two-bathroom apartments with spacious living rooms, modern furnishings, and large bathrooms, and airy sliding-glass doors leading out to a private deck or balcony with fantastic ocean views of the pink-sand beach, a lovely place to watch the sunset. The villas also have free WiFi. You can upgrade to your own private apartment for the two-night stay at an additional cost and subject to availability.

These are our signature accommodations for this trip. Although it is highly unlikely, we may make substitutions when necessary. To see more photos and descriptions, please visit our *New Zealand: Hidden Treasures of the Far North* webpage and click on the "Accommodations" tab.

Arrival & Departure

Upon confirming your trip reservation, we will send you a Welcome Packet that includes a list of documents (passport, visas, etc.) required for your trip. Please feel free to call if you would like this information before making your air arrangements.

If you have booked extra services before or after the trip, an Extra Services Confirmation will be sent with your Final Documents.

ARRIVAL & MEETING PLACE

Auckland, New Zealand

Suggested Airport: Auckland Airport (AKL)

Suggested Date & Time: Day 1, anytime before 2:30 pm

Meeting Place: You will meet your Trip Leader in the lobby of the QT Auckland Hotel for an orientation meeting and welcome dinner at 5:30 pm on Day 1.

Trip members are responsible for transferring from Auckland International Airport to the QT Auckland Hotel. Taxi/Uber fare is approximately \$60-\$70NZD. Service by shared shuttle is also available from the airport outside the terminal building (easy to recognize mini-vans usually painted with bright colors). The fare for a shuttle is approximately \$40 NZD for a single (\$50 NZD for 2 guests) and can be booked ahead of time at www.supershuttle.co.nz.

DEPARTURE

Kerikeri, New Zealand

Suggested Airport: Bay of Islands Airport (KKE)

Suggested Date & Time: Day 8, anytime after 12:00 pm

A complimentary transfer to the Bay of Islands airport will be provided to all trip members departing on the last day of the trip. We recommend scheduling departing flights from 12:00 noon or later.

INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL

You are responsible for making your own arrangements for flights to and from New Zealand. There are many online consolidators for booking travel, but for more personal help arranging air transport, you can contact Exito Travel at 970-818-8459 in the US or Canada. They are very adept at putting flight itineraries together, to even the most far-flung places. More information can be found at www.exitotravel.com.

Depending on your routing, it is necessary to depart from the US one or possibly two days prior to Day 1 of the trip itinerary. The name on your airline ticket must match the name on your passport exactly, and your passport must be valid for at least six months after your date of return to the US.

Please do not purchase your tickets until you are confirmed on the trip. Once tickets are purchased, please forward a copy of your email flight confirmation from the airline. It is your responsibility to ensure your flight times coordinate with the arrival and departure logistics for this trip.

Trip Leaders

Our New Zealand Trip Leaders are the best and most experienced guides in the country, with a gift for bringing history and culture to life. Their long-term friendships with locals and deep knowledge and insights give you the privilege of an authentic insider's perspective as they introduce you to the welcoming people and natural beauty of this wonderful part of the world.



WILLIAM FULLER

William is a New Zealander through and through. He has lived in the Bay of Islands or Bay of Plenty regions his entire life, and loves exploring all this country has to offer. He earned a degree in Mathematics from Auckland University, and was a primary school teacher for 35 years (including being a principal). He has walked the North Island section of the Te Araroa trail in 2015, and is also a keen kayaker of both oceans and lakes. William's interest in Te Reo Māori (Māori language) allows him to translate many of the place names in New Zealand, and assists greatly in identifying local birds and plants.



JON IMHOOF

Jon Imhoof has a degree in Anthropology from the University of Hawaii, where he first began leading hiking and sailing trips in the 1980s. He moved to Queenstown, New Zealand, in 1989, and has since been an innovator in adventure tourism, starting the first river-surfing company in the world in Queenstown, and then also on the Zambezi River in Southern Africa. Jon began leading our hiking trips in New Zealand, and guides our snorkeling and swimming with whales journeys in Tonga, as well as our exploration of the islands of Vanuatu. He loves to show off his adopted homeland of New Zealand. Jon lives in Gibbston, a world renowned pinot noir growing area outside of Queenstown, with his wife Ali and enjoys surfing, kayaking, kitesurfing, scuba diving, mountain biking, and just about anything else outdoors.



ZAC IMHOOF

Born and raised in Tahuna (Queenstown), New Zealand's adventure capital, Zac thrives in the outdoors and is the perfect travel companion on our New Zealand adventures. As the son of beloved WT Trip Leader Jon Imhoof, Zac takes to any adventure like a fish to water and has spent most of his life snowboarding, surfing, climbing, and biking. Zac is right at home in the New Zealand bush and will enlighten you with his knowledge of food foraging, medicinal plants, and traditional uses of plants for weaving baskets, braiding rope, or carving. He has also been fortunate enough to sail around Australia and the South Pacific, becoming well-versed in the ways of the Pacific Ocean and the many cultures that thrive there. Outside of leading trips, Zac started two community-based projects in Ōtautahi (Christchurch), where he helps people be more sustainable through repairing worn goods and upcycling plastic items.

Trip Leaders



KAREN KOENS

Born and raised on the South Island of New Zealand, Karen has been fortunate to have had both the majestic Southern Alps and the vast ocean beaches on her doorstep. She is an accomplished downhill and backcountry skier, ice climber, and mountaineer, having scaled multiple 10,000-foot peaks and participated in remote multi-day expeditions. On the ocean, she owns her own 45-foot sailboat, and is a proven boat captain, having completed four ocean passages. Karen resides in Auckland and loves exploring the volcanic islands, discovering the multitude of hiking tracks, and enjoying the lush landscapes and cultural diversity. Her interests include mountain biking, road cycling, whitewater rafting, wakeboarding, pickleball, and tennis.

What to Expect

WHAT THE TRIP IS LIKE

This trip is rated a Level 3 (Moderate) according to our trip grading system. This is a trip for people who enjoy hiking. In general, you can set your own pace while hiking, and there is no need to keep up with the fastest walkers. You will need to be comfortable hiking up to 6 miles a day and being on your feet for 4-5 hours a day. Trail conditions, weather, and the group's level of fitness can affect hiking times and pacing.

TERRAIN

Although you carry only a daypack, there are some steep ascents and descents and some sections that cross rough or rocky trails. On one or two occasions, our hiking routes cross an estuary or small stream and you will likely get your shoes wet (bring some Tevas or shoes appropriate for walking through water). You must be confident in your balance for these sections of the trail that include loose gravel and wet rocks.

GETTING IN SHAPE

We strongly urge you to train for your trip, as your enjoyment will be highly dependent on your level of fitness. The best training for a hike is to hike, especially over hills or rough terrain. Next best are running, swimming, bicycling, or other cardiovascular exercises. Stair-climbing machines are excellent preparation for hiking uphill. Your feet should also be well prepared—make sure your hiking boots are sturdy, comfortable, and thoroughly broken-in.

WEATHER

Temperatures on the North Island in midsummer usually range between 65°-72°F, but it can get much colder. Since the weather in New Zealand is often variable so we may occasionally have to wait for it to change in order to

participate in our planned activities or change our activities to suit the weather. In such a case, we may rearrange the daily itinerary to accommodate the weather conditions.

ACCOMMODATIONS

We stay in a range of delightful accommodations along the way. The rooms are not always of uniform or international size. Our leaders do their best to assign rooms in a fair way so that all participants experience an equal advantage throughout the trip as a whole. Single rooms can be requested but are not always available, due to the limited space in the hotels. If you prefer a single room, please make your request as early as possible.

CUISINE

One of the highlights of this trip is the chance to enjoy the fresh local food New Zealand is famous for. We'll be close to the source of much of the food we eat, experiencing a variety of dining experiences, most of which will also be memorable for the location and the company.

TRANSPORTATION

Our van will transport the group's luggage, so you only need to carry a daypack for items you need for the day (rain gear, sweater, camera, water bottle, etc.). Trip members are always free to skip a day's hike and travel to the next destination in the support vehicle (or spend the day in town).

CHOOSING THE RIGHT TRIP

Adventure travel often involves exotic destinations, unusual levels of physical exertion, or activities you may not have participated in previously. We work hard to help you choose the right trip for you, paying attention to your individual interests, abilities, and needs. If you have questions about

HIKING DETAILS BY DAY				DRIVING DETAILS
DAY	HOURS	MILES	ELEV. GAIN/LOSS	HOURS
1				
2	3 hours	5 miles	+/-900'	3.5 hours
3				
4	4 hours	5.5 miles	+/-800'	2 hours
5	1 hour			6 hours cruise
6	1.5 hours	2 miles	+/-200'	1.5 hours
7	4 hours	4.5 miles	+/-800'	1 hour
8				1 hour

What the Trip is Like

AVERAGE DAILY MAX/MIN °F												
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Auckland	74/61	75/62	72/59	68/55	63/52	59/48	58/46	59/47	61/50	64/53	67/55	71/59
Kerikeri	73/59	74/60	72/58	69/56	65/51	61/48	60/47	60/48	62/49	65/50	67/53	70/57
RAINFALL - INCHES												
Auckland	0.6	0.6	0.5	1.0	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.1	1.4	1.4	0.8	1.0
Kerikeri	2.0	2.2	2.6	3.8	4.1	3.8	4.9	4.9	3.2	2.1	1.6	3.1

the level of comfort or any of the activities described in this itinerary, please call Wilderness Travel at 1-800-368-2794 and ask for the Pacific Manager or email us at pacific@wildernesstravel.com.

REFERENCES

We'd be happy to put you in touch with a past client that has traveled with us on this or a similar trip.

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YOUR SECOND TRIP

A top quality Wilderness Travel stainless steel water bottle by Klean Kanteen and a cozy Wilderness Travel fleece vest by Patagonia (\$100 value).

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A versatile Wilderness Travel R-1 pullover by Patagonia (\$130 value).

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Discounts on the cost of your trip begin! You receive a 4% discount on the tour cost.

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TERMS & CONDITIONS

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+ KLEEN KANTEEN 27OZ WATER BOTTLE



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Trip of the Year: *Outside Magazine*, 9-time winner

50 Tours of a Lifetime: *National Geographic Traveler*, 9 years in a row

Best Adventure Travel Companies: *National Geographic Adventure*, 3-time winner

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