

An aerial photograph of a vast, snow-covered mountain range. The snow is bright white and textured, with deep shadows in the crevasses. In the middle ground, a helicopter is parked on a flat snowfield, with a small group of people standing nearby. The overall scene is serene and majestic.

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## New Zealand Itinerary

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12 Day / 11 Night Private Charter Sample Itinerary

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## Overview

ARRIVE	DEPART	NIGHTS	DESTINATION	ACCOMMODATION	ROOM TYPE
Day 1	Day 4	3	Queenstown	Matakauri Lodge	
Day 4	Day 6	2	Lake Wanaka	Minaret Station Alpine Lodge	
Day 6	Day 9	3	Taupo	Huka Lodge	
Day 9	Day 12	3	Russell	Eagles Nest	

## Accommodation

### Matakauri Lodge

Matakauri Lodge is an alpine lakeside retreat nestled in serenely beautiful landscapes. It is spectacularly situated on Lake Wakatipu and only seven minutes away from Queenstown. The main lodge offers accommodation in twelve luxurious guest rooms and suites, with eight outlying cottages and four suites within the lodge. Each suite features a private porch, bedroom with sitting area and open fireplace as well as walk in wardrobes and a bathroom, all nestled in native forest overlooking the lake and the mountain panorama. The lodge offers guests spacious lounges, dining and living areas, all with lake views and a range of indoor and outdoor dining options, including superb private dining. Facilities include a full service luxury spa, infinity pool, a fully equipped fitness center and an elegant meeting and business center. The Owner's Cottage features four suites in a freestanding residence, private Jacuzzi, lounge, kitchen and grand courtyard. It is ideal for families, couples or friends traveling together and special celebrations.

*This property includes Pre-Dinner Drinks.*

Check In 14:00

Check Out 11:00



### Minaret Station Alpine Lodge

Minaret Station Alpine Lodge welcomes guests to an authentic high country New Zealand experience. Located at the head of a stunning picturesque glacial valley in the heart of the Southern Alps and only accessible by helicopter, Minaret Station treats those fortunate enough to experience the wilderness landscape to comfort and style in the New Zealand mountains. Guests are hosted in luxuriously furnished chalets complete with king beds, a private deck set with hot tub, full luxurious en suites and all-inclusive mini bar and amenities. Numerous tailored exclusive activity options ensure a premium stay in a spectacular setting. These range from personalized farm tours of Minaret Station, charter scenic flights, alpine gourmet picnics in the mountains, glacier landing and the fiords of the Fiordland and Mount Aspiring National Parks. Guided heli hiking, heli fly fishing and biking or just relaxing in the individual private hot tubs are highlights of a guest's stay.

Check In 14:00

Check Out 11:00

*\*Please note there is limited cellphone reception at this property.*

*\*Luggage restrictions apply. Helicopter transfers can accommodate a small or medium soft bag and hand luggage for each passenger. Large hard suitcases cannot be accommodated and luggage storage can be arranged (at additional cost).*



### Huka Lodge

Huka Lodge lies within magnificent grounds beside the hypnotic turquoise waters of the Waikato River, in New Zealand. The retreat is well known for its superb location and warm hospitality since the 1920's. Within 17 acres of magnificent manicured grounds, guest accommodation is available in 25 suites. All accommodations nestle along the banks of the magnificent Waikato River, upstream from the mighty Huka Falls.

*This property includes Pre-Dinner Drinks.*

Check In 14.00

Check Out 11:00

*\*Huka Lodge have a selection of private dining locations from the lovely Outside Fireplace to the Wine Cellar. On a beautiful day the Jetty Pavilion is also a favourite! Please advise Seasonz if you would like us to pre book these for your stay.*



## Eagles Nest

Eagles Nest offers five luxurious villas nestled into an extravagantly beautiful island like peninsula, along a ridge line that drops into a valley, reminiscent of a huge nest. Ancient eagles once soared in the pristine skies. Culinary resources, include fabulous resident chefs, a superb wine cellar and fresh locally sourced foods, creating memorable dining experiences in the guest villas. Spa therapists are available for exquisite in villa treatments and the resident personal trainer can help maintain or enhance guests' regimen. The Bay of Islands is renowned for a huge variety of water sports. The constantly changing skies and ocean, the boats, wildlife, sunrises and sunsets are a spectacular magnet, and the different colors, tones, the sound of the waves and bird life attract travelers to the essence of life, nature and serenity. The villas at Eagles Nest are the ideal balance and antidote to the hectic modern, urban lifestyle. Sited and designed to maximize and enhance the views, large windows open to the sea and subtropical landscapes, seamlessly connecting the outdoors to the interior spaces. Consistently elegant, simple style with eclectic informal interiors, enhance inspiring views. The infrastructure of the charming and historic village of Russell is just two minutes away.

Check In 14:00

Check Out 11:00



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## Day 1

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Arrive Auckland, New Zealand

Meet & Greet at Auckland Airport with inter-terminal transfer

Charter Flight from Auckland Airport [AKL] to Queenstown Airport [ZQN]

Private Transfer from Queenstown Airport to Matakauri Lodge

Afternoon at leisure. We recommend the following optional activities:

- Skyline Gondola and Luge
- Tandem Paragliding

**Overnight Matakauri Lodge:** Breakfast and Dinner




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## Day 2

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10:00 Off-Road Buggy Expedition

Experience the thrills and excitement of this off-roading excursion as you explore the many trails located around Queenstown's stunning Wakatipu Valley. The latest model 6-seater buggy you will travel in can conquer almost any terrain. It is the perfect vehicle to explore a range of exhilarating terrain including steep mountain climbs, creek crossings and beautiful forest tracks and trails.

12:00 Shotover Jet

Today 'Catch the canyons' with Shotover Jet. The World's most exciting Jet Boat ride. This is a thrilling thirty minute jetboat ride you'll never forget! The Shotover Canyon walls tower over you as your driver skilfully whips the boat past rocky outcrops, and skims around crags and boulders!

13:00 Historic Arrowtown

Enjoy a visit to the nearby historic gold mining village of Arrowtown, purveying a combination of historic buildings and quiet charm. The growing café culture means there are great cafés and restaurants to choose from for a delicious meal. Being an artistic town, there is artwork ranging from traditional to contemporary on exhibit in the many homestead studios surrounding Arrowtown.

**Overnight Matakauri Lodge:** Breakfast and Dinner



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## Day 3

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Day at Leisure. We recommend the following optional activities:

- Half-Day Queenstown Canyoning
- Queenstown Tandem Skydiving
- Guided Art Tour in the Southern Lakes Region
- Lake Hayes Walk
- Cycling and Sightseeing in the Queenstown Region
- Dart River Jetboat and Funyak Excursion
- Queenstown 4WD Lord of the Rings Tour
- Horse Riding in the Moonlight Country

**Overnight Matakauri Lodge:** Breakfast and Dinner




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## Day 4

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09:30 Private Transfer to helipad

Helicopter flight from Queenstown Airport [ZQN] to Minaret Station Alpine Lodge

10:00 Enroute enjoy the Fiordland Heli Traverse

Explore this famously remote and untouched part of New Zealand by helicopter. Experience flying up close to 2000ft waterfalls, traversing the majestic fiords, dropping in amongst the NZ fur seals, foraging for fresh lobster, hovering over glaciers, landing in the snow for photo memories against the mountain backdrop, and enjoy a gourmet BBQ picnic lunch up on the mountain skyline. This is a completely tailored experience and will unquestionably be a highlight of your trip.

\*Please dress warmly and wear comfortable walking shoes. Bring sunglasses, sunhat and sunscreen.

**Overnight Minaret Station Alpine Lodge:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



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## Day 5

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Day at Leisure. We recommend the following optional activities:

- High Country Station Muster
- Minaret Station Heli-Biking
- Heli Lake-Fishing
- High Country Hiking

**Overnight Minaret Station Alpine Lodge:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner




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## Day 6

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- 09:30 Helicopter flight from Minaret Station Alpine Lodge to Wanaka Airport [WKA]  
 10:00 Private Helicopter Transfer to Queenstown Airport  
 11:00 Charter flight from Wanaka Airport [WKA] to Wellington Airport [WLG]  
 13:00 VIP Hands On Experience at Weta Cave Workshop

Today enjoy a Weta Workshop VIP Experience. Receive a warm welcome from one of their senior crew members. They will show you to the World Famous Weta Cave with its plethora of photo opportunities and otherworldly souvenirs. You will have the opportunity to watch the behind-the-scenes movie where the crew and owners of Weta Workshop show you their craft and tell their story.

See how the movie magic is created at Park Road Post Production where you can enjoy an exclusive tour of the Foley room, the sound recording studio and the private cinema. You will then be whisked away and taken on an educational guided walk, with a workshop Technician and they will share their knowledge of Weta's creative processes using props, costumes and items they have made. There has even been a little hands-on demonstration arranged for those who like to get involved!

- 16:00 Charter flight from Wellington Airport [ALG] to Taupo Airport [TPO]  
 17:00 Private Vehicle Transfer from Taupo Airport to Huka Lodge

**Overnight Huka Lodge:** Breakfast and Dinner



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## Day 7

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### 10:00 Ingo Maori Cultural Experience

Rotorua is the world's premiere Maori arts, culture and geothermal region. You will be welcomed into Te Puia and will make your way through to Te Whakarewarewa geothermal valley where you will enjoy the sights and sounds of this magnificent thermal park before your private dining experience.

Experience the natural wonder of the Pohutu geyser and also visit the New Zealand Arts and Crafts Institute before departing this magnificent thermal valley.

### 14:00 Rotorua Mountain Bike Adventure

Rotorua has some of the best mountain biking on the planet. Surrounded by forest you have over 200kms of purpose built single track on our doorstep, beautiful lakes to cycle to and spectacular rides through thermal areas. Your ride is very much catered to you on the day, and after a short warm-up, you choose from the many options to suit your skill and fitness level, providing a fantastic experience.

\*Please wear shorts, breathable riding shirt or t-shirt, thermal underclothing layers, lightweight rain jacket, gloves (optional) and sports shoes. Please also bring a change of clothes, towel, sun hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, insect repellent, personal drink bottle and camera.

### Overnight Huka Lodge: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner




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## Day 8

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Day at Leisure. We recommend the following optional activities:

- White Island & Mt Tarawera Volcanic Helicopter Safari
- Full Day Guided Tongariro Crossing
- Full Day Fly-Fishing incl. Lunch
- Hobbiton Movie Set & Farm Tour
- Exclusive Lost World Tour

### Overnight Huka Lodge: Breakfast and Dinner



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## Day 9

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- 11:00 Private Vehicle Transfer to Taupo Airport
- 11:30 Charter flight from Taupo Airport [TUO] to Bay of Islands Airport [KKE]
- 12:15 Private Vehicle Transfer to Accommodation
- Afternoon at leisure. We recommend the following optional activities:
- Russell Sightseeing
  - Bay of Islands Walk

**Overnight Eagles Nest:** Breakfast and Dinner




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## Day 10

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- 10:00 Bay of Islands Boat Cruise incl. Lunch (Motor Launch)

Enjoy a fantastic day out on an amazing motor launch, offering you a totally unique way to experience New Zealand's world famous Bay of Islands. Guided by our professional and knowledgeable crew enjoy beach combing and a light walk. Your skipper will also dive for fresh seafood for lunch! As you cruise the stunning harbour you will also become aware of the significance of the Maori and maritime history in the area. \*Please bring your camera, hat, sunglasses, warm jacket, swimwear, towels and sunscreen.

- 12:00 Jet Ski Safari through Bay of Islands

Experience the Bay of Islands with a Jet Ski Safari, this may include island hopping and blasting through caves, tunnels, lagoons and beautiful beaches."Your guide will recommend the best locations based on weather conditions on the day. Minimum driver age is 16 years old.

\*Please bring a hat, sunglasses, swimwear, and sunscreen. A spray jacket and life jacket will be provided.

**Overnight Eagles Nest:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



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## Day 11

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### 10:00 Northland Helicopter Excursion

Fly over spectacular Northland, Whangaroa and Parengarenga Harbours, and beautiful beaches including the famous Ninety Mile Beach. You will see giant sand dunes of pure white silica sand fringed by crystal clear water. This tour takes you along the coastline north of Matauri Bay, including Cape Karikari, before heading to Cape Reinga, the northern most point in New Zealand. As you travel North, enjoy the magnificent sweeping views of Te Werahi beach down to Cape Maria Van Diemen, the crashing turmoil as the Tasman Sea and the mighty Pacific Ocean collide, the splendid isolation of the lighthouse and the location of the Spirit Tree; these are just some of the highlights of this extremely spiritual place. Track the wild horses running freely on the grasslands backing this endless strip of beach.

### 11:00 Quad Biking at Great Exhibition Bay

With its pristine white sand and clear green and blue waters Great Exhibition Bay Beach is breath-taking and perfect for Quad Biking fun! The tour starts at a private farm whose boundary runs into the sand dunes that edge the beach. Dipping in through the sand dune entry points will lead you through a variety of scenery and be sure to keep your eyes open for the sunbathing Sealions that occasionally bask at Parengarenga Harbour overlooking Te Kao Bay. Enjoy a stop for light refreshments and the opportunity to relax on the beach or get your feet wet with a drink in hand! \*Return helicopter transfer required. \*We recommend covered shoes, comfortable warm clothes, a jacket and sunglasses.

\*Minimum Age to drive is 14 years.

### Overnight Eagles Nest: Breakfast and Dinner



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## Day 12

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Helicopter flight from Eagles Nest to Auckland Airport [AKL]

Depart Auckland, New Zealand

