



Gorgeous Safari to New Zealand - Sample Itinerary

Sunday 3rd - Sunday 10th April 2016

Day 1 - Sunday 3rd April

Morning depart Sydney approx 8am/**arrive Queenstown.** Group transfer at 3.00pm for arrivals on the 2.20pm & 2.25pm flights. **(TBC)**

Transport to Hilton Queenstown.

The Hilton in Queenstown is a wonderful place for us to relax and not have to unpack again. The view is magnificent over the lake to the mountains beyond. There are many areas you can relax in, some with log fires. You'll love the hotel's Eforea spa, which we are booked into to return us to our glowing beautiful best! There is a swimming pool and gym for those who want to exercise though there are lovely paths around the lake, which we recommend to get into that fresh mountain air.

Once you're settled, we'll meet at the Hotel's wine tasting bar for a welcome glass of heavenly pinot at 4.30pm - actually we are in the "Pinot Pit" - a true 1960s style conversation pit with log fire. As we'll be on Australian time, we will then move to an early dinner at one of Queenstown's beautiful restaurants...actually the Hotel's own Wakatipu Grill. **Drinks, snack, D**

Day 2 - Monday 4th April

Breakfast in hotel.

A water taxi across to Queenstown and some retail therapy are a great way to start the day...we'll meet one of the boutique owners to give us an introduction to some great new Zealand labels and a guided tour through some of the best shops...a nice girly morning finishing with lunch.

Afternoon of spa treatments, for some, at the Hilton.

Late afternoon we'll head to the sensational Amisfield Winery on Lake Hayes to have a beautiful series of dishes featuring local produce with matched wines at their acclaimed restaurant. **B, L, D and spa treatment**

Day 3 - Tuesday 5th April

Breakfast in hotel

Bring your walking shoes for a spectacular morning walk around the lake, then a complete change of pace with a cooking demonstration and lunch at Wild Earth winery hosted by owner Quinton Quider.

In the afternoon we have a special visit to a winery in the Bannockburn region lined up.

Free evening for you to relax or go and explore Queenstown. **B, L, wine tasting**

Day 4 - Wednesday 6th April

Breakfast in Hotel

A day of beauty and some warm welcomes...we drive up over the Crown range to Wanaka...and head off on a spectacular walk around the lake to work up an appetite for lunch, which will be at a stunning lakeside restaurant with top local chef James Shipley who will give us a tour of his organic vegetable garden before we settle into a fabulous lunch.

As we return to Queenstown we will stop in at the famous fruit barn outside Cromwell for fresh fruit ice-cream...the best dessert ever!

Return to Hilton. Free evening. **B, L**

Day 5 - Thursday 7th April

Breakfast in hotel.

Today we drive to historic Arrowtown where we'll visit the workshop of NZ's top fashion designers at her home set in a lovely estate, then have a walk around the charming town full of quaint shops and galleries. Lunch at a local café.

We have arranged a late afternoon film at the luxurious boutique Cinema and Bar, Dorothy Browns, followed by dinner at a local restaurant. Return to hotel **B, L, D, movie**

Day 6 - Friday 8th April

Breakfast at Hotel.

Water taxi to town for an introduction to NZ art...we will do a bit of a gallery hop in Queenstown, through landscape to pretty homewares then have lunch at the popular Botswana Butchery.

Friday afternoon we have spa treatments booked at the hotel.

Free night tonight. **B, L**

Day 7 - Saturday 9th April

Breakfast at Hotel.

You have the day free to explore Queenstown or hire a bike from the Hilton and glide around the incredible lake on our doorstep. Some of our girls last time did a jet boat experience, one went ballooning....and we do love the luge track!

Free afternoon - Afternoon of spa treatments at Hilton.

Tonight is our last night and we plan to see you off in style at one of our favourite restaurants. Dress up. **B, D**

Day 8 - Sunday 10th April

Breakfast at hotel. Check out and say our goodbyes..... **B**

Group transfer to airport at: **12noon**

Cost: \$3995.00 per person twin share / Single Supplement \$700.00

Includes:

8 days, 7 nights of luxuriousness and pampering, 2 spa treatments, 7 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 4 dinners including wine, wine tastings and transport as per itinerary. (If you are out and about, transfer to hotel at your own expense. Hilton Queenstown run a shuttle service from town to the hotel. Airport transfers will be advised - we will do a group transfer on arrival and departure. If you arrive in Queenstown earlier or later and/or depart earlier/later, airport transfers will be at own expense).

Tariff does not include: Airfares, Gratuities, hotel mini bar, any extra spa treatments.

Your guides: Maeve O'Meara - Safaris director, devotee of good food, great pinot and golden experiences. **Kate Kennedy** - born and raised in beautiful New Zealand, Kate is works in the health sector and has helped to weave this perfect week in her homeland.

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