

BEACH IT 4 Days

(with options to take extended breaks)

Tour price - NZ \$690

includes transport, most meals,
shared tent accommodation
& much more...



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big adventure
small prices

Golden beaches and clear waters

wait for you on this fantastic loop exploring the far north

If you want to escape the city for a few days of fun in the sun then this trip is ideal. We enjoy warm waters, great beaches, superb rides and excellent walks on this great journey around the winterless North.

DAY 1: AUCKLAND – PAIHIA

Leaving Auckland at 10am we head to the "winterless north" and the pristine beaches of the Bay of Islands. We stop at the incredible Uretiti beach for a swim and a walk along the sand. Grab a rugby ball and frisbee off the bus and brush up on your passing skills at this picturesque beach spot. On arrival into Paihia, the gateway town to the Bay of Islands, choose from the Mangrove walk or a beautiful cycle to the thundering Haruru waterfall.

walks: mangrove walk to Haruru Falls - highly recommended
bike rides: Twin Coast Trail – 16km trail ride
activities (own cost): Waitangi Treaty House (Maori culture), twilight kayak
cabin upgrades: basic single from \$45, basic double from \$20pp - (limited rooms available!)
meals: dinner

DAY 2: PAIHIA

Experience a full day exploring the Bay of Islands and its turquoise waters. This subtropical region is the perfect playground for water lovers and a great place to soak up the sunshine. With a staggering 144 islands, the Bay of Islands offers diving, sailing, swimming and fishing along with some excellent walks in the native forests leading to quiet beaches and special views. This region is also home to some of the oldest European settlement in New Zealand and many historic buildings.

walks: scenic viewpoint or coastal walkway
bike rides: road cycling or Waitangi forest trail of varying lengths
activities (own cost): sailing, fishing, diving, dolphin swimming, kayaking, parasailing, Maori Culture
cabin upgrades: basic single from \$50, basic double from \$20pp - (limited rooms available!)
meals: breakfast & dinner

DAY 3: PAIHIA - OREWA

There is a day full of adventure ahead as we travel to the rugged and soulful West Coast. Our first stop comes with a chance to try your skills sand boarding or if you don't fancy heading down the sandy slopes there's a nice coastal walk. Then it's back on board as we head south towards the Waipoua Forest, travelling through the largest remaining tract of native kauri forests in northland. We leave the West Coast and cross back over to the East towards our final destination and camp for tonight, Orewa. Home to one of the Auckland regions longest and safest beaches it's a great place for a stroll and a swim, or relax at the local hot pools.

hikes: coastal walk to Omapere, walk amongst the Kauri trees of the Waipoua forest
bike rides: 32km road cycling, Twin Coast Cycle Way, Te Ara Tahuna Estuary Cycleway
activities (own cost): sand boarding, hot pools & slides
cabin upgrades: basic single from \$50, basic double from \$25pp - (limited rooms available!)
meals: breakfast & dinner

DAY 4: OREWA - AUCKLAND

Orewa is often blessed with a beautiful sunrise over the sea which is well worth the early start to check it out. Leaving early from camp we travel the short distance to Auckland arriving there by 9:30am where it's time to say our final farewells.

bike rides: 8km – Te Ara Tahuna Estuary Cycleway
meals: breakfast

Have more time?

Extend your trip by connecting with our Northern Light tour or Grand Traverse tours.

- contact one of our friendly team with any questions



"The only NZ operator top rated in
National Geographic's Best Adventure
Travel Companies on Earth and the
World Travel Awards."

Departs:

Auckland

You can take extended breaks anywhere along the way

Finishes:

Auckland

but contact us if it doesn't quite fit - we are flexible!

Groups:

Average around 18 per trip, max group size 26. You will be well looked after with 2 great guides on every trip

Fitness Level:

Suitable for all levels

Accommodation:

Camping in a carefully chosen selection of commercial sites. You can upgrade to a cabin or private room for a small fee (subject to availability).

Food:

We enjoy good food and supply tasty & healthy meals suitable for most diets + hot drinks - details on itinerary

Included:

All travel, shared tent accommodation (2 people per tent), side trips to remote areas & walking tracks, use of sports equipment on board, 3 x breakfasts, 3 x dinners & much more (see website for details)

Activities:

Bikes are available to hire. We enjoy great, free walks most days. Optional activities listed are not included but we do get some great group discounts + there are always free alternatives.

Tour price & optional upgrades:

Beach It tour 2018.19	\$690
Cycle hire for entire trip	\$80
Bring your own bike	\$30
Single tent upgrade	\$45
Sleeping bag hire	\$50

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Due to the nature of our trips itinerary details are subject to change to meet the needs of an individual group, adapt for weather etc. Full terms and conditions can be found at <https://flyingkiwi.com/other-bits-and-pieces/terms-and-conditions.html>

Beach It Route Map



our trips give you.....

- More national parks**
- More activities, hikes & bike rides**
- More value for money**
- More time in the best locations**
- More chances to get off the beaten track**
- Guaranteed departures**

Do I need to book my own accommodation?

No, all of the camp sites are pre- booked and reserved for your trip. We can help with booking accommodation pre and post tour if needed.

How do I upgrade to cabins?

Cabin upgrades can be pre-booked prior to your trip or each day on arrival into camp. If travelling during Dec, Jan, Feb we recommend pre-booking with us prior to travel as all cabin upgrades are subject to availability. To pre-book cabin upgrades there is an administration fee which is 10% of the total upgrade cost. There are 3 types of upgrades and approximate costs are:

Dorm bed / shared room

\$10 - \$20 per night (can only be booked on tour)

Private room with shared bathroom

\$45 per night (average cost for single room)

Private room with en-suite

\$95 per night (average cost for single room)

Can I hop-on and off the bus?

It is possible to take extended breaks at any point – buses go past every 9 days in the summer season so you can hop off for any increment of 9 days (9, 18, 27 days etc).

What is the average age of travellers on Flying Kiwi?

Flying Kiwi appeals to people of all ages. Most importantly it appeals to travellers who want to experience more off the beaten track locations, enjoy small group travel and are keen to try activities such as hiking, cycling, dolphin swimming and much more. Most people are between the age of 20 and 40 but we happily welcome travellers of all ages over the age of 10yrs.

How fit do I have to be?

You don't have to be super-fit to travel with Flying Kiwi – all walks, bike rides and activities are optional and they range from light strolls to full day hikes in Alpine terrain. Your driver or guide will discuss the level of fitness required.

Is it ok to travel alone on Flying Kiwi?

Flying Kiwi is perfect for people travelling by themselves.

I'm a vegetarian or have other dietary requirements – is that a problem?

No problem at all, we are used to catering for all kinds of dietary requirements. As we cook for ourselves we can easily accommodate your needs. Just let us know when you book.

Where can I charge my camera, phone, batteries, i-pod or MP3 player?

Charging facilities are available at the commercial campgrounds (most nights) and some buses are also able to charge appliances.

Is there mobile phone / wi-fi coverage?

Yes there is mobile phone and wi-fi coverage throughout the top of the north.

All images we use are taken by passengers – so what you see is what you get!

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