

Experience the beauty of the Bay of Islands

9 – 12 March 2021



Join us as we travel to our own Island paradise of golden, sandy beaches and charming towns.

On our first morning we board our cruise in Paihia and set off on a half-day Bay of Islands cruise in search of dolphins and other marine life. Enjoying the views from our catamaran Dolphin Seeker as we journey right to the end of the Cape Brett Peninsula, to the famous Hole in the Rock on Motukokako Island.

We then spend the afternoon and evening in Russell - a small town with a big history and discover why this charming town was once known as the 'Hell Hole of the Pacific'. We visit many historic locations and learn about the town's surprising past. This evening we enjoy dinner at the Duke of Marlborough in Russell. The following day we have a relaxing morning or maybe include a visit to Waitangi before our afternoon tour to Kerikeri discovering the history of this area and sampling local produce. We dine this evening at Charlottes Kitchen located on the Paihia Wharf with magnificent views out to the Bay. On Friday we return south via Matakana to enjoy our farewell lunch at Plume Restaurant.

4 Days from **\$1499*** per person share twin

Single supplement \$300* per person

Included:

Accommodation 3 nights – Kingsgate Hotel Autolodge Paihia

Coach transport throughout

Hole in the Rock Dolphin Cruise from Paihia returning to Russell

Russell Mini Tour and return ferry to Paihia

Discover Kerikeri afternoon tour

3 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 3 Dinners



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Itinerary:

Tuesday 9 March

Bay of Plenty to Paihia

Our coach departs the Bay at **9.30am** after collecting all our tour members for our travel to Paihia. We will stop firstly at the BRIDGE HOUSE LODGE in Warkworth for a delicious lunch (hot & cold drinks at own cost) in relaxing surroundings.

2.00pm After our lunch we continue north to Paihia in the Bay of Islands. After our arrival we will have time to relax before enjoying dinner at our hotel overlooking the beautiful bay.

Lunch at Bridge House Lodge Bar & Restaurant, Warkworth

Dinner at McKenzie's Restaurant & Bar

1 night accommodation Kingsgate Hotel Autolodge Paihia

Wednesday 10 March

Bay of Islands

8.45am After enjoying our breakfast at the Kingsgate we will be taken to Paihia Wharf for our morning Hole in the Rock and Dolphin Cruise. After our morning on the water we will disembark at Russell. Please choose which of the cafes to enjoy some lunch (at own cost) before we take a mid- afternoon mini tour of Russell which includes the points not easily accessed on foot.

We will have more time to stroll through the Russell township or just relax along the harbourfront before heading to the DUKE OF MARLBOROUGH where dinner is included this evening.

After dinner we will return to Paihia by ferry and a short walk to our hotel.

Breakfast at Kingsgate Hotel Autolodge

Dinner at Duke of Marlborough Russell

1 night accommodation at Kingsgate Hotel Autolodge Paihia

Thursday 11 March

Paihia and Kerikeri

After our breakfast, we have the morning to relax in Paihia or for those interested our coach will drive us around the bay to Waitangi to visit the Treaty House or simply to enjoy the views.

Time for an early lunch (at own cost) before our afternoon tour to Kerikeri.

1.00pm Depart Paihia. Discover some of Kerikeri's best keep secrets in this popular afternoon tour. Visit Ake Ake Vineyard and sample organic wines or organic coffee. Take a step back in time and learn of the history that makes this area famous, such as the Historic Stone Store and Kemp House. Then, see how chocolates are created at the boutique Makana Chocolate Factory.

This evening we stroll along to our dinner at CHARLOTTE'S KITCHEN in one of the best locations with a fabulous view right at the end of Paihia wharf.

Breakfast at Kingsgate Hotel Autolodge

Dinner at Charlottes Kitchen Paihia

1 night accommodation at Kingsgate Hotel Autolodge Paihia

Friday 12 March

Bay of Islands to Bay of Plenty

This morning following our breakfast we farewell this beautiful part of our country and head home. On our way south we divert to the lovely rustic town of Matakana to enjoy a farewell lunch at Plume Restaurant, a stylish winery restaurant featuring a seasonal, global menu & a patio overlooking the vineyards.

After our lunch we again board our coach for the homeward journey to Bay of Plenty.



***Terms and Conditions:** Deposit of \$350.00 per person is required at the time of booking for the tour. Full payment is now required at which stage the tour is non- refundable. Pricing is valid based on 30 passengers, should the final number fall below the required number the tour will be repriced. All payments are to be made by Direct Internet Banking or credit card. Credit Card payment will incur a 2.5% surcharge for Visa or MasterCard and 3% for Amex and Q Card. A FULL & COMPREHENSIVE Travel Insurance policy must be purchased at the time of paying your deposit. If unforeseen circumstances beyond our control require us to make necessary changes to your holiday, we reserve the right to cancel or reschedule departures and itineraries. When it is necessary to change a hotel or restaurant the company reserves the right to substitute accommodation or restaurant of at least a similar standard. It is our policy to try to present true costs of our holiday inclusive of all levies and surcharges. Please accept however that these taxes and levies are not within our control, therefore if a new tax, levy or surcharge is to be introduced or increased, we reserve the right to pass on any increase in cost. **Contact our YOU Travel expert, Alison Twist, for further details and our terms & conditions.**