

2018 TOP OF SOUTH (8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS)

INCLUDED IN THIS TOUR:

- Whale Watch Cruise, Kaikoura
- Blenheim Winery Visit & Tasting
- Greenshell Mussel Cruise, Marlborough Sounds
- Punakaiki (Pancake) Rocks
- Tranz Alpine Train (seat in coach only)

DAY 1 - ARRIVE CHRISTCHURCH

On arrival in Christchurch, 'The Garden City', seat in coach passengers will be met by our local representative and privately transferred to your hotel. Self drive passengers will collect your rental car at the airport and drive to your hotel.

DAY 2 - CHRISTCHURCH – KAIKOURA

Travel through North Canterbury before turning towards the coast and arriving in Kaikoura, a town steeped in Maori history and legend. Enjoy a Whale Watch experience by boat (weather permitting). You will have the opportunity to view the magnificent Sperm Whale as well as New Zealand's own tiny Hectors Dolphin, Fur Seals and Royal Albatross. (B)

DAY 3 - KAIKOURA - BLENHEIM

A leisurely start this morning before you continue north to Blenheim, the centre of the Marlborough region and New Zealand's most famous wine growing area. This afternoon is at leisure. (B)

DAY 4 - BLENHEIM - NELSON

Explore the Marlborough Wine Region this morning. For seat in Coach guests a win tasting is included before driving to Havelock marina. Join the Greenshell Mussel Cruise this afternoon (Both Seat in Coach and Self drive guests) before continuing to Nelson. (B)

DAY 5 - NELSON

At leisure to enjoy Nelson. Optional activities include a day excursion to Abel Tasman National Park or enjoy a visit to one of the many wineries in the region. Optional activities not included in the tour price. (B)

DAY 6 - NELSON - PUNAKAIKI

Travel across hill country today through the Buller Gorge to Westport and down the coast to the famous Punakaiki Pancake Rocks. (B)

DAY 7 - PUNAKAIKI – GREYMOUTH – CHRISTCHURCH

A short journey today to reach the town of Greymouth. Board the Tranz Alpine train (seat in coach passengers only) and travel through the rainforest of the West Coast to reach Arthur's Pass National Park and the Southern Alps, before descending through the rugged gorges of the Waimakariri and across the Canterbury Plains to Christchurch. (B)

DAY 8 - DEPARTURE DAY

Your arrangements conclude today with a departure transfer or the return of your rental car. We trust you enjoyed your Kiwiway Vacation! (B)



KIWIWAY RECOMMENDATION: ADD Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre of Day 3 ADD Day Trip to Abel Tasman National Park on Day 5