



8 DAY FIELDAYS 'CENTRAL NORTH'

Day 1 Tuesday 15th June 2010

ARRIVE AUCKLAND

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Welcome to New Zealand! **Meet and greet on arrival at Auckland International Airport** before being transferred to our hotel.

Day 2 Wednesday 16th June 2010

AUCKLAND – HAMILTON - ROTOURA

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Travelling through to Hamilton this morning, we commence a number of technical visits to the following Agricultural Industries office or sites, before heading to Rotorua for our first nights stay:

Waikato Milking Systems

Earning a reputation New Zealand wide and throughout the world for their work in research, design and manufacture of milking equipment. The company, incorporating Stainless Innovations Limited and Rotary Platforms New Zealand Limited, develops designs, manufactures and markets a comprehensive array of state-of-the-art milking systems and components.

Innovation Park

Waikato Innovation Park - New Zealand's growth hub for Ag-Biotech businesses. This is where leading primary sector science, technology and research meet the catalyst of entrepreneurship. The growth accelerants of resourcing and collaboration are married to a global pipeline of opportunities through strategic relationships with the regions most successful companies and multi-nationals such as TetraPak. The majority of business development activity is now focussed on supporting the transfer of low cost pastoral technology and systems to large scale foreign farmers.

Woodside Estate

Enjoy a luncheon amongst the tranquil lake and garden setting. Visit the Shunters Yard brewery on site as well.

Alexander Farm Property visit – "Hobbiton"

Arrive at a 500 hectare sheep and beef property in the Matamata region. The farm runs 4500 Romney ewes, 1500 replacements, 6500 lambs carried through to 12 months and 300 beef cattle. You may also recognize the farm if you are a Lord of the Rings fan as an area of this property was turned into "Hobbiton"! Talk with the farm owners about their farming enterprise and also their 'journey' into a very successful tourism product.

Day 3 Thursday 17th June 2010

ROTORUA – FIELDAYS - ROTOURA

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Travel to Hamilton for our first days visit to **Fieldays**, The largest farm show in the Southern Hemisphere, Fieldays is your chance to see New Zealand's most innovative farming products and technology all in one place. Fieldays has over 1,000 exhibitors and attracts more than 130,000 visitors over four days. Attend a **networking function**, (drinks and nibbles provided by Fieldays Society) with the **Fieldays Chairman** before commencing your return travel to Rotorua.



Day 4 Friday 18th June 2010

ROTORUA – FIELDDAYS – ROTORUA

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Travel to Hamilton for our second days visit to **Fieldays**, The largest farm show in the Southern Hemisphere. This afternoon we return to Rotorua. **Tonight we will be treated to a traditional Hangi (feast) and Maori concert.**

Day 5 Saturday 19th June 2010

ROTORUA

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After breakfast we venture back of the Mamaku Ranges for a morning farm visit.

Erena Organic Farm Visit

An 82ha organic Farm producing 74,000 kg m/s. Milking 215 cows at 1/cow to the acre. The farm was purchased in 2001 and became organic certify immediately. Learn about the transition from conventional to organic. The farm was awarded regional Dairy farm of the year 2008, also the Water Protection award in 2008 sponsored by Ballance Agri Nutrients Ltd. They enjoy a 20% premium payment as a Fonterra supplier.

Following this mornings farm visit your afternoon contains the following included leisure activities to enjoy:

Skyline Skyride & Gondola

Riding up the gondola to Skyline Skyrides you will have a spectacular view over Rotorua city, Lake Rotorua and Mokoia Island. Once at the top you will **ride the luge**, a 3 wheel cart using a unique steering and braking system as you hurtle down one of three luge tracks. At Skyline Skyrides you will also have a **buffet luncheon at the Cableway Restaurant**, famous for the best buffet in New Zealand – you decide for yourself!!

Rainbow Springs Kiwi Wildlife Park

Rainbow Springs offers a rare glimpse of a large range of trout, which are found in numerous pools throughout the park and illustrate the growth and life cycle of the fish. These are attractively located amongst native flora & fauna by following a winding path on a guided tour between the pools and incorporate two bird aviaries, juvenile and adult tuatara and kiwi house.

Te Puia

Stroll through the New Zealand Maori Arts and Crafts Institute and Whakarewarewa Thermal Valley featuring the famous Pohutu Geyser and bubbling mud pools on a guided tour of this extraordinary and infamous site.

Day 6 Sunday 20th June 2010

ROTORUA – TAURANGA

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Today we head through to the Bay of Plenty and Te Puke the Kiwifruit growing capital of the world.

Kiwi 360

We stop firstly at **Kiwi 360 a working Kiwifruit Farm** for 40 minute ride on a Kiwikart through a 13 ½ acre horticultural kiwifruit orchard. The orchard has 2900 female vines and produces between 50-55000 trays of fruit for export

Addison Family Farm visit (featuring 60 Bale rotary)

This property houses an iFLOW Platform with iNTELSCAN PLUS milk metering technology giving yield and conductivity information to the LIC management system called Protack. The iNTELSCAN PLUS system also has a cup remover lined to a smart cow restraint system. The milking plant and milk vat have an auto wash system to allow the plant to clean it self.

We then continue to Mt Maunganui and it's glistening white sandy beaches – very similar to the beaches of Surfers Paradise in Australia.



Day 7 Monday 21st June 2010

TAURANGA – AUCKLAND

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Before heading out of Tauranga we visit a very successful winery.

Mills Reef Winery

Here we learn of Mills Reef transition from being a Kiwifruit Wine maker to a now nationally recognised and award winning grape producing winery. This discussion will be presented by one of their acclaimed wine makers. You will also have the opportunity to try some of these award winning wines at their tasting room.

We then continue our journey north through the small settlement of Waihi, which houses New Zealand's largest open Gold Mine called '**Martha's Mine**' before heading over the famed Bombay Hills into the metropolis of Auckland city for our final nights stay.

Day 8 Tuesday 22nd June 2010

DEPART AUCKLAND OR FLY TO CHRISTCHURCH

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Commence your homeward bound flight or fly to Christchurch to join your South Island Tour extension.

TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- Meet and Greet on arrival in New Zealand
- Services of professional tour driver/tour manager
- 2 Days entry to Fieldays
- 7 Nights quality hotel/motel accommodation, twin/double rooms, (single rooms available with surcharge) all with private facilities
- Baggage assistance at each hotel
- Included Meals: Cooked Breakfasts (B), Lunch (L) and Dinners (D) where indicated on the itinerary
- Special Meal including: Maori Hangi and Concert – Rotorua
- All Tour Admissions as per itinerary
- Touring in modern air conditioned coach

TOUR PAYMENTS PER PERSON IN NEW ZEALAND DOLLARS

Share Twin Accommodation:	\$2,290.00
Single Supplement:	\$530.00
Deposit due at time of booking:	\$200.00
Balance of tour payment due on or before 7 th May 2010	



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